



Mr. Richard L. Pearce Sr.

June 1, 1923 - January 5, 2017

Richard Lee Pearce, Sr. of Saratoga, California died Thursday at Valley Medical Center in San Jose, California. Born June 1, 1923 in Oak Park, Illinois, son of Glen and Eliza Sheadel Pearce, he was a 1942 graduate of Ladysmith High School and a 1949 graduate of the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wisconsin.

Upon graduating high school, Mr. Pearce enlisted in the U.S. Army Air Corps where he served as a radio mechanic in the 2nd Fighter Squadron, 52nd Fighter Group stationed in N. Africa and Italy during the WWII air offensive in Europe.

After discharge in 1945, he attended college at the University of Wisconsin, graduating in 1949 as an Electrical Engineer. He was employed by the General Electric Company for 34 years, retiring in 1984.

Locally, he was a member of the Berkshire Hills Country Club, the General Electric Athletic Association, and the Dalton American Legion Post 155. In 2004, he relocated to Saratoga, California where he enjoyed playing golf and watching his grandsons' sporting events.

Mr. Pearce was predeceased by his wife, the former Mary Nascimento, whom he married on October 11, 1952 in St. Mary's Church; she passed away on January 29, 2004. He leaves a daughter, Patricia Palmer of Ashburn, Virginia; a son, Rick Pearce of Saratoga, California and a brother, Roger Pearce of Manassas, Virginia. He was the beloved grandfather of Ryan and Kevin Palmer, Taylor and Ricky Pearce, and great grandfather of Charlie Pearce.

Funeral Notice:

Funeral services for Richard Lee Pearce, Sr. will be Saturday, January 14, 2017, at 9:45 a.m. at the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North St., Pittsfield MA with the Rev. A. Peter Gregory, pastor of St. Charles Church, officiating. Burial with full military honors will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery. Calling hours at the funeral home will be Friday, January 13, 2017 from 4 to 7 pm and there will also be a short time of visitation prior to the service on Saturday from 9 to 9:45 am. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the American Heart Association, care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, in his memory. DONATIONS CANNOT BE MADE ONLINE, but may be made through the Dwyer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

222 Peck's Rd.
Pittsfield, MA 01201

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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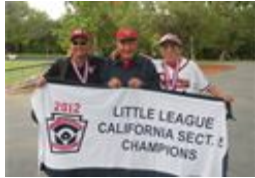
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