

## Robert Huebert, 79

Aug. 20, 1935 - July 31, 2015

**PANAMA** — Robert Lawrence Michael Huebert, son of Joseph and Josephine (Windeshaugen) Huebert, was born on August 20, 1935 near Panama. He was baptized, received his first Holy Communion and was confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama. He attended and graduated from St. Mary's Catholic School also in Panama.

Bob then joined the United States Air Force on March 7, 1955 served his country honorably for twenty-six years achieving the rank of Chief Master Sergeant. During his time in service, Bob spent eleven years in the precision photo process field, supervising labs with as many

as 125 people assigned. He performed these duties at several bases in the Conus, Hawaii and Europe. Prior to this, he was an Aerial Gunner on B-52's and B-36's for fifteen years where he was assigned to several bases in the Conus and Western Pacific. During the Vietnam War, he flew 239 Combat missions over North and South Vietnam.

June 8, 1974, Bob was united in marriage to Ruth Ann Wagner at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Panama. After their marriage, Bob and Ruth resided at Bellevue, NE where Bob was stationed at Offutt Air Force Base. On June 1, 1975, Bob was assigned to the Royal Air Force Base in Alconbury England where Bob, Ruth and their first born daughter Kathryn lived in an English Village outside the base. In December of 1975, Air Force duties sent them to Weisbaden Air Base in Germany where their second daughter Anne was born at the United States Air Force Hospital.

Kate had serious heart surgery in 1976, so to receive better medical care the family returned to Bellevue where he was reassigned to Offutt Air Force Base until June of 1978 when he was then assigned to Hickman Air Force Base in Honolulu, HI. They remained there until February of 1981 when he returned to Offutt for his retirement on April 1, 1981. Bob and Ruth wanted to return to their roots in Panama where they could raise their daughters. He then went to work as an Insurance agent and owner of the Panama Insurance Agency until his retirement in 2001 and this has been his home since that time. He and Ruth were active in Panama as well as with St. Mary's Catholic Church. Bob died on July 31, 2015 at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, NE having attained the age of seventy-nine years, eleven months and eleven days.

In addition to his parents, Bob was preceded in death by brother Harold and his wife Gladys Huebert and his brothers-in-law, Jack Cormaci and Jim Myers. He is survived by his wife, Ruth Ann Huebert of Panama; his daughters: Kathryn Ann Huebert of Panama and Anne Elizabeth Cundiff of Waukee; his sisters Trix Cormaci of Omaha, NE and Tedde Myers of Colorado Springs, CO; nieces and nephews; other relatives and many friends.

Rev. David Smith, S. J. celebrated the 11:00 am Mass of Christian Burial on Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church in Panama. Military Rites were performed at St. Mary's Cemetery in Panama.



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