



## John "Jack" Shuck

October 8, 1918 - February 4, 2007

John ("Jack") Flory Shuck was born October 8, 1918, in Webster, Missouri. His family moved to Los Angeles in the 1930s where he attended Los Angeles High School. At the age of 17 he shipped out on a freighter and worked his way to South America, where he worked for several mining companies in Peru and Ecuador. This began a life-long fascination with and delight in foreign cultures and peoples. He became fluent in Spanish. Shortly after December 7, 1941 he returned home to California and enlisted in the US Army Air Corps and served throughout the war as navigator-bombardier on B-25 Mitchell aircraft in North Africa, Sicily and Italy.

While in training with the Air Corps, he met his future wife, Mary Margaret Wood, on a blind date, while she was a student at Northwestern University in Evanston, Ill. They were married in Florence, South Carolina, in 1943, and after an all too brief honeymoon, Captain Shuck was assigned overseas. After the war, he and his wife were stationed in Texas and Arizona, following which he completed college at the University of Southern California. Subsequent to that, Jack pursued a career in the new United States Air Force, ultimately completing 31 years of service in uniform. He was stationed in Japan in the early 1950's during the post-war rebuilding effort. He participated in US Air Force efforts in Berlin (The Berlin Airlift) and in the Belgian Congo. Assigned to Air Force Intelligence, he was designated Air Attache attached to the US embassy in Damascus, Syria in 1966 and 1967. The "Six-Day war" of June

1967 terminated this assignment, at which time he was reassigned to duty at the Pentagon. He completed his career at the pentagon and retired in 1972 as a Colonel in the US Air Force. Still wishing to contribute, he was recruited and hired by Exxon Corporation where he worked in the division of industrial security for 10 years. He lived at that time in New Canaan Connecticut and commuted daily to Manhattan. This assignment further allowed him to travel much throughout the world on assignment to numerous Exxon installations. In 1982 he retired from Exxon and in 1990, after 18 years in Connecticut, he subsequently moved to Devon Pennsylvania to be close to his children. In recent years he has been active with traveling, reading and playing; bridge. He is survived by his devoted wife of 64 years, Margaret; two children, Constance V. Shuck of Devon, and John W. Shuck MD (Gina)of Dover Delaware., and two grandsons, John William and Gregory Shuck

# Previous Events

## Service

FEB 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. David's Episcopal Church  
763 South Valley Forge Road  
Wayne, PA 19087

# Tribute Wall



“ *May every wonderful memory shared give you comfort Woody. Just wanted to let you know that you and your family are in our hearts and prayers.*

*Love, Pat##imported-begin##Patricia Arrington, PEO Chapter AR##imported-end##*

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