



## Robert L. Raetz

March 20, 1921 - May 17, 2011

Robert L. Raetz, 90, of 414 Ford Drive, Elizabethtown formerly of Rockville, MD and Palmyra died Tuesday May 17, 2011 in the Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown. He was the husband of Viola E. Buschmeier Raetz with whom he would have celebrated their 69th wedding anniversary this October. Born in West Hazleton on March 20, 1921, he was the son of the late John and Eva Snyder Raetz. He was employed by the Department of the Army at the Pentagon for 35 years and a US Air Corp Veteran of WW II. Robert was a member of the Christ Lutheran Church, Elizabethtown, the Montgomery-Four Corners Masonic Lodge #195, F. & A.M., Rockville, MD where he would have been a member for 50 years in October, the Zembo Temple Shrine, Harrisburg, and the Elizabethtown Order of the Eastern Star. Surviving in addition to his wife is a daughter Judy E. wife of Rev. Dr. John D. Merkel of Annville, a grandson Thomas husband of Laura Merkel of Chester Springs, Pa, and a great grandson Benton Merkel. Memorial services will be held on Monday at 11:30 AM from the Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory, 618 E. Main Street, Annville. Inurnment will be held in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. Masonic services will be held on Monday at 10:45 AM prior to the service at the funeral home. Contributions may be made to Christ Lutheran Church, 125 E. High Street, Elizabethtown, PA 19022 or the Shriners Hospital for Children, Office of Development, 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, Fla. 33607 in his memory.

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“ To Grammy (Mrs. Raetz) and all members of the Merkel family: Bumpy (Bob) will be greatly missed. He was my #2 Daddy and always welcomed me into the family circle. So many memories of my childhood and young adult life include your family. Thank you for those memories. Love, Sue

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**Susan Rogers Kelly** - May 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM