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RODGER LEE BERRY - Died Saturday, June 1, 2013, at Abington Hospice at Warminster, Pennsylvania after a long, courageous battle with lung cancer. He was 68 years of age. He had been a resident of the Warrington, Pennsylvania and Warminster areas since 2008 and previously had lived in Warsaw, Indiana, for 30 years. He was born January 1, 1945, in Paris, Illinois. He was a truck driver for various companies before retiring in 2009. He served in the United States Army for 14 years, serving in Korea, Vietnam and the United States. On November 21, 1968, he married Mary K. Laincz at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. They would have celebrated their 45th anniversary this year. He was a member of the American Legion, an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Pennsylvania**, and the AMVETS. He is survived by his wife, Mary K. Berry; his children, Tracy Lynn Tobalt (Paul), Kimberly Ann Lame (Jim), and Rodger Lee Berry II (April); his 14 grandchildren; his 12 great-grandchildren; his brothers, Gary Berry (Nancee) of Ohio, Walter Berry (Joann) of Indiana, and Glenn Berry (Sherry) of Indiana; his sisters, Leona Good (Kevin) of Indiana, and Deanna Dillon (Steve) of Mississippi; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Leo Berry and Marian Lang Berry Shoemaker; and his stepfather, Russell Shoemaker. Funeral services were held at 8:00 PM Tuesday, June 4, at The Decker Funeral Home, 216 York Road, Warminster, where calling hours were from 7:00 PM until the start of the service. Memorial donations may be made to Abington Hospice, 225 Newtown Road, Warminster, PA 18974, and the American Cancer Society, 480 Norristown Road, Suite 150, Blue Bell, PA 19422. The Decker Funeral Home,



WILLIAM J. "Bill" BISCHAK - Died peacefully on Wednesday, March 27, 2013, at home in Monaca, Pennsylvania with his loving family at his side. He was 69 years of age. The cause of death is unknown. He was born September 8, 1943 in Monaca to the late John E. and Louise Ann (née Montague) Bischak. He was a graduate of Monaca High School, Class of 1962. He proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and was awarded Overseas Service Bar, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal and Expert Rifle. He was a retired driver for Yellow Freight and a member of the Teamsters Union for 30 years. He served as past commander of Monaca American Legion Post #580 and was a member of Monaca VFW Post 4653 and West Middlesex VFW. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. He leaves a son, William R. Bischak of Monaca; a

daughter, Sharon B. Bischak and her companion, Josh Weese of Monaca; the mother of his children, Judy (Gilpin) Bischak of Monaca; four grandchildren who were the 'Apple of his Eye' , Joshlyn, Emily and twins, Zoey and Zachary Weese; six siblings, Nancy (Lex) Byers in California, George Bischak in Florida, Ann (Anthony) Marchione of Monaca, Sarah (Lowell) Thompson in Ohio, Frank (Helen) Bischak of Economy and Mike (Alice) Bischak of New Sewickley Township; a brother-in-law, Mick Fetkovich in Oklahoma; a cousin, Jack (Joan) Montague and many nieces and nephews living locally and throughout the United States. In addition to his parents, Bill was also preceded in death by six siblings, Mary Bischak, John (Grace) Bischak, Robert (Ree) Bischak, Pauline Bischak, Emily Fetkovich and James Bischak. Friends received family and friends on Saturday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and 7:00 to 9:00 PM and Sunday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and 7:00 to 9:00 PM in the Simpson Funeral & Cremation Services, 1119 Washington Avenue, Monaca where parting prayers will be offered Monday at 9:30 AM followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Monaca. Interment was in the parish cemetery. Full military honors were provided by the Beaver County Special Unit at the cemetery at 10:45 AM. The family wishes to express their sincere appreciation to VITAS Hospice for all the comfort and care given to Bill. Memorial contributions may be made, if desired, to Disabled American Veterans, 1000 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222.

JOHN W. BOLAN - Died at John F. Kennedy Medical Center in Edison, New Jersey on Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at the age of 86. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Gallitizin, Pennsylvania on July 7, 1927. He was a retired Veteran of the United States Navy serving 24 years and three wars; WW II, Korean Conflict and Vietnam. He was a fourth degree member of Knight of Columbus Council #4885, he was a member of the American Legion Father & Son Post in Edison, the Italian-American Club in Edison and the VFW in Woodbridge. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Brunswick Chapter #233**. John was predeceased by his wife, Rena in 2002 and his son, Thomas in 1987. He is survived by his son, John P. Bolan of Edison; his brother, Eugene Bolan of Iselin; his sister, Phyllis Long of Summerhill, PA; and many nieces, nephews, and great nieces and great nephews. Funeral Services took place at 10:00 AM Wednesday, April 3, 2013 at the Boylan Funeral Home, 10 Wooding Ave. Edison; followed by a 10:30 AM Mass at Guardian Angels RC Church in Edison under Transfiguration of the Lord Parish; interment was at Resurrection Cemetery in Piscataway. Family and friends visited on Tuesday from 2:00-4:00 and 7:00-9:00 PM at the Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Knights of Columbus Council #4885 for the Mentally Challenged Drive (Tootsie Roll Drive).

RICHARD HAROLD BRACKETT - Died Saturday, May 4, 2013 in Whitwell, Tennessee at the age of 68. The cause of death was pancreatitis, coronary artery disease and hypertension. He was born in Knoxville, Tennessee on January 11, 1945 to the late John C. and Iñez E. (née Camp) Brackett. He served in the United States Army and was a Vietnam Veteran and an avid classic car enthusiast. He never met a person he could not make a friend or at least be friendly. He loved people and they loved him. He will be truly missed, but Heaven is a brighter place with his presence. He was a member of the Baptist Hill Baptist Church and the Open Door Sunday School Class. He was also a member of the Olive Branch Masonic Lodge #297, Jasper, Tennessee. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Chattanooga Chapter**

#203. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his brothers, Robert, Jimmy, Carl and Johnny Brackett and his sister, Glynda Spencer. He is survived by his wife, Carol Diane Lewis Brackett; sister, Barbara (Eugene) Roach , Ringgold, GA; brothers, Roy (Carolyn) Brackett, Jasper, TN, Joe (Catherine) Brackett, Jasper, TN, and David (Helen) Brackett, Chattanooga, TN; daughters, Jeannie Mitchell, Myrtle Beach, SC, Starr Rushing, Jasper, TN ; Step-son, James Ray (Lynn) Lewis, Smithville, MO; 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were conducted from the funeral home chapel at 1:00 PM CDT, Tuesday, May 7, 2013, with Brother Gene Lewis and Brother Roger Webb co-officiating. Interment was in Lakewood West Memory Gardens. The family received friends from 2:00 PM CDT until 8:00 PM CDT, Monday, May, 6, 2013.



HELEN LOUISE BROOKS, R.N. (CPT, USNR (Retired) – Died Wednesday, May 1, 2013 in San Diego, California at the age of 94. The cause of death was natural causes. She was born September 20, 1918 in Lowell, Massachusetts. She attended Barlett Junior High and Lowell High School. She earned Bachelors of Science in Nursing Education at Boston University, Massachusetts, B.S. in Nursing Service Administration at Columbia University New York City. She was in Emergency and Operating Room Nursing, U.S. Naval Hospital, Camp Davis, North Carolina for battalion of Royal Netherlands Marine Corps training in the United States during World War II. She served 30 years in the United States Navy. She was an Operating Room Supervisor and Instructor aboard the USS Constellation (AH-15) (Hospital Ship) during Korean War. She was the Chief, Nursing Services at the Station Hospital, Naval Support Activity, Danang, Vietnam. She was the Director, Nursing Services at the Health Bureau, Panama Canal Zone Government; two general hospitals (one at each end of the Canal) 1 Psychiatric Hospital, 1 Leprosarium, 1 School and Public Health Unit. She retired permanently and established her home in San Diego, California. She was awarded the Legion of Merit with Combat "V". She re-wrote the manual "Operating at Sea" for the U.S. Navy. She was laid to rest on May 13, 2013. A memorial mass was celebrated at Our Mother of Confidence Catholic Church in La Jolla, California at 10:00 AM. She was buried at Miramar National Cemetery San Diego with full military honors at 11:30 AM. She is survived by six nieces and nephews, many great-nieces and nephews, many great-great-nieces and nephews.

WILLIAM D. BUTLER – Died Tuesday, February 5, 2013 in Dracut, Massachusetts at the age of 65. He was formerly of West Roxbury, Massachusetts. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in West Roxbury on May 13, 1948. He was the loving father of Clarissa Butler of Waban; devoted brother of Mary Ellen Butler of West Roxbury and the late Robert Butler. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America* – Massachusetts. A Funeral service was held in the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre Street, West Roxbury, on Thursday, February 14, at 11:00 AM. Relatives and friends were invited to attend. Visiting hours in the funeral home were on Wednesday from 4:00-7:00 PM. Interment with Military Honors, Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne, Massachusetts was on Thursday at 1:00 PM.

ERNEST JAMES BUZEK - Died Monday, February 4, 2013 at his home in Texas City, Texas at the age of 69. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Hallettsville, Texas on October 11, 1943 to the late Louis and Stacie Buzek. He is survived by his wife Nita Nutt Buzek; a

stepdaughter, Sherita Perez, of Texas City; two sons, Shannon Buzek, of Spring, Texas and Jeffery (wife, Angel) Buzek, of Conroe, Texas; a stepson and his wife, Clark and Amber Covington, of Brownwood, Texas; a sister, Joyce McGary, of Schulenburg, Texas; five grandchildren, and; one stepgrandchild. He served in the United States Army from June 24, 1969 to June 19, 1970 with a tour of duty in Vietnam with Company A, 1st Battalion, 10th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division. He was awarded the Purple Heart for wounds sustained. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brother, Harvey Buzek and a nephew. Graveside services were held on Saturday, February 9th at 11:30 AM at the Schulenburg City Cemetery with full military honors including a 21-gun salute by **Vietnam Veterans of America – Schulenburg Chapter #870**. He was a *Life Member* of that chapter. Funeral arrangements were made by Schwenke-Baumgarten Funeral Home of Schulenburg, Texas.

WILLIAM B. "Bill" CALDWELL - A longtime resident of Sonoma County Died Thursday, October 17, 2005 in Windsor, Sonoma County, California at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born September 29, 1940. Bill is survived by his wife Barbara Caldwell of Sonoma; his daughters Sara Rash of Santa Rosa and Melissa Caldwell of Concord; sister Mary Kay Fillingham of San Antonio, TX; brother Joseph Caldwell of Los Gatos; grandchildren Thomas, Jacob and Joseph Rash all of Santa Rosa. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews in San Antonio, TX. Bill was a retired insurance agent, a United States Air Force veteran of the Vietnam War, a member of the VFW Post 1943 Sonoma, the DAV Chapter #48 of Santa Rosa, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Petaluma Chapter #563**, and the Windsor Grange #410. Bill was a proud member of the Republican Party, a Texan, a patriot and a piano player extraordinaire. Friends were invited to attend the Committal services Tuesday, October 25, 2005 2:00 PM at the Shiloh District Cemetery, Windsor. Memorial donations to the DAV would be appreciated. For further info please call Fred Young Funeral Home.



