



Andrew Kovall

April 15, 1928 - April 8, 2018

Andrew Kovall, 89, of North Versailles, Pennsylvania, passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 8, 2018. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, veteran, scholar, and friend. Andrew was born April 15, 1928 in Linn, Pennsylvania. He is preceded in death by his parents Susanna and John Kovall, and his siblings John, Andrew, Michael, Paul, George, Pete, and Susanna. He devoted his life to public service. Andrew joined the Army in 1946 and spent much of his six years of active duty service in Asmara, Eritrea in East Africa, a place he held near to his heart until his last days, even taking a trip back in 1995. After his time in the Army, he joined the Navy Reserves, serving 22 more years to his country. Andrew worked for the state of Pennsylvania as a vocational rehabilitation counselor for 30 years in Pittsburgh and McKeesport. He was a member of the American Legion and VFW and served as an usher at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church. Andrew considered himself a renaissance man who enjoyed reading, tailoring, painting, tinkering, and especially gardening. He challenged his mind throughout his lifetime, learning new languages, taking college courses in his retirement, and doing the daily crossword in red pen. He had a great love of music that he passed on to his children and grandchildren. Never having met a stranger, Andrew loved conversing with everyone around him. He most loved spending time with his family. Andrew is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Virginia; daughter Carolyn (Robert) Brown; son Robert (Sandra) Kovall; granddaughter Chelsea (Tommy); grandsons Evan, Michael, Matthew, and Mitchell; great-granddaughter Grace; and many nieces and nephews. A memorial mass will be held on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at 12:30 pm at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church, 1313 Fifth Avenue, East McKeesport, PA. Interment will be private. Arrangements handled by the Forgie-Snyder Funeral Home, 1032 Broadway, East McKeesport, 412-823-8083. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Disabled American Veterans P.O. Box 14301 Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301. For online condolences please visit www.snyderfuneralservices.com.

Events

MAY **Service** 12:30PM - 01:15PM

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St Robert Bellarmine Church

1313 5th Ave, East McKeesport, PA, US, 15035-1603

Comments



“ Sorry to hear of the passing of Andy. He was a good friend for many years at the McKeesport reserve center and a good chief. He was always friendly and willing to help in any situation. It was always interesting in hearing what Andy had to say. It was my pleasure to have served with Andy. He will surely be missed. May he have fair winds and following seas. God bless you all.

Jim Barnes
OSC Retired

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