

Roger Lauren Behr "Deacon Behr"

Passed away August 23, 2009

Deacon Behr was born on April 9, 1943, in Chambersburg Pennsylvania. Earned his Eagle Scout, one of his proudest accomplishments, and has always enjoyed the outdoors doing such things as camping, fishing, and hunting. Entered the U.S Coast Guard and served 4 and 1/2 years. After being discharged from the Coast Guard he joined the Galveston Police Department and served three years. Married his wife Sandra on May 18, 1968. They had three children, Roger "Glenn", Tammy Kay, and Bryan Jason. Moved to Austin in 1972 and joined the Austin Police Department. Roger was called by God to the Diaconate Program and Ordained July 1984. He served Sacred Heart Parish in countless ways. While on the Police force he also served as Chaplain. Roger retired from the Police Department in 2000. From there he and Sandra moved to Pagosa Springs, CO, where he served and extensively helped dedicate their new Church, John Paul II. One thing he will always be remembered for is his giving nature and volunteering to even the smallest of causes. In July of 2009 he celebrated 25 years as a Deacon. Roger was the Commander of the Pagosa Springs American Legion. Roger was fun loving and a bit of a prankster. He always had a way to make you laugh with his dry sense of humor. We will really miss being able to go to him for answers. He was a father figure to so many young men and women in addition to his children and four grandchildren. Mostly he will be missed for being such a faithful loving husband, father, and friend. Survived by wife, Sandra K. Behr; daughter, Tammy Akers, husband Patrick; son Bryan Behr wife Michelle; brothers, Kevin Behr, Jan Behr wife Lilly; sister, Pam Sanderson; grandchildren, Ashleigh and Samantha Akers, Harrison and Hillary Behr; numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceded in death by son, Roger "Glenn" Behr, parents Roger and Marjorie Behr Mass: 9:30 a.m., Friday, September 4, 2009, at St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Cedar Park, officiated by Msgr. Michael Mulvey and co-officiated by Msgr. Don Sawyer. Honor Guard Service and fellowship gathering will follow the Mass. A special note of thanks to the doctors and staff at Presbyterian/ St. Luke's Hospital in Denver, CO, for the wonderful care they provided.

Published in Austin American-Statesman on Aug. 30, 2009 - See more at:
<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/statesman/obituary.aspx?pid=132063208#sthash.daoypu5S.dpuf>