
Rodney Hugh "Spike" Powell

Rodney Hugh "Spike," Powell, 86, of Avon Park, Fla., formerly of Rochester, went home to the Lord Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2014.

Spike was born in Akron, Ohio, on March 16, 1928, to Paul and Helen (McDonald) Powell. Spike was a veteran of the [Army](#) Special Service Division from 1946-48. He married Patty Thomas and they were later divorced. He played professional baseball, and later owned Powell & Sullivan clothing store and the Machine Shed in Rochester, which he sold and retired from in 1988.

Spike was a member of the Rochester Eagles, Elks and the Chamber of Commerce, life member and charter member of the Rochester Sertoma Club and was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 21 of Rochester for more than 50 years. He also belonged the Avon Park American Legion.

In 1989, he married Elaine Sibley; they moved to Avon Park, Fla., and retired there. After retirement he worked at the Sun N Lake Golf Course in Sebring, Fla., for 13 years. He volunteered for his church and at the Church Service Center. He enjoyed fishing, gardening and hunting. He loved the outdoors and puttering around in his yard in his flowers.

Spike is survived by his wife, Elaine; children, Peggy (Jim) Geyer, Gary and Clark Powell, Rod (Chatie) Powell and Lee (Cindy) Powell; stepchildren, Kia (Steve) Hackman and Jason Sibley; brother, Bob (Roberta); sister-in-law, Dorothy; grandchildren, Chad, Karrie, Alex, Tyson, Marshall, Jacob and Emily; and he was blessed with great-grandchildren, Oliver, Stella, Landon, Peyton and Dylan.

He was predeceased by his parents and brother, Jack.

Family will celebrate the life of Rodney Hugh Powell with a memorial service including military honors beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 22, at Union Congregational in Avon Park, Fla.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be sent to the Union Church or the Church Service Center, both in Avon Park.

Memorial arrangements are under the loving devotion of Michael A. Brochetti Funeral Home, 404 Plaza Ave., Lake Placid, FL 33852, 863-465-9997.

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