

## IN MEMORIAM: PDG BOB HANSON

April 27, 1924 - August 16, 2019

Beloved husband of the late JoAnne Dingwell Hanson; loving father of John Cassel Hanson (wife, Ann), Charles Dingwell Hanson (wife, Janet) and J. Timothy Hanson (wife, Alicia); devoted grandfather of Heather, Jeremy, Rachel, Helena and Brenna Hanson; great-grandfather of William Cassel Rivas. A Celebration of his life service will be held at the Gaithersburg Marriott Washingtonian Center, 9751 Washingtonian Blvd., Gaithersburg on Saturday, September 7, at 11:30 AM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Bethesda-Chevy Chase YMCA, the Maryland 4-H Foundation or the National Capital Area Council BSA.

After serving in the Air Force during the Korean War, Bob joined Jones Kreeger, a brokerage firm which provided investment services through their seat on the New York Stock Exchange. He became a partner in Jones Kreeger and manager of the Bethesda branch of the firm.

Bob became active in the Rockville Rotary Club, served as its President in 1958-1959, served on the Board of the Metropolitan YMCA, and began serving on the American Automobile Association Mid-Atlantic Advisory Board. While serving on the Metropolitan YMCA Board as Secretary, he became one of the founding members of the Bethesda-Chevy Chase YMCA and served as its Chairman. In 1964, with other leaders, Bob championed the cause to integrate the Metropolitan Washington

YMCA. This spring he attended the ribbon cutting of the completion of its first phase of the BCC YMCA's expansion and renovation. He did all this while also managing the family farm.

For nine years, Bob served as Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 8 in Bethesda, and then as Scoutmaster of the International Jamboree Troop 314 of the 13th World Jamboree in Japan in 1971. All three sons were members of the troop as well as his nephews and Sunday School students. He received his Wood Badge beads in the late 1960's as one of the Go Go Goshen Eagles and served as an instructor in later courses. He received the Silver Beaver Award from the National Capital Area Council of the Boy Scouts for his leadership in Scouting and in the community. Bob is also credited with arranging for the acquisition of the land at the corner of Cedar Lane and Rockville Pike from the Parker Family for the Council Headquarters in 1968. He was registered as a Scout leader for over 50 years, and opened the farm to use by Boy Scout and Girl Scouts units for over 75 years.

Bob continued his activity in Rotary, was elected District Governor for 1982-1983 of District 7620, became an instructor of upcoming leaders and became a Major Donor to the Rotary Foundation. Bob achieved 52 consecutive years of perfect attendance and participated in many of the Rotary International Conventions.



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- Hiroji Mukasa, 1982-83 Rotary International President***

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