## VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA

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JAMES MANON ABBOTT – Died Sunday, the 13th day of July, 2014 in Napa, California at the age of 86. James was born on the 30th day of May, 1928 in Miami, Florida to Ruby (née Wilson) and Lindsey Abbott but moved shortly after that to Atlanta Georgia where he was raised until moving to Texas in February 1947. Those who knew James

knew without a doubt that he was very proud of his military service to our country. He joined National Guard on the 19th day of May, 1947 and served until the 9th day of February, 1948 when he was discharged to enlist in the United States Army on 10th day of February 1948. After serving 21 years, 7 months, 21 days he retired on the 1st day of October, 1969. While serving our country in Kobe, Japan he met the love of his life and on the 16th day of July, 1958 married Kiyoko Mizutani. He had one son Jack Franklin Abbott that followed his father and served in the United States Army. His wife Kiyoko had "Gone Ahead to Light the Way" on the 16th day of July, 1989, on their 31st Anniversary, and his son Jack passed away on the 24th day of May, 2006. James also worked at Queen of the Valley Hospital as a cook from 1972 until he retired from full time work 1990 but continued to work on-call until Feb 1995. James was a very active member of many organizations as long as he was physically able. He served in many areas at CrossWalk Community Church where he was a member for 36 years. He is a Life Time Member of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Yountville Chapter #702. He also served as a member of the Napa Senior Citizens Incorporated Board. James is survived by his daughter, by choice not by birth, Darlene Valencia (Ted) and his son, by choice not by birth, Larry Glen (Sue). Their children and grandchildren always knew him as part of their family. He spent his final years residing at Emeritus at Villa Del Rey where on his first week moving in, he was adopted by a granddaughter Soledad Torres Gonzales and after that, he became Grandpa to many of the staff. We will be forever grateful for the care and love James received from all of the staff who embraced him as part of their family and nearing the end of his life, the additional care and love we received from his team at Hospice of Napa Valley. He is also survived by his sisters: Vivian Hendershot (Clovis, California), Ann Oliver (Texas), Evelyn Champagne (Texas), Martha Pruitt (Oregon), his daughter in law Connie Smith and grandsons Erik and Scottie Abbott and his great-granddaughter Hannah Abbott (Missouri). James was interred beside his wife at Tulocay Cemetery on Wednesday, July 23, 2014. Family and friends will celebrate James' life with military honors on August 3, 2014 at 1pm at Crosswalk Community Church, 2590 First Street, Napa.



**HAROLD J. ABDO** - Died Saturday, July 5, 2014 at the Genesis East Medical Center in Davenport, Iowa at the age of 69. He was a resident of Davenport. The cause of death is unknown. He was born February 21, 1945 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the only

child of the late Sam and Mary (née Haddad) Abdo. His parents operated a small mom-and-pop grocery store. When he was in elementary school, he saved a kindergartner from being hit by a car and received awards from the Governor of Iowa and the President of the United States. His mother passed away when Harold was 7 and his father passed when he was 13. He was raised by his aunt and uncle, Rose and Frank Nassif. Harold graduated from George Washington High School, Cedar Rapids, and the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls. He also attended Muscatine Community College and the University of Iowa. He married the love of his life, Pam Osborne on June 21, 1970 in Newton, Iowa. They had two fabulous children, David and Sara Jane (Mrs. Kyle Gott), and two wonderful grandchildren, Anthony and Emily Gott. He loved his children and his grandchildren very much. He proudly served his country from 1967 until 1969, serving in the United States Army. During advanced infantry training, he was recognized as being the outstanding trainee of his division. The last year of his service was in Vietnam, where he was awarded the Bronze Star for valor. His employment career began in 1971 as a bank examiner for the Federal De-posit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). He joined Security State Trust & Savings Bank in Bettendorf as a bank officer in 1974 and was recognized as Sales Executive of the Year in 1975. Other career moves had Harold becoming CFO for an industrial recycling company and retiring from AT&T in 2003. Having spare time after retirement, he became a school bus dispatcher for First Student and Durham School Services. Becoming the liaison for patron busing to the John Deere Classic PGA golf tournament was the highlight of his retirement. His memberships included St. Paul Lutheran Church in Davenport; American Legion Post 26; Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776; and several civic organizations. He also enjoyed bowling, having been named Muscatine Bowler of the Year in 1966; his children's music and athletic activities; and Iowa Hawkeye athletics. The drum and bugle corps activity was a lifelong interest of his as well. The family wishes to thank Harold's medical staff for all of their assistance, especially his visiting nurse, Robin Roberts; his cousins, Nick and Lorene Nassif and family, Marie and the late Ike Bojrab and family, Gene and Sandy Nassif and family, Wilma and Bob Easton and family, Kay and David Rose, Pat and Michael Trotter and family, and the Jelinek family, who were all very beloved by Harold. Those left to honor his memory include his wife, Pam; a son, David; a daughter, Sara, and son-in-law Kyle Gott; and grandchildren, Anthony and Emily Gott. Funeral services were at 10:00 AM on Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, at the Runge Mortuary in Davenport. Visitation was on Friday from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at the mortuary. Burial was in the Davenport Memorial Park Cemetery with military honors conducted at All Veterans Memorial. Memorials may be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church or the Honor Flight of the Quad Cities. Online condolences may be left at www.runge mortuary.com.



**JOHN LLOYD ADAMS, JR.** – Died Sunday, May 11, 2014 in Essex, Maryland at the age of 64. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland on July 30, 1949 to the late John Lloyd Adams, Sr. and Augusta Adams. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his brother, Richard W. Adams. He was

the beloved brother of Robert A. Adams Sr., of Florida, Catherine Wiley, Michael L. Adams, Barbara A. Chambers and Shirley Adams, loving uncle of Adam Wiley, caring uncle of 7 nieces and nephews and 11 grand-nieces and nephews plus one on the way. He was the nephew of Carolyn Walters of Boise Idaho and Carrie Miller of Edgemere MD. He served in the United

States Navy during the Vietnam War. John was heavily active in the VFW, life member of Wells McComas Post 2678, life member of the Military Order of the Cootie PT 4, member of the Masons, AMVETS, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Edgemere Chapter #965**, active in VA affairs, he is a retired member of the Boilermakers Local 193 of Baltimore. Friends called at the family owned Bruzdzinski Funeral Home P.A. 1407 Old Eastern Avenue, Essex at Route 702 (beltway exit 36) on Thursday from 3:00-5:00 and 7:00-9:00 PM. Funeral services were on Friday at 11:00 AM at Bruzdzinski Funeral Home. Interment was at the Meadow Ridge Memorial Park.

THOMAS RAYMOND ALLEN (USAF, MSG-Ret,) - Died Saturday, May 17, 2014 at the FirstHealth Hospice House at the age of 74. He was a resident of West End, North Carolina. The cause of death was sepsis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and cancer. He was born May 26, 1940 in San Diego, California to the late William Allen and Harriet E. Allen. Chief Allen served 28 years in the United States Air Force and served in Vietnam for two years. He served with total dedication and devotion as a Combat Controller at numerous locations around the world. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America - West End Chapter #966. He was preceded in death by his father, William Allen, his mother, Harriet Allen, and his brother, William "Billy" Allen. He is survived by his devoted and loving wife of 50 years, Glenda Mitchem Allen, two daughters, Shoshanna Allen Richardson (Jeff Richardson), Sherrie Allen Cato (Robert Cato); four grandchildren, Casey and Cody Cato and Hannah and Sarra Richardson; one brother, Dr. John A Allen (Carolyn) and two nephews, William Allen (daughter Lauren) and John T. Allen (Laura Allen), and various cousins. A vigil for the deceased was held on Wednesday May 21, 2014 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Boles Funeral Home in Seven Lakes. A Funeral Mass was held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, May 22, 2014 at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church at 300 Dundee Road in Pinehurst with the Reverend Edward J. Burch officiating. Rite of Committal was in Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors. Memorial donations can be made in memory of Thomas Allen to the Special Operations Warrior Foundation Post Office Box 89367 Tampa, Florida 33689.

**ALAN C. ALONGE** - Died Thursday, July 3, 2014 at the Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, Newark, New Jersey at the age of 69. He was a resident of Hopatcong, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born and lived in the Bronx New York and resided in Hopatcong. A mechanical engineering technician with Picatinny Arsenal in Wharton, he was a United States Army Vietnam Veteran who was a musician and enjoyed the outdoors. He loved good times, good food and good laughter. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Vernon Chapter #1002**. He was the beloved husband of Karen A. (née Piers); devoted father of Lisa Mojica and her husband Dave and Jennifer Togna and her husband Hank and step-father of Adam Schwarz; loving grandfather of Rachel, Ethan, Nancy, Ayden and Jeremy; dear brother of Geri Moyik; dear uncle of Steven Moyik. Relatives and friends were respectfully invited to attend Alan's Life Celebration on Tuesday July 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Leber-Lakeside Funeral Home, 150 Landing Road, Landing. A Prayer Service was held on Wednesday July 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM in the funeral home. Interment was in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Chester. In lieu of flowers please make donations to Donate Life America, 701 East Byrd Street 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Richmond, VA 23213 or www.donatelife.net or Northern NJ Veterans Memorial Cemetery, RTE. 94, Sparta, NJ 07871 In Honor of Al Alonge.



**JOHN A. ARNOLD** (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died surrounded by family on Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014 in Tonganoxie, Kansas at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born July 30, 1944 in Klamath Falls, Oregon to the late Forrest B. and Velma L. (née Davis) Arnold. His parents moved the family to Arkansas when he was six

weeks old. He joined the Arkansas National Guard in December of 1961. In September of 1966 he went into the regular Army where he served for over 24 years. He served in Vietnam from March 1967 until October 1968. He retired from the Army in June 1986. John married Marie Elaine Green July 30, 1994. John was a Gold Legacy Life Member of the Veteran of Foreign Wars, Bernard Lee Daghand Memorial Post #12073. John was also a Life Member of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Inf. Div. Association, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Leavenworth Chapter (Kansas) Chapter #75**, Life Member of the Disabled American Veterans and a Life Member of the 26<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment Association. He is survived by his wife of the home, three daughters, four grandchildren, and two half- brothers. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, and one grandson. Graveside Services with full Military Honors was at 11:00 AM, Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at Leavenworth National Cemetery. Family and friends are invited to meet at the funeral home prior and follow in procession. Visitation was on Tuesday, July 1, 2014 from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM at the funeral home. Memorials in his name may be directed to the VFW Post #12073 Relief Fund.



**JOSEPH JOHN "Joe" BARR** - Died Thursday May 29, 2014 at Stratton Veterans Administration Hospital in Albany, New York at the age of 70. He was a resident of Accord, New York. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in St. Albans, Queens, New York on May 3, 1944 to the late Joseph James and Elizabeth B. (née

Ross) Barr. In 1948 the family relocated to Kripplebush, Ulster County. Joe attended St. Peter's RC Elementary School in Rosendale, and then attended Kingston High School excelling at Art and Track. Joe set and held several track records for Kingston including the hop, skip jump, and quarter mile, a record which held from 1961 until about 2004. He went to the NYS Track Meet in 1961 and 1962 and placed third in the quarter mile. In 1962 Joe joined the United States Marine Corps, making rank out of boot camp, serving with the Third Marine Division as a Fire Team Leader in Vietnam. Joe was discharged as a Corporal in December, 1968. In 1969 Joe earned his Baccalaureate Degree in Art Education from SUNY New Paltz. After graduation, he was employed by the Warwick and Highland School Districts. He later worked as a Conductor and Brakeman for Con-Rail and Amtrak. His last years were spent working as a substitute teacher for RVCS. He was a lifetime member of the Rosendale Tillson Post #1219 American Legion, a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ulster County (Kingston) Chapter #60, St. Peter's Church in Rosendale and the Kingston chapter of the Fr. Con Colbert Woulfe Ancient Order of Hibernians. He enjoyed renovating vintage homes and building Rock and Stone formations. His handiwork can be seen on County Rt. 2 (Kripplebush Rd.) in Accord. He is survived by his daughter, Collyn, of Saugerties, wife Jonelyn, of Saugerties brother Frank, of Red Hook sister Bernice Jerry, of Poughkeepsie, many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his older brother Ken Barr in 2007. Joe passed peacefully at the Albany-Stratton VA where he

has been a well-loved member of Ward 9C, "Victory Lane" for the past year. His funeral was held at 9:15 AM Tuesday from the George J. Moylan Funeral Home Inc., 2053 Route 32, Rosendale. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:00 AM at St. Peter's Church, Rosendale. Reverend Edmund Burke officiated. Interment with full military honors by American Legion Post #1219 was in the New Paltz Rural Cemetery, Ulster County Veterans Section. Friends called at the funeral home on Monday 5:00 to 8:00 PM.

ROBERTO GONZALO BAZAN - Died Saturday, February 22, 2014 in Santa Maria, California after a long battle with cancer. He was 66 years of age. He was born on August 22, 1947 in El Paso, Texas to the late Gonzalo and Evelyn Bazan. Roberto was a father, grandfather, and greatgrandfather, who dedicated his life to providing for his family. He enjoyed his passion for fishing and hunting and also loved to dance. He served in the United States Army in Vietnam and Korea, and later with the California National Guard. When he returned he worked at the Driscoll strawberry farms and later went to work at the Vandenberg Air Force Base, where he worked as a firefighter with the Vandenberg Hot Shots and as a Maintenance Mechanic. Roberto also enjoyed coaching several local soccer and girls' softball teams. Roberto especially loved his volunteer work and being a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars #2521, American Legion #56, and was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America Guadalupe Chapter #982, and recognized and supported all service members who served their country. He also enjoyed other hobbies such as leather work and tattoos. He was preceded in death by his father Gonzalo Bazan and mother Evelyn Hebrok. He is survived by his wife Maria E. (Nena) Bazan, stepfather Gustav Hebrok, brother Aaron Bazan (Teresa), sister, Sandra Chavez (Fernando), his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He was loved by all who came in contact with him, especially those who he helped in times of need. He expected little for himself and enjoyed helping others in all their endeavors. On Friday February 28, 2014 there was a Rosary at St. John Neumann Catholic Church at 7:00 PM. Funeral services took place Saturday March 1, 2014 at 9:30 AM at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 966 W Orchard, Santa Maria. Military Honors were performed prior to the reception at 1:00 PM the Veterans of Foreign Wars #2521, 200 East Battles Road, Santa Maria. Handicap & motorcycle parking at VFW Parking lot only.



**ROBERT R. BOEGNER** - Died Monday, May 26, 2014 in Holly, Michigan at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Flint, Michigan on November 8, 1948 to the late Claude and Lorraine (née Inscho) Boegner who survives him. He is survived by his wife Rebecca Boegner; children, Melody (Scott) Schuette, Misty (Joe

Durocher) Long, Eric Boegner, Cory (Jo-K) Boegner, and Amanda (Doug) Briolat; sisters Diane Adams and Margaret Blasco; mother Lorraine Boegner; grandchildren, Sidney, Sophie, Robby, Leigh Ann, Thomas, Brice, Lindsay, Ericka, Cora, Chase, Jacob, Jordan, Katrina and Marino; and many other beloved family members. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War from August 1966 to August 1970. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Roseville Chapter #154**. Memorial donations may be made to the Oxford American Legion Post #108. Memorial services were held at 9:00 AM on Monday, June 2, 2014 at the Dryer Funeral Home, Holly. Military honors, committal services, and inurnment were held at the Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly.



**JOHN BONAFEDE** – Died Sunday, February 2, 2014 in Clarence, New York at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born December 6, 1946 to the late John and Irene (née Kushner) Bonafede. He was the loving brother of Catherine (late Jacob) Kinstler and Janice (David) Burke; dearest uncle of Sandra (Scott) Cook, Anat Kinstler, Deborah (William) Smith, Galit (Yuval) Zarfati, Tali Steiner and Zvi

(Noa) Kinstler; cherished great-uncle of nine nieces and nephews; also survived by many loving cousins, family and friends. John was a Vietnam Veteran in the United States Army. He was also a proud member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77** and The American Legion Post #838, Clarence Center, NY. Interment was in the White Chapel Cemetery held privately by the family. Family and friends were invited to attend a Celebration of Life on Thursday at Brennan's Bowery & Bar, 4401 Transit Road (at Main St.) Williamsville, NY 14221 at 2:00 PM. NY.

**THOMAS RONALD "Tom" BOURQUE** - Died Friday, May 9, 2014 at his home in Browns Mills, New Jersey at the age of 86. He was a resident of Browns Mills since 1971. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Lynn, Massachusetts on October 3, 1928. He joined the United States Merchant Marines and then the United States Army. Tom was a retired Sergeant 1<sup>st</sup> Class with 21 years of service in the Army. He was a Veteran of Korea & Vietnam and received the Bronze Star. He also was a retired Security Guard. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Jersey**. He was preceded in death by his wife Margaret. He was the beloved father of Lisa A. Waterbury & husband Ronald , Thomas Ronald Bourque II and Renae Ballard & husband Stephen; dear Stepfather of Peter J. Starr, Noel L'Heureux, Andrea Cross, Daniel Starr and David Starr. He is also survived by many grandchildren, several greatgrandchildren and one great–great-grandchild. Relatives and friends of Tom's family were invited to his Memorial Mass at 11:00 AM Monday, May 19, 2014 at Saint Ann's Church, 22A Trenton Road, Browns Mills. Interment was private.

**RUSSELL W. BOYCE** – Died Monday, April 14, 2014 in Slate Hill, New York at the age of 64. The cause of death is unknown. He was born November 22, 1949. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Hampton Chapter #140**. He is survived by his daughter, Michele Knapp of Middletown, New York.

**PAUL GERALD BRICK** - Died unexpectedly Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at his home in Broomfield, Colorado. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related cardiomegaly (enlarged heart due to diabetes) and myocardial fibrosis. He was born March 29, 1945 in Lowell, Massachusetts to the late Martin and Mary (née Hession) Brick. Paul was the beloved husband of Susan Brick, and is also survived by his two dear children, Travis Brick and his wife Kelly of Lakewood, Colorado, and Tasia Brick and her partner Travis Moore of Portsmouth, Virginia. He was raised in Tyngsborough, Massachusetts. Paul graduated from Lowell High School, and served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam Conflict. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Denver Chapter #1071**. Paul resided in Colorado with his family for over thirty years. He worked for Hunter Douglas in fleet operations at the time of his passing. Paul was a real man, devoted to his family, his dogs, his Corvettes. He was loved by all who knew him and will be missed by all. Paul is survived by brothers Thomas Brick and wife Marge of Georgia, Joseph Brick and wife Margie of Oregon, Robert Brick and wife Judy of Oregon, Leo Brick and wife Linda of Massachusetts, and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his three brothers: Martin Brick Jr., John Brick, and Francis Brick. A Memorial Service was held on Thursday, May 22, 2014 at 10:00 AM at Peace Lutheran Church in Arvada, Colorado followed by burial Fort Logan National Cemetery in Denver, Colorado. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Paul's memory to the church, The Wounded Warrior Project or the American Diabetes Association.

JAMES M. "Jimmy" "Box" BUCELLA - Died Tuesday, April 22, 2014 in Villas, New Jersey at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born to the late Fioreno "Gus" Bucella and Agnes Bucella on January 27, 1942 in Chester, Pennsylvania and raised in Marcus Hook, Pennsylvania. He resided in South Jersey for the past 40 some years. Jimmy was a veteran of the United States Army serving in Vietnam. He was a member of the VFW, American Legion and other organizations along with the Greater Cape May Elks #2839 of the Villas. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Wildwood Chapter #955. Jimmy was a bartender for many years around Wildwood, NJ and retired from the City of Wildwood Public Works. He is survived by his loving daughter Paula Jean Houser (Jim) and son James Willis, 7 grandchildren 3 great-grandchildren, 3 sisters Gwen Lewis, Brenda Eccleston, Marcia Bucella and one brother Fioreno (Skip) Bucella and many other family members and loving friends. A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, April 26, 2014 at 2:00 PM at Cokesbury United Methodist Church, 307 Market Street, Marcus Hook, Pennsylvania 19061. Funeral arrangements were made by Ingersoll-Greenwood Funeral Home.



**<u>KENNETH ANDERSON CALDWELL</u>** - Died Wednesday evening, June 5, 2014 at Jackson Madison County General Hospital at the age of 81. He was a resident of Jackson, Tennessee. The cause of death was an aneurysm. He was born June 4, 1932 in Jackson, Tennessee to the late John Caldwell and Irene (née Watt) Caldwell.

He was a Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Air Force flying B-52's in the Vietnam War. Kenneth was a member of the Masonic Lodge, a Shriner, a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Jackson Chapter #995 and a graduate of The University of Nebraska of Omaha. He was a member of Law Church of Christ. Kenneth is survived by his wife Patricia Caldwell of Jackson, TN, one son Mark Caldwell and wife Patty of Jackson, TN, one daughter Lisa Kersey and husband James of Lavinia, TN, three step-sons, Dr. John Eason and wife Kathy of Rockwood, TN, Dr. James Eason and wife Laura of Memphis, TN, Dr. William Eason and wife Terri of Selmer, TN, two brothers, Charlie Caldwell of Abilene, TX, David Caldwell of Jackson, TN, nine grandchildren, Kevin Flanagan, Dr. Hillary Mincher, Amelia Eason, Whitney Carter, Will Eason, Sidney Eason, Savannah Eason, Claire Eason, Wyatt Eason and one great-grandchild, Katherine Flanagan. He was preceded in death by his first wife and the mother of his two children Doris Caldwell and three brothers, Rupert Caldwell, John Caldwell and Robert Caldwell. Those serving as Pallbearers were Kevin Flanagan, Michael Mincher, Will Eason, Wyatt Eason, David Carter, Dr. John Eason, Dr. James Eason and Dr. William Eason. Funeral services were held Saturday, February 8, 2014 at 10:00 AM in the chapel of Arrington Funeral Directors with Minister David Sellars officiating. Visitation was on Friday, February 7, 2014 from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM. Burial was in Hillcrest Memorial Park in Paris, TN. The family has requested that memorial

contributions be directed to Shriner's Hospitals for Children, 2001 South Lindbergh Boulevard, St. Louis, MO 63131.

MICHAEL A. CAMPAGNA - Died Wednesday, October 9, 2013 at Memorial Medical Center in Johnstown, Pennsylvania at the age of 67. He was a resident of Johnstown. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related cancer. He was born January 18, 1946 in Johnstown to Barbara J. (Campagna) Kindler and the late Nicholas A. Campagna, Sr. He was also predeceased by his brother, Charles Campagna. He is survived by mother, Barbara J. (Campagna) Kindler, Bedford; wife, Eileen A. (Sulosky) Campagna, Johnstown; sons, Michael A. Jr.; and David M., and wife, Jamie (Wolfe); grandson, Lucas Campagna; brothers, Nicholas A. Jr., and wife, Mary; John, and wife, Josephine (Marino); Joseph, and wife, Cheryl (Fye); and Anthony; and sister, Ann, married to Dave Bowan. He is also survived by father-in-law and mother-in-law, John and Helen Sulosky; sister-in-law, Irene, married to Joe Chessa, Florida; brothers-in-law, John Sulosky, and wife, Lisa; and Ron Sulosky, and wife, Julie; nephews, Joey and Anthony; and loving pets, Abby, Chipper and Toby. Michael was a United States Marine Corps veteran for 13 years and served two tours during the Vietnam War. He received National Defense Service Medal, a Purple Heart, Vietnam Service Medal with one star, Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Presidential Unit Citation. He was a member of Marine Corps League Detachment #287, VFW Post #155 and Order of GTMO Defenders. He was also a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Johnstown Chapter #364. He enjoyed bowling, playing cards, yard work, vacationing and cruises and was a member of Woodvale Olympic Club. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Humane Society of Cambria County, 743 Galleria Drive Ext., Johnstown, PA 15904, as Michael was an avid pet lover. Friends were received from 2:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 PM Saturday at Hindman Funeral Homes & Crematory Inc., 1521 Frankstown Road, exclusive provider of "Veterans and Family Memorial Care." Military honors were performed by Conemaugh Valley Detachment #287 Marine Corps League at 4:00 PM. Condolences may be made at HindmanFuneralHomes.com.



JACK DALE "Mad Jack" CARR - Died Saturday, June 21, 2014 in Watertown, South Dakota at the age of 61. The cause of death was an automobile accident, death resulting. He was born February 18, 1953 in Crosby, North Dakota to Jeanette (née Sand) Carr and the late Leslie Carr. Jack went to school in Lignite, North Dakota. He served in the United States Army from 1970 to 1973 where he

received his GED. He served in Korea and Germany. He attended Computer Programming in Wahpeton. Jack's first marriage was in 1980 to Cindy St. Clair. Jack met Sandra in 1986 and on September 1, 1990 the couple married in Watertown, South Dakota. He worked for Gray Construction in the 90's and he worked at Souter and Son's. He moved to Sioux Falls, South Dakota in 2000 and worked as manager and maintained an apartment complex until 2004. He also drove cross-country for M.C.T. Transportation for 2 years. Jack was employed for Steve Horning in Watertown for 19 years before retiring. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather and had a wonderful sense of humor. He was very driven to help people, and a great humanitarian. Jack was very active in A.A. and did some speaking at Keystone, Tallgrass Treatment Facilities and various other conventions. He loved working outside and watching movies to relax. He was a member of the Wesleyan Church. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam** 

**Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter #1054** and VFW Frank H. Adams Post #750. Jack is survived by his wife, Sandra G. Carr of Watertown; his mother and stepfather, Jeanette and Donald Griffin of Fargo, ND; his mother-in-law, Gladys Stanton of Watertown; his children, James E. Carr of San Francisco, CA, Scott (Donna Parish) McGuire, David W. (Machelle Davis) McGuire all of Watertown; 8 grandchildren; and 2 great grandchildren; his siblings, Mavis (Roger) Bader of Lincoln, NE, Jerry (Renee Forsberg) Carr of Casper, WY, and Kim (Doug) Richards of Pelican Rapids, MN. He was preceded in death by his father, Leslie Carr; and grandson, James David McGuire. Memorial services were at 1:00 PM on Saturday, June 28, 2014 at Wesleyan Church in Watertown with Pastor Jim Biswell and Pastor Steve Biswell officiating. Visitation was on Friday from 4:00-7:00 PM at Wight, Comes & Sogn Funeral Chapel in Watertown. Military honors were conducted by the Vietnam Veterans of American Chapter #1054 and VFW Frank H. Adams Post #750.



**<u>CHARLIE HERBERT CARTER, JR.</u>** - Died Friday, July 11, 2014, at Kitty Askins in Goldsboro, North Carolina at the age of 74. He was a resident of Pink Hill, North Carolina. The cause of death is unknown. He was born June 3, 1940. He is survived by his wife, Elaine Carter of the home; daughters, Lynn Twyman and husband Wilbur of Kinston, Melissa Sutton of Hookerton, Tammy Murphy of Pink Hill,

Annette Outlaw of Kinston, ,Crystal Outlaw of Pink Hill; son, Chuck Carter of Spartanburg, SC; sisters, Gladys Watkins of Clinton, Inez Lane of Warsaw, Vernell Casteen of Warsaw, and Dot Murphy of Pink Hill; grandchildren, Courtney, Jeremy, Brandi, Ashely, Damen, Jacob, and a new little one. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kinston Chapter #892**. The funeral service was held at 7:00 PM on Monday, July 14, 2014, at Pink Hill Funeral Home with the Rev. Craig Simmons officiating. Visitation followed the service. Military funeral rites were held at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at the Pinelawn Memorial Park in Kinston.



JON ROBERT CAVAIANI (USA, SGM-Ret. POW/MOH) - a former prisoner of war and recipient of the nation's highest military award, died Tuesday, July 29, 2014 in Stanford, California. Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani, 70, spent much of his career at Fort Bragg, where he served with the 5th Special Forces Group. He was born in Ireland on August 2, 1943. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Sonora** 

(*California*) Chapter #391.President Gerald Ford awarded him the Medal of Honor in 1974 for actions earlier that decade in Vietnam. As a platoon leader, Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani was tasked with protecting a remote radio relay site along the demilitarized zone known as Hickory Hill when it came under attack on June 3, 1971, according to his medal citation. In the midst of an intense barrage of artillery and small-arms fire, Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani helped organize an evacuation of 15 wounded men while also leading efforts to defend the small base as it was overwhelmed by a much larger enemy force. Disregarding his own safety, "he repeatedly exposed himself to heavy enemy fire in order to move about the camp's perimeter directing the platoon's fire and rallying the platoon in a desperate fight for survival." When the time came for Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani's platoon to be evacuated, the soldier "unhesitatingly volunteered" to stay behind to help direct helicopters to rescue his team. The intense enemy fire forced Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani and a small number of other troops to stay behind, pitted against an overwhelming enemy force.

Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani led the final defense of Hickory Hill and then provided cover fire while his remaining soldiers escaped. Alone, the soldier played dead and avoided capture for 11 days, according to officials. He was captured by North Vietnamese soldiers after trying to signal a U.S. helicopter and spent 661 days in captivity. "I saw two shadows on the rock and decided discretion was the better part of valor," Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani said at his retirement on Fort Bragg in 1990. The Vietnamese who captured him was a little old man with a rifle who was probably shaking harder than he was, Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani said. But the American was wounded, burned and exhausted and could no longer resist. Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani was released in March 1973, after spending much of his confinement in a solitary cell. "I was not the most cooperative of prisoners," he said. Maintain the image. Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani said receiving the Medal of Honor did not make his life as a soldier any easier because it also left a burden to play the part of a model soldier. "You have to maintain, you know, the image," he said. Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani's death was announced by the Congressional Medal of Honor Society. Officials on Fort Bragg said he had been battling illnesses associated with leukemia for some time. They said he died with his wife, Barbara, at his side. Funeral services are pending, according to the society. With Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani's death, there are now 79 Medal of Honor recipients living today. Lt. Gen. Charles T. Cleveland, commander of U.S. Army Special Operations Command, said Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani "exemplified the best in our Green Berets and inspired generations of soldiers." "A true American hero, Jon made time to teach, coach and mentor Special Forces soldiers of all grades," Lt. Gen. Cleveland said. "He will be missed by all, particularly those of us who since Vietnam served with him, but he and his gallantry will never be forgotten. The inheritors of his legacy, today's Green Beret, will see to that." Retired in 1990. Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani retired from the Army in 1990 after 21 years of service. Born in Ireland and raised in England, he moved to the United States in 1953 and joined the Army a year before becoming a naturalized citizen. He volunteered for Special Forces and later served with Task Force 1 Advisory Element, Studies and Observations Group, an elite reconnaissance unit in Vietnam. He would later serve as an instructor on Fort Bragg before holding numerous other posts within the Special Forces community while tallying more than 5,000 parachute jumps. Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani's last Army job was as a chief instructor at the Army ROTC detachment at the University of California, Davis. He retired during a ceremony on Fort Bragg in which he was hailed as a hero. At the time, Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani said he would retire to his 294-acre farm in central California, where he would grow peaches. "I'm just a farm boy," he said at the time. In 2011, he became a Distinguished Member of the Special Forces Regiment and was honored on Fort Bragg. In addition to the Medal of Honor and the Prisoner of War Medal, Sgt. Maj. Cavaiani also received the Legion of Valor, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star medal with valor and Purple Heart with oak leaf clusters.



**DR. MURPHY A. CHESNEY, JR.** (USAF, LTG-Ret.) - Died Saturday, March 22, 2014 at his home in Air Force Village II in San Antonio, Texas at the age of 86. The cause of death is unknown. He was born November 29, 1927 in Knoxville, Tennessee to the late Murphy A. Chesney, Sr., and Thelma Chesney. He attended the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and later the College of Medicine in Memphis where he received his Doctorate of Medicine in 1950. He married Mary

Ann Wilson after graduation. They celebrated their 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary last summer. In 1951 he completed his internship at the Scott and White Hospital, Temple, Texas, and entered

private practice as a general practitioner at the Edgar Renegar Clinic in Levelland, Texas. A year later he moved to Rule, Texas, where he was associated with Dr. Robert E. Colbert in the Rule Clinic. General Chesney entered the United States Air Force in April 1955, attended the basic orientation course at Gunter Air Force Base, Alabama, and later the primary course in aviation medicine at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas. In July 1955 he was assigned to the dispensary at Portland International Airport, Oregon, first as flight surgeon and then as commander. He continued to serve as commander when the dispensary became a hospital. From July 1957 to June 1960, General Chesney was at the University of Tennessee in Memphis where he completed his Air Force-sponsored residency in internal medicine and was associate professor of medicine. Later, he became a Fellow of American College of Physicians and a Fellow of American College of Preventive Medicine. For the next two years he was chief of hospital services and chief of the Department of Internal Medicine at Homestead Air Force Base, Florida. In May 1962 he transferred to the dispensary at Ben Guerir Air Force Base, Morocco, as commander. He moved to the 401<sup>st</sup> Tactical Hospital, Torrejon Air Force Base, Spain, in June 1963, and became deputy commander and chief of internal medicine. General Chesney returned to the United States in June 1966 and assumed command of the 852<sup>nd</sup> Medical Group at Castle Air Force Base, California. He became director of professional services in the Office of the Command Surgeon, Pacific Air Forces, in August 1969 and deputy command surgeon in June 1972. In April 1973 General Chesney transferred to Headquarters Tactical Air Command, Langley Air Force Base, Virginia, as command surgeon. He moved to Brooks Air Force Base, Texas, in August 1978 where he was commander of the Air Force Medical Service Center. The general was director of medical plans and resources, Office of the Surgeon General, at Air Force headquarters, from January 1980 until April 1980. He was chairman of the Defense Medical Materiel Board in 1979-1980. He served as deputy surgeon general from May 1980 until August 1985, at which time he was selected by President Reagan to be the Air Force Surgeon General and received his third star, the highest rank possible for a military medical officer. General Chesney served as Surgeon General of the Air Force until August 1988 and then retired to live in Kerrville, Texas, where he served as chief of staff at the Kerrville VA Hospital for five years. In 2007 he moved, with his beloved wife, Mary Ann Chesney, to Air Force Village II. His military decorations and awards included the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster, Spanish Air Force Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award Ribbon, AF Organizational Excellence Award, AF Recognition Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, AF Overseas Short Tour Ribbon, AF Overseas Long Tour Ribbon with oak leaf cluster, AF Longevity Service Award Ribbon with seven oak leaf clusters, AF Training Ribbon, Distinguished Service Award of the National Health Agency, and Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. He was a member of the American Medical Association, the Texas Medical Association, Society of Air Force Physicians, Alumni Council of University of Tennessee Center for Health Sciences, American College of Physicians Executives, and the Aerospace Medical Association. He was also on the board of Fellows at Norwich University at Northfield, Vermont, where a scholarship is awarded in his honor. He is listed in Who's Who in Government 1975-1976, Who's Who in America 1982-1983, and Who's Who in the World 1987-1988. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Kerrville Chapter #863. He is preceded in death by his sister, Alice (Chesney) Evans, and his son, Charles Allen Chesney. Survivors include his wife, Mary Ann Chesney; children, Murphy A. Chesney, III, Carol J. Chesney and John L. Chesney; nine grandchildren, Marissa (Chesney) Gaiennie, Kyle Hong, Leila Sandlin, Rachel Chesney, Alena (Chesney) Quinlin, Elizabeth (Chesney) Foley, David Chesney, Michael Chesney, and Matthew Chesney, and thirteen great-grandchildren. The funeral service was on Wednesday, July 23, 2014 at 9:00 AM at the Fort Myer Chapel in Arlington National Cemetery. Interment was at Arlington National Cemetery with full Military Honors. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Air Force Villages Charitable Foundation, 5100 John D. Ryan Boulevard, San Antonio, Texas 78245.

**ANDREW MICHAEL CIANOS** - Died Tuesday, July 1, 2014 in his home in Panama City, Florida at the age of 71. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related cancer. He was born March 31, 1943 in Water Valley, Mississippi to the late Michael and Mary Ann (née Vogel) Cianos. He was retired from the United States Army after 30 years in Special Forces. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Gallatin (Tennessee) Chapter #240**. Private graveside services were conducted July 8, 2014 in Memorial Gardens with full military honors. Surviving Andrew are his wife, Carolyn Faye Wooten Cianos of Panama City, FL, sons; Kerry Cianos of Atlanta, GA. Stephen Smith of Panama City, FL. daughters; Cathy Zbynkski of North Carolina, Andrea Smith of Cape Coral, FL, brother; Michael Cianos, sisters; Michelle Roberts, Cherine Rohmer and seven grandchildren. Robertson County Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



**WILLIAM R.** "*Bill*" CLEAR, JR. - Died Friday evening, June 13, 2014 at his home in Rochester, Pennsylvania surrounded by his loving family. He was 65 years of age. The cause of death is unknown. He was born May 10, 1949 in Rochester to the late William R. Clear, Sr. and Margaret E. Clear. Following high school graduation, Bill

enlisted in the United States Air Force in June 1968 during the Vietnam War and honorably served until being discharged in September 1972 with a sergeant's rank. Bill worked a few years before returning to school and earning his Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education from Slippery Rock University. He and his family then relocated to Port St. Lucie, Fla. where Bill taught elementary school until his retirement in 1996 due to disability. Bill was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Beaver County (Freedom) Chapter #862. Bill leaves his wife of 43 years, Joyce Sumrok Clear to whom he was united in marriage on May 2, 1971. He also leaves two sons, Jason Clear of Rochester and Chris Clear (Judy Rice) of Brighton Twp. Bill had five grandchildren who were the light of his life, Haily and Chloe Clear of Aliquippa, Lukas and Nicholas Rice of Brighton Twp. and Travis Clear of Brighton Twp.; a brother, Robert L. Clear Sr. and his wife, Theresa L. Clear, of New Brighton; his nieces and nephews, Rachel Book and her husband, John Book, Jr., and their children, Trey, Charleigh and Greyson Book, Jill Clear, Jordan Snyder, and Robert L. Clear, Jr. and his wife, Amanda Clear. In addition to his parents, Bill was preceded in death by a son, Chad E Clear on April 4, 2009, and his mother in law, Helen Ben. Friends were received on Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 4:00 and 7:00 to 9:00 PM in the Simpson Funeral & Cremation Service, 1119 Washington Avenue, Monaca, where services were held on Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 AM with the Reverend Mel McRoberts, pastor of the Rochester Free Methodist Church, officiating. Full military honors were provided on Tuesday at 11:45 AM at the funeral home. The family would like to thank Concordia Home Health,

especially Barbara King, and VITAS Hospice for the wonderful care that Bill received while under their care.



