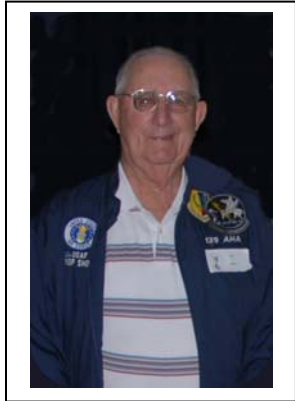


# *TSgt James A. Calvin*

## *29 June 1923 – 28 November 2008*



Resident of San Leandro James Andrew Calvin entered peacefully into rest in San Leandro on November 28, 2008. He was 85 years old. Born in Oakland on June 29, 1923, Jim worked as a propeller and hydraulic mechanic for various companies including Golden Propeller Shop, Mikkelsen Machine Shop, and Sweetland Corporation. He was an integral part in the set up of Travis Air Force Base. Jim proudly served his country during World War II as a member of the U.S. Army Air Corps and after the war as a member of the 129th Air National Guard Squadron out of Hayward. He was known as the "Tootsie Roll Man" because he would give two tootsie rolls to everyone he met. Jim had a machine shop in his garage at home and everyone in the neighborhood knew to go see him when anything they had was broken and Jim would fix it for them. He will be deeply missed by all whose lives he touched.

Jim is survived by his beloved wife and best friend of 65 years, Gladys Calvin of San Leandro; his loving children and their spouses, Shirley and Dennis McCarthy of Palo Cedro, Ca, Noreen and David Johnson of Mokena, IL and James and Diane Calvin of Casa Grande, AZ; his sister, Mildred Kilner of Castro Valley; grandchildren, Kevin McCarthy, Chris Johnson, Steffani Johnson, Travis Calvin, and Dawn Calvin; 8 great grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, extended family and cherished friends. He was preceded in death by his grandson Keith McCarthy. Jim will be laid to rest at a private family ceremony at the Northern California Veterans Cemetery in Igo, Ca. In lieu of flowers, the family prefers donations be made in Jim's memory to your favorite charity.