



BRUCKER, RICHARD PAUL

Richard Paul Brucker, Sr. April 4, 1923 - Nov. 29, 2012 Resident of Danville It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Richard Paul Brucker, Sr. on November 29, 2012. He was eighty-nine years old.

Richard (Dick) was born and raised in Toledo, Ohio; the third of five children of Helen (Daly) and Edward Brucker.

He was a member of the 96th Infantry Division of the U.S. Army during WWII, fought at Okinawa and Leyte in the Pacific theater, and received the Bronze Star for valor. After the war, Richard returned to Toledo and married his high school sweetheart, Marjorie Jane McMahon.

After graduation from Toledo University, Richard and Marjorie relocated to California, where he worked for the Ford Motor Company until his retirement. Richard and Marjorie were married for 61 years and had eight children: Linda, Susan, Nancy, Marcia, Richard, Betsy, Christopher and Carol. They spent the first part of their marriage in Castro Valley, California, and moved to Danville after Richard retired.

Following retirement, Richard was an active volunteer, serving on the Contra Costa County Grand Jury, teaching English to Japanese students, and participating on many committees at Crow Canyon Country Club, including the Board of Trustees. He was an avid reader, a long-time S.F Giants fan, but his true passion was golf. He took up the game at age 13 and played until his late seventies.

Richard was preceded in death by his grand-daughters Marjorie and Grace, his daughter Susan and his beloved wife Marjorie.

He is survived by seven children, ten grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Sunday, December 23, in the Eugene O'Neill Room at Crow Canyon Country Club, 711 Silver Lake Dr., Danville.

In lieu of flowers, those who wish may donate to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Richard's name.