



John C. Hedrich

February 23, 1931 - January 6, 2012

John C. Hedrich, 80, of Las Vegas, formerly of Princeton, died January 6, 2012.

He was born February 23, 1931 in Tiskilwa to Arthur W. and Mabel (Steimle) Hedrich. He graduated from Tiskilwa High School in 1949, the University of Illinois in 1953, and the University of Illinois School of Law in 1955. He served two years in the U.S. Navy before starting his law practice in Princeton in 1957.

Mr. Hedrich was a magistrate of the circuit court from 1961-64, an assistant state's attorney from 1964-68, and the Bureau County Public Defender from 1992-94. He served for years as the attorney for St. Louis Catholic Church and the Village of Tiskilwa, was a member of the Bureau County Bar Association, including a term as president, and was a member and officer of numerous civic and private organizations, including the Knights of Columbus, the Jaycees, the Elks Club, the Rotary Club, and the Bureau Valley Country Club. He was also the last owner of the historic American House Hotel. He retired from the practice of law in 1998.

He is survived by his wife, Chung; five children: Susan Wallace of River Forest, Richard of Henderson, Nevada, James of Norcross, Georgia, Mary Katherine (Stacy) Pomonis of Champaign, and John (Jane Chadash) of Oak Park; and a brother, Richard, of Atlantic Beach, Florida. He is also survived by nine grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews, and by his first wife, Ann Hanak. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Arthur W. Hedrich, Jr.

A funeral mass will be held at St. Louis Catholic Church on Saturday, January 14 at 10:30 a.m., preceded by a visitation at the church at 9:30 a.m. Burial immediately following mass will be at St. Mary's Cemetary in Tiskilwa. Memorials may be directed to St. Louis Church.

Norberg Memorial Home is caring for the family.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Cemetery

Tiskilwa, IL