ALLEN WAYNE COLLINS, SR. - Died Saturday, May 24, 2014, at his home in Cumberland, Maryland at the age of 61. The cause of death is unknown. He was born December 24, 1952 in Cumberland to the late Monzel Marcellous Collins and Eva Clairs (née Goodwin) Collins. He was also preceded in death by two brothers, Monzel Collins, Jr. and James Collins. A United States Army Veteran of Vietnam, Allen retired from American Motors, Toledo, Ohio. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -**Cumberland Chapter #172.** Allen loved his children and grandchildren dearly; they were his world. Allen is survived by his wife of 42 years, Pauline Collins; a son, Allen Wayne Collins Jr.; two daughters, Dawn Marie Thompson and husband Jason, and Melanie Ann George; eight grandchildren, Austin, Alex, Owen, Amy, Chelsey, Angel, Logan, and Levi; a great-grandson, Brayden; his brothers and sisters, Marcella DeVore, Mark Collins, John Collins, Theodore Collins, Jane Beatty, and Jackie Lindsay. A funeral service was conducted at the Adams Family Funeral Home, P.A., 404 Decatur Street, Cumberland, (www.AdamsFamilyFuneral-Home.com) on Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at 11:00 AM, with the Reverend David Lindsey officiating. The family

received friends one hour prior to the service. Interment was in the Maryland Veterans' Cemetery at Rocky Gap. Military honors were accorded at the cemetery by the Post #13 Veterans Honor Guard. The family would like to extend a special thanks to Home Hospice for all the care and compassion given; as well as to the nurses who took excellent care of Allen: Kim, Morgan, and LaDonna.

THOMAS EDWARD CREEGER - Died unexpectedly Thursday, June 26, 2014 in his home in Dayton, Ohio at the age of 63. The cause of death is unknown. He was born September 19, 1950 in Dayton, Ohio to the late Paul and Charlotte (née Cartmell) Creeger. Tom attended Fairmont High School. He is a decorated Veteran of the United States Marine Corps who served in Vietnam. Tom proudly served at 8th and I Marine Barracks in Washington D.C. He was a member of Mt. Zion Church of Xenia and a founding member of the Auto Club, C.A.R.B.S. Tom was also a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97. In addition to his parents he was also preceded in death by his brother Jerry A. Creeger. Tom is survived by his wife of 34 years, Christina J. Creeger; children, Lawrence Silva, Thomas (Laura) Creeger Jr.; grandchildren, Lillian Mae and Aiden Thomas Creeger, Annaliese Silva; nephew, Jason (Elaine) Creeger; great niece, Danica Renee Creeger; niece Eileen (Steven) Woyen; great nephews, Jake and Marty and many good friends. Visitation was held from 2:00-4:00 PM on Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at Newcomer Funeral Home, 4104 Needmore Road, Dayton where funeral services began at 4:00 PM on Wednesday. Burial was at the Dayton National Cemetery. To leave a special message for the family online, please visit www.NewcomerDayton.com.



THOMAS B. "Tom" CRUMP (USMC, SGM-Ret., Pearl Harbor Survivor) - Died Tuesday, July 8, 2014 at the Oaklawn Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Louisville, Kentucky at the age of 93. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 25, 1921 to the late James and Carrie Lee (née Meek) Crump. He was the

9th of 10 children. He has now joined both parents and 9 siblings. Tom leaves behind a devoted

wife of 32 years, Ida Amy (née DeAngelo) Crump, his granddaughter Kara Fautz; He also leaves behind many friends. On August 9, 1940 Tom made one of the most important decisions of his life, to join the United States Marine Corps. In 1940 at the age of 19, Tom became Private Crump. After completing basic training at MCRD San Diego he was assigned to the USS Saratoga then transferred to Marine Barracks Navy Yard, Oahu, Pearl Harbor where he was assigned to Navy Yard Police, Naval Intelligence. Tom was standing guard on the dock next to the USS Pennsylvania directly across from "Battleship Row" on the "Day of Infamy," December 7th, 1941 when the Japanese attacked U.S. military forces at Pearl Harbor. The USS Pennsylvania was the flagship of the Pacific Fleet and frequently used by high ranking flag officers and the President. In 1942 he participated in the Guadalcanal campaign. He went on to fight in the Battles of Bougainville, Pelileu and Okinawa. In 1945 he was transferred to Norfolk, VA then to Washington D.C. where he was assigned to the security of Admiral Chester W. Nimitz's quarters. In 1947 he was transferred to Kodiak, AK then Adak, AK. His follow-on assignments took him to Parris, Island, SC in 1948; Camp Pendleton, CA in 1952 and Korea in 1953 where he saw combat again. Tom was promoted to the highest enlisted rank of Sergeant Major in 1960. During the next 15 months of overseas duty he would cover over 16,000 miles aboard 5 different ships. In 1964 "The Corps" would send the SGT Major to the place he would call home for the rest of his life, Louisville, Kentucky to serve as a recruiter. Even after retirement, "The Corps" would not be through with him. In 1967 he was fortunate enough to open the first JROTC program in the United States of America at Seneca High School. It has been the longest running JROTC program in the nation. This was one of his greatest challenges and most rewarding experience. In 1970, after 30 years, SGT Major Crump retired from The United States Marine Corps, earning what few Marines had ever seen, a 30 year gold pin. The next 36 years saw Tom dedicate his talents to the real estate sales industry. Tom carried the same devotion that he had for the Marines over to many military and civic organizations. He was Life Member of the Marine Corps League (Kentuckiana Detachment #729) where he devoted many years to community service regarding Veterans and was very involved with the TOYS FOR TOTS program. He was a Life Member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a member of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Shrine, commonly known as Shriners. He was also a member of the Free Masons since 1951, earning his 60 year pin in 2011. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Louisville Chapter #454. His devotion to community service was undaunting. One of his greatest passions was service to young people and they adored the SGT Major in return. He was a beloved friend of the Boy Scouts of America and many other civic organizations. He left his mark on many communities in Kentucky and his home state of Mississippi as a motivational speaker in schools and churches. Tom enjoyed spending his time at the VFW Post, which was known as his second home where he was a great friend to all. He left his footprints firmly across many communities, the country and the United States Marine Corps. SGT Major, you are wished a speedy return to your Heavenly Father and you will truly be missed. God Bless You. His service was at 10:00 AM on Saturday at Owen Funeral Home -Jeffersontown, 9318 Taylorsville Road, with burial in Calvary Cemetery. Visitation was from 11:00 AM-8:00 PM Friday at the funeral home. Expressions of sympathy may be made to Kosair Charities. Condolences shared the may be via online guestbook at www.owenfuneralhome.com.



CRAIG J. DAHMS - Died Sunday, June 1, 2014 at Hope Creek Care Center in East Moline, Illinois at the age of 65. He was a resident of Walcott, Iowa. The cause of death is unknown. He was born March 20, 1949 in Davenport, Iowa to the late Warren and Gloria (née Rock) Dahms who survives him in Eldridge, Iowa. He was a United States Army veteran, serving in the Vietnam Conflict where he had been a radio operator. Craig was a graduate of Black Hawk College and had attended Augustana College. He was a member of the American Legion Post #26 in Davenport and a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776. Craig enjoyed writing and music. Those left to honor his memory include his mother, Gloria Dahms of Eldridge; his brothers, Gary (Cindy) Dahms of Missouri, Brad (Dee) Dahms of Bloomington, Illinois and Doug Dahms of Walcott with his special friend, Rebecca; and several nieces and nephews. Craig was preceded in death by his father and his uncle, Bob Dahms. Graveside services were held at 10:00 AM on Friday, June 6, 2014 at Rock Island National Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Park View Lutheran Church in Park View, Iowa.



WILBURN LEE DAILEY - Died Saturday, January 25, 2014 at Jefferson Barracks Medical Center in St. Louis, Missouri at the age of 62. The cause of death is unknown. He was born June 20, 1951 to the late Wilburn and Della Louise Dailey and was raised in Marshfield, Missouri where he would graduate from high school. He served in the United States Air Force as a search and rescue para-jumper during the Vietnam War.

Wilburn served his fellow veterans by working for them as a veteran's service officer, helping them get the benefits that they were entitled to and the honors they deserved. He was a *Life* Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Springhill Chapter #952. He received two Undergraduate degrees in History and Political Science, and a Master's degree in History from Missouri State University. His emphasis was in Western American Expansion and Native American Studies. Wilburn was united in marriage to Joan DeBord on June 6, 1981. He is survived by his wife: Joan DeBord, his children: Nicholas J. Dailey and Jeanne-Marie DeBord Eubanks, and his brother: Wayne Dailey of Willard MO; and a host of family and friends. A memorial service was held at the American Legion Hall Post #639, 149 Memorial Plaza, Springfield, MO, on February 14<sup>th</sup>, at 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM. A graveside service was at 2:00 PM, with Military Honors at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery.

