



**Rotarian**

**Edward Curran**

**Born: Sept. 24, 1928 - Died: April 17, 2006**

Edward Curran, 77, of Goodyear and formerly of Albuquerque, N.M., died April 17, 2006.

Mr. Curran was born Sept. 24, 1928, in Kokomo, Ind. After his mother died, the family moved to Texas, where he attended Corpus Christi College Academy. After high school, Mr. Curran joined the Army and spent most of his military tour in Germany and Austria, playing trombone in the 49th Army band. After his discharge, he enrolled and later graduated from North Texas State College.

While working in the insurance industry in Corpus Christi he met and married Barbara Ann O'Brien. The family moved first to Dallas and in 1963 to Albuquerque. At age 38, Mr. Curran sought a career change and enrolled and later graduated from the University of New Mexico School of Law. He later became a partner in the law firm of Menig, Sager, Curran and Sturges. Mr. Curran served as school board president for St. Pius X High School and on the board of directors of the Albuquerque Boys Club, and was a member of the Optimist Club for many years. After retiring from practicing law, Mr. Curran and Barbara moved in 1993 to the PebbleCreek community of Goodyear. He served as a pro bono legal consultant to the city of Goodyear, and was active in St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Curran became a member of Rotary International, serving as president of the White Tanks Rotary Club and from 2003 to 2005 as assistant district governor for Rotary District 5490. "I was very honored to have Ed as one of my assistant governors on my Rotary International leadership team in the 100th Anniversary Centennial Year of the founding of our worldwide humanitarian service organization," said Gary McEachern, Rotary District 5490's governor in 2005-06. "He served extraordinarily well in this district position ...

"Ed was recognized at the District Conference on June 3, 2005, with the "Governors' Centennial Leadership Achievement Award" as the No. 1 top leader in our Arizona District ... He did everything that I asked of him and much, much more. He was well respected by hundreds of leaders in Arizona."

Mr. Curran is survived by his wife, Barbara; two daughters, Mary Colleen of Las Vegas and Tracy Jonsson of Scottsdale; one son, Jim of Sacramento, Calif.; three sisters, Anne Vorobiov, Marjorie Low and Janet Gard; two brothers, John and Patrick; and five grandchildren.