

## **Supervising Clerk 3 Robert John Roeper (1923-2019)**

Bob was born February 1, 1923 to German immigrant Adolph Henry Roeper and his wife Louisa L. (Reuther) Roeper. He attended Woodward High School until 1941 and graduated during June 1942 from East Night High School.

Two months later, at nineteen, Bob joined the Cincinnati Police Division as a Junior Clerk on August 31, 1942 and was assigned to the fairly new Records Bureau in City Hall. The Police Division had recently begun the first offense reporting system in the world and was



quickly adopted by the FBI and IACP. On January 6, 1947 he was promoted to Senior Clerk. On September 30, 1959 he was appointed Crew Leader and then, on July 9, 1967, promoted to Supervising Clerk 3. He helped usher the system into the computer age when, a couple of years later, the Regional Crime Information Center began operation as the country's first countywide law enforcement electronic database. Supervising Clerk Roeper retired January 1, 1978 with 36 years of service.

Supervising Clerk Roeper passed away December 22, 2019 at the age of 96; almost certainly the oldest living Cincinnati Police retiree.

He was predeceased by his wife of 49 years, Anna M. (Rundo) Roeper (2005); daughter, Janet A. Schawe (2013); and siblings, Hilda, Norma, Emma, Ethel, and Violet.

Visitation will be held 11 a.m. until time of service on Friday, December 27, 2019 at Neidhard-Minges Funeral Home at 3155 Harrison Avenue. Burial will follow at Arlington Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.