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Frank McNelis, 88, passed away Sunday at his home in Vallejo.

Frank was loved by so many dear friends and his family. He was born while his mother, Ellen, was traveling, and had the travel bug the rest of his life. He grew up in Vallejo with his brothers Andy & Bill, all three of them the best of friends. Frank graduated from St. Vincent's High School in Vallejo he served our country in the US Army and earned a purple heart in the Korean Conflict. He was a strong man with a strong mind, always reading, learning and sharing Irish stories in the Irish way. He loved the horse races, especially when he won! He travelled all over the world, finally making it back to Ireland in 2011 with his niece Ellen to meet all of his first cousins on their farm where his father John was born and grew up on. He worked at Syar Industries and eventually owned his own surveying service prior to retiring.

Frank was proud of his Irish heritage, he loved a good meal and lived the life of the "Rat Pack" in the 1950's and 1960's. He and his brother Bill owned a racehorse named "Lord Perry" and they travelled the race circuit for several years. He spent a great deal of time playing cards, and partying with his close friends in San Francisco.

Frank will be greatly missed by all those who knew him. Many of us could hardly keep up with Frank & his travels and he was an inspiration to all. He will especially be missed by his niece and her family., including Frank's grand

nephews, Evan, Connor & Duncan; his fishing buddy & nephew Don MacFarlane, dear friends Dale Geraldson, Maria Guevara, Richard Pickering and especially by his dear sister in law and loving friend Deme Stall-Nash. With heavy hearts we say goodbye. He was surrounded by family and loved by all and as Frank said recently, "I'm having a cold one, until we meet again".

Memorial service will be held 11 AM Friday, Nov. 12 at Twin Chapels Mortuary, 1100 Tennessee St., Vallejo. Inurnment will be private.

Cremation and arrangements entrusted to the direction of Twin Chapels Mortuary, Vallejo. (707) 552-6696 www.twinchapelsmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

All Souls Cemetery

550 Glen Cove Road
Vallejo, CA 94591
(707) 644-5209

Previous Events

Service

NOV 11. 11:00 AM (PT)

Twin Chapels Mortuary
1100 Tennessee Street
Vallejo, CA 94590
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Tribute Wall

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“ *I love and miss you Uncle Frank, our whole family does.*

Ellen McNelis MacFarlane - November 09, 2016 at 10:27 AM

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“ *Frankie was truly a friend, I owned Gentleman Jims for 22years and during that time Frankie became a true friend. I actually stayed down in his basement on a few occasions. He will surely be missed by me and a lot of his racing friends. God Bless*

robert brazell - November 09, 2016 at 08:08 AM