



Robert Eugene "Bob"/ "Mac" McNutt

September 7, 1936 - November 14, 2018

Robert Eugene ("Bob" / "Mac") McNutt, 82, of Manteno, passed away peacefully on Wednesday (November 14, 2018) at Illinois Veteran's home – Manteno.

He was born on September 7, 1936, in Ramsey, Illinois, and was the son of Nelson and Virginia McNutt who preceded him in death.

Robert married Inge Frey on November, 25th, 1965 in Bad Kreuznach, Germany. They were happily married for 51 years. She preceded him in death in April of 2017.

Robert lived in St. Elmo, Illinois from 1940-1950. He then moved to Kankakee, Illinois with his family and worked at Piggly Wiggly and Marycrest Bowling Alley during his high school years. Robert graduated from Kankakee High School in 1955. He then worked at Ford Motor Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

In November of 1959, Robert was drafted into the U.S. Army where he served as a Staff Sergeant in charge of the motor pool. Robert proudly served his country for 14 years in both Korea and Vietnam. Unfortunately while serving, Robert was in a near fatal accident and was honorably discharged soon after. Robert then went to work at the Kankakee County Courthouse without complaint until he retired in 1998.

Robert was a very kind and caring person with a gentle nature. His hobbies over the years included: fishing, woodworking, watching action, western, and war movies, playing dominoes, coin collecting, shopping, going to Walmart on

Friday nights with family, tinkering with electronic gadgets, and traveling to Wisconsin, Ohio, and West Virginia to see family. Robert loved to reminisce about his childhood and tell stories about his time in the Army to anyone who would listen.

Robert loved spending time with his family, which included five grandchildren and one great-grandchild whom he had not had the pleasure to meet. He was their loving, kind, humorous, and helpful Papa. Christmas Eve was eagerly looked forward to by everyone at Nana and Papa's house. You knew if you ever needed a battery, flashlight, tool, or just someone to talk to that "Dad" , "Papa", was there for you! Some sound advice he gave to others was, "Take it easy" and "Play it cool."

Surviving are three daughters: Mary McNutt of Kankakee, Carol (Ben) Meyer of Virginia, Terry (Matt) Kolwelter of Wilmington; five grandchildren: Christopher Meyer of Virginia, Lauren (David) Addison of Virginia, Stephanie Meyer of Virginia, Savannah (Chad) Casey of California, Mitchell Kolwelter of Wilmington; one great-grandson, Owen Meyer of Virginia; sister Belinda (John) Jones and brother James (Patti) McNutt, all of Bourbonnais; four nephews: Ryan Jones, Jeff Jones, J.J. McNutt, and Kevin McNutt; and one niece, Ginnie White. His best friend from childhood, Brenton "Butch" Jones also survives.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by one son, Bernd Hinz.

Cremation rights have been accorded. Interment for both Robert and Inge McNutt will be at 10:00 A.M. December 21, 2018 at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, Illinois. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Disabled American Veterans or the Illinois Veterans Home in Manteno, Illinois in Robert's name.

Robert's humor, smile, laughter, kindness, wit, and bravery will live on in our memories of him.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Tribute Wall

MM

“ *Mary McNutt sent a virtual gift in memory of Robert Eugene "Bob"/ "Mac" McNutt*



Mary McNutt - March 15, 2021 at 04:01 AM

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“ *Mary McNutt lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene "Bob"/ "Mac" McNutt*



Mary McNutt - March 15, 2021 at 03:22 AM

CA

“ *Robert E. McNutt, My hero! My dad❤️ . You were the kindest, sweetest, most wonderful Man I have ever known. I will never forget your humor, your talks about your childhood and your memories of your time in the army. You always had time for me and taught me so much ! You went through a lot and never complained. Take it easy. Play it cool. Your sound advice, I won't forget. Thanks for always making me smile! Rest in peace in heaven with mom dad. I love you both❤️❤️.*



Carol - January 28, 2019 at 07:19 PM

BJ

“ Oh, the memories we shared as high school chums. whether working, swimming, or hanging around uptown on the square. We were as one in our thoughts. Although we drifted apart after you entered the service you were always in my thoughts as was your family. "RIP my friend". And thank you for your service. God speed.

Brenton Jones - December 21, 2018 at 07:27 AM

CA

Thank you Brenton, your words are so kind! Must have been so wonderful for you both to have a true friend in each other growing up. Friendships like this are rare. Warms my heart to know what great friends you were to each other. God bless you always.

Carol - January 28, 2019 at 07:26 PM

GW

“ Ginnie White lit a candle in memory of Robert Eugene "Bob"/ "Mac" McNutt



Ginnie White - November 28, 2018 at 04:28 PM