



## William Jay Tope, Jr.

September 12, 1931 - November 6, 2018

William Jay Tope Jr., 87, of San Antonio, passed away November 6 2018. An Army veteran, he worked as a construction estimator. Bill loved hunting, fishing, and sports, playing football overseas, bowling in the PBA Tucson Open, and coaching youth baseball. Bill is survived by Averill (his wife of 67 years), sons Lee (Lezlie), Dale (Elaine), Jay (Linda), Tom (Debbie), grandchildren Brad, Sel, Sarah, and great-grandchild Ally. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the American Cancer Society in his name are welcomed. Bill was most proud of his sons; each of them meant the world to him. He helped build many significant structures, including the Air Force Academy and Chapel in Colorado Springs, which is recognized to this day as one of the most beautiful buildings in the nation. His love of coaching little league for 14 years affected the lives of many youth in the 1960's and 70's, many who reached out to him over the years. His athletic prowess was amazing, as he succeeded in everything he attempted, whether it was amateur boxing, or bowling and golf, both of which he qualified for open tournaments. He served in the Korean War, but was stationed in Germany. He was a star running back for the U.S.

Army team that played exhibitions throughout Germany during a healing time in that country's history.

### SERVICES

Visitation takes place Sunday, November 11, 2018, 5:00-7:00 P.M. at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North, 3401 Cherry Ridge. Services begin Monday,

November 12, 2018, 12:00 P.M. at the Funeral Home Chapel. Interment with Military Honors will follow at Mission Retama Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Mission Retama Cemetery

15940 Lookout Road  
San Antonio, TX 78202  
(210) 967-4242  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge  
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr  
San Antonio, TX 78230  
(210) 349-1414  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

## Service

NOV 12. 12:00 PM (CT)

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San Antonio, TX 78230  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Such a sweet, modest man. I couldn't have asked for a nicer Uncle.  
Fly high & fly free in the arms of the Savior.  
Thinking of you, today...*

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