



Harold "Mike" E. Brubaker

January 29, 1926 - February 5, 2017

Harold E. "Mike" Brubaker died peacefully in his sleep on February 5th at Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, PA where he resided for the past eight years. He was 91 years young.

Mike was born in Lancaster, PA to the late George (Carl) Brubaker and Grace Miller Brubaker on January 29, 1926. He was married to Jacquelyne "Jackie" Miesse Brubaker for 61 years, until her passing in 2013. Before moving to Elizabethtown, they lived in Lancaster and Millersville, PA.

Mike was the father of Lin Roussel (Jim), of Lititz and Jeff Brubaker of Millersville. Grandchildren are Jenna Neas (Matt), of Manheim, Brian Siegrist (Tania), of Lititz, Cheyenne Brubaker of Lancaster, Emily Roussel of Eagleville, and James Roussel of Lititz. Great Grandchild is Isaac Brubaker.

Mike attended McCaskey High School, and after graduating in 1943 as the class president, he enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps where he was selected and trained as a cryptographer in WWII. He served in Papua, New Guinea, the Philippines and Japan, earning 2 battle stars. He was an accomplished trumpet player influenced by musicians such as Doc Severinsen, Harry James and Chet Baker. He was also a champion table tennis player throughout the 1940's and 50's.

Mike graduated from Franklin & Marshall College in 1950 and was a member of Lambda Chi Fraternity.

After graduation, Mike was hired as a special agent for the Hartford Insurance Company, and subsequently became a partner in the Widmyer-Prangle Real Estate and Insurance Agency in Lancaster, PA. Later, he owned and operated The Brubaker Agency in Millersville, PA.

Mike and Jackie traveled the US and all over the world. They loved entertaining, playing Bridge, ballroom dancing and socializing with friends, as well as taking yearly trips to Mountain Springs Lake in the Poconos, Wildwood, NJ and Ocean City, MD with Lin and Jeff when they were young. Mike loved Big Band and Swing music, solving the New York Times crossword puzzle (in pen!), collecting coins and stamps, golf, writing witty and funny poems, and collecting vintage Mustangs. He loved to talk about "the old days", and cherished childhood memorabilia. Mike was quite the wordsmith, and would correct you in a minute for misuse of the English language!

A Celebration of Life will be announced and held at a later date and interment at Millersville Mennonite Cemetery will be private at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Masonic Village Children's Home, 1 Masonic Drive, Elizabethtown, PA 17022 in Mike's name.

Mike's family would like to thank Masonic Village for taking excellent care of their parents and making the last journey of their lives special, memorable and comfortable.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lin, my deepest sympathies to you on the passing of your father. My heart goes out to you, dearest friend. Please know that I am thinking of you and your family at this time.*

Christine Gable - February 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM