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## Frank Pinter Obituary

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Pinter, Frank R., 75, born in New Brunswick, NJ August 5, 1932, died August 18, 2007 in Emory Hospital, Atlanta, GA. A resident of South Florida since 1950, his vacation home was in the North Carolina mountains since 1972. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Grace Hughes Pinter; son, Frank J. Pinter; daughter, Lonna Stalcup and son, Jeffrey Pinter; also grandchildren, Amelia and Novalee Stalcup and Vanessa and James Pinter. His mother was Eda Bonosoro Pinter Wilson and stepfather, Joseph M. Wilson, both deceased. He was a man of many talents. He joined the U. S. Army at age 15. Honorably discharged and being very patriotic, he joined the Merchant Marines whose ship ferried troops during the Korean War. Later, he was a truck driver, Greyhound bus driver, and well driller before becoming a Deputy Sheriff with the Dade and Broward Counties Sheriff's Depts., Chief Investigator for the Broward County State Attorneys Office, and being appointed by several Governors as Special Investigator for the Broward County Grand Jury to investigate corruption of public officials. An entrepreneur as well, he was owner of many businesses with his wife, including a plant nursery, sub sandwich shop, motel, pawn shop, and mini-golf course. In 1960, he started Acme Commercial Security Guard Co. also doing investigations, polygraph services, telephone answering service, radio dispatching and pager service in South Florida. He developed a reputation as an internationally known private investigator being a member of the International Investigators Association and he was given recognition in 1972 by the International Police Association. The security businesses operated successfully until selling the company in 1990. Founding Sunny Point Mountain Land Co., he became a major land developer and licensed builder in North Carolina which allowed him to enjoy the North Carolina mountains while buying and selling many hundreds of acres of land and building 52 homes. He was politically active since 1956 until the present, having once made an unsuccessful bid for Sheriff. He also served as Aide to Congressman J. Herbert Burke of Hollywood, FL in the 1960s and was Security Aide to Presidential Candidate Hubert H. Humphrey in 1968. He was member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Hollywood, FL and attended Murphy Presbyterian Church in Murphy, N.C. He also was member of the Broward County Chiefs Assn., the Florida Police Chiefs Assn, National Rifle Assn., Committee of 100, Broward Republican Executive Committee, Regional Republican Club of Broward and former member of Kiwanis, Cherokee County, N.C. Crime Commission, Mountain Rod & Gun Club in N.C. and many other civic clubs. His law enforcement career was the one of which he was most proud. He became a law enforcement advocate, being an avid defender of the criminal justice system and an activist for law enforcement. It encouraged him to form the Broward County Crime Commission in 1977 and he was its Chairman until his death. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather, spending much time with his family. He was a world traveler with his family and friends and enjoyed life to the fullest. His hobbies were woodworking, hunting, fishing and photography and he loved the outdoors. Visitation will be Friday, August 24, 6:00-9:00pm at Panciera Memorial Home, 4200 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, FL, Funeral Service will be Saturday, August 25, 2:00pm at St. John's Lutheran Church, 2919 Van Buren Street, Hollywood, FL. Further visitation will be Tuesday, August 28th, 12:00noon-1:45pm with interment at Pinter Family Memorial Park, 266 Eva Mae Lane, Murphy, NC. Pallbearers: Gary Ware, Ron Ware, Ben Crisp, Jr., Jon Crisp, Jeff Ford and Brenin Ford.