



Bernard Frazer

June 8, 1924 - October 21, 2006

Bernard L. "Scotty" Frazer Bernard L. "Scotty" Frazer, 82, of Rockford, died Saturday Afternoon, October 21, 2006, after a short battle with complications due to emergency colon surgery at Swedish-American Heart Hospital. His family members were at his side, as he went to be with his beloved Neva. Scotty was born on June 8, 1924, in Worcester, Massachusetts, to Bernard J. ("BJ") and Madeline K. Frazer. The family moved to Dixon, Illinois where Scotty was raised and later was joined by his younger brother, Henry. Scotty attended Dixon area schools, and was active in Boy Scouts of America, Troop 72, and attained Eagle Rank, plus 2 Palms. Scotty also successfully sold greeting cards, setting records for fund raising for school activities. After graduation from Dixon High School in 1942, Scotty briefly attended University of Chicago, as a pre-med student. He found the time to be active in theatre, and he was cast in "Tovarich". Upon entry into the United States Army, Scotty was assigned to the 3rd Engineering Specialist Brigade. He served in the South Pacific Island Campaigns, where he was a Medical Corpsman. Injuries and complications suffered in one of the campaigns sent him back to Texas for recovery. There he met and later married Minerva (Neva) Perez. When he and his new bride returned to Dixon, Scotty returned to school at the University of Illinois, first for Pre-med, and later, Journalism studies. He settled on teaching, like his High School Principal Father. He taught in Paw Paw, Illinois, Dixon and finally Rockford where he retired many years later as a High School Counselor for the Rockford School District. Scotty, joined his father and was

active as a Life and Health Insurance agent with the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company. He was active after retirement, volunteering for the N.A.T. Theatre in Rockford as an usher, and other duties, as well as volunteering at Swedish-American Hospital. Scotty spent a great deal of time counseling others through work on telephone crisis hotlines in the Rockford area, especially during the holidays helping those in need. Scotty was a 32nd Degree Mason, and was an active member of the E. F. W. Ellis Lodge since 1949, becoming a Master Mason. Scotty was a member of the Freeport Consistory He was also member of Tebala Shrine Center since 1959, and was a member of the Tebala Legion of Honor. Scotty was a member of Phi Delta Kappa, an Educational Fraternity. He is survived by his Daughter, Linda Miller of Moberly, Missouri, his two Grandchildren, Christopher Lee Evans, and Jennifer Lynne Evans, and his two Great-Grandchildren, Logan Hunter Stipes, and Cassidy Bailey Stipes. He also leaves his California Brother, Henry Wayne Frazer and Sister-in-Law Mary Frazer, Nieces and Nephew, Rebecca, Kathleen, Michael, Jennifer and Barbara, and their spouses and nine children. A Memorial Service for Scotty will be held at Centennial Methodist Church in Rockford at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 28th, 2006 with the Rev. Bettye Mixon Pastor officiating. Internment will be Oakwood Cemetery in Dixon, Illinois. Arrangements by the Jones Funeral Home Dixon, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Bernard Frazer*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Bernard Frazer*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Scotty entered our lives as an insurance agent. He remained as a friend for over forty years. He was almost family because he cared about each one of us and kept in close contact.*

What a gifted man !

How fortunate we are to have known him !!

Cris and Karl Burdick

Crystal & Karl Burdick - October 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM



“ *Father of Freedom
You let Freedom Ring!
Where there is oppression,
This song they will Sing!
Where there is sorrow, Your song shall Ring!
Father of Freedom,
Let Freedom Ring
With Wings of an Angel,
For you we'll bring,
Father of Freedom,
Let Freedom ring!*

JC - October 21, 2006 at 12:00 AM