



LEO JAMES TODD

April 23, 1923 - November 10, 2015

Leo James Todd passed away peacefully at home on Nov. 10, 2015.

He was born in Sutter, California, graduated from Grass Valley High School in 1942, and then served in the U.S. Navy from 1943-1946.

In 1948, Leo graduated from Sacramento State College and then earned his Juris Doctor degree from the University of San Francisco Law School in 1951.

Leo entered into private practice in Nevada County in 1951 and also held several public positions serving as a deputy district attorney from 1953-1960, public defender from 1961-1965, and as county counsel from 1965-1978. He retired from private practice in 2005.

Leo was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed deep sea fishing and hunting. He was involved in numerous civic activities having served as past president of Grass Valley Junior Chamber of Commerce, past president of local American Red Cross, past commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 2655, past president of Nevada County Bar Association, past president of Grass Valley Host Lions Club, past master of Madison Lodge #23, past vice-president of California State Junior Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Grass Valley Elks, Scottish Rite, #32, and Salvation Army Advisory Board.

Leo was a member of the Emmanuel Episcopal Church of Grass Valley and served as president of the vestry.

Leo is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Jo Todd; and his loving children, Gary Todd, Laura Todd, Joseph Tappero, and Kathleen (Tappero) Maher. He is also survived by six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Grass Valley at 2 p.m., on Nov. 22, 2015, with reception to follow in Buck Hall.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of the Foothills or Emmanuel Episcopal Church Grass Valley.