



Herman "Hoke" Hokamp III

November 6, 1931 - March 31, 2017

Herman "Hoke" Hokamp III, 85, of Sarasota, FL passed away on Friday March 31, 2017.

Herman was born November 6, 1931 in Quincy, IL to the late Herman Carl and Ester Gross Hokamp. He was a 1949 graduate of Quincy High School where he earned six varsity letters in football, basketball, and baseball and achieved first chair clarinet in both band and orchestra. In 1999 he was inducted into the Blue Devil Sports Hall of Fame at Quincy High School.

Herman attended the University of Illinois where he played baseball and was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity as well as serving in the University's U.S. Air Force R.O.T.C. program. After graduating in 1953, he flew B-57's in the U.S. Air Force as a First Lieutenant, mainly patrolling the East German border where the mission was to provide a nuclear deterrent for NATO. In 1957 he joined Mobil Oil Corporation where he held numerous positions around the country during his 35 year career, most notably General Manager of U. S. Operations, General Manager of Commercial Marketing and retiring as the General Manager of U.S. Resale Marketing.

In 1952 Herman married Delores Beeson and in 1987 Herman re-married to Susan Ettinger.

In 1993 Herman and Susan retired to Sarasota, FL and joined Laurel Oak Country Club. He was elected President of Laurel Oak's Liaison Committee in 1997 and was on the first Board of Directors when Laurel Oak became a privately held Club. He also enjoyed serving on the board of Special Athlete Boosters, a not-for-profit organization from 1996 through 2005.

Herman "Hoke" had a passion for reading. He was an avid golfer and tennis player his entire life. He was also an enthusiastic sports spectator, attending several Super Bowls, NCAA Final Fours, Winter and Summer Olympics, World Series, U. S. Open Golf & Tennis Tournaments, Wimbledon, and The Masters. He was proud to say he completed his bucket list.

Herman is survived by his wife, Susan of Sarasota, FL, his four children, Cynthia Kish of Fernandina Beach, FL, Jeffrey Hokamp of Sarasota, FL, Heidi Zwicker of Seattle, WA, Bradley Hokamp of Leesburg, VA and ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Henry Hokamp of Quincy, IL.

Funeral Services will be held on Monday, April 17, 2017 at 11:00 am at the Sarasota National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Special Athlete Boosters, Inc, P.O Box 2152, Venice, Florida 34284.

Tribute Wall



“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.*

May 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Herman, we go back 70 years. I'll miss our relationship, especially our 309 reunion in 2012. Sorry Sue.*

Ted Kemner

Ted Kemner - April 07, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *We met only occasionally since my 37 years with Mobil were spent mostly overseas. Hoke was a super executive and a super guy.*

Richard Leonard - April 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM