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John David “JD” Heeney, passed away May 12, 2021 at the age of 85. He was born in South Haven, Kansas, to David Geeslin Heeney and Mary Ellen (Burger) Heeney. JD was the only son, sandwiched between his sisters Mary Lou and Patricia. JD grew up surrounded by extended family and friends. He attended Phillips University in Enid Oklahoma where he met the love of his life, Mary E. Cooke. They were married in 1956. JD graduated in 1958 with a degree in accounting and was drafted into the US Army. He served in Military Intelligence and was honorably discharged as a 2nd lieutenant. JD then joined the Internal Revenue Service and spent 24 years as a special agent, retiring in 1986 as an undercover program manager. During his tenure with the IRS, JD volunteered to be one of the first sky marshals, President Nixon’s emerging program to prevent the highjacking of aircraft. He was assigned to TWA and traveled the world. After retirement, JD opened a private investigation agency with his long-time friend and former IRS agent, John “Jack” Walsh, specializing in financial and fraud investigations. JD retired from this second career at the age of 80.



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Greg Ruwe posted:

Was taking a morning hike in our nearby Metropark yesterday (5/19/21) and began thinking of folks who aided and assisted me during my lifetime. The dominant thought was about my Supervisor in Dayton, OH when I was a young Special Agent. That Supervisor was John Heeney, who I had not remembered for quite some time.....but recalled with much warmth and appreciation yesterday . Late in the afternoon, I received notice of John's passing.....the timing was frankly shocking. May the family and friends of John Heeney find peace, solace and respect when remembering this fine mentor.....his was certainly a life well lived!

May 19 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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