

*In Memoriam***Judge David Roberts**

David Lawrence Roberts, 81, born September 15, 1935 in Mesa AZ, passed away October 12, 2016, 2nd child of Howard LaVarr and Margaret Standage Roberts. David married Junith Dawn Hancock June 17, 1955, in the Mesa Arizona Temple. He graduated MHS in 1953, received a Bachelor of Science degree (with distinction) in Accounting from ASU in 1960, was a CPA, and received a Doctorate of Law degree from U of A in February 1961, graduating top in his class.

He practiced law with Johnson, Shelley & Roberts for 20 years, was Mesa Assistant City Attorney for 19 years, President of Mesa Kiwanis Club, and served as Maricopa County Superior Court Judge for 20 years. He was an accomplished dancer, pianist and gardener, and was well known for his "Mr. Rogers" impersonations. Family and Church service were his life. He was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, had a strong testimony of the Gospel and served as President of the Mesa North Stake for 9 years.

David served a 2-year mission in the Northwestern States and served with his wife Junith as full-time missionaries in Albania. They both served together at the Mesa Regional Family History Center, and later served together as Area Family History Advisors. David also served in the Mesa Temple as an ordinance worker and sealer. David is preceded in death by his parents and two grandsons.

He is survived by his wife Junith of 61 years; 10 children, Linda Kennedy (Terry), Barbara Porter (Ryan), Donna Millett (David), Douglas Roberts (Pam), Brenda Hatch (Joe), Russell Roberts (Teresa), Stanley Roberts (Crissie), Daniel Roberts (Susanne), Sharla Jordan (John), Spencer Roberts (Brandy); 45 grandchildren; and 29+ great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his brothers, Howard Jr. and Stephen, and sisters, Anne Berryman, Jane Millett and Kristen Rogers.

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### **Judge Tom O'Toole**

Hon. Thomas William O'Toole of Phoenix, Arizona passed away October 13, 2016 at age 78. Born April 12, 1938 in Marshalltown, Iowa, Judge Thomas W. O'Toole (Tom) was the first of four sons born to Dr. Roger L. O'Toole and Emily Fisher O'Toole Cartwright. A long-time resident of Phoenix, Tom moved to the valley in 1956 prior to attending the University of Notre Dame (Economics, 1960). Following his degree from the University of Arizona Law School (1966), Tom served Arizona as Assistant Federal Public Defender (1971-1976) and Federal Public Defender for the District of Arizona (1976-1984), notably arguing a case before the United States Supreme Court in 1977.

As a testament to his stewardship and integrity, Tom was appointed Judge, Maricopa Superior Court by Governor Bruce Babbitt in 1984, where he continued to serve Arizona for 24 years until retirement in 2008. His peers remember him as a fair and compassionate jurist of balanced moral character, administering justice fairly and efficiently. Outside the courtroom, Tom was proud to officiate numerous weddings and boasted of his high "success rate".

He was a one of a kind family man who brought a quiet sense of joy and peace to all who knew him. This past summer, he and his wife, Elaine, celebrated 50 years of marriage, surrounded by their children and grandchildren on an Alaskan cruise. Family & friends remember him as a loving husband, caring father, devoted Catholic, superb athlete, and Good Samaritan, who championed humanitarian causes such as: Boys Hope Girls Hope of AZ, Forest Highlands Foundation (Flagstaff), Notre Dame Law School Advisory Council, and Martha-Ellen Tye Foundation (Marshalltown, IA).

As a sportsman, Tom was a naturally gifted and fiery competitor. Though he never 'shot his age', nor did he ever have a hole-in-one, Tom was a life-long lover of golf. Key to his magnetism was Tom's dry sense of humor. He surely would be noting that the Notre Dame Football team is on a bye week for his funeral. Captain of his own ship, many sought his counsel in times of distress, his character always a 'sturdy rudder' for those in need.

Preceded in death by his parents, as well as his brother John T. O'Toole, Tom is survived by his wife, Elaine Senini O'Toole, his two brothers, Dennis O'Toole (Trudy) and Michael O'Toole (Noreen), his 4 sons, Nicholas (Megan), John (Sofía), Ryan (Minjeong) and Matthew (Anna), and 4 grandchildren, Lulu, Carleton, Velouria and Simón Tomás.

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