HENRY SAMUEL "Hank" CRUMB - Died Friday, April 12, 2013, at Intermountain Health Care in Salt Lake City, Utah, of heart failure at the age of 83. He was a resident of Idaho Falls, Idaho. He was born January 17, 1930 in Saint Joseph, Missouri, to the late Henry Stewart Crumb and Anna Catherine (née Carver) Crumb. He grew up and attended schools in Saint Joseph. Following high school he joined the United States Army and proudly served for 25 years in various places throughout the world, including Vietnam, as a Supply Officer and Recruiter, retiring as a Sergeant First Class. Following his military service he earned his Bachelor's Degree from Idaho State University. In 1952, he married Betty Lee Carr in Saint Joseph, Missouri. Following his discharge from the Army in 1972 Hank and Betty moved to Ammon, and Hank went to work as manager of the Idaho Falls Civic Auditorium. He later worked as a supply officer at State Hospital South in Blackfoot. Betty passed away in 1992. On May 29, 1993, he married Winona Brunson Sayer in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. An active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Hank served in various capacities over the years. He was also active in the American Legion, VFW, and a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Idaho Falls Chapter #972**. He was a member of the Ammon Lions Club, was a volunteer firefighter in Ammon, and took part in the Freedom Team Salute. Hank loved woodworking, making cradles, dollhouses, picnic tables, furniture, and cabinets. He also enjoyed painting and square dancing. Hank is survived

by his loving wife of 20 years, Winona Crumb, Son, Henry Samuel Crumb Jr. of Savannah, GA, Daughter, Vicki (Steven) Smith of Sacramento, CA; Son, Jim Crumb of Ammon, ID, Son, Gary (Jan) Sayer of Ammon, ID, Son, David Wayne Sayer of Marin County, CA, Son, Michael (Nikki) Sayer of Idaho Falls, ID; Daughter-In-Law, Dixie Sayer of Idaho Falls, ID; Brother, Charles (Evelyn) Crumb of Houston, TX; 15 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. In addition to his parents and his first wife, he was also predeceased a son, Allan, a daughter, Suzanne, a son, Randy, a sister, Jasmine Glenn, and a brother, Herman Crumb. Funeral Services were held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, April 17, 2013, at the Idaho Falls LDS Mountain View Ward, 1450 Mountain View Lane, with Bishop Randy Wheeler officiating. The family visited with friends from 7:00 to 8:30 PM Tuesday at Wood Funeral Home, 273 North Ridge, and from 10:00 to 10:45 AM Wednesday at the church. Burial was in the Ammon Cemetery. Military Rites were performed by the Bonneville County Veterans Memorial Team and Idaho Honor Guard.

JERRY G. DAVIS – Died Saturday, February 9, 2013 in Shawnee, Oklahoma at the age of 70. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related ischemic heart disease. He was born May 15, 1942 in Shawnee. He is survived by his wife, Linda, of the home. He served in the United States Army from 1964 to 1966 with one year tour of duty in Vietnam. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Oklahoma City Chapter #291**.



RONNIE WAYNE DAVIS - Died Sunday, September 30, 2012, at the Norton Brownsboro Hospital in Louisville, Kentucky at the age of 63. He was a resident of Radcliff, Kentucky. He was born June 18, 1949 in Talladega, Alabama. Retired Command Sergeant Major Davis was an Iraq War veteran and received the Legion of Merit and Bronze Star Medal. After retiring from the United States Army, he worked for the Commonwealth of Kentucky at the Career Center in Elizabethtown, Kentucky. He served on the Radcliff Planning and Zoning Commission and the board of North Hardin Hope, provided counseling at the Chaplain Family Life Center and was a member of Stithton Baptist Church in Radcliff. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elizabethtown Chapter #1051**. He was preceded in death by his son, Joseph Davis. He is survived by his wife, Rose K. Davis of Radcliff; a daughter and son-in-law, Beverly and Jamos Wriedt of Union; four grandchildren, Sierra Davis of Louisville and Taylor Wriedt, Zachary Wriedt and Emma Wriedt, all of Union; two great-grandchildren, Cali Williams and Zoey Thompson; and eight siblings, Sandra, Linda, Roger, Nancy, Teresa, Leigh Ann, Carolyn and Karen, all of Alabama. The funeral was at 2:00 PM on Thursday, October 4, at Nelson-Edelen-Bennett Funeral Home in Radcliff. Burial was in North Hardin Memorial Gardens in Radcliff with military honors. Visitation was from 5:00 to 8:00 PM on Wednesday and continued at Noon on Thursday at the funeral home. Expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or a charity of the donor's choice in memory of Ronnie Davis.



ARTHUR MITCHELL DERANEY, JR. - of Cumberland, RI formerly of Norwood, Died Tuesday, June 18, 2013 in Cumberland, Rhode Island at the age of 66. The cause of death was a massive heart attack. He was born December 20, 1946 in Norwood, Massachusetts. He served in the United States Marine Corps during

the Vietnam War at the rank of Corporal. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – James Michael Ray Memorial (North Smithfield) Chapter #818**. He was the loving father of Sharon Deraney and her partner Shalom of Worcester; Brian Deraney and his wife Allison of Sharon; cherished grandfather of Nathan Mitchell Deraney; dear brother of Elaine Deraney of Florida, and; former husband of Louise Deraney of Norwood. The funeral service was held Monday, June 24 at 10:00 AM at Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church, 55 Emmonsedale Road, West Roxbury, Massachusetts. Visiting hours were held Sunday 4:00-8:00 PM at the Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home 8 Spring Street (at the corner of Centre Street) West Roxbury. Relatives and friends were respectfully invited to attend. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Arthur's memory may be made to the Department of Veterans Affairs at <http://www.volunteer.va.gov/apps/VolunteerNow/>.

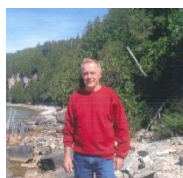


LEBRON DERRICK - Died Friday, April 19, 2013 in Chattanooga, Tennessee at the age of 63. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Chattanooga on June 13, 1947 to the late Doris Derrick and Miriam Sanford. He was a graduate of Howard High School - Class of 1966. He retired from the TVA and was a United States Army veteran of the Vietnam War. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brother, Charles Sanford, his nephew Derwin Colbert and his grandmother, Arnez Derrick Henry. Survivors include his wife, Zarma Derrick; children, Noble (Roxanne N.) Nichols, Dominic Johnson, Miriam Derrick, Nikia (Tracy) Jones and Christopher (Crystal Alfred) McKibbens; 16 grandchildren; brothers, Melvin, Adam and Edward; sisters, Gail, Faye and Dorothy; aunt, Bobby; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 in the funeral home chapel. Interment was in the Chattanooga National Cemetery. The body laid-in-state after Noon on Tuesday and the family received friends this evening from 6:00-8:00 PM.

WAYNE EUGENE DOBSON – Died Wednesday, August 1, 2012 in Rochester, Pennsylvania at the age of 63. He was formerly from New Brighton, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was glioblastoma multiform. He was born in New Brighton, Pennsylvania on January 9, 1949. He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Michele J. (née DeFelice) Dobson; his son, James W. Dobson, of Rochester; his daughter and son-in-law, Annemarie and Presley Kelleher, of Ohio Township, Pennsylvania; four grandchildren, James and Joseph Dobson and Kayleigh and Karalyn Kelleher; his brother and sister-in-law, Timothy and Fern Dobson; his sister and brother-in-law, Donna and Russell Parrish, of Chippewa Township, Pennsylvania, and; his mother-in-law, Emogene DeFelice. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his father-in-law, Joseph DeFelice; a special nephew, Donald Dobson and a niece, Donna Harden. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War from September 19, 1966 to August 31, 1969, serving tours in Vietnam and Germany. He was a member of the Rochester VFW Post and the Rochester Elks. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. A celebration of life was held Sunday, August 5th at 2:00 PM at the Rochester VFW. The Beaver County Special Unit provided full military honors.



RICHARD L. FIES - Died Sunday morning, March 10, 2013 at his home in Whitehall, Pennsylvania surrounded by his loving family and friends. He was 82 years of age. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Reading, Pennsylvania on October 17, 1930. He was the husband of Beverly (née Seng) Fies of Whitehall and celebrated 31 years in September. Richard was a Drill Instructor, Recruiter and Mechanic for 29 years in the United States Marine Corps, serving in both the Korean and Vietnam Wars and retired at the rank of Master Sergeant (E-8). He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Easton Chapter #415**. He was a life member of the Marine Corps League; Hokendauqua American Legion Post #739 and the VFW. Richard was a 1949 graduate of Hershey High School in Hershey, Pennsylvania. Surviving along with his wife are his sons Rick and family of Waterloo, NY; Mike and family of Albuquerque, NM; Cliff and family of Long Beach, CA; Joe and Shaun at home; daughter Teresa Hart and family of Bakersfield, CA; 9 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by brothers Will and Charlie and sisters Katherine, Jinnie and Barbara Ann. Memorial services were held at 2:00 PM Saturday March 16th, 2013 at the Egypt VFW Post #7293 followed by a reception held at the Hokendauqua American Legion Post #739. In lieu of flowers the family requests a toy donation for the Marine Corps Toys for Tots drive.



WILLIAM "Bill" FOLLETT, SR. - Died Tuesday, April 30, 2013 in Rochester, New York at the age of 60 after a courageous battle with cancer. He is predeceased by his mother, Irene Follett; sister, Sharon Anderson, and first wife, Caryl (née Bolger) Follett. He is survived by his loving wife, Karen Sue (née Russell) Follett; father, Richard L. Follett, Sr. (his stepmother, Beverly Lewis); children, William Follett Jr., Brenda Follett; stepchildren, Sarah (Brian) Streichert, Brody (Tilitha) Waybrant and grandchildren; brothers and sisters, Richard (Phyllis), Patricia, Robert Sr. (Kathy) Follett, Nancy (Keith) Hargrave, Marion (Tom) Palumbo; many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and good friends. Bill was a retired Rochester Firefighter after 27 years of service. He served his country in the United States Army Reserves for 30 years. Bill was a member of the Hinsdale American Legion, a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20** and a lifetime member of VFW Post 307. Family received friends from 2:00-4:00 PM on Sunday, May 5th at the New Comer Funeral Home, 2636 Ridgeway Ave. followed by a service at 4:00 PM.



CHESTER NIMITZ FREEMAN – Died Sunday, April 7, 2013 in West Orange, Texas at the age of 66. The cause of death was end-stage cardiac disease. He was born August 11, 1946 in Orange, Texas to the late Robert and Ruby (née Curl) Freeman. He was honorably retired from the United States Navy, March of 1970. Chester was a member of Calvary Baptist in West Orange and was a member of DAV, FRA and American Legion. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Orange Chapter #348**. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Freeman; mother, Ruby Lucille Freeman, brother, Bobby Allen Sarver, sister, Carrie Franklin. He is survived by his wife, Frances Motley Freeman of 40 ½ years of West Orange TX.; sons, Fred A. Freeman and Jason N. Freeman both of West Orange, TX, Jason Companion and Sumnar Strayhorn, her daughter Akiyah Ward of Port Arthur, TX.; sisters, JoAnn Demon of Bridge City, TX, Myrtle (Sissy) Holmes of Orange, TX; brothers and sister-in-laws, Louis Freeman and wife, Carolyn (Sue) of Vinton, LA, Ruben

Freeman and his wife, Shirley of Bridge City, TX; aunt, Shirley Waldrop of Jasper County, and nine nieces and thirteen nephews. Visitation was held on Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at Dorman Funeral Home from 5:00 PM until 9:00 PM. The Funeral Service was held on Wednesday, April 10, 2013 at 10:00 AM at the funeral home, with the Reverends David Millner and Kevin Trinkle co-officiating. Interment was in Autumn Oaks Memorial Park in Orange, with military services. Pallbearers will be, Howard Hobden, Robert Franklin, Troy Shelton, Harry Franklin, Michel Davis, Bobby Shelton. Honorary Pallbearers will be Louis Freeman, Ruben Freeman, Harry Hobden and Arthur Hobden. Condolences may be sent for the family at www.dormanfuneralhome.com.



GORDON SEAN GOEI – Died Monday, January 21, 2013 in the Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center at the age of 70. He was a resident of Baldwin Park, California and West Covina, California. The cause of death was Ischemic Cardiac Failure and Coronary Artery Disease. He was born in Indonesia on October 22, 1942 to the late Yam (James) Soen Goei and the late Lian Hoa Kno. He is survived by his ex-wife, Tjoe Giok; his sons, Dexter Gregory Goei and Danton Gordon Goei, of New York City, New York; his sister, Nio Som (Jane), and; five brothers, Djik Siong, Bing Siong, Han (Herman) Siong, Hauw Siong and James Goie. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a Medical Doctor specializing in OB/GYN in Southern California. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pasadena Chapter #446**.

