



## Harold Mitchell "Bub" Cowell

August 23, 1926 - December 18, 2023

On August 23, 1926, in Louisville Kentucky, Harold Mitchell "Bub" Cowell was born into physical life, becoming the second of four children (one died in infancy) of William Francis and Lula (Ricketts) Cowell. He entered spiritual life December 18, 2023, aged 97, his body dying from a long-life. In 1943, Bub graduated from Ahrens Trade School in Louisville. In 1944, while working at L&N, he enlisted in the Army-Air-Force during WWII. In the War's Asiatic theater he was a heavy-bomber flight engineer, stationed out of Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, flying the famous B-24 'Liberator' and B-29 'Super Fortress' bombers. It was in 1956 that "Bub" (Harold) met his future wife, Mary Ann Rueve, at Louisville's Germantown hotspot: the 'Dog House' tavern, with their first date occurring on Halloween, October 31, 1956. During those 1950s, before marriage, Mary Ann was a world traveler with friend, Betty Wolfe. It was on October 12, 1957, that Bub Cowell and Mary Ann Rueve, both of Louisville, were married at Saint Simon and Jude Catholic Church. Their 64th wedding anniversary was celebrated on October 12, 2021 while Mary Ann was combating severe sepsis, surrounded by her loving family. Bub Cowell retired from General Electric Appliance Park, from Plant Engineering, in 1989, aged 62. But before his employment at GE, he had worked at Louisville's 'Tube-Turns' drafting firm (before that, L&N). Bub is survived by his loving children, Barry, Cheryl (Eric), Kevin (Beth), Greg, and Bryan, and his sister, Joann Cowell Elder. Bub's brother, William Francis Cowell Jr, died on March 11, 2020. Sometime later at Saint Martha Parish Church there will be a memorial

mass celebration (perhaps in spring), with a memorial video in celebration of Harold "Bub" Cowell's life. Expressions of sympathy can be given to 'Mass of the Air,' located at 1200 S Shelby St., Louisville, KY 40203. Burial in Calvary Cemetery, December 22, 2:45 PM, a graveside prayer by Father John Dietrich

# Cemetery Details

## **Calvary Cemetery**

1600 Newburg Road  
Louisville, KY 40204