



Far Western District

Convention Honoree

Terry Aramian – 2007 FWD Fall Convention Honoree



Terry is the first of four children born to Sam and Virg Aramian in Chicago on April 23 (William Shakespeare's purported birthday), in 1944. This was nine months and three days after his parents were married. Terry attended Schneider Elementary School where, in the fourth grade, he finished second in a class Howdy Doody look-alike contest. It was a proud day, indeed. He joined SPEBSQSA in 1959, and formed a high school quartet as his favorite pastime when he was not occupied with his studies in Math and Science.

Terry is a quartet man (Music Appreciation 101, Sound Committee), a chorus director (Tucson, San Jose, Palomar-Pacific), Singing Judge, Coach, and Emcee. A long-time member of Greater Phoenix Chapter, he has also topped the rosters — alphabetically — of the Tucson, Reno, Fresno, San Jose, Palomar-Pacific chapters.

Besides just being a barbershop icon in general, Terry has been a great leader and has held key Society positions including International Board Member, International Vice President, International Treasurer, and International President. At the chapter level he has served as Chapter President, Chapter Program Vice President, and Chapter Membership Vice President. He was on the Harmony Foundation Board of Trustees, as President during times of radical change. He has been in the Judging arena for 15+ years, as Sound and later Singing Judge.

His leisure activities include golf, private pilot, wining, dining, women & travel — not necessarily in that order. He has traveled to the Mideast, the Fareast, and Central and Western Europe, including Italy, England, Germany, Netherlands, France, Thailand, Philippines, and Singapore. Eleanor Roosevelt would be proud.

Terry is alive and kicking and survives along with his parents, three siblings, four children (no barbershoppers among them), and six grandchildren. He has been employed as a scorpion milker, insurance underwriter, insurance agent, electrician, electrical contractor, expert witness to the construction trades, and realtor.

When day is done he will be remembered for being a nice guy, affable, a leader, and a fair but tough decision maker. But today we celebrate our love and affection for this barbershopper's barbershopper, and proudly dedicate this convention in his honor.