## SMSgt Michael P. "Kip" Kenney 19 July 1925 – 24 September 2009



SMSgt Michael Patrick "Kip" Kenney, Jr., husband of Patricia L. Kenney, who preceded him in death; devoted father of Michael J. Kenney; treasured grandfather of Stacey Harnish , Michelle Padagas, and Michaela Kenney; great-grandfather of Christopher Kenney, Matthew Harnish, Madyson Harnish, and Kieran Padagas; father-in-law of Martha Huante-Kenney; and former father-in-law of Mary Kenney. Kip leaves behind six brothers and sisters: Gloria Best, Reynolds Kenney, Allegra Stevens, James Paulsen, Richard Kenney, and Sandra Jelly. He also leaves a nephew, Richard Best, and a niece, Cheryl Holm.

He was born in Canton, Ohio, to Michael P. Kenney, Sr. and Almeda M. Mettie. He grew up in Akron, Ohio; Hollywood, Florida; and Sheridan, Wyoming, where his father managed country clubs. Consequently, he developed a life-long passion for golf, introducing the game to his son and two of his great-grandsons. He served in the U.S. Navy in World War II as a crew member on Liberty and Victory ships in the European Theater. In 1953, Kip began his career as a member and full-time employee of the 129th Air Rescue Group of the California Air National Guard. He retired from full-time employment in 1980, and from military reserve status in 1983. He loved big band music of the 1930's and 40's and passed this appreciation along to his son.

Interment with full military honors was at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Hayward, California.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the American Cancer Society, Central Alameda County Unit, 7000 Village Pkwy, Suite E, Dublin, CA 94568, or to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, <u>www.vfw.org</u>, in memory of Michael P. Kenney Jr.



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