



John T. "Jack" Blakely

May 5, 2009

Colonel (Ret.) John T. "Jack" Blakely, age 90, of Columbus, Ohio. Died peacefully at home in the company of his wife of 61 years. Veteran of U.S. Army with 29 years of service including WWII and Korea. Preceded in death by his birth parents, Thomas Tyler and Frances Elizabeth Turnell, his adoptive parents Mr. and Mrs. John W. Blakely, and siblings Jesse, Helen and Melba. Survived by his wife Mary Louise (Potts) Blakely, children Joan (Jeff) Moody, John (Delores) Blakely, and grandsons John W. Blakely and Blake W. Moody. Graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute, 1942. Patriot and Patriarch. One who endured the horrors of war and yet returned with a selfless dedication to his family and those less fortunate. Lover of children and other animals. Champion of the downtrodden. A leader by example. Storyteller and prankster. He will be loved and missed by many. His family extends our heartfelt appreciation for the great care and countless acts of kindness shown to the Colonel by his doctors and the many caregivers in their offices and at Trillium Senior Living. Family will receive friends Thursday evening, May 7th 6-8 PM at RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High St, Worthington, Ohio. A memorial service for friends and residents will be held on Friday, May 8th at 1:30 PM, at Trillium Senior Living, 3500 Trillium Crossing, Columbus, Ohio. Contributions may be made to Army Emergency Relief, 200 Stovall Street, Room 5-N-13, Alexandria VA 22332-0600 (www.aerhq.org) in his memory.

Tribute Wall



“ *John T. "Jack" Blakely*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *I just learned of the passing of a long lost friend in the MOAA Magazine. I served with and under John when he was a Captain in Chicago, Illinois in 1954-55. He convinced me to apply for a direct commission and as a result was appointed a warrant officer in 1958 and I retired as a CW4 in 1977 with 29 years. I've always considered him to have had the most significant influence on my military career The family has my sincerest condolences. Earl P Mason*

Earl P Mason - August 01, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Joanie I am so sorry to hear of your father's death. Mom told be this past Friday as my Dad passed away 25 years ago May 8th . Don't know if you know but Joe D'Amico's mom died this past Friday as service is Monday at 11 St Tim's. I now live in Dublin again! Hope all is well, Joe*

Joe Davis - May 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *John- So sorry to hear about your dad. stacy*

stacy emert - May 07, 2009 at 12:00 AM