

Rene Rodigou(1921 - 2015)



Rene Jean Rodigou

7/17/21 - 10/28/15

San Francisco has lost one of its most cherished native sons after 94 wonderful years. Born at the French Hospital and raised in the French community in The Richmond. Fiercely loyal to both his French and American heritage. Schooled at Alamo, Presidio, and Washington where he forged lifelong friendships. Joined the United States Marine Corps without hesitation when called in time of war. Served honorably with the First Marine Division and twice wounded while liberating the South Pacific. Returned home to meet fellow Marine and love of his life at The Marine Corps Club. Married at Star of the Sea in 1949. Called back to service during the Korean War. Was spared deployment overseas at the last minute owing to his Purple Hearts. Purchased the family home in The Sunset. Worked tirelessly as a plumber and Holy Name parishioner, but most importantly as an extraordinary husband and father. A master of work-life balance who exhibited an enviable joie de vivre that was uniquely his.

Enjoyed his well-earned retirement cruising with Mom and friends, trips to France, mad cycling, and regaling his grandchildren. Served at St. Anthony's Dining Room for nearly twenty years while also caring for Mom until her death in 2012. A life of service, friendship, and commitment as evidenced by his memberships in Local 38, La Ligue Henri IV, Lafayette Club, FAC, St. Vincent de Paul, Knights of HN, and The Marine Corps League.

Kind and gracious to the end, Dad will be sorely missed by his five children and their spouses, six adoring grandchildren, a niece and nephew, relatives in France, and a vast community of friends too numerous to mention.

Our thanks to Dr. Squires for his many years of personalized care for both Mom and Dad, the staff of Sutter Care at Home, and especially our dear caregivers from Irish Help at Home. Visitation at 4:15 PM followed by a Memorial Mass at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, November 17th at Holy Name, 1555-39th Ave. Dinner reception to follow at the UICC, 2700-45th Ave. In lieu of flowers, Dad would appreciate a donation to St. Anthony's Dining Room, 150 Golden Gate Ave., SF 94102.

Semper Fi

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