BOBBY JOE DAVIS – Died recently in 2014 in Delhi, Louisiana at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born March 7, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Fort Smith (Arkansas) Chapter #467.

JOHN MICHAEL DAVIS - Died Thursday, July 25, 2013 in Fairhope, Alabama at the age of 63. The cause of death was heart and liver failure. He was born in Mobile, Alabama on August 19, 1949. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War from October 8, 1969 to July 7, 1970. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Robertsdale Chapter #864.



LARRY J. "Apache" DELORME - Died Saturday, May 24, 2014 in Parkesburg, Pennsylvania at the age of 65. His battle with pancreatic cancer ended at his home with his wife by his side. He was born in West Chester, Pennsylvania to the late Donald J. Jackson and Phyllis D. Delorme. He was the beloved husband of Jacqueline L. Delorme with whom he shared 27 years of marriage. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Phoenixville Chapter #436**. He had been employed at Comcast formerly Suburban Cable for 9 years. He was a handyman who enjoyed fixing things. He also enjoyed jazz, hunting, and animals. He is survived by his wife Jacqueline L. Delorme of Parkesburg; one son, Hashim J. Delorme of Philadelphia; one daughter, Akilah (Darnell) Delorme-Pearsall of New Castel, Delaware; two brothers, Ronald (Kathy) Dorsey of West Chester and Donald Jackson of Los Vegas; 7 grandchildren; 1 great grandson, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Services were held privately.

ROBERT EDWARD "Dizzy" DESAUTELL - Died Wednesday, August 13, 2014 at the Landmark Medical Center in Woonsocket at the age of 73. He was a resident of Nasonville, Rhode Island. He was born in Pascoag, Rhode Island on January 8, 1941 to the late Albert and Eileen (née Mahar) Desautell. He was the loving husband of 51 years to the late Jane (née Stefanak) Desautell. Dizzy was a truck driver for MetLife Company in Warwick. He previously was a truck driver for the Emmett Valley, in Uxbridge, MA and Johnson Motor Lines in Lincoln. He was a lifelong Burrillville resident and was a United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War and served a tour of duty with the 556<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company as a heavy vehicle driver. He served from December 8, 1965 until September 21, 1967. He was a volunteer fireman for the Nasonville Fire Department for over 25 years and was a member of the VFW Post #6342 in Forestdale, American Legion Post #88 and was very active in the Island Fly Fishing Club in North Smithfield. He also was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – James Michael Ray Memorial (North Smithfield) Chapter #818. Besides his wife, he is survived by a sister, Sheila Fagan of Pascoag and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by a brother, Wayne Desautell. His funeral was held Monday at 10:00 AM from the Keene-Brown Funeral Home, 445 Greenville Road, North Smithfield with a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 AM in Saint Theresa's Church, Dion Drive, Nasonville. Burial, with military honors, was in the parish cemetery. Calling hours was held Sunday from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM.

**KENT C. DRAPER** – Died Monday, April 21, 2014 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin at the age of 62. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related lymphoma. He was born in 1951. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Milwaukee Chapter #324**. He was the cherished father of Adam Rehfeld, Katie Draper and Michael Draper; loving brother of Deborah Nicholson, David (Beth) Draper, Brian (Cindy) Draper, Bob Draper, Jim (Sue) Draper and the late William "Skip" Draper and; further survived by nieces, nephews, other loving relatives and dear friends. A visitation was held on Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at the funeral home from 4:00 PM until the time of services at 6:00 PM. Memorial contributions to support our veterans through Dry Hootch, and Vietnam Veterans of America are appreciated. Whitefish Bay Funeral Home 4750 North Santa Monica was in charge of the arrangements.



**THOMAS GEORGE DUVALL** - Died Tuesday, June 17, 2014 at the University of Tennessee Medical Center at the age of 78. He was a resident of Morristown, Tennessee. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Atalla, Alabama on September 5, 1935 to the late Rufus G. and Hazel Celo Duvall. He was of the Baptist faith. He was retired from the United States Air Force. He was a Vietnam Veteran

who served his county proudly for over 20 years. He was a member of the Master Blaster (EOD). He was also a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Russellville Chapter #1073**, Newport Chamber of Commerce and sold insurance for 25 years. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his half- brother, Rodney Woodruff. He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Helen Duvall; son and daughter-in-law, Thomas E. and Heather Duvall; daughter, Janine Duvall; 2 sisters, Susan Mackey of Gadsden, AL and Nancy Kelton of Phoenix, AZ, several nieces, nephews and countless friends. Funeral services were held on Friday, June 20, at 8:00 PM in the chapel of Stubblefield Funeral Home with the Reverend William Burton officiating. Family and friends met at 9:45 a.m. on Saturday, June 21 in Hamblen Memory Gardens for a 10:00 AM military graveside service with honors provided by Shaw Air Force Base. The family received friends from 6:00 to 8:00 PM prior to the service at the funeral home. Arrangements were by the Stubblefield Funeral Home.

**HENRY EARL ERVIN, SR.** - Died Saturday, June 14, 2014 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama at the age of 69. He was formerly of Montgomery, Alabama. The cause of death is pending waiting the toxicology report. He was born in Linden, Alabama on December 27, 1944. He served in the United States Army with the 199<sup>th</sup> Light Infantry Brigade in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tuscaloosa Chapter #301**. Services were held at 11:00 AM Thursday, June 19, 2014 at the Beulah Baptist Church with Reverend David Bennett, Sr., as Eulogist. Burial was in the Memory Hill Gardens with the Historic Van Hoose & Steel Funeral Home and Cremation Services, directing. Visitation was on Wednesday from 12:00 Noon – 6:00 PM at the funeral home with the Tuscaloosa Chapter Kappa Alpha Psi Ceremony at 6:00 PM. The body will lie in repose at the church one hour prior to the funeral service. In lieu of flowers, the family requested that donations be made in memory of Henry Earl Ervin, Sr. to Family Counseling Service, 2020 Paul West Bryant Drive, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401.

**ROBERT EUGENE FARABEE, SR.** – Died Monday, April 14, 2014 in Arlington, Texas at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born May 2, 1948. He is survived by his daughter and son-in-law, Beverly and Eric Eastom; three sons and daughters-in-law, Bobby and Kimi Farrabee, William and Rachel Farrabee and Brad and Heather Farrabee; seventeen grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; his sister and brother-in-law, Sharlynn and Jimmy Garno; his brother and sister-in-law, Joe and Sheila Farabee, and; many cousins, nieces and nephews. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and served two tours of duty. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Grand Prairie Chapter #1013**.



**<u>GERARD MAJELLA "Gerry" FITZPATRICK</u>** - Died Monday, December 3, 2012 in Winchester Medical Center in Winchester, Virginia at the age of 61. He was a resident of Winchester. The cause of death is unknown. He was born February 7, 1951 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to the late George Phillip and Regina Fitzpatrick.

He was an Engraver. Mr. Fitzpatrick was a member of Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Winchester. He was an active member of Blinded Veterans Association, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Denton (***Texas***) Chapter #920** and American Legion Post 21. He was a Veteran having served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He married Ana Teresa Salas on February 14, 2006, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Surviving with his wife is his son, Peter Fitzpatrick; two sisters, Regina "Susie" Dougherty, Eileen Lizak; three brothers, George Fitzpatrick, Michael Fitzpatrick and David Fitzpatrick. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Cecilia Del Carmen Millan in January 2005. The family received friends on Friday evening, December 14, 2012, from 6:00 until 8:00 PM at Omps Funeral Home, Amherst Chapel with a prayer service at 7:00 PM. A Mass of Christian Burial was conducted at 11:00 AM on Saturday, December 15, 2012, at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church with Father Stanley J. Krempa officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to Blind Veterans Association, 477 H Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001.

**DENNIS R. FRANK** - Died Wednesday, June 18, 2014 at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, Illinois at the age of 64. He was a resident of Crystal Lake, Illinois and formerly of Prophetstown, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Chicago to the late John and Elsie (née Schwartz) Frank. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. Dennis was employed by Commonwealth Edison in Joliet for 23 years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776** in Bettendorf, Iowa; a lifelong member of BMWOA; and president of the Mississippi Valley Riders BMW Club Chapter 134. Surviving Dennis is his longtime girlfriend, Marie Ciccia of Crystal Lake. He was preceded in death by his wife, Anne Marie (Hepner) Frank; his parents; and one sister, Marilyn. A memorial service was at 10:00 AM at Saint Mary Catholic Church, 10307 Dundee Road, Huntley. Graveside service with military honors was at 1:00 PM on Thursday at Irving Park Cemetery in Chicago. McDonald Funeral Home in Rock Falls handled the arrangements.