JOHN J. GUARRE – Died unexpectedly on Monday, August 30, 2010 in Pittsford, New York at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born April 2, 1942 to the late John and Jennie Guarre. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his first wife Sue. He is survived by his wife Mary Ann Guarre; children, Stacey Hermanson, Stephen Guarre, Charles Tremblay, & Robin Tremblay; grandchildren, Mychal Davis, James, Benjamin, Erika & Maria Hermanson; brother & sister-in-law, Jim & Karen Guarre; many nieces, nephews and dear friends. John graduated from Benjamin Franklin High School in 1959. He attended Syracuse University and graduated in 1963. Following graduation, he served in Vietnam as a Military Policeman with the United States Army. After his discharge, John worked for TH Green Electric. In 1991, John and his business partner, Al Gotowka, founded Landmark Electric. He served as its president until his retirement in 2004. John was also very active on the Board of Directors of Catholic Family Center and the Lifetime Assistance Foundation. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**. Family and friends were invited to call on Friday from 2:00-4:00 PM and 7:00-9:00 PM at the Miller Funeral Homes, Inc. 3325 Winton Road South. John's Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Good Shepherd Church, 3318 East Henrietta Road, on Saturday at 10:00 AM. Entombment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the Catholic Family Center, 87 North Clinton Ave., Rochester, New York 14604 or the Lifetime Assistance Foundation, 425 Paul Road, Rochester, New York 14624.

RUSSELL H. HAMILTON – Died Saturday, June 1, 2013 in Willow Grove, Pennsylvania at the age 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born June 5, 1943. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Philadelphia Chapter #590**.



BOYD ERVIN HERSHMAN, JR. – Died Thursday, April 4, 2013 at the Tucson Veterans Affairs Medical Center at the age of 66. He was a resident of Tucson. The cause of death is unknown. He was born April 5, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tucson Chapter #106**. He is survived by Tanya L. Hershman. A Memorial Service was held at 2:00 PM at the Casas Adobes Baptist Church, 10801 North La Cholla Boulevard, Tucson, Arizona 85742 on Saturday, April 27, 2013. A Graveside Service at South Lawn Cemetery, 5401 South Park Avenue, Tucson, Arizona 85706, was held Saturday, May 4, 2013 at 1:00 PM. Arrangements by Funeraria del Angel, South Lawn.

JAMES E. HUDSON – Died recently in 2013 in Hixson, Tennessee at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born March 24, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Chattanooga Chapter #203**.

JAMES L. HUGGINS – Died in May 2013 in Irvine, California at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born June 24, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Irvine Chapter #785**.



DONALD "Don" INCHA, SR. - Died Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at his home in Antigo, Wisconsin at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 16, 1944 in Antigo to Henrietta (née Wachal) Incha of Antigo and the late Michael Incha. He married Alice Buetow on October 24, 1970 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Antigo. The couple later divorced. He graduated from Antigo High School with the class of 1962. He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1963 to 1966 during the Vietnam War. While overseas he served one year on the USS Ranger. Mr. Incha was a third generation farmer, owning and operating, along with his brother David, Incha Bros Farms. He was a member of the Timberwolves Detachment of The Marine Corps League, Leland Tollefson Veterans of Foreign War Post #2653, Sparks-Doernenburg American Legion Post #3, and Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks Lodge #662 all of Antigo. He was also a member of Ackley Swampers and Rolling Thunder. He was also a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Shawano Chapter #206**. He enjoyed riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle, golfing, bowling, pool league, trap shooting, hunting and fishing. In addition to his mother, survivors include three daughters, Dayle (Fletcher) Wright, Mascoutah, Ill, Dennise Panetta, Wausau and Deb (Mark) Brushert, Wausau; a son, Don (Jena) Incha Jr., Antigo; ten grandchildren, John and Eric Brushert, Melissa and Anthony Panetta, Jessica, Fletcher and Brenden Wright, Ashly Powell, Dylan Incha and Zoe Orgeman; a great-grandson, RJ Smith; two sisters, Ann (El) Saugstad, West Bend and Alice (James) Grasewicz, Ruckersville, Va.; two brothers, David (Sue) Incha and Michael Incha both of Antigo; and a sister-in-law, Rosie (Norb) Fleishman, Deerbrook. A funeral service was held on Wednesday at 10:00 AM at the Bradley Funeral Home with the Reverend Omer Kelley officiating. Antigo veterans conducted military rites at the funeral home following the service. Visitation was from 4:00 – 8:00 PM on Tuesday at the funeral home with an Elks Lodge of Sorrow service at 5:30 PM and Antigo veterans standing honor guard from 6:30- 7:00 PM. Visitation continued on Wednesday from 9:00 AM until the time of service at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Mr. Incha's name

may be directed to Never Forgotten Honor Flight at P.O. Box 5056 Wausau, WI 54402 or dropped off at the funeral home.



ALLAN MARTIN "AI" JOKELA, SR. - Died peacefully at his home in Rock, Michigan on Tuesday, April 2, 2013 at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 6, 1933 in Escanaba, Michigan to the late Bertha and John Jokela. He graduated from Rock High School in 1951 as valedictorian and class president. He married the former Nancy Koski on August 13, 1955 at Faith Lutheran Church in Rock. He received a Regents Alumni Scholarship to the University of Michigan where he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Speech in 1955. He was a loyal Wolverines fan. He earned a Master's Degree in Public Administration from George Washington University in 1967. Allan entered the United States Air Force in 1955 as a second lieutenant graduate of ROTC. He was a distinguished ROTC graduate and a distinguished graduate of squadron officer school and the Air Command and Staff College. During his 20-year career in the U.S. Air Force, Allan served as a master navigator, instructor and personnel officer. He was an Air Force ROTC instructor at Michigan State University for four years. He and his family were stationed in Texas twice, Japan, Virginia twice, Michigan, and Alabama twice. Allan logged 3,985 hours of flying time during his military career. In addition to Japan, he flew to the Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand, Wake Island, Bermuda, Puerto Rico, the Azores off Portugal, Chile, Peru, Argentina, and the Panama Canal. Allan flew 181 combat missions during his one-year tour in Vietnam. He retired as a lieutenant colonel in 1975 from Air Force Headquarters at the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. Following his retirement, he and his family moved to his hometown of Rock where he worked as coordinator for the Rock-Perkins-Cornell Senior Center. He later was employed as production manager for EIMCO K & K Manufacturing Company of Rock. He also worked as a grant writer for Bay de Noc Community College. Allan was a member of Faith Lutheran Church in Rock. He was the former tail twister and past president of the Rock Lions Club. He was a former member of the Mid-Peninsula School Improvement Team. He was a past player on the Mid Pen Merchants Softball Team which earned a state championship. He also was a past player on the Rock Merchants Basketball Team. Al was thankful for his teammates allowing an old man to play on their teams. For nearly four decades, Allan was very active in Rock American Legion Post 559 and was a life member. He served as past president, past vice commander, and past adjutant, a position he held for 24 years. He and his fellow legionnaires organized several youth and community programs including the Punt, Pass and Kick Contest at Mid-Peninsula School, the Boys State Program, the Veterans Day Program at the school, the Memorial Day and Flag Day programs in Rock, and the post installation ceremonies. Allan had served on the following state offices for the American Legion: assistant membership director for the U.P.; 11th District service officer; district committeeman; zone commander; and chairman of the Department of Michigan's Education and Scholarship Committee. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Munising Chapter #237**, a life member of Amvets Post 122 of Ishpeming, and a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Gwinn. In 2011, he was named Honorary Upper Peninsula Veteran of the Year for his outstanding service to the community and veteran organizations. Allan is survived by his wife, Nancy; their five children: Yvonne Jokela of Rock, Heidi (Steve) DeLongchamp of Ishpeming; Allan Jokela Jr. of Rock, Jenny Lancour of Gladstone, and David Jokela of Rock; six grandchildren: Erik DeLongchamp, Maija (Steve) Veihl, and Sara

DeLongchamp, all of Ishpeming, Issac DeLongchamp of DeWitt, Mich., Earl Lancour of Raymore, Mo., and Elle Lancour of Gladstone; a great-granddaughter, Jenny DeLongchamp of DeWitt, Mich.; a brother, Paul Jokela of Antigo, Wis.; brothers-in-law Robert (Marlene) Koski and David Koski, all of Rock; and several cousins, nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by two brothers, George Jokela and Harold Jokela. Visitation for Allan M. Jokela took place from 2:00-4:00 PM on Tuesday, April 9, 2013 at the Anderson Funeral Home in Gladstone, Michigan. Military services were conducted in the Anderson Funeral Home Chapel at 3:45 PM on Tuesday. Funeral services celebrating the life of Allan Jokela took place at 5:00 PM Tuesday at Faith Lutheran Church in Rock with Pastor Kris Ertl presiding. A luncheon followed in the church fellowship hall. Burial took place in the Rock Cemetery.



PHILIP CARL JONES - Died suddenly after arrival at Baptist Health Richmond, Inc. on Sunday, February 3, 2013 at the age of 57. He was a resident of Berea, Kentucky. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born June 6, 1955, in McAlester, Oklahoma, to James Carl and Lois (née Beall) Jones, both of whom preceded him in death. He was a United States Air Force veteran of the Vietnam-era, stationed in Korea. After his service in the military, Philip worked

for civil service and most recently as State Service Officer for the Disabled American Veterans. He was a member of the DAV, the American Legion, **Vietnam Veterans of America – Big Hill Chapter #1066**, the VFW and the National Order of Trench Rats. Survivors include his loving wife, Teresa G. Dennis Jones of Berea; one daughter, Carleigh Jones of Laurel, Maryland; two sons, Philip Robert Jones of Berea and Steven Michael Jones (Sarah Muniz, Fiancée') of Pasadena, Maryland; two grandchildren, Katia Muniz and Urijah Muniz, as well as his beloved cat. Services were conducted at 11:00 AM Thursday, February 7, 2013, at Oldham, Roberts & Powell Funeral Home. Rev. Dr. Russell Rechenbach officiated at the service. Burial was at Camp Nelson National Cemetery at 1:30 PM with full military honors. Visitation was from 6:00 – 9:00 PM on Wednesday at Oldham, Roberts & Powell.



DAVID JAMES KERNS, JR. – Died on Wednesday, May 1, 2013 in Oldtown, Maryland at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born Jan. 7, 1945 to the late David James Kerns, Sr. and Margaret Kerns. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by two sisters, Donna Houldersheldt and her twin, Dorothy Rohrbaugh. He is survived by his wife Shari; a special loving daughter, Cristal Kerns and fiancé Johnny Vanmeter of Cumberland; son David

Kerns III; stepson, Jeremy Snyder and fiancée Kristen Bender of Cumberland; four grandchildren, Brittina Buser, Shelley Buser, Jordan Pennington, and Kaitlyn Pennington; one special great-grandchild, Ashlyn Lee; one special sister, Linda Stafford and husband John of Cumberland; one brother, Dennis Kerns of Oldtown; father and mother-in-law, Joe and Pat Brown, who loved Dave very much; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews. Dave was a tree climber by trade with Asplundh for 25 years. He also served his country in the United States Army for two years during the Vietnam War. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and working on cars before he became ill. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**. At Dave's request, he donated his body to the Maryland Anatomy

Board and was later cremated. A memorial service was held at the Oldtown Bethel Assembly of God Church on May 18, 2013 at 1:00 PM.

DANIEL J. LARRIGAN – Died on Saturday, April 13, 2013 in Florissant, Missouri at the age of 66. The cause of death was cancer. He was born September 26, 1946 to Thomas and Bernice Larrigan. He was the loving companion of Becky Hart; dear father of Heather (Mike) Talken, Jennifer (Derrick) Cripps and Holly (Ben) Talley; dear grandfather of Sam, Teresa, Emma, Gabe, Zaria, Grant, Bernadette, Sydney and Markus; loving brother of Tony, Steve Pete, Mike (Marge) Larrigan and Mary Ann (Mike) Sampson; dear uncle of Shawn (Tina) Larrigan, Shannon (Theresa) Larrigan, Tara (Eric) Goerss, Bridget Larrigan; dear nephew, cousin and friend. Daniel was a 1964 graduate of CBC, and played on their championship football team. Daniel is a Vietnam Veteran who served with the United States Marine Corps. He was a *Life Member* of the First Marine Division Association; **Vietnam Veterans of America – Florissant Chapter #794** and the VFW #4105. He also was a retired Pipe Fitter Local #562. The services were at 10:00 AM Thursday, April 18, from Hutchens Mortuary, 675 Graham Road, to Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne Church for the 10:30 AM Mass of Christian Burial. Interment was in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. Visitation hours were from 3:00-9:00 PM Wednesday, April 17.

