



Robert "Taffy" Tafejian

May 2, 1931 - July 15, 2014

Robert L. "Taffy" Tafejian passed away at his home on July 15, 2014. He was born May 2, 1931 in Chicago to Naomi and Thomas Tafejian. In 1948 the family moved to Santa Barbara CA where Bob finished his schooling, graduating from Santa Barbara High. After a short time at the old UCSB he enlisted in the US Air Force and joined the Air Force Band playing the French horn. As time went on he joined his father in Tafejian's Oriental Rugs. Music was a big part of Bob's life. He sang tenor with the Santa Barbara Choral Society where he met his future wife, Helen M. Canfield. They were married in 1957 and started their family, having 3 sons. In 1962 Bob was introduced to The Society for Barbershop singing and he enjoyed that hobby from then on. He loved golf and playing cards, bridge and poker. In 1977 he started Taffy's Pizza with a partner, the late Carlo Bottiani. Taffy's continues to be a popular restaurant in Santa Barbara.

In 2000 Bob and Helen moved to Olympia Washington to be near their sons and grandchildren. Bob is survived by his wife of 57 years, sons Robert T and John (Cheryl), grandchildren Jessica, Thomas, Melanie and Jacob, and great granddaughter, Courtney. Bob was preceded in death by his parents, his son David and sister Bonnie. He will be greatly missed by his family and all who knew him.

A Memorial Service is planned for August 9, 2014 at 2PM at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Olympia. Memories and condolences may be left at www.FuneralAlternatives.org. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Barbershop Harmony Foundation at : www.harmonyfoundation.org/donorinfo.aspx?id=3

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 9. 2:00 PM (PT)

Westminster Presbyterian Church
Olympia, WA