

Captain Jack S. Milbauer (1934-2019)

Jack was born June 10, 1934 in the Bronx in New York City to Nathaniel and Beatrice “Bess” (Walerstein) Milbauer. He attended Dewitt Clinton High School, was an outstanding athlete, and was selected three times to the All New York City basketball team.

After high school, he joined the United States Navy and served during the Korean War aboard the USS Bennington; at the time, the most modern carrier in the fleet.

Hamiltonian Marilyn Sue Kulback was working in the Navy Department in Washington DC when she met the Seaman Milbauer. They married and moved to her hometown; with no money, job, degree, or prospects.

Jack joined the Butler County Sheriff’s Department. By 1959 he was promoted to Corporal. During 1961, newly elected Sheriff James E. Hixon reorganized the office into three divisions, promoted Milbauer to Captain, and put him in charge of the Personnel and Operations Divisions. Captain Milbauer also served as Acting Butler County Sheriff under two administrations and served to at least February 1964.

By 1967 he was serving as a Juvenile Probation Officer. Captain Milbauer was appointed Chief Juvenile Probation Officer by 1971. He was a driving force in the construction of the David J. Niehaus Juvenile Justice Center. He also served as president of the Children Services Board.

By November 1980, he was appointed Director of Court Service for the Domestic Relations and Juvenile Courts. He also served as president of the Ohio Court Directors Association.

On March 6, 1989 Sheriff Holzberger issued Captain Milbauer a Special Deputy commission which he retained until January 1997. He finally retired after 43 years of service to his country and county.

From before 1972 to beyond 1976 he served on the Butler County Republican Central Committee. A lifelong member of B’Nai B’rith, he served at various officer posts, including President during 1971. Captain Milbauer served on numerous other boards and was once named one of the three most influential men in Butler County.

Captain Milbauer died on January 3, 2019 at 84½.

He was predeceased by his wife of 57 years, Marilyn, in 2011. Captain Milbauer is survived by his children, Jeffrey (Kathy) Milbauer, Natalie (Steve) Herman, and Julie (Steve) Slusher; grandchildren, Jaime Schumpf, Rachel Gill, Erin Eckert, Carrie Farler, Cory Williams, Dustin Slusher, and Sam Milbauer; ten great grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and brother, Larry Milbauer.

A celebration of life will be held at 7 p.m. on Saturday, January 12, 2019 at the [Temple Beth Sholom](#), 610 Gladys Drive in Middletown.

Donations may be made to your favorite service member support organization.