FRANCES ANN SAYRE LINLEY - Died Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at her residence in Winfield, Alabama at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. She was born June 8, 1939. She is survived by her husband, Charles Linley; three sons, Ollie (Rhonda Boyette) Sayre of Winfield, Jack (Karen) Sayre of Birmingham, and Joe Sayre of Decatur, TX; eleven grandchildren, and four great grandchildren. She was a member of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Winfield Chapter #786**. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 11, at 11:00 AM from the Miles Funeral Home Chapel. Burial was in Union Chapel Cemetery with Widdy Atkins officiating. Visitation was on Friday at the funeral home from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM.



JOHN WILLIAM LONG - age 76 of Strafford Mo., Died Friday, March 15, 2013, after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was a resident of Strafford, Missouri and 76 years of age. John was born in Ashland, Pennsylvania on April 28, 1936 to John, and Flaura Long. He embraced the Lord at a very early age. John was a member of the Mt. Carmel High School class of 1954. Upon graduation, John and 2 of his best High School friends all enlisted in the U.S. Military. They did this in part, because to stay in Mt. Carmel, Pennsylvania, at this time, meant an almost certain lifetime of coal mining, the only real jobs available in the area. John selected the United States Army, and his friends each joined other branches of the service. He retired from the Army at Ft. Leavenworth Kansas as a Sergeant First Class with 20 years of military service having been stationed, or served tours in Ft. Jackson South Carolina, Ft. Lee, Virginia, Neu Ostheim, Germany, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia, Pusan, Korea, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia again, Pirmasens, Germany, Ft. Lee, Virginia again, Cam Ranh Bay, Vietnam,, Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, Camp Samea San, Thailand, Wurtzburg, Germany, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas. He was awarded numerous Awards, Decorations and Medals. After retiring from the Army, John began another career as a Purchasing Agent working for Fire Master Fire Apparatus, which he did for 24 years. John met the love of his life Maria while stationed in Germany. The Lord blessed them with a loving daughter Maria Erika and son David

Roy Long. They celebrated their 55th Wedding Anniversary with a Cruise to Alaska in 2012. John was preceded in death by his beloved daughter Maria Erika. Besides the love of his life Maria, John is survived by his loving son David Roy Long of Strafford, dearly loved Granddaughter Krystal Alexis Long of Springfield, brother-in-law Ludwig Merz of Germany, Sister Joan Mazari, of Colorado, Loving Brother Robert and wife Teruko of Colorado, Brother Raymond Long of Pennsylvania and numerous nephews and nieces. John loved his military career, and continued his devotion to the military, and its' veterans, with Life memberships, and service, in both, the VFW Post 7214, and **Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #952**. During the years, John missed very few functions, and a proud moment, for him and his family came at the 2012, Fourth of July Parade, in Strafford, when the VFW selected him to serve as Grand Marshall. John will be sorely missed by his family, friends, church, community, and his dog. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, son, and friend. He was a human being of the first degree, and all who knew him, will grieve his passing. John loved his Lord, and was a member of the Strafford United Methodist Church, where he held many different positions, and worked to help the church, any way he could. John was active in his community, and he served the fledgling Strafford volunteer fire department as chief, for 9 years. He and the department were recognized in "Springfield" Magazine, in 1983. Viewing was at Day Funeral Home in Marshfield MO. on Sunday March 17th from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. The funeral was held at the Strafford United Methodist Church, his home Church in Strafford Missouri, at 12:00 PM, a small dinner will be held for guests, beforehand starting at 11:00 AM. The Reverends Gene Nicholson and John Inman co-officiated the service. Burial was at Waynesville Memorial Cemetery in Waynesville Missouri with full Military Honors. In lieu of flowers the family asks to donate to the United Methodist church of Strafford, the Veterans Organization of your choice, or Mercy Hospice.

ROBERT L. MARR - Died Friday, February 1, 2013, at a local hospital at the age of 61. He was a resident of Waco, Texas. He was born on February 23, 1951, in Chicago, Illinois. He served as a medic in the United States Army during Vietnam and was a prisoner of War. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Texas**. He is survived by his many friends and church members. Memorial services were Sunday night, February 10, 2013 immediately following the 5:00 PM worship service at New Road Church of Christ.

ALONZO MARTINEZ – Died recently in Ferguson, Missouri at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born January 8, 1948. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Florissant Chapter #794**.

JOHN PATRICK "Jack" McBRIDE, JR. - Died peacefully on Wednesday, February 27, 2013 in Saddle Brook, New Jersey at the age of 68. He was formerly from Hackensack, New Jersey. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related congestive heart failure. He was born May 15, 1944 in Teaneck, New Jersey. Prior to retiring, he worked as a Field Inspector for the ATF. He was a member and Past Grand Knight of The Knights of Columbus in Teaneck, a United States Army veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Disabled Veteran Chapter #15 and the VFW Post #809 in Little Ferry, *Past-President* and *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lodi Chapter #800**, a former Cub Scout leader of Troop 5 in Hackensack and a parishioner of

St. Philip the Apostle Roman Catholic Church, Saddle Brook. He was the beloved husband of Tam T. (née Nguyen); loving father of John P. "Sean" McBride III and his fiancée Casilda Ajenjo of Saddle Brook and Kathleen McBride of Saddle Brook; cherished grandfather of Gianna; dearest brother of Timothy and Suzanne McBride of Teaneck and Gregory and Audrey McBride of Calabash, NC. The funeral was on Monday March 4, at 10:15 AM from the funeral home. The Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Philip the Apostle Church, 488 Saddle River Road, Saddle Brook, New Jersey at 11:30 AM. Cremation was at Cedar Lawn Crematory, Paterson, New Jersey. The family received friends on Sunday from 2:00 – 4:00 and 7:00 – 9:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations to Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc. - Bergen County Chapter #800, 100 Main Street, Little Ferry, New Jersey 07643.



LAWRENCE CHARLES "Chuck" McCLUNE - 69, of Beaver, Died unexpectedly in his home in Beaver, Pennsylvania on March 19, 2013 at the age of 69. The cause of death was a massive heart attack. He was born January 27, 1944, in Rochester, Pennsylvania to the late Robert C. and Hilda A. (née Conklin) McClune, and had been a resident of Beaver all of his life. A 1962 graduate of Beaver Area High School, he retired in 2003 from Westinghouse and Cutler Hammer, Vanport, after 37 years as a machinist. He later worked at Sherwood Florist as a driver and delivery person. A member of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, he formerly served on Church Council and was currently serving as the property manager. A veteran of the United States Navy during the Vietnam War, he was a member of the Rochester Elks, **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**, the New Brighton American Legion, and the Rochester Turners. An avid golfer, he especially enjoyed the Westinghouse Retiree Golf League and playing with US Air Retirees. Chuck was often seen walking or biking through Beaver and greeted all that he encountered. His personality was loved by all those he met. He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Judith Anderson McClune; a son, Charles M. 'Mike' McClune, Beaver; a daughter, Natalie (Douglas Schwan) McClune, New Haven, CT; his mother-in-law, Anna Anderson, East Palestine; a brother, Robert (Diane) McClune, Vanport; two sisters, Dorothy (John) Mickey, Brighton Township and Patricia 'Pam' (Tom) McIntyre, Beaver, numerous nieces, nephews and many friends. Friends were received Friday from 1:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 9:00 PM in the Noll Funeral Home Inc., 333 Third Street, Beaver. A funeral service was held on Saturday at 11:00 AM at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Beaver, conducted by Frank Kantz. Private interment was at Sylvania Hills Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made, if desired, to Beaver Area School District Education Foundation, 855 Second Street, Beaver, Pennsylvania 15009.



RONALD E. "Ron" McKAY – Died Sunday, January 29, 2012 in Pittsford, New York at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in 1943. He is survived by his loving wife, Irene (née Chiosa) McKay; his children, Katrina (Julio) Ramirez, Morgan (Philip), Kelley, Kathleen McKay and Sean McKay; grandchildren, Katelyn, Julius; his brother, Robert Lane; brother-in-law, Ray (Carol) Caton, Dennis Chiosa; sisters-in-law, Shirley Chiosa, Kathy Herzog; many nieces, nephews and friends. Ron was a great husband, father and provider. He was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**.

He was a member of the Greater Rochester Association for Realtors for 30 years and was known for his avid love of firearms and automobiles. He will be greatly missed by those who were close to him, but his memory of teaching will live on through us. Calling hours were on Friday, February 3, 2012 from 4:00-8:00 PM at the Falvo Funeral Home, 1295 Fairport Nine Mile Point Road (Webster Route #250). A Celebration of Ron's life was on Saturday, February 4, 2012 at 11:00 AM in the Funeral Home. Interment was in the Webster Union Cemetery.



DALE WAYNE MILLER - Died Friday, February 8, 2013 at the Western Maryland Regional Medical Center surrounded by his loved ones. He was 63 years of age and a resident of Westernport, Maryland. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 10, 1949 to the late Alfred and Ruth (née Michael) Miller. He is preceded in death by his mother-in-law Anna Rita Hartman, brother-in-law Robert Hartman, sister-in-law Rita Whetzel, a granddaughter Casey Brashear and two grandsons Nicholas Braithwaite and A.J. Reed. Dale was a proud United States Army Vietnam Veteran. He worked at Consol Coal Company. He loved to fish and hunt. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**. He was a member of the Victory Post 155 American Legion, Westernport, a member of the DAV and a member of the Queens Point VFW in McCoole. Dale loved life and enjoyed spending time with his grandkids and great grandkids. Dale loved to spend time at Best Price in McCoole with all of his friends. Dale is survived by his loving wife of 44 years Sue Miller, three children; Missy Miller and fiancé Grandon Clark, April Braithwaite and husband John Braithwaite Jr. and Ashley Miller and fiancé Andy Reed. He is survived by eight grandchildren; T.C. Brashear and girlfriend Ashley Boggs, Cody Brashear and fiancée Kaitlyn Bothwell, Jodi Brashear and fiancé Bobby Goss Jr., Kayla Braithwaite, Shania Braithwaite, Nathan Braithwaite, Brayden Reed and Maddix Reed. He is also survived by two great grandchildren; Landen Brashear and Mason Brashear; three sisters, Margie Smith and husband Bud, Gloria Walker and husband Harry and Ruby Keller and husband Jimmy. Dale had many nieces and nephews. Dale is loved and will be missed by his family, friends and all of those who knew him. Friends and family were received at Boal Funeral Home, Westernport on Monday, February 11th from 2:00 to 4:00 and 7:00 to 9:00 PM. A funeral service was held at the funeral home on Tuesday, February 12th at 11:00 AM with the Reverend Gary Morris officiating. Interment was in the Maryland Veterans Cemetery, Rocky Gap, Maryland with full military honors accorded. The pallbearers were Andy Reed, T.C. Brashear, Cody Brashear, Grandon Clark, Bobby Goss and Nathan Braithwaite.

LUIS MORALES – Died Saturday, May 11, 2013 in Arecibo, Puerto Rico at the age of 67. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related neuropathy caused by Diabetes Mellitus Type II. He was born in Puerto Rico in 1946. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Arecibo Chapter #398**.



JAMES WALTER "Jimmy" MORGAN, JR. - Died Friday, April 12, 2013 in Pleasant Grove, Alabama at the age of 72. The cause of death was respiratory failure, metastatic small cell carcinoma. He was born in Pleasant Grove on November 12, 1940 to the late James Walter, Sr. and Nellie Mildred (née Roan) Morgan. Captain Morgan was retired from the United States Marine Corps after 22 years of service from September 1, 1958 to October 1, 1978. He was also a Vietnam Veteran and on July 27, 1965 was severely wounded-in-action and was in and out of hospitals with

multiple surgeries as a result of these injuries. He retired from the Midfield School System where he taught Industrial Technology. He also continued to work in the maintenance department of the Midfield School System after retiring. Mr. Morgan was an Assistant Scout Master with the Boy Scouts of America in many areas, and he was also a member of the order of the Arrow Coosa Lodge. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #909 in Pleasant Grove. He started in the Masonic Lodge in Jacksonville, North Carolina New River Lodge #736. He was a black belt in Tae Kwon-do. Mr. Morgan was involved with Pleasant Grove High School Band and Soccer Boosters. Mr. Morgan held an EDS Degree from University of Alabama - Birmingham. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasant Grove Chapter #416**. Mr. Morgan is survived by his wife of 55 years, Nancy Eugenia (née Landreth) Morgan; 3 sons, Mike Morgan (Riva), Jon Morgan Sr., Butch Morgan (Chrissy); 9 grandchildren, Jared, Tony (Natalie), Seth, Jon Jr., Jeanie, Autumn, Ashlyn, Jacob and Jeremy; 1 great granddaughter, Renee; 2 sisters, Ann Tingle (Arnold) and Karen Salter (Larry); 1 brother, Corey Morgan (Renia); special friends, Ronald Laney and Jason Cox. Visitation was on Monday April 15, 2013 from 5:00 until 7:00 PM at Peoples Chapel Funeral Home. Funeral services were on Tuesday at 11:00 AM in the chapel with Brother Davin Watkins officiating. Burial will follow in Pleasant Grove Cemetery. Donations can be made to First Baptist Church Joash Project Pleasant Grove.



