



William Earl Lake

November 7, 1937 - January 30, 2024

William Earl Lake Sr. passed away peacefully on January 30, 2024 at the age of 86 in Tallahassee, Florida.

William was born November 7, 1937 in Perth Amboy, New Jersey to Edward and Mildred Lake. William grew up in South Amboy, New Jersey and graduated from Hoffman High School. He was a graduate of Pennsylvania Military College and served as a First Lieutenant in the United States Army from 1960 - 1962. He was first stationed at Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey and then served in Seoul, Korea with the Army of Occupation.

William was a resident of Sayreville, NJ until after his retirement when he moved to Hobe Sound, FL. William was a Customer Service Director at Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company where he worked for 25 years. He also worked at E.I. DuPont at the Parlin, New Jersey plant for seven years before retiring in September, 1995. As a retiree, he enjoyed being a part-time substitute teacher in South Amboy, NJ.

William loved spending time with his family, and was an active member of the Elks Lodge in Sayreville, NJ. He enjoyed playing golf and taking boat cruises around the Barnegat Bay with family and friends. Many enjoyable nights were spent on the decks of Toms River or lanais of Hobe Sound with his favorite scotch and sharing human interest stories.

William is survived by his wife of 57 years, Margaret Grace Lake, who filled his life with love and laughter. He is also survived by his three children: Maggie Murray and her husband Paul, Bill Lake Jr and his wife Christina, and Eddie Lake and his wife Leanne. "Pop Pop Bill" is also survived by 7 grandchildren - Katie & Kellen (Maggie's), Cooper, Ava & Ella (Bill Jr's) and Jack & Lauren (Eddie's). He is preceded in death by his parents and brothers Donald and Peter Lake.

On March 1, 2024, at 11:00 AM, William will be buried at the National Cemetery in Tallahassee, FL, with a military memorial service and a celebration of life luncheon to follow. Todd Wahlquist is assisting the family with their arrangements (850-385-2193, www.bevisfh.com).

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Maureen And Roy lit a candle in memory of William Earl Lake* ”



Maureen and Roy - February 01, 2024 at 12:24 PM