



Rupert James Groh Jr.

December 5, 1933 - April 5, 2019

Honorable Rupert James Groh Jr, age 85, of Oro Valley, AZ died Friday, April 5, 2019, in Tucson, AZ. He was born on December 5, 1933 in Richland Center, WI the son of Rupert James Sr & Sadie Lenora (Mathews) Groh. On June 14, 1958 he married Evelyn Theresa Rausch in Richland Center, WI. Rupert graduated from Ripon College in 1955 and Graduate of Law from Marquette University in 1960. Trial Attorney Civil Rights and Tax Division US Dept. of Justice 1960-65; Vice President and General Counsel for Benefit Trust Life Ins. Co. 1965-69; Partner Wildman, Harrold, Allen and Dixon, Chicago, ILL 1969-75; Prof. of Law, Asst. Dean University of the Pacific, Sacramento, CA, 1975-84; magistrate judge U.S. District [Western District] Wis., Madison, 1984-91, then in U.S. District Court [Central District] Calif., L.A., 1991-1999. 1st Lt. USAR, 1955-63, Mil. Intelligence. Rupert enjoyed raising four boys with his wife Evelyn, reading, bridge, poker, gardening, and genealogy and tennis, member of ABA, Navy League.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn Groh of Tucson, AZ; 4 sons, Rupert James (Kristi) Groh III of Thousand Oaks, California, Thomas Mathieu (Kim) Groh of Tucson, AZ, Jonathan Carson (Anne) Groh of Jacksonville, FL, and Peter Christian (Inga) Groh of Roswell, GA; grandchildren, Briana Marie, Emily Page, Jonathan Eliot, John David, Jacob Mathieu, Teagan Elizabeth and Attison James.

He was preceded in death by his parents; older brothers, Arthur and Robert.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Monday, April 15, 2019 at 11:00 AM at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church with Monsignor Roger Scheckel officiating. Burial will be held in the Basswood Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Sunday, April 14, 2019 at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM with a Rosary to be held at 3:30 PM. Visitation will also be held on Monday, April 15, 2019 at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church from 10:00 AM until the time of services. www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Basswood Cemetery

30274 County Hwy E
Muscodas, WI 53573
Pam Hanson

Previous Events

Rosary

APR 14. 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Clary Memorial Funeral & Cremation Service, LLC
26777 Jelland Drive
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Visitation

APR 15. 10:00 AM - 10:55 AM (CT)

St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church
160 West 4th St.
Richland Center, WI 53581
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Funeral Mass

APR 15. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I was Judge Groh's judicial extern in USDC Los Angeles 1996. He was a great legal scholar and a very kind gentleman. His words stay with me. My deepest sympathy to your family.



Marissa Leong - January 14 at 01:50 PM



“ Robert Johnson lit a candle in memory of Rupert James Groh Jr.



Robert Johnson - April 17, 2019 at 03:49 AM



“ I was Judge Groh's final law clerk in Madison. I will always remember his kindness in inviting me to join him and his wife to one of Madison's famous Friday night fish fries. I also benefited from several delicious meals in the Groh's home. He also shared tales of his time in the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division at the height of the Civil Rights movement Judge Groh was the first of several federal judges I worked for during my career, he set the high benchmark standard for federal legal work by which I judged all subsequent federal judges work. His family and friends have my deepest condolences and will be in my prayers.

Robert Johnson - April 17, 2019 at 03:48 AM



Lovely picture! Our loss, heaven's gain! I remember Uncle Jim once told me how he always tried to carry some change with him on his work commute on public transportation because he always wanted to have something to give the people who asked for money.

Jennifer Laub Tran - April 07, 2019 at 06:20 PM