GEORGE THOMAS MORIELLO - Died Friday, January 18, 2013 in Saugus, Massachusetts at the age 70. He was the proprietor of George's Barber Shop in Saugus. He was the husband of Joan (née Rohner) Moriello. He was born in Lynn, Massachusetts on January 14, 1943 and raised in Saugus to the late George R. and Alice (née LeBlanc) Moriello. He was a graduate of the Saugus High School Class of 1960 and former Saugus Town Meeting Member. He served in the United

States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the American Legion Post #210, the William Sutton Lodge and the Aleppo Shrine Temple. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lynn Chapter #908**. Besides his wife Joan, he is survived by two children; Mike Moriello and his wife Tanya, Susan Curry & her husband Timothy all of Saugus, three grandchildren; Courtney, Jaiden and Jesse. He was the brother of the late Ted Moriello. In lieu of flowers donations in his memory may be made to Hospice of the North Shore & Greater Boston, 75 Sylvan St., Suite B-102, Danvers, MA 01923. A funeral was held from the Bisbee-Porcella Funeral Home, 549 Lincoln Avenue, Saugus, on Thursday at 9:30 AM followed by a funeral mass in St. Margaret's Church, 431 Lincoln Avenue, Saugus at 10:30 AM. Relatives & friends were invited. Visiting hours were on Wednesday 4:00-8:00 PM. Entombment was in the Riverside Cemetery, Saugus.

WILLIAM JAMES MOSIER - Died Friday, March 22, 2013, at his home in Fostoria, Ohio at the age of 63. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born October 6, 1949, in Fostoria to the late Robert N. and Colleen (née Lytle) Mosier. Surviving is his son, Jim of Fostoria; a granddaughter; one sister, Becki Lee of Findlay; and former wife, Janet Daniels of Fostoria. He entered the United States Marine Corps June 19, 1969. He received awards for outstanding marksmanship, most outstanding marine in his platoon and the Leatherneck magazine award. He achieved the rank of lance corporal before being honorably discharged in June 1971. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fostoria Chapter #440**. There was no visitation or funeral. Military rites were provided by the United Veterans of Fostoria in Bill's honor at Lake Mosier (reservoir 4) at 1:00 PM on Friday, April 5, 2013. Contributions are requested to the funeral home to defray expenses. Otherwise, money will be donated to ASPCA or to Vietnam Veterans of America. Mann-Hare-Hoening Funeral Home, 407 N. Countyline Street, Fostoria, OH 44830 was in charge of the arrangements.

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HOWARD STERLING MOYER - Died Monday, December 10, 2012 at the VA Medical Center in Cheyenne, Wyoming at the age of 72. He was a resident of Cheyenne. The cause of death was end-stage liver disease, lung malignancy with metastasis to the bones. He was born December 18, 1939 in Elkhart, Indiana to the late Howard S. and Audrey Moyer and had lived here since 1981. He graduated from Elkhart High School in 1958 with honors and was a journeyman carpenter and concrete finisher with Moyer Construction Developers. He took blueprint reading and drafting through Indiana University extension coursework. Mr. Moyer joined the United States Air Force in 1962 and retired in 1984 at F.E. Warren Air Force Base, having served in the civil engineering squadron. While in the Air Force, he took college courses and received credits toward an associate's degree in the construction trades. He married Asako Shoji in Sapporo, Japan, on May 9, 1977. He was stationed at many bases, including Misawa A.B.; Tachikawa A.B.; Yokota A.B.; Kadena A.B., Okinawa; Anderson A.F.B., Guam; and Phu Cat A.B., Vietnam (Red Horse). He was a life member of the VFW and Military Order of the Cooties Honor Degree. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wyoming**. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, singing karaoke, and was a collector. Mr. Moyer is survived by his son, Michael S. Moyer of Cheyenne; three grandchildren; and a niece and nephew in Japan. He was preceded in death by his wife, Asako. Services were at 10:00 AM on Friday, December 14, 2012 at the Wiederspahn-Radomsky Chapel. Interment was in Beth El Cemetery.

WAYNE KARL MUELLER – Died Monday, February 4, 2013 at the Golden Living Center in Branson, Missouri at the age of 61. He was a resident of Galena, Missouri. The cause of death was cancer of the tongue. He was born May 2, 1951, in Chicago, Illinois to the late Karl and Darlene (née Anderson) Mueller. He was a heating & air technician and a United States Army veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Des Plaines (Illinois) Chapter #311**. He loved his new life in Missouri with his little dog Taz, and his new neighbors and friends. He is survived by his sister, Ruthann Nystrom and her husband Bill, of Crystal Lake, Illinois; and by his uncle, Art Anderson, and many cousins. Graveside services with full military honors were held at 1:00 PM, February 11, 2013 at the Veterans Cemetery in

Springfield, Missouri. Arrangements and cremation were under the director of Greenlawn Funeral Home in Branson, Missouri.

FRANK C. MULLER – Died Saturday, April 13, 2013 in Brookings, Oregon at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born July 10, 1942. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Brookings Chapter #757**.

JAMES DAVID NEFFLEN – Died Tuesday, February 12, 2013 in Morgantown, West Virginia at the age of 63. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born in Elkins, West Virginia on July 1, 1949. He served in the United States Army from August 1969 to August 1971 with service in Vietnam from January 1970 to March 1971. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Morgantown Chapter #306**.



LOYAL "Dean" NEIHART - Died Monday, May 13, 2013 at his home in Blackfoot, Idaho with family and friends surrounding him after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 66 years of age. He was born to the late Arthur Earl and Edna Bernice Neihart on November 21, 1946 in Yakima, Washington. The family moved back to Blackfoot where he attended school, worked at Kraft Foods and broke horses. Uncle Sam called him away and he very proudly served from 1966 to 1968 as an Ammunition Sergeant in Vietnam with the United States Army. After an Army Commendation Medal, a Purple Heart and many more awards, he finished his tour as a Sergeant in Fort Hood, Texas. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Idaho**. He married Lucille Faulkner in 1968 after his honorable discharge and with his GI Bill he bought a '68 Chevelle Super Sport and came back home. Dean and Lucille were later divorced. He worked in Boise as a service station mechanic and then moved back to Blackfoot to manage Big O Tire. Then came the Monroc days where he hauled concrete at 90 miles an hour from 1973 to 2009 and as contractors and friends know, he was one of the best Redi-Mix drives in the business. He was always proud of his job and the friends he made from working there. He would always say "if I had a dime for every yard I've hauled..." In 1989 Dean reunited with the true love of his life, Christine "Tina" Young. They were married on June 27, 1992. They were married in Elko, Nevada and lived happily ever after. He loved doing yard work, puttering around the house, waxing Tina's pickup and of course changing oil in Blue Duck. Upon retirement, you could always find him and old Blue at his favorite watering holes, telling old war stories and catching up with old friends. Dean liked shooting trap, listening to the Golden Oldies, NASCAR, baseball, barbeque's and making his famous baked beans. He was one of the most honest, loving and giving person that Blackfoot has ever seen. He was very proud of his family and service to his country, as could be seen by his many flag poles, not only at home, but all over town. Dean is survived by his wife, Tina of Blackfoot; sons, Shane (Lacie) of Rigby, ID, Jim Bug (Lori) of Blackfoot, ID and Steven Lee of Blackfoot, ID; daughters, Laura (Paul) of Chandler, AZ, Tracy (Brett) of Pine Haven, WY and Nikki Diviesti of Idaho Falls, ID; brothers, Larry (Margie) Neihart, Gene (Sally) Neihart of Pocatello, ID and Flint (Janice) Neihart of Blackfoot, ID; sisters, Debra Sue and "Sis" Ranae both of Salt Lake City, UT; 12 grandchildren; one great grandson; and many nieces and nephews. A funeral service was held at 11:00 AM on Friday, May 17, 2013 at Hawker Funeral Home, 132 South Shilling Avenue in Blackfoot. Family

met with friends and relatives for one hour prior to services at the funeral home. Interment was at the Grove City Cemetery with Military Honors offered by the American Legion Stewart Hoover Post #23.

JOSEPH BENJAMIN NICHOLS – Died recently in 2013 in Loveland, Colorado at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born November 23, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Colorado**.

WILLIAM G. PAYNE, JR. – Died recently in 2013 in Dublin, Georgia at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born October 4, 1941. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Macon Chapter #443**.



DALE EDWARD PERANDO - Died Friday, March 22, 2013, at his residence in Dunnellon, Florida at the age of 67. He was also a resident of Deer Park, Maryland and Oakland, Maryland. The cause of death is unknown. He was born November 1, 1945, in Shallmar, Maryland to the late Madeline Virginia (née Burgess) Stark and Wolford Richard Perando. He enlisted in the United States Army on August 24, 1964. Dale was selected for assignment to the U.S. Army, Europe, Signal Center as a Communications Center Specialist providing communications for the Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Army, Europe, and his headquarters in Heidelberg, Germany on May 5, 1965. He then volunteered for duty in Vietnam and was stationed there for a year under the command of General Westmoreland. He then was stationed at Fort Myer, Virginia, and worked at the Pentagon before being honorably discharged into the Army Reserve. Dale then transferred to the West Virginia Air National Guard working in the 167th Airlift Wing, Civil Engineering Squadron where he was deployed to many places such as Honduras, Panama, Israel, England, Alaska and much of the U.S. He also completed the Noncommissioned Officer Academy in Knoxville, Tenn., in January of 2002. After completing the NCO Academy, he was promoted to Master Sergeant. Dale was also employed by the Maryland Environmental Service for over 25 years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**. Dale is survived by his wife, Susan N. (Evans) Perando; a daughter, Major Heather Perando, of Gerrardstown, W.Va.; a son, Sean P. Perando, of Deer Park; two sisters, Joan Hawk, of Broomes Island and Eva Clary, of Oakland and two brothers, Wolford (Bud) Perando and Alden Perando, both of Oakland. Friends were received at the Burdock-Fredlock Funeral Home, P.A., 21 North 2nd Street, Oakland, on Thursday, March 28, from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at which time a memorial service was held with Pastor Coleman Clark and the Reverend Barbara K. Rexroad co-officiating.

EDWIN B. PETRUS – Died Friday, January 28, 2011 in Fredericksted, Saint Croix, Virgin Islands at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born November 16, 1934. He is survived by his son. He served in the United States Navy. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Virgin Islands**. He is interred in Kingshill Cemetery in Christiansted, Virgin Islands.



JOHN DOYLE RACHFORD, JR. - Died at 12:13 AM on Thursday, April 18, 2013 at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield, Illinois at the age of 66. He was a resident of Springfield. The cause of death is unknown. He was born September 26, 1946 in Los Angeles, California to the late John and Dorothy (née Kilver) Rachford. He married Linda Boston and she preceded him in death. John graduated from Griffin High School in 1964 and attended Lincoln Land Community College. He proudly served his country in the United States Army during Vietnam. He retired from the Sangamon County Sheriff's Department as a Sergeant after a 28-year career. John was a proud

Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Springfield Chapter #534, American Legion Post 32, and Amvets Post 94. He enjoyed taking care of animals, socializing, and spending time with his family and friends. In addition to his parents and his wife, he was also predeceased by his grandson, Gabriel L. Goldsberry. He is survived by his son, John (wife, Tricia) Goldsberry of Lincoln; six siblings, Mike (wife, Linda) Rachford of Chesterfield, MO, Dan (wife, JoAnn) Rachford, Kevin Rachford, Tim Rachford, Beth Cartwright, and Hugh Rachford, all of Springfield; two grandchildren, Emberly Bollinger and Anna Goldsberry; two great-grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Family received friends from 4:00 until 7:00 PM on Monday, April 22, 2013 at the Kirlin-Egan & Butler Funeral Home, 900 South 6th Street, Springfield. Visitation began with a prayer service. The Funeral Mass was at 10:30 AM on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at Saint Aloysius Catholic Church, 2119 North 20th Street, Springfield with the Reverend Monsignor David S. Lantz as the main celebrant. Burial was in the Camp Butler National Cemetery with military honors.



DENIS EDWARD REEN - Died Sunday, March 24, 2013 at his home in Adamstown, Maryland surrounded by his family. He was 64 years of age. The cause of death is unknown. He was born October 26, 1948 in Washington, DC to the late Jeremiah J. and Ann T. (née Shalvey) Reen. He was the husband of Kathleen Reen. Denis served in the United States

Marine Corps in the Vietnam War with "Lima" CO, 3rd BN 5th Marines, 1969, and received two Purple Hearts. **He modeled for Frederick E. Hart's "The Three Servicemen Statue."** He was a teacher for 29 years at the Maryland School of the Deaf. Well known throughout the community, Denis was a second generation Company of Military Historians member, and active in the 1st Marine Division-Black Hats NSSA 50-year member, 2nd Marine Division Company E Fife and Drum, Potomac Field Music, 1st Marine Division Revolutionary War, Shangri-La Marine Corps League, Shanty Irish Band, AOH, Founding Member of St. Ignatius and Men's Choir, a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Frederick Chapter #304**, VFW Lifetime Member Falls Church, VA Post 9274, and DAV Lifetime Member. In addition to his wife, Denis is survived by five children, Ann Massey and husband, Tim, of Georgetown, TX; Thomas Reen and wife, Leslie of Frederick; Jeremiah Reen of Frederick; Elizabeth Whidbee and husband, Ty, of Richmond, Virginia; and Matthew Reen of Frederick; and six grandchildren, Jacqueline Massey, Kathrine Massey, Cameron Whidbee, Colin Whidbee, Riley Reen and Owen Reen. Denis also is survived by his brother, Jeremy Reen and wife, Sandy, of Richmond; his sister, Debbi Jenkins and husband, Steve, of Aurora, CO; three brothers-in-law, Jay Slovick of Dumfries, VA; Frank McConville and wife, Judy, of Tampa, FL; and Ted McConville and wife, Lori, of Gatesville, TX;

and six nieces and nephews, Shannon and Rory Reen; and Samantha, Danny, Jonathan, and Madison McConville. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his twin sister, Denyse Slovick; a nephew, Christopher McConville; and two brothers-in-laws, Tommy and Bobby McConville. The family received friends from 2:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Monday, April 1, 2013 at Stauffer Funeral Homes, P.A., 1621 Opossumtown Pike, Frederick. A Mass of Christian Burial was at 12:00 Noon on Tuesday, April 2 at St. Ignatius of Loyola Catholic Church, 4103 Prices Distillery Road, Ijamsville, MD 21754. Reverend Father Michael J. Jendrek was the Main Celebrant. Interment was private.

CRIS M. REYES – Died Tuesday, June 7, 2011 in Hagatna, Guam County, Guam at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born August 17, 1941. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Guam Chapter #668**.

WILLIAM RALPH ROGERS - Died Sunday, January 20, 2013 in Springville, Alabama at the age of 75. The cause of death was kidney failure and lung cancer. He was born in Jones Valley, Alabama on July 23, 1937 to the late Alfred Moses Rogers Sr. and Emma Rogers. Ralph served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War-era and retired as a Deputy from the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department. He was a Master Mason in the Scottish Rite. Ralph has been married to his loving wife, Margaret, for 38 years. In addition to his parents he was also predeceased by his brother Alfred "Sut" Rogers and sisters-in-law Mary Evelyn Rogers, Cynthia Rogers and Peggy Shuttlesworth Hamilton. Survivors include his beloved wife Margaret Rogers and his beloved dog, Baby; brother Joe Rogers and a host of loving nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews. Funeral services were at the Lemley Funeral Home Chapel, Thursday, January 24, 2013 at 1:00 PM with burial in Beason-Union Cemetery. Visitation was on Wednesday, January 23, 2013 from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM and on Thursday, from 8:00 AM until service time. Ralph had a witty sense of humor that kept everyone around him laughing and he loved a good prank, especially his pranks on others. Ralph put a smile on everyone's face he met and will be deeply missed by all who knew him. Lemley Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

FREDRIC M. "Fred" ROHM – Died Tuesday, April 16, 2013 in Felton, Delaware at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Newark, Delaware on October 28, 1941. Fred was very active in Christian circles including being the president of the Delaware Crusade for Christ, deacon, trustee and Bible teacher in several Delaware churches. He had a keen interest in soul winning and Bible prophecies. He graduated from Newark High School, University of Delaware and the Institutes for Organization Management. He spent a career in non-profit management serving the United States Table Tennis Association, Delaware State Chamber of Commerce, Greater Newark Chamber of Commerce, New Castle County Chamber of Commerce and the Harford County Chamber of Commerce in Bel Air, Maryland. He was a certified Chamber of Commerce Executive. Most recently Fred was President of the Chamber of Commerce for Greater Milford, Delaware. He also served on the City of Milford Economic Development Advisory Panel, as Vice President of the Work Force Development Commission and Vice President of Milford Aquarium, Inc. During his career Fred served on a host of boards

of directors of Delaware organizations including the Police Chiefs Foundation, Highway Users Federation, Jobs for Delaware Graduates, Manufacturing Alliance, Society for Industrial Security, Safety Council, Association of Chambers of Commerce, Senior Olympics and several Rotary Clubs. He played on the University of Delaware table tennis team that finished third at the national collegiate tournament. He won Delaware Senior Olympics gold medals in table tennis and billiards. Fred leaves behind his loving wife Donna; and four children, Robert, of Rosedale, Md., Wendy Rohm, of Wilmington, N.C., Marci Stevens, of Lawrenceville, Ga. and Laurie Rohm, of Doraville, Ga.; three grandchildren; a step-son, Matthew Woomer of Denton, MD.; and three step-grandchildren. Fred spent 24 years in the United States Navy and Reserve, retiring as a Chief Warrant Officer (W4). He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dover Chapter #850**. Services were held on Saturday, April 20, 2013 at 12:00 PM at Manship Chapel, 4912 Burnite Mill Road, (DE Rt. 12), Felton, DE with visitation after 10:00 AM. Burial was private in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Bear, Delaware. Memorial gifts in lieu of flowers should be made to Manship Chapel. Arrangements were in the care of Berry-Short Funeral Home, Felton, Delaware.



DENISE ANNE ROSA – Died suddenly on Tuesday, December 18, 2012 in her home in San Pedro, California at the age of 59. The cause of death is unknown. She was born January 26, 1953 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to the late Lawrence and Marie Andrasko. She is survived by James, her best friend and husband of 31 years; her devoted son, James 11; three siblings, Joyce and husband, Joe Sampson, Rick Andrasko, and Larry and wife, Candace Andrasko other relatives and close friends. She was a veteran of the Vietnam War. She was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Redondo Beach Chapter #53**. Visitation was held on Thursday, January 10, 2013 from 3:00 – 8:00 PM at the Green Hills Mortuary with a memorial service on Friday, January 11, 2013 at 3:00 PM at the Green Hills Memorial Chapel in Rancho Palos Verdes, California.



ROBERT JOSEPH “Bob” ROSSMAN - Died Wednesday, April 3, 2013 at Lake Taneycomo in Branson, Missouri at the age of 66. He was a resident of Princeton, Kansas. He drowned in Lake Taneycomo Wednesday, the Missouri State Highway Patrol reports. He was fishing near mile marker 22 on Lake Taneycomo Wednesday afternoon when he stumbled and fell into the water. The Missouri State Highway Patrol in an incident report said Rossman's son and a bystander pulled him from the lake. Taney County Coroner Lewis Chapman pronounced Rossman dead at 1:10 p.m. He was born on March 19, 1947 in Ottawa, Kansas to the late John J. Rossman and Agnes M. (née Wolken) Rossman. Bob grew up in Richmond, Kansas and was a member of the last graduating class of Princeton High School in 1965. Bob joined the United States Army in 1966 where he was trained as a supply specialist and truck driver. He fought in the Vietnam War in 1967 and 1968 serving in Cam Rahn Bay as part of the Counteroffensive Phase III. He was honorably discharged with the rank of Specialist-Technician and received several service and marksmanship awards. Bob married Vyonne “Vi” (née Biegert) Rossman on November 28, 1970 in Ottawa. Bob was a lifelong resident of Franklin County and was an active member of the community. He worked for Underwood Equipment John Deere for 27 years and retired in 1997. Bob was a proud Vietnam Veteran and was a *Charter Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of**

America – Ottawa Chapter #912 and held several offices including president. He was instrumental in bringing the traveling Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Wall to Ottawa and he continued to support veteran's rights up until his death. Bob was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Don Rossman, and his beloved son John Robert Rossman. He is survived by his loving wife, Vi, of Princeton; son, Father Christopher Rossman of Holton; daughter Becky (Steve) Schneider and granddaughters Bailey and Camryn, all of Overland Park; brothers Jim (Betty) Rossman, Albert, KS; Virgil (Pat) Rossman, Art (Phyllis) Rossman, Earl Dean Rossman, all of Richmond; sisters Mary (Roger) Mulrenin of Fenton, MI; Erma Jean (Dan) Brown of Gardner; Dorothy (Bob) Shields of Princeton, numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, extended relatives, and many friends. A Funeral Mass was held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Ottawa, 10:00 AM Tuesday, April 9, 2013. Friends paid their respects to Mr. Rossman at Dengel & Son Mortuary, after 4:00 P.M. Monday, April 8, 2013. A Rosary was said at 6:30 Monday evening, followed by family and friends visitation at 7:00 PM. Interment was in Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Ottawa, Kansas. The family suggests memorial contributions to Robert Rossman Memorial c/o Dengel & Son Mortuary, 235 S. Hickory, Ottawa, Kansas 66067. An online Guest Book is available at www.dengelmortuary.com.



MICHAEL BAILEY RUSS - Died Wednesday, March 20, 2013 in Heritage Valley Beaver at the age of 71. He was a resident of Ambridge, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was GI bleed. He was born January 18, 1942 in Hot Springs, Arkansas to the late Helen Frances (née Kennedy) and Donald K. Russ. He was a United States Army Vietnam veteran serving from January 30, 1964 to January 27, 1967 with Company A, 3rd Battalion, 77th Armor, 5th Armored Division; from April 25, 1967 to April 24, 1973 as a Tank Commander; from April 25, 1973 to April 4, 1976, and; from April 5, 1976 to May 30, 1978 medically retired at the rank of Sergeant First Class (E-7). He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. Surviving are a nephew, R. Travis Marshall and his wife Tracy, Sanford, FL; and three cousins, Susan, Ginny and Peggy, as well as a great-niece Emma and a great-nephew Kayden. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a brother, Robert B. Russ; and a sister, Donna R. Marshall. Friends were received Monday from 2:00-4:00 PM and 6:00-8:00 PM in the Campbell's New Brighton Funeral Home, 1133 Penn Avenue, New Brighton, Pennsylvania where funeral services were conducted on Tuesday at 1:00 PM. Interment was in the Sylvania Hills Memorial Park, Rochester, Pennsylvania. Military rites were conducted in the cemetery at 1:45 PM by the Veteran's Honor Guard.



