## Albert Ganem(1926 - 2015)



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Albert "Al" Ganem passed away peacefully on July 4th at the UCSF Medical Center surrounded by his loving family at the age of 89. Born on May 31, 1926 to Peter and Mary Ganem, both of Damascus, Syria, Al grew up in Detroit, Michigan before the family moved out West in 1935. Settling in San Francisco, Al attended Roosevelt Jr. High and continued on to Washington High School, graduating in 1944. Three months after graduation, he enlisted in the United States Army and was stationed in Germany until 1946. Upon his return. Al traded in his Army helmet for his baseball cap and resumed his

position at 3rd base.

Scouted by the Cincinnati Reds Farm Team, Al played four years of semi-pro baseball before giving up the game to return to school back in San Francisco. First attending CCSF, Al received his degree in Accounting from USF in 1954. Shortly after, he met the love of his life, Jeannette Bacho. The two married on August 1, 1954 at Notre Dame des Victoires.

Al worked for Eisleman Distributing Company for several years before opening his own business, Shoes for All Reasons, in 1978, from which he retired in 2012. In the later years of their marriage, Al and Jeannette enjoyed their time traveling together throughout Europe and the Mediterranean. When he wasn't spending time with his family, especially his four grandchildren, Al could be found on the tennis court or golf course. Wherever he went, his generous nature, caring heart and great sense of humor followed him.

Devoted husband of over 60 years to Jeannette; cherished father to Janelle (Stephen) Feiner; Christopher Ganem, Andrée Ganem and Audette (Jeff) Columbini; adored grandfather, "Poppy," to Genevieve, Benjamin, Gianna and Nicholas; loving brother of Emily Lowther and the late Louie Ganem and Josie Moretto.

Friends and family are invited to attend a Mass and Celebration of Al's life, Tuesday, July 14, 2015 at 10:00am at St. Emydius Church, 286 Ashton Ave., (at De Montfort) SF 94112. Interment Holy Cross Cemetery. Donations may be made in Albert Ganem's memory to St. Emydius Church.



Funeral Home

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