



*- Celestial Lodge -*

*- Delbert Franklin Roach -*

*- July 30, 1933 - April 1, 2018 -*

TOMBSTONE — Delbert Franklin Roach, Sr. fondly known as Doc Diamond passed away April 1, 2018, after struggling with multiple medical complications.

Doc was born July 30, 1933, in Modesto, California the only child of Franklin and Margery Roach. Doc is survived by his wife, Mary Lee Roach; his son, Delbert F. Roach, Jr.; daughter-in-law Susan Roach; grandchildren: Mindee LeeAnn Roach, and Jasen Franklin Roach; and three great-granddaughters: Micayah Rose, Paityn Lee Ann, Kaydence Jackie. A son, Lance, predeceased him. His military career included two years in the U.S. Navy and two years in the Air Force.

Doc lived a colorful life as a Greyhound bus driver, owning and operating a bakery, West Coast carnival games, a San Francisco police officer, truck driver, investigator, marriage counselor, and restaurant owner. He was a member of King Solomon Lodge 5, Shriners, and local American Legion. Doc played saxophone most all his life in various jazz and blues bands everywhere he lived. Doc's love and talent for music made him well known in and around Tombstone, Arizona where he entertained in many venues, even playing country music in many of the local saloons.

Doc and Mary Lee married in 1992. Together they were full-time RV'ers and travelled across the U.S., later settling in Tombstone, where together they created and supported The Gift Of Giving, a charitable second-hand Store. You may send condolences to Mary, living in Via Elegante Assisted Living 4120 Ramsey Road, Hereford, Arizona, 85615.

Doc will be interred at Fort Huachuca. In lieu of formal services there will be a Walk-Down in Tombstone on Saturday, April 14th at high noon followed by a potluck at the American Legion in Tombstone. Musicians are asked to bring their instruments for a jam at the Legion.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to Tombstone High School MUSIC department.