



Franklin Earl Gramke

December 12, 1924 - July 15, 2014

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Graveside funeral service for Franklin Earl Gramke, age 89 of Vinemont, will be at 11:00 AM on Friday, July 18, 2014 at Flint Creek Cemetery with Bro. Perry Brown officiating. No visitation is scheduled.

Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Gramke passed away on Tuesday, July 15th. at Cullman Regional Medical Center. He was born December 12, 1924 in Cincinnati, Ohio to the late Francis Xavier and Florence Lyons Gramke. He was a law enforcement officer.

He is preceded in death by his wife of 62 years, Virginia Scott Gramke; and his parents.

Survivors include his two daughters, Bonnie and spouse Richard Kolde and Lynn and spouse Dave Rauck; six grandchildren, Shannon, Jason, David, Sondra, Rick and Jonathan; and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Tribute Wall

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“ Frank was drafted into the United States Army on March 22, 1943 and served as a tank driver and gunner during World War II. He was honorably discharged as a Corporal on April 27, 1946 with a European American Theater Medal with two bronze stars (2 campaigns) and a Presidential Unit Citation.

On February 15, 1949, Frank joined the Cincinnati Police Department as a Recruit. Patrolman Gramke served the next 17 years in Districts 5, 4, 1, and 3. On November 24, 1968, he was promoted to Specialist and assigned to the Tactical Unit. Less than a year later, he was promoted to Sergeant June 22, 1969 and served in Districts 3 and 6. Sergeant Gramke retired March 24, 1977 with 31 years of service to his country and community and 18 letters of appreciation and/or commendation.

Sergeant Gramke died at 89½ years old – the 13th oldest Cincinnati Police retiree and 3rd oldest retired sergeant.

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