JAMES E. SALTER - Died Monday, April 15, 2013, at Trinity Moline in Moline, Illinois at the age of 70. He was a resident of Moline. The cause of death is Alzheimer's disease. He was born July 19, 1942, in Bedford, Iowa to the late George & Wilma E. (née Bunch) Salter. He married Cyndie J. Kenkel on November 15, 1980 in Des Moines, Iowa. He worked on the R. I. Arsenal as an Electrician for 25 years, retiring in 2004. He was a member of St. Mary's Church, Moline, and the St. Mary's Adult and Funeral Choirs. Jim served his country in the United States Navy. He enjoyed bicycle riding and watching NASCAR races. Survivors include his wife, Cyndie; sister and brother-in-law, Barbara & Larry Warner, Council Bluffs, IA; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-

law, Ron & Jan Kenkel, Oakland, IA, Gloria & Bob Muff, New Providence, IA, Julia & Bob Schmitz, Harlan, IA, Marcia & Art Pontier, Osceola, IA, Sylvia & Dave Sporrer, Templeton, IA, Roger & Gail Kenkel, Manilla, IA, Rod & Julie Kenkel, Shenandoah, IA, Maria & Vic Jewell, Olathe, KS and numerous nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:00 AM Friday, April 19, 2013 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Moline. Visitation was Thursday from 4:00–7:00 PM at DeRoo Funeral Home, Moline. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association or St. Mary's Church.

ROBERT LEROY SCHOL – Died recently in February 2013 in Newhall, California at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born August 4, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Canyon Country Chapter #355**.

BYRON SIDNEY SHELDON – Died Friday, May 17, 2013 in Herndon, Virginia at the age of 70. The cause of death was Pancreatic Cancer. He was born in Nashville, Tennessee on December 19, 1942 and upon graduation from high school joined the United States Marine Corps in 1960 where he started his 20-career with the "oldest post in the Corps" at the 8th & I Barracks. During his military career, he graduated from Chaminade University of Honolulu. Upon retirement from the Marine Corps, he began a 25 year career in the security/locksmith field which also included Founder and President of Sheldon's Locksmith Service. After being on staff at his church in Reston, VA, he continued to serve the Lord as a volunteer and giving history presentations to the home school groups. Byron will be best remembered, not just as a locksmith helping people locked out of businesses/homes/autos, but by his willingness to always be available to help people no matter what the need or how far he had to travel. For the last several years he belonged to and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Arlington Chapter #227** where he was President for 3 years helping all veterans and the wounded warriors. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Diane M. Sheldon, son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Elizabeth of Waterford, VA, son Steve of Falls Church, VA and Grandson Logan of Athens, Ohio. A celebration of his life was held June 5, 2013 at 4:00 PM at Reston Bible Church, 45650 Oakbrook Court, Dulles, VA 20166. Graveside services with military honors were held at Arlington National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be given to the Reston Bible Church Benevolent Fund (at above address) or to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 227, PO Box 5653, Arlington, VA 22205 (in Byron Sheldon's memory).

KATHLEEN P. SHIELDS - Died Thursday, April 25, 2013 in Manor Care in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania at the age of 67. She was a resident of Phoenixville, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. She was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on October 17, 1945 to the late Francis X. and Ruth M. (née Christiansen) Shields. Kathleen proudly served in the United States Army Nurse Corps as a Nurse during the Vietnam War and was awarded the Bronze Star. She then worked at the Valley Forge Army Hospital in Phoenixville. She worked as a Registered Nurse for Paoli Hospital, and then for the Visiting Nurse Association of Chester County. She was an active member of the Veterans of Foreign War Post 1564, Phoenixville, and was formerly a Post Commander. She had been a member and former *Secretary* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Phoenixville Chapter #436**, a member of the American Legion Post 482, Phoenixville Moose Lodge 1273 and Valley Forge Fire Company. She is survived by her sister, Karen Shields of Wilmington, DE; her brothers, Steven Shields of Audubon, PA; Joseph Shields of Birchrunville,

PA, and David Shields and wife, Karen of Doylestown, PA, and her nieces and nephews. Relatives and friends were invited to attend her Funeral Mass in St. Ann Catholic Church, Third Avenue at Main Street, Phoenixville, on Tuesday, April 30, 2013 at 11:00 AM. Burial was in the Saint Ann Cemetery, Phoenixville. A viewing was held in the church on Tuesday morning from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 436 Lewis Guillermin, P.O. Box 189, Phoenixville, PA 19460-0189. Condolences may be given to the family at www.DevlinRosmosKepp.com. Arrangements were by the Devlin Rosmos Kepp & Gatcha Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 517 South Main Street, Phoenixville, Pennsylvania.

RANDALL E. SILVERS – Died recently in 2013 in Lakewood, California at the age of 61. The cause of death is unknown. He was born July 8, 1951. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Redondo Beach Chapter #53**.



JERRY DUANE STONEBURNER - Died Monday, May 6, 2013 at University of Michigan Hospitals, Ann Arbor at the age of 63. He was a resident of Cement City, Michigan. The cause of death was leukemia. He was born November 9, 1949 in Tecumseh, Michigan to the late Paul and Edna (née Cochran) Stoneburner. Jerry graduated from Columbia Central High School in 1968. He married Jane Tompkins on May 2, 1970 in Lenawee County and she survives. Jerry was a United States Army Veteran and served his country proudly during Vietnam and was retired from the Army Reserves. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Jackson Chapter #109**. He was a self-employed carpenter/contractor until his retirement in 2009. Jerry will be remembered by his family as a blessing. He was a loving, kind, hard-working husband and father. In addition to his loving wife of 43 years, Jerry is survived by his children: Joel (Tonya) Stoneburner, Jena (Eric) Nelson; 7 grandchildren; siblings: Larry (Brenda) Stoneburner, Linda Stoneburner and Shelly (David) Stoneburner. In Jerry's honor, memorial donations may be shared with the Jackson Chapter #109 of Vietnam Veterans of America. Jerry's Healing Farewell Gathering was on Thursday, May 9, 2013 beginning at 10:00 AM until the time of service at 1:00 PM at Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Braun Chapel, Brooklyn, Michigan.



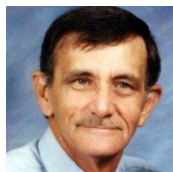
RAY LEE STRENGTH - Died unexpectedly on Thursday, May 30, 2013 at Lake Willemina near Plantersville, Mississippi at the age of 74. He was a resident of Tupelo, Mississippi. The cause of death is unknown. Ray was born July 2, 1938 in Brackettville, Texas to the late William L. Strength and Semonia (née Martinez) Strength. He graduated from Brewton High School, Brewton, AL. and joined the Alabama Army National Guard. A patriotic American serving in the United States Army, 101st Airborne Division, Master Sergeant Strength retired in 1978 after 20 years active duty. He completed his basic training at Fort Campbell, Kentucky and ended his career at Fort Polk, Louisiana. His service included many meritorious metals and commendations. He married Shirley Anthony on Aug. 12, 1981 and after he returned from service. Ray and Shirley owned and operated 45 Stop & Shop in Shannon. He was a former member of the VFW and founder and *longtime President* and *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tupelo Chapter #842** - his colleagues

honored him by naming it **Ray Strength Chapter #842**. Retired Master Sergeant Strength was pure military and supported all local and national causes for veterans including the Tupelo Veterans Park on Veterans Boulevard and, at his death, was actively involved in securing the Vietnam Veterans Wall Project to Veterans Park. A Baptist by faith, Ray enjoyed fishing and hunting, all outdoor activity, military reunions and talking and telling stories. Survivors include his wife Shirley of 31 years, 5 children Linda Hall, Marie Owers (Howard), Don Strength, Ray Strength, JR, all of Leesville, Louisiana, John Strength (Denise) of Sugar Land, Texas. Stepchildren Terry Anthony (Becky) of Tupelo, Mississippi, Mike Anthony (Sandy) of Albany, GA. Grandchildren Jamie Hall, Amanda Charrier (Mike) of Leesville, Louisiana, Cory Johnson, Laura Rodriguez (Rolando) of North Carolina, Robert Rice of Norco, Louisiana, Jessie Strength (Alexis) of Sugar Land, Texas, step grand- children, Brice Anthony of Brooklyn, NY, Dusty Anthony (Annalee) of Newton, GA, Brandon Anthony of Albany, GA . He had 12 great grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by two brothers and his grandson Jamie Hall.



LAVERNE H. "Vern" SWANSON - Died Sunday, June 5, 2011 at his home in Clovis, New Mexico at the age of 81. The cause of death is unknown. He was born August 13, 1929 to the late Edward H. and Bertha Belle (née Bohl) Swanson in Richland, Nebraska. He married Mary B. (née Harris) Fondrick on October 25, 1974 in Clovis. Vern served in the United States Marine Corps and the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War and retired after 28 years. He also served area veterans

and their families as the Veterans Service Officer for the New Mexico Veterans Service Commission from 1989 to 1998. He was a member of the VFW Post 3280, American Legion, DAV, and Elks Club. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Mexico**. Survivors include his wife, Mary Swanson of the home; daughter, Cynthia Swanson of Philadelphia, PA; a son, Scott Swanson of Denver, CO; six step-children, Debra Payne of Pierre, SD, Lawrence (Bess) Fondrick of Denver, CO, John (Melisa) Fondrick of Clovis, NM, Norma (Curtis) Harriott of Weatherford, TX, Teresa (Procopio) Archuleta of Clovis, NM, and Christine (Brian) Shoemate of Colorado Springs, CO; a sister, Thelma A. Fendrick of Schuyler, NE; 18 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Bertha; three brothers, Ted Swanson, Harold Swanson, and Virgil Swanson; a sister, Marcella Marie Swanson; and a brother-in-law, Rudy Fendrick. Services were held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at The Chapel, 1500 Thornton, with Pastor Furgus Tunnell officiating. Burial was at the Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens with full military honors by Cannon AFB Honor Guard. Honorary pallbearers were Luke Fendrick, Joshua Fallis, Marvin Skarda, Russell Bartholomew, Gary Fendrick, and Paul Tighe. Arrangements were by the Muffley Funeral Home.



TOMMY COLLIER TANKERLSEY - Died Friday, May 10, 2013 in Rossville, Georgia at the age of 66. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee on July 13, 1946 to the late J.C. and Maybell Tankersley. He was a lifelong resident of the Chattanooga and Rossville area where he was a member of the Peoples Baptist Church and the **Vietnam Veterans of America – Chattanooga Chapter #203**. He worked for thirteen years in Maintenance at Buster Brown and

retired from Custom Bakery. Tommy served in the United States Army as a medic during the Vietnam War receiving several metals including the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. His passions in life were God, family, enjoying the outdoors and woodworking. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his brother, Harold Tankersley. Survivors include his wife of 37 years, Carolyn Tankersley; two children, David (Tracey) Tankersley of Erwin, TN and Melanie (Steve) Wyatt of Ringgold; three sisters, Diane (T.J.) Bannister of Chattanooga, Juanita (Doyle) Sisk of Chickamauga; brother, Dewane (Susan) Tankersley of Flintstone; five grandchildren, Madison, Nolan, and Connor Tankersley, and Randi and Savannah Wyatt; and several nieces and nephews. Condolences may be sent to www.lane-southcrestchapel.com. Funeral services were held Monday at 1:30 PM in the South Crest Chapel with the Reverend Stephen Kellogg officiating. Interment was in the Chattanooga National Cemetery with full military honors provided by the VVA Chapter #203 and the Tennessee Army National Guard. In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 203, P. O. Box 23405 Chattanooga, TN 37422. The family received friends Sunday from 4:00-8:00 PM and Monday from 12:00 Noon until the funeral hour at the South Crest Chapel of Lane Funeral Home and Crematory, located at the end of historic Missionary Ridge, Rossville.

CHARLES FRANK TERZO – Died recently in 2013 in Whittier, California at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born June 16, 1945. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Long Beach Chapter #756**.

ORRIN THOMPSON – Died recently in 2013 in the New York State Veterans Home in Montrose, New York. He was 78 years of age. The cause of death is unknown. He was born June 29, 1934. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #49**.



MARILYN FAYE TINGLER - Died of lung cancer early Wednesday morning, December 5, 2012 at home under Samaritan Evergreen Hospice Care at the age of 72. She was born January 13, 1940 at the Fort Meade Army Hospital in South Dakota to the late Evelyn E. and Robert H. Davison. She was raised by her grandparents, Nell M. and M. C. Casey of Lead, South Dakota until she was eleven yrs. old. Her mother Evelyn of Sturgis, South Dakota then raised her until she married. She married Jim Tingler, originally from West Virginia, in Sturgis on December 16, 1956. She was a dental assistant for approximately 12 years while her husband was in the U.S.A.F. in Marysville, CA, and Omaha, NE. She enjoyed sewing, bowling, camping, dancing, raising canaries and church activities. She was a member of the American Legion Post 51 Women's Auxiliary and **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Albany Chapter #585** of Lebanon, Oregon. She is survived by her husband, Jim Tingler; her sister, Janell Beverly of Lebanon; and daughters, Leslie N. Payne of Salem, OR and Ronda L. Gilbert of Albany, OR; four grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. Her remains were handled by Neptune Cremation Services of Portland. Memorial services were held on December 12th at the St. Martin's Episcopal Church, Lebanon. Her remains were be buried at the Sandridge Cemetery. Family requests any memorial donations be made to the Infusion Center at Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital, Emenhiser Center, 525 N. Santiam Hwy., PO Box 739, Lebanon, OR 97355 in honor of her name.