ALFRED FREITAS, JR. - Died Monday, March 3, 2014 at Our Lady's Haven following an extended period of declining health. He was 66 years of age and a resident of New Bedford, Massachusetts. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in New Bedford to the late Alfred and Hazel (née McClain) Freitas and was a lifelong resident

of the city and a graduate of New Bedford High School. He was the husband of Marilyn E. Hall. He served in the United States Marine Corps during Vietnam and attained the rank of Sergeant. He was the recipient of the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Good Conduct Medal and Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with palm/frame. He was employed as a postal clerk for the United States Postal Service for 26 years. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Bedford Chapter #499**. Surviving in addition to his wife is a daughter, Sarah Sargent and her husband Richard; two grandchildren, Austin and Aaron Sargent; a sister, Ann Keeley; and a brother, Gary Freitas, all of New Bedford; and several nieces and nephews. His Funeral was held on Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 9:30 AM at Our Lady's Haven, 71 Center Street, Fairhaven, Massachusetts. Visitation was held prior from 8:00-9:00 AM at the Rock Funeral Home, 1285 Ashley Boulevard, New Bedford. Burial was in the Pine Grove Cemetery, New Bedford.



**<u>CHARLES DeWITT GUMM</u>** – Died Saturday, May 17, 2014 in Spokane, Washington at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born December 12, 1940 in Salinas, California to the late Claude and Rose Gumm. Charles joined the United States Army in 1959 and retired with military honors in 1980. He was a member of

**Vietnam Veterans of America – Spokane Valley Chapter #879**. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother Lloyd. He is survived by his wife Joyce; daughters Peggy and Twila; granddaughter Megan, and many nieces and nephews. A Service with Military Honors was celebrated on Friday, May 23, 2014 at 9:00 AM at the Fairmount Memorial Park Mausoleum. 5200 West Wellesley Avenue. In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made to Vietnam Veterans of America #879, 19017 East Montgomery Drive, Spokane, WA 99027.

**CHARLES K. "Chuck" GUTHRIE** - Died Friday, July 4, 2014 in Gallatin, Tennessee at the age of 77. The cause of death was heart failure. He was born on November 13, 1936 in Hardinsburg, Kentucky to the late Charles Allen and Pauline (née Robbins) Guthrie. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his sisters, Dixie and Shirley Guthrie. He is survived by wife of 55 years, Jewell Guthrie of Gallatin. Mr. Guthrie is also survived by son, Martin Guthrie of Hendersonville; daughter, Joni of Pleasant View, TN; grandsons, Brandon, Kenny and Casey; great-grandchildren, Lainey and Lochlan; and many cousins and nephews in Kentucky. After high school, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps serving 4 years, and transferred to the United States Air Force where he was for 11 years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Gallatin Chapter #240**. He went to McMurray College and Murray State University where he earned his Masters' degree. He worked at Murray State University for 20 years and started the Adult Literacy Program. After retirement, he went to the VA every Friday to council with the veteran suffering from PTSD and other problems. A Memorial Service was on Friday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM, from the First Methodist Church in Gallatin. Memorials may be made to VVA Chapter #240, P.O. Box 1281, Gallatin.

KENNETH "Kenny" HACKETT - Died Tuesday, April 27, 2010 in Blackwell, Oklahoma at the age of 61. The cause of death is unknown. He was born August 6, 1948 in Conway, Arkansas to the late Freed and Katherine (née Dryer) Hackett-Whitman of Blackwell who survives him. He moved with his family to Blackwell at a young age and graduated from Blackwell High School. He entered the United States Army, where he served three years during the Vietnam War. He worked for C.F.M. Corporation for nearly 34 years, serving as foundry manager for the last 11 years. He married Sondra Vickroy on July 29, 1994. They made their home on a farm west of Blackwell. He was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars and a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ponca City Chapter #750. Surviving are his wife, Sondra, of Blackwell; his mother, Katherine Whitman of Blackwell; one son, Brian Hackett of Blackwell; four stepchildren, Cathy Roach Stoops of Mulhall, Kristi Roach Brown of Ponca City, Steve Reid of Blackwell, and Dewey Vickroy of Dallas; one brother, Kevin Hackett of Enid; three stepbrothers, Garry James Whitman and Daryl Whitman, both of Blackwell, and Raymond Whitman of Texas; two stepsisters, Donna Rundell and Kathy Spean, both of Texas; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren. The funeral was at 2:00 PM on Friday, April 30, 2010, at First Baptist Church, Blackwell with the Reverend Matt Smith officiating. Burial was in the Blackwell Cemetery with military rites conducted by the Army. Arrangements were by Roberts and Son Funeral Home, Blackwell.

Memorials may be made through the funeral home, 120 West Padon, Blackwell, OK 74631, to Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary for the Avenue of Flags.



**BARRY CARL HAGGE** - Died Tuesday, July 15, 2014 in Phoenix, Arizona at the age of 67. The cause of death was brain cancer. He was born in Boyertown, Pennsylvania on August 8, 1946 to the late Donald J. and Mary Jane (née Zillhardt) Hagge. He was the loving husband of Dolores (née Endy) Hagge and loving father, poppy, brother, upple and friend. Parry was a 1064 graduate of Powertown High School. After high

uncle and friend. Barry was a 1964 graduate of Boyertown High School. After high school, he entered the United States Navy and served two tours in Vietnam; one on board the USS Galveston and the other on YFU-60, on the rivers. Following the Navy, he attended Maxwell Institute and started his long career in information technology, working at Firestone Tire & Rubber, Cabot Corporation and then started his career in banking. He started at American Bank (Core States) as a computer programmer. He retired June, 2013 from Ally Financial, which was part of GMAC Financial, where he was the internet security manager. Barry was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Berks County (Pennsylvania) **Chapter #131.** He was past president of VVA Chapter 131, Berks County and served in every position, except president of the PA State Council VVA. He went on to serve as vice-chair then chair of the National Constitution Committee for over 10 years. Barry then served as the national secretary for the organization for six years. He is a current member of the Valley Forge Chapter #349, Norristown, PA and a member of the Oley Legion Post #878, where he was a past commander. He was also inducted into the Legion of Honor for the Chapel of Four Chaplains, Philadelphia. Barry served on the Berks Armed Forces Advisory Committee and was a member of the former Navy League of Reading. He was a past president of Firestone Salaried Employees Credit Union which became part of the Tri-County Federal Credit Union. Barry was a past secretary of the Oley Township Zoning Board, which he served on for over 20 years. He was an avid roller skater all his life. Barry met his wife of 44 years while skating and past on his love of skating to his daughter and granddaughters. Because of his love of the sport, he was a floor guard for many years in the former CC Skate Ranch; Pheasantland Skating Rink and Fantasy Skating Center. For most of those years he volunteered his time because he wanted the young kids to have a safe place to skate. In addition to skating, he enjoyed his time on Long Beach Island and spending time with his beloved granddaughters. In addition to his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Cynthia A. (Hagge), wife of Timothy L. Landis and two granddaughters: Taryn G. Landis and Madison L. Landis, all of Glendale, AZ. Other survivors include his sister, Donna M. (Hagge), wife of Bruce Russell of Lancaster; a niece, Lindsay Russell of Lancaster and a nephew, Matthew Russell of Detroit, Mich. Services were held Monday on July 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM in the Kuhn-Stitzel Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc., 423 Main Street, Oley, Pennsylvania. A viewing was held on Monday from 9:30 AM until time of services. Burial will be in the Oley Cemetery, Spangsville, Pennsylvania. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to: Foundation for Cancer Research and Education, Attn: Terri Thomas, for brain cancer research, 8994 East Desert Cove Avenue, Suite #100 Scottsdale, AZ 85260. For online condolences, visit www.kuhnstitzelfuneralhomes.com.

JAMES E. HAMILTON (USA, CW4-Ret.) - Died Thursday March 27, 2014 at 5:24 AM in Bellbrook, Ohio at the age of 75. He was from Arlington, Ohio and more recently of Moraine, Ohio. The

cause of death was Alzheimer's disease. He was born on August 2, 1938 in Kenton, Ohio to the late James W. (Bill) and Irene M. (née Wright) Hamilton. He was raised in Patterson, Ohio. Jim married Joyce D. Hines on November 30, 1973. His relationship to his Lord, his family and his service to his country, brought great joy to his life. Mr. Hamilton is survived by his wife Joyce, his children James Jr.(Catherine) Hamilton, Debra(Rick)Mann, Cris(Ellen) Hamilton, Ted(Leah) Hamilton, Wally(Lisa) Hamilton, Joey(Michele) Hamilton, Eric(Elisabeth) Hamilton. David(Melissa) Hamilton, Kristen(Joshua) Johnson, grandchildren Bridgett(Mark) Bunn, Nathan Hamilton, Nicole(Zach) Johnson, Jessica Hamilton, Kailey Hamilton, Josiah Hamilton, Elias Hamilton, Caleb Johnson, Kaitlyn Johnson, Calista Hamilton, Logan Hamilton, greatgrandchildren Vivian Brant, Selma Brant, Carter Bunn, Everett Bunn, Camden Johnson, Landon Johnson, sisters Sharon (Phil) Klingler, Norma Ferrell, step mother Emma Hamilton and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandson Brandon Hamilton, step father Wayne Long and niece Ashleigh Carnes. Mr. Hamilton graduated from Forest High School and later received his Associated in Arts degree. He was a United States Army Veteran serving in the Vietnam War and the first Persian Gulf War. Mr. Hamilton retired in 1995 from the Army as a Chief Warrant Officer 4, with 25 years of active duty service. After retirement, he enjoyed driving a school bus for the Arlington School District and worked with the Hancock County Sheriff's Specials. He was an At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ohio. A service to celebrate Jim's life was held on Monday March 31, 2014 at 11:00 AM in Clark Shields Funeral Home with Pastor Don Clinger officiating. Burial was in the Patterson Cemetery with Military Gravesite Rites conducted by Fort Knox. Visitation was held from 10:00 AM until time of service on Monday at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association (Miami Valley Chapter) in care of Clark Shields Funeral Home, 301 South Patterson Street, Forest, OH 45843.

**ROY E. HANCOCK** - Died Wednesday, May 21, 2014 in Millville Health Care Center, Millville, Pennsylvania at the age of 75. He was a resident of Kingwood Township, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Queens, New York on May 15, 1939 to the late Roy A. and Fay Euphemia Hancock. He resided in Delaware Township and Kingwood Township most of his life. He served in the United States Merchant Marines. He was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veteran of America – Flemington Chapter #452**. A self-employed tree surgeon, he was a graduate of Flemington High School. Surviving are two daughters, Christa Ubel of Easton. PA. and Lisa Hancock of Bradenton, FL. Arrangements and interment were private under the direction of the Holcombe-Fisher Funeral Home, 147 Main Street, Flemington, NJ.



**DAVID ALLEN HEDLAND** – Died Friday, January 24, 2014 in Hatton, North Dakota at the age of 63 after losing his battle with cancer. He was born to A. Yvonne and the late Hubert Hedland on January 13, 1951 in Fargo, North Dakota. David graduated from Hatton High School in 1969. Later that year he joined the United States Marine Corps and served his country with a tour in Vietnam. He was a member of

**Vietnam Veterans of America – Mayville Chapter #374**. On December 28, 1969, he married Laurel Hanson. David received an Associates Degree in Parks and Recreation in Bottineau, ND and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education majoring in Biology and Physical Education at

Mayville, ND. He spent several years teaching and coaching in the surrounding area. Throughout these years, he has touched many lives. David enjoyed traveling with his family. In 2012 he was able to take his dream trip to Washington, D.C. with his wife, children and spouses, and his grandchildren. He also enjoyed golfing, fishing, gardening, and animals. More than anything he loved spending time with family and friends. David will be remembered as a devoted husband, son, brother, friend and loving father and grandfather. He had a positive attitude and saw the best in everyone. He will be remembered for always having a smile on his face. David is preceded in death by his father Hubert Hedland. He leaves behind his wife Laurel and their children Jared (Sandra) Hedland, Jamie (Kelly) Funk, Corey (Jennifer) Hedland and Sarah (Chad) Amb as well as their grandchildren Darian, Mavrik, Reggie, Weston, Sadie, and Brooke, his mother A. Yvonne (Hedland) Schiffner, his brother Dean (DeAnn), two special sisters-in-laws, Jane (David) Kleveland and Barbara Dakken as well as several nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts and uncles. A prayer service for David was at 7:00 PM on Tuesday at Saint John Church in Hatton, ND with visitation from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. His funeral was held at 2:00 PM on Wednesday at Saint John Church.

**DAVID REED HINES** – Died Thursday, May 29, 2014 in Morgantown, West Virginia at the age of 71. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born in Morgantown on June 5, 1942 to the late Thomas Hines and the late Ruth (née Reed) Hines. He served in the United States Navy from 18 October 1960 to 2 October 1964 and subsequently the United States Army serving both during the Vietnam-era and the Persian Gulf War-era. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Morgantown Chapter #306**. He is survived by his wife, Nancy Lois (née Murray) Hines; two daughters, Elizabeth Murray Hines, of Spencer, West Virginia and Tammy Jo Hines, of Chesterfield, Virginia; a stepdaughter, Laura Gallagher and her husband, Patrick, of Morgantown, and; a sister and brother-in-law, Alice M. and David Rowe, of Bridgeport, West Virginia. Family and friends were received the Hastings Funeral Home in Morgantown from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM on Sunday and from 10:00 AM on Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> until the 11:00 AM funeral service with Pastor Douglas Miller, officiating. Interment was in the Beverly Hills Memorial Gardens in Westover, West Virginia with full military honors.



**<u>CLARK QUINCY HOWLAND</u>** – Died Monday, May 19, 2014 at Rutland Regional Medical Center in Rutland, Vermont, surrounded by his loving family and friends after a long illness. He was 62 years of age. He was born in Rutland on May 29, 1951 to the late Gilbert Bush and Elaine (née Jensen) Howland. He graduated from Rutland High School in 1969. During his youth, Clark was very active in the Boy

Scouts. He attended many camps over Lake Sunrise and also attended the National Boy Scout Camp in Phil Mont, New Mexico. On May 27, 1977 he married Judi Cioffi at Saint Peters Church in Rutland. In November of 1969 Clark enlisted in the United States Army. He was stationed in Vietnam from 1971 until 1972. Upon his discharge from the Army, he went to work at the Vermont Transit Bus Company. He drove the daily van trip from Rutland to Albany NY. When his health started failing him, and he could no longer drive the van, he worked behind the counter selling tickets and checking baggage. He could always be seen out in front of the bus station loading and unloading the buses. When he could no longer work because of his disability, he became very involved with the fellow Vietnam Veterans in Rutland and surrounding areas. Together they worked and organized the 1<sup>st</sup> Chapter of VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA -RUTLAND CHAPTER #001. They worked together to start up the Veterans Assistance Office to assist veterans filing claims to receive benefits to which they were entitled. Clark was very passionate about this program and spent countless hours volunteering his time and talents to help all veterans seeking help with their claims. He worked closely with the late congressman James Jeffords' office, both here in Vermont and Washington D.C. In 1990, together with this same group of Veterans and with the help of grant that Clark helped write, they purchased and renovated a house on Crescent Street that is known as the Dodge House. This was a home that was set up for Veterans who were in rehab to come and stay and receive help finding jobs and apartments so they could be independent and become a part of their community again. Clark was treasurer of the VVA Chapter #1 for many years. He received several awards for his service and dedication to his fellow veterans. He was also very involved in the planning of the Vietnam memorials both here in Rutland on Main Street Park, as well as the Rest Area Exit in Sharon VT on interstate 89. Clark's fellow veterans had three words to describe him, Beyond the call. Clark enjoyed spending time with his family and friends; he especially looked forward to his summer vacations to Palermo, Maine on Sheepscot Lake. He was proud to be the youngest member of the Palermo Maine Gang. Clark was an avid leader and loved the game show Jeopardy. He loved the game of football as well being a big fan of MSJ football, the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame and the New England Patriots. He was a lifetime member of the American Legion Post #31, the Disabled American Veterans and the Vets helping Vets program to which he was named Honorary Board of Director member. Clark is survived by his wife, Judi, his son, Matthew, his wife Alicia and his beautiful grandson Aiden. He is also survived by his three brothers, Roger Howland and his wife Betsy of Shelburne VT, his twin brother Christopher Howland and his wife Cecile of Rutland Town, Gordon Howland of Rutland, his sister Alana Howland of Malden, MA, a sister in law, Debbie Howland of Chippenhook, VT and several nieces and nephews. Memorial Donations may be made to the Open Door Mission Veterans Program, 31 Park Street, Rutland VT, or RAVNAH PO Box 787, Rutland VT 05701-0787. Funeral Services were held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, May 24, 2014 at Christ the King Church. Burial was in the Calvary Cemetery. A reception followed the graveside service. Friends called at the Clifford Funeral Home on Friday from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.

**MICHAEL F. IANNANDREA, JR.** - Died Monday, June 16, 2014 in the Veterans Home in Montrose, New York at the age of 64. He was a life-long resident of Peekskill, New York. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Peekskill on February 7, 1950. He served in the United States Navy from 1968-1972. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #49**. Michael worked as a supervisor at the Data Base America in Montvale, NJ. He was an avid bowler, and enjoyed singing at Graymoor in Garrison. Michael is survived by his wife Giovanna Iannandrea; and his son and daughter, Matthew (Jacqueline) Iannandrea and Tara (Diego) Sainz; and his 2 grandchildren, Diego Jr. and Ariana Sainz. The family received friends on Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-5:00 and 7:00-9:00 PM at the E.O. Curry Funeral Home, Peekskill, where a Funeral Service was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, followed by interment in the Assumption Cemetery, Cortlandt Manor.

ERVIN LEE ISBELL - Died Wednesday, July 16, 2014 at the University of Texas- Southwestern Saint Paul Hospital in Dallas, Texas from pneumonia and complications from his chemotherapy for Glioblastoma Multiforme. He was a resident of Santa Fe, Texas and 66 years of age. He was born in Texas City, Texas on May 14, 1948 and was adopted when he was 3 days old by his loving parents, Ray and Georgia Isbell, of La Marque, Texas. Ervin began his police career on May 3, 1972 at UTMB and was a Sergeant to many fine officers while there. After leaving UTMB he went on to serve Jamaica Beach. In 1988 he began his 20 year tenure with Galveston PD. During his service there Ervin was a patrol officer, evidence technician and crime scene investigator. After retirement Ervin continued to serve his community by joining the Santa Fe ISD PD in 2010 at the junior high. Ervin was able to see the good in all kids. He loved to take them under his wing for guidance. Three of Ervin's loves in life were barbecuing, fishing, and RVing in his Columbus 5th wheel. He was active with the Special Olympics Torch Run and Beat the Heat. Ervin was also a decorated and well respected United States Army Vietnam Veteran. He was a Specialist 4 who served with the 1/501<sup>st</sup> of A Company, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division. While in Vietnam, Ervin earned a Bronze Star with Valor for going beyond the call of duty and exhibiting acts of heroism. He always had a word of encouragement. Ervin exhibited acts of bravery by carrying wounded soldiers to medivacs. He was respected by his peers, senior officers, and NCO's. He will never be forgotten by his brothers in arms. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dickinson Chapter #685. Ervin is preceded in death by his parents, Ray and Georgia Isbell; and mother-in-law, Jeane Brown. He is survived by his wife of 38 wonderful years, Jeane Ann Brown Isbell; four children: Michael