## **Bob Walters History**

Bob Walters was born on March 12, 1926. He entered the Army in 1943 at the age of 16. Bob served as a Gunner on B-24 while stationed in England. Following the war he served at Wiesbaden and Frankfurt Germany. He married in March 1953 and served at an Air Force base in California. In 1953 Bob attended B-47 school in Amarillo, TX and B-52 school at Chanute AFB, IL. Bob Walters was stationed at Castle AFB from 1953 to 1965 where he served in the NCOIC Field Maintenance Squadron. In 1965 he retired from Military service as a Chief Master Sergeant and moved to Omaha, the hometown of his wife.

Following retirement, Bob worked as a printer for the Columbian Fathers for several years. He formed the first soccer teams in Bellevue in 1972. At this point there were four teams for the YMCA league. These four teams helped lead Bob Walters to form the Bellevue Soccer Club in 1974. After forming BSC, Bob held many positions within the Club: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and registrar.

Besides his work with Bellevue Soccer Club, Bob was a member of the Bellevue Offutt Kiwanis Club and was honored with the Kiwanian of the Year Award from Bellevue Offutt Kiwanis in 1981-1982. Bob was also a member of the Eagles Lodge in Bellevue, the Bellevue Rod and Gun Club, and the Air Force Sergeants Association where he was the division trustee for a five state area.

Bob Walters also did printing out of his basement for the Base Thrift Shop, NCO Wives Club, Officers Wives Club, Family Services, and various high school organizations. In 1979 Bob received the "Jewel of Bellevue" award from the city of Bellevue for his outstanding community service.