



Roland J. "Joe" Bilodeau

June 8, 1930 - April 3, 2016

Roland J. "Joe" Bilodeau passed peacefully away at home surrounded by family and friends on April 3, 2016. Joe was born on June 8, 1930 in Woonsocket , Rhode Island. He joined the Air Force in 1947 upon his graduation from high school and served his country until his retirement in 1967 having achieved the rank of Chief Master Sergeant. After retiring from the military he worked for Western Union, US Postal Service, US Government and EDS as a telecommunications specialist. He also spent 15 years volunteering for the Missionaries of Charity. He is predeceased by his first wife Elizabeth M. Bilodeau and his parents Blanche and Theodore Bilodeau. He is survived by his beloved wife Silvia Bilodeau, his daughter Yvette McCarter (Rob), stepsons Abdul Rauf, Hussien and Ahmed Subahi and a host of cousins, nieces and nephews. Relatives and friends may call at JEFFERSON FUNERAL CHAPEL, 5755 Castlewellan Dr., Alexandria VA on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 from 2-4pm and 6-8pm. Mass of Christian burial will be held at Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling Chapel, 310 Angell Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20032 Thursday, August 11, 2016 at 11 AM with interment to follow at Arlington National Cemetery at 3 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Capital Caring Hospice Services or Missionaries of Charity, 3310 Wheeler Rd. SE, Washington, DC 20032.

Tribute Wall



“ *Roland J. "Joe" Bilodeau*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



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“ *Yvette and the Bilodeau family: I was very saddened to learn of Joe's passing. Joe and Betty were a very important part of the DeGross family all the way back to when Joe and Betty were stationed in Saudi Arabia...that is when we first met them. What an awesome couple and wonderful family friends in the future years. Joe and Dad (Irv DeGross) were very close friends and coworkers. We enjoyed many Christmases with them at Scott AFB, IL, and many of those Christmases Joe's Mom was with them....it was always a wonderful time of the year. Betty and our Mom were very good friends for life. I always remember when Mom and Cindy went to Tinker AFB when you were born, Yvette. I believe Dad, Karen, and I came to pick them up and got to see you for the first time. You were the light of your Dad and Mom's life and I know you have made them very proud of you!! My love and prayers are with you at this very difficult time. Always know that your Dad is loved and will be missed!!*

April 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Yvette, I wanted you to know how sorry I am to hear about your dad. We first met your mom and dad at Dhahran In the late 50's. I was only 8 or 9 but I have wonderful memories of Joe and Betty. They always called me Peanut. When we were transferred to Scott AFB we only lived a block away and I use to stay with your mom when Joe went TDY. We were all so thrilled when you came along. By that time they were living at Tinker AFB. My mom and I went out there for a couple weeks to help Betty take care of you. I loved your Dad and Mom very much and I know my dad(Irv DeGroff) will miss talking to him. They were both very special people. Cindy Phillips

April 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ I will miss most the talks and yes arguments that we had sitting at the kitchen table on topics from A-Z. Joe's generosity and kindness was amazing with the perfect solution to any \"fixable\" situation, particularly sharing many of his finds that \"everyone should have one of these.\" Joe had several nicknames for me but my most favorite was Friend. We have truly lost a very special person who touched so many lives, but there is such comfort in knowing that he is right where he belongs: running the \"Fix - It\" Shop in Heaven. My thoughts, love and prayers are with you Silvia and Yvette and all of those who loved him. Lo Ann

April 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ our thoughts and prayers are with Yvette and the bilodeau family.we cherish all our many fond memories together with joe and bet. may he rest in peace. one of my best buddies. irv

April 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *With deepest sympathy. I feel blessed that I met him and I will miss him.*

Catherine Osman

April 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM