

Deputy Paul B. Reis (1927-2017)

Paul was born December 20 or 21, 1927, in Campbell County to farmers, Anthony and Elizabeth (Geisel) Reis.

At 17 years of age, on November 28, 1945, Paul enlisted in the United States Navy. On May 9, 1946, Seaman 2/c was assigned to USS San Marcos (LSD25) while she was involved in the atomic tests on Bikini Island. By October 1946 he was a Fireman 2/c. The *San Marcos* moved to Hawaii in September and, having been granted provision radiological clearances, during November resumed operations along the west coast and Aleutian Islands. He was promoted to Fireman 1/c on December 1, 1946. During 1947, Fireman Reis transferred to the destroyer, USS Shelton (DD-790), and visited ports in China, Korea, and Japan. On September 30, 1947 he was transferred to San Diego for discharge.



After military service, Paul joined the Campbell County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy Sheriff.

During 1959, he joined the Alexandria Volunteer Fire Department, eventually rising to Captain and Chief Engineer, retiring in 1989.

Deputy Reis was a member of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church of Wilder

He passed away March 31, 2017 at Carmel Manor, Fort Thomas at the age of 89.

He was predeceased by his parents; first wife, Florence (Standfoss) Reis; and brothers, Marvin Reis, Leo Reis, Howard Reis, and Albert Reis. Deputy Reis is survived by his wife of 28 years, Marilyn (Purcell) Reis; children, Judy (Larry Eten) Schmidt, Tom (Trish) Reis, Roger (Judi) Reis, Rich Reis, Steve (Trish) Reis, and Dan (Norma) Reis; step children, Mary Ann (Doug) Hoffman, Julie Ferguson, Lisa (Mike) Kelly, Claire (Dan) Jackson, Joe (Julie) Burkart, and Steve (Janet) Burkart; 31 grandchildren; and 6 great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held 4 to 8 p.m. on Monday, April 3, 2017 at the Alexandria Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 4th at Saint Mary of the Assumption Church in Alexandria. Interment with Military Honors to follow in the Saint Mary Cemetery, Alexandria.

Memorials are suggested to the [American Heart Association](#) or to the Alexandria Fire Department.