THOMAS E. TROUP - Died Sunday, May 5, 2013 at Superior Care Home at the age of 88. He was a resident of Paducah, Kentucky and formerly of Huntsville, Alabama. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in 1925. Thomas retired from the United States Navy as Chief Petty Officer with 28 years of service. Thomas served his country during World War II, Korean and Vietnam Wars. He held memberships in Fleet Reserve Association, **Vietnam Veterans of America –**

Paducah Chapter #337, American Legion, and was a Kentucky Colonel. After retirement from U.S. Navy, Thomas was a Federal Police Officer for several years. Survivors include one daughter, Debra Lynn (Debby) Smith and husband Mike of Lone Oak, KY, several nieces and nephews. Preceding in death were his wife, Judith Heathcoat Bradford Troup; parents, Fleming Elmore Troup & Lillie Ethel Collette Troup, six sisters, Betty Spurlock, Willie Hunter, Nellie Sadler, Mary Lou Cross, Gracie Hunter, Mildred Payne, two brothers Tyree Troup, and Eugene Troup. All of the siblings resided in Huntsville, AL at time of their death. The service was held Thursday, May, 9, 2013 at 2:00 PM at the Lone Oak Chapel Milner & Orr Funeral Home with Paul Wingfield and Jamie Boone officiating. Burial was at Woodlawn Memorial Gardens with Military honors. Friends called on Wednesday, May 8, 2013 after 4:00 PM at the Lone Oak Chapel Milner & Orr Funeral Home. Expressions of sympathy may be made to Navy Marine Corps Relief Society at 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 225, Arlington, VA 22203-1767 or www.nmcrcs.org. You may light a candle or leave a message of sympathy at www.milnerandorr.com



MICHAEL THOMAS "Hondo" VOTH – Died Saturday the 29th of December, 2012 at Dove Healthcare West in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, after bravely battling cancer for two and half years. He was 63 years of age and a resident of Eau Claire. He was born on May 27, 1949 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin to the late Albert, Jr. and Eleanor (née Kaczmarecki) Voth, sharing his birth with twin sister, Marcia. He was baptized on June 12, 1949 at St. Michael's Church of Beaver Dam.

He was raised there until moving to Eau Claire, Wisconsin in high school years. Mike graduated from Regis High School in 1967; entering college thereafter, but was soon drafted into the United States Army. He served from May 13, 1969 until February 11, 1971 receiving Army Commendation Medals and a Letter of Appreciation. Serving in the 101st Airborne Division in Vietnam, Mike's valor earned him two Purple Hearts. Mike and Vicki (née Pendergast) united in marriage in 1986. Michael was a very patriotic man. He served his country with honor and walking his way through many parades with fellow Vets. As a *Lifetime Member* of both the **Vietnam Veterans of America – Eau Claire Chapter #5** and the American Legion Post 305, Mike proudly served term as State President and several years as the Wisconsin Local Chapter 5 President. As a member of the Star Touring and Riding Chapter 381 of Eau Claire, Wisconsin motorcycle club, he appreciated time spent participating in outings and meetings. Mike loved riding cycle, hunting, fishing and golfing. In his quick wit, Mike referred to himself as the 'original MTV.' We appreciated that wit and intelligence, especially during holiday games as he 'schooled' us with facts. He adored his pets, Buddy and Willy, not being able to spend much time away from them, nor they from him. He loved them dearly. Michael is survived by his wife of 26 years, Vicki; children of his first marriage to Linda, (Khuen), Chris (Erin) Voth of St. Cloud,

MN, Jeffery (Maggie) Voth of Chippewa Falls, WI and Traci Voth of Burnsville, MN; step-children, Joel Pendergast of Menomonie, WI, Jena (Timothy) Lewison of Eau Claire WI, and Jonathan (Denise) Pendergast of Eau Claire, WI; grandchildren, Kaitlyn, Jacob and Ellie Voth of St. Cloud, MN; step-grandchildren, Travis and Trevor Pierson, of Chippewa Falls, WI, Asher Goss, Caleb Rogers, Gabriel and Brooke Lewison of Eau Claire, WI, Keanna Pendergast of Sussex, WI, Ella and Brady Pendergast of Eau Claire, WI; brother-in-law, Randy Pederson; sisters-in-law, Linda Pederson, Debbie Michealson, Lori Pederson, Jan (Rick) Hayden; several nieces, nephews, friends and relatives. He was preceded in death by his parents; in-laws, Gene and Eleanor Pederson; sister, Marcia Augustine; and an infant son. The family wants to thank the very special friends that spent so much time helping with everything they could; Bob Laguban, Kenny Lestrud, Joe Heil and Rod Pettis. We also want to thank friends and family that spent time visiting with Mike during his last days with us, including the kind and caring staff on the 1200 Hall. Services were held on Friday, the 11th of January, 2013 at 1:00 PM at Stokes, Prock and Mundt Funeral Chapel in Altoona, Wisconsin, with Father Klink officiating. Visitation was from 4:00 to 8:00 PM on January 10th at the funeral home.

LAWRENCE DEAN WAGNER – Died Wednesday, August 8, 2012, in Kingman, Arizona at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. Dean was born July 26, 1947, to the late Lawrence Douglas Wagner and Rose Millicent Wagner in Pendleton, Oregon. He was the fifth of nine children. Dean had lived in Pendleton, Hillsboro and North Plains, Oregon; Miami, Missouri. and Filer, Hansen and Murtaugh, Idaho, during his younger years, and attended school in Filer, Hansen and Murtaugh. Dean served in the United States Navy on both the USS Cavalier and the USS Paul Revere. As Bosun's Mate, he drove boats on the rivers during three tours through Vietnam, carrying troops and supplies in and out of various war zones. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kingman Chapter #975**. After his military discharge, he worked as a mechanic for manufacturing companies for several years, and then became a purchasing agent for an industrial refrigeration company in Portland, Ore. He and his family moved to Kingman in 1999, where he worked as custodian until his early retirement in 2005. Dean loved animals, and over a period of several years, helped to rescue and find homes for over 100 abandoned and homeless cats. He is survived by his wife of 21 years, Karen of Kingman; sons, Scott Wagner of Orlando, Fla., and Lawrence (Lee Ann) Wagner of Sacramento, Calif.; stepsons, Anthony (Troi Lee) Brown of Canton, Ohio, and Eric (Leslie) Brown of Kingman; brothers, Gerald (Myra) Wagner and David (Rose) Wagner, both of Caldwell, Idaho, Loren (Helen) Wagner of Jerome, Idaho, Gary (Nancy) Wagner of Pendleton, Claire Wagner of Sacramento and Greg Wagner of Burley, Idaho; his sister, Diane (Warren) Weaver of Twin Falls, Idaho; an aunt and uncle; three nephew; nine nieces; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. Dean was preceded in death by both his parents as well as one sister, Mary Rose, four aunts and four uncles. He was a very kind and loving man, and will be forever missed by his family and friends. A memorial service was scheduled at a later time for final goodbyes.

GLENN W. WELCH – Died Saturday, October 27, 2012 in Albright, West Virginia at the age of 87. The cause of death is unknown. He was born April 14, 1924. He was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Morgantown Chapter #306**.



BARBARA M. WEST - Died Tuesday, April 9, 2013, at Mercy Regional Medical Center in Ville Platte, Louisiana at the age of 80. The cause of death was unknown. She was born August 13, 1932 to the late Lawrence and Agnes Braun. She was a bookworm and loved to read and write; and she enjoyed birds and butterflies. She was also the family historian and was quick witted, fun, loved to smile, and had a kind and gentle soul. Survivors include the love of her life, her husband of 56 years, Robert West of Ville Platte; one brother, James Braun of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; one sister, Doris "Dot" Oberle of Bozeman, Montana; two sisters-in-law, Rose Braun of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Donna Ringwald of St. Louis, Missouri; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents she was also predeceased by one brother, Glennon Braun; one sister, Janet Ringwald; two brothers in-law, Leroy "Rip" Oberle and John Ringwald; and one sister in-law, Pauline "Tudy" Braun. Family and friends may view the online obituary and/or sign the guestbook at www.ardoinfuneralhomes.com. Funeral services were held Our Lady Queen of All Saints Catholic Church in Ville Platte at 3 p.m., Wednesday, April 10. Father Mitchell Guidry officiated. Burial was in the Sacred Heart Cemetery. Ardoin's Funeral Home of Ville Platte was in charge of arrangements.

THOMAS LEON WHITE - Died Saturday, March 30, 2013 at the Memphis Veterans Medical Center. He was a resident of Olive Branch, Mississippi and 63 years of age. The cause of death is unknown. He was born August 20, 1949 to the late Wallace White and Nadine Vest. A retired longtime employee of the B.N.S.F. railway, Mr. White was a member of Open Door Baptist Church in Potts Camp, Mississippi. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his daughter Melissa White Khenfir and his son Jeffery White. He is survived by his wife and longtime friend Donna White; son Thomas A. (Cindy) White of Olive Branch; daughter Nikki Sisk; step-mother Lillie M. White of Southaven; sibling Dorothy Medlin of Oxford, MS, Jackie (Sam) Ford, Annette (James) Lloyd and Jean (David) Clayton, and Randy Vest all of Potts Camp, MS, Judy (Mark) Crabb of Ingrams Mill, Laura (Jake) Swinford of New Albany, and Mike White of Olive Branch; grandchildren Mitchell White, Ariel Sisk, Crystal Sisk and Shelly McCord; great-grandkids Hunner Crabb, Tommy Moroschak and Myleigh Wilson. The family received guests and friends on Monday, April 1 from 5:00-8:00 PM and funeral services were on Tuesday, April 2 beginning at 2:00 PM, all at Brantley Funeral Home in Olive Branch, MS. Burial was in the Blocker Cemetery.

FRANKLIN "Wayne" WOODS - Died Tuesday, April 30, 2013 in Lanexa, Virginia at the age of 62. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born January 9, 1951. He is survived by his wife of 17 years, Brenda Woods; aunt, Phyllis Ross of Arizona; mother-in-law, Mildred Bullock; brother-in-law, Harry Bullock Jr.; three aunts by marriage, Mable Clarke, Norma Gooch and Doris Layne; and his devoted four-legged friends, Rascal, Molly, Beauregard and Lucy. Wayne was a member of York River Baptist Church and a former member of Richmond First Baptist Church, where he was still involved in community missions. He was a United States Air Force veteran and served his country in the Vietnam War. He was a member of the VFW Post #9808 and a member of the Sandston Moose Lodge, #1937. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Williamsburg Chapter #957**. He worked for the State Corporation Commission as a senior financial analyst for 35 years. The family received friends from 2:00 to

4:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Friday, May 3, 2013 at Nelsen Funeral Home, 4650 S. Laburnum Ave., Richmond, Va. 23231, where a service was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, May 4th. Interment was at Washington Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the American Heart Association or the New Kent Animal Control in care of The New Kent Sheriff's Office, P.O. Box 186, New Kent, Va. 23124.

RICHARD D. YORK - Died at 4:00 AM on Sunday, March 17, 2013 at his residence in Paducah, Kentucky at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born April 3, 1944 to the late Troy York and Era (née Tubbs) York. Mr. York was a member of American Legion Post 31 of Paducah, a veteran of the United States Army in the Vietnam War and of the Baptist Faith. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Paducah Chapter #337**. He is survived by one brother, James Hill York of Paducah; two sisters, Joyce Armstrong of Paducah and Loretta Hutson of Washington Park, IL. and several nieces and nephews. A private burial was held on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at Rosebower Cemetery.

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD! AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM!
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE! AMEN! MAY THEIR SOULS AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL
DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE! AMEN!**