



Allen Carl "Cuffy" Peterson went home to be with his Lord Friday, February 5, 2021/ Allen was born in Marquette, Michigan on December 4, 1935 to Roy Elmer and Elenore Myra (Jensen) Peterson. As a child his family moved to Chicago, IL and then to Decatur, IL. He graduated from Lakeview High School Decatur, Illinois in 1954. Served as a Navy corpsman attached to the Marines at Camp Pendleton, California. Upon his discharge he took advantage of an opportunity to visit his parents in Italy and tour Europe. After returning to the US he eventually settled in Rockford, IL. He married Sharon Louise King on November 12, 1960. They have two children, Brian Arnise Peterson of Venice, Florida and Carrie Marie Peterson Marshall (Tom) of New Dominion, Prince Edward Island, Canada. In February 1962 he joined the Rockford Police Department retiring in June of 1990 at the rank of Lieutenant. After retiring he worked as court security at the Federal Court in Rockford. He was also a graduate of Rock Valley College and the FBI National Academy. He was a longtime member of Bethlehem Lutheran Church of Rockford.

Allen was an avid Michigan State, Detroit Lions and Tiger fan as well as a golfer and handball player. One of his greatest accomplishments was writing the History of the Rockford Police Department which can be seen at the Midway Village Museum Police Station.

He is survived by his wife and children, three grandchildren, Nathan Thomas, Grace Mare and Knox Allen Marshall, numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceded in death by his parents, a sister Carol Peterson Johnson, a nephew Allen Edward Johnson and a niece Valerie Johnson.

The family would like to thank Heartland Hospice for the care they provided Allen during his last days.

Cremation arrangements by Cremation Society of Illinois in Rockford. Memorial service at a later date.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be sent to Bethlehem Lutheran Church General Fund at 4620 20th St Rockford IL 61109 or to the family for a park bench in his name in honor of his eagle at Ingersol golf course.