IN MEMORY OF

KEITH ROLAND WILLOUGHBY

Obituary for Keith Willoughby

Keith R. Willoughby, 91, formerly of Colby, Kansas and living in Basehor, KS, passed away Monday at his home October 26th, surrounded by loved ones. Memorial services will be at 1:00 pm, Friday, Nov. 20, 2015 at the Alden-Harrington Funeral Home in Bonner Springs, KS with committal to follow in the Leavenworth Veteran's Administration National Cemetery in Leavenworth, KS. Friends may call at the visitation from Noon to 1 pm, prior to the service at the funeral home on Friday, Nov. 20th. The family suggests memorial contributions to the Salvation Army or the charity of your choice.

He is survived by wife Patricia, daughter Gina Palmgren of Liberal, KS and sons Keith Willoughby Jr. of Bucyrus, KS and Jim Willoughby of South Jordan, UT. He is also survived by his brother, Rodney Willoughby, of Sedgewick, KS. Beloved granddad to Staci, Erica, Elizabeth, Jennie, Jamie, Ashley, Laurel, Dylan, Hannah, Sarah, Nicole and great-grandfather to 13. Keith was born Mar. 18, 1924, in Augusta, KS to the late Claude and Neva Willoughby, enlisted in the Army Air Corps shortly after high school graduation in 1942. Trained as a B-24 pilot, he flew 35 missions over Europe. Following military service, he married Betty June Erdman in Walla Walla, WA and they moved to Kansas. He graduated from Wichita University and the University of Kansas Law School receiving his law degree in 1951. He moved his young family to Colby, Kansas, and began practicing law. He served as county attorney, attorney for Colby Community College and City Attorney at various times. In January 1978, Keith R. Willoughby was appointed District Judge for the 15th Judicial District, which covered Cheyenne, Sherman, Wallace, Rawlins, Thomas, Logan and Sheridan Counties in Northwest Kansas. He served as administrative judge for these counties until his retirement in 1993. In 1990, Keith married Patricia Fogo of Colby, KS. They moved to Basehor, KS in 2009. Arr. Alden-Harrington Funeral Home 913-422-4074

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