

## **Richard T. Burress**

**December 22, 1922 – October 26, 2013**



### **Memorial Service (open to friends, but no public announcements) – Celebration of his Life:**

Date & Time: Saturday, November 23, 2013, 2:00-5:00 pm

Location: Bohemian Club, 624 Taylor Street, S.F., CA 94102

Attire: men – coat and tie required; women – equivalent

RSVP: Helpful to send an email note to Robert Duboc (son-in-law) at [bduboc@netscape.net](mailto:bduboc@netscape.net), if you plan to attend

### **Private Family Burial Service:**

Time: Monday, November 25, 2012, 10:00am

Location: Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno

Richard (Dick) was born and raised in Omaha, Nebraska. He graduated from the University of Nebraska, University of Iowa Law School, and received his masters in labor law at NYU. During WW II he became an officer in the Marine Corps and lead men as a Lieutenant during the historic battle of Iwo Jima. Upon graduation from Law School he joined the FBI and met his wife, Jan Eaton, in New York City. He was a dashing, young Federal Agent and she a singer on Sid Caesar's Show of Shows. They lived in Honolulu, HI, for two years; and Dick always contended that John Wayne portrayed him in the movie Big Jim McClain. Dick later joined the NLRB in Washington, D.C., where both his daughters were born and raised. He worked under two House Minority Leaders, including Gerald Ford. He then moved on to work in the Nixon White House, Chair the National Renegotiation Board, and then back to the White House with President Ford. He helped put the 25<sup>th</sup> Amendment in action by steering Ford's journey to the Vice Presidency and, subsequently, Nelson Rockefeller's nomination process into the same office.

His next career move brought him to Stanford, CA. where he became the Associate Director of the Hoover Institution. He remained affiliated with Hoover until his death. He wrote and produced numerous historic "reading plays" for the Bohemian Club. He was a member of the Palo Alto Fellowship Forum as well.

Along his life's journey he was a true friend, a student of American History, and loving husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He is preceded in death by his wife Jan. He is survived by his two daughters, Bonny Valente (Louis) and Lee Duboc (Robert); three grand children, Kristen Thome (Craig), Cathy Doxsee (John), and Richard Duboc; and two great-grand daughters, Cora and Madelyn.