



Mr. Robert Edward Baird

September 23, 1928 - June 4, 2016

Robert Edward Baird, was born Robert William Compton on September 23, 1928 in Los Angeles, California to Audrey Otis Hayes Compton and Frank Edward Compton. He grew up in Boise, Idaho and was later adopted by his stepfather, John Vivian Baird and was renamed Robert Edward Baird. Bob enlisted in the Army in 1946 to support WWII recovery efforts. Bob worked as a smokejumper in the Idaho forestry service. He re-enlisted with the 82nd airborne out of Fort Benning as a 1st Lieutenant and served in combat during the Korean War Conflict. Bob was married in 1955 to his University of Idaho College sweetheart, the late Doris L. Condon of Lewiston, Idaho. Bob enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, card games, woodworking, and travel. He worked at Pope & Talbot and later joined Masonite Corporation in Chicago as a Senior VP of Corporate Real Estate. He obtained his MBA in finance from Northwestern University in Chicago. In retirement, Bob and Doris lived in Appleton, Wisconsin for over twenty years. Last year Bob moved to Roswell, Georgia and enjoyed his time with new friends at Brookdale. Bob is survived by his son, James Baird and his daughter, Nancy Faust (Jim), and six grandchildren, Tim, Katy (Chris), Kristen, Nic, Zach, and Jessa. He will be remembered fondly as a man with a ready sense of humor, a patient and kind father and grandfather, a dedicated patriot, and an honorable gentleman. The family would like to thank the caregivers and medical team at Halcyon Hospice in Atlanta for their compassionate care of our father during his final days.

The family will celebrate Robert's life at a private memorial service to be held in Idaho later this summer.

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Robert Edward Baird*

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