

Obituary

Died: Thursday, January 29, 2015

Gilbert Robert John Gilbert, born July 27, 1926, son of Rose Ellen Brinkley and Jessie J. Gilbert in Farmersville, Ohio, died January 29, 2015 at Kobacker House Hospice, in the loving care of his family. Bob was a graduate of Johnsville-New Lebanon (Dixie) High School. Loving husband, father, grandfather and proud great-grandfather. Bob was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 48 years, Suzanne Sotherland, mother Rose, father Jesse, brothers Conrad Jesse Gilbert, of Columbus, Donald Frank Gilbert, of West Alexandria and Dixon H. Gilbert, of West Carrollton, Ohio. Survived by his daughter, Robin Gilbert, of Columbus, Ohio; son, Kevin (Janis) Gilbert, of Lexington, KY; granddaughter, Haley Gilbert (Ryan) Lawson; and great-granddaughter, Vera Kate Lawson, of Paris, KY; sisters-in-law, Betty Robinson and Sally Gilbert; numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, great-grandnieces and great-grand-nephews, cousins and dear friends. Bob started his professional life as the publicity and advertising director for the Dayton RKO theaters (Keith's, Colonial and State) in the 1940's. He served as Protocol Officer at Headquarters Air Force Logistics Command, WPAFB from 1951 until retirement in May of 1976. He was Chief of Protocol at HQ AFLC at the time of his retirement. Bob was awarded 2 Meritorious Civilian Service Medals during years of service at HQ AFLC. Bob and his wife Suzanne were co-owners of the Bottleworks Antiques in Westerville, Ohio, for 30 years. His prayer was "Let me live my life in such a way that people will miss me when I am gone rather than being happy I have left." This world is a better place because he was here and a much sadder one now that he is gone. We love you very much dad and will miss you every day. A memorial celebration will be held at a future date. Arrangements by NOVAK FUNERAL HOME, 4476 N. High Street, Columbus, OH 43214

Service Summary

Funeral Service

Location: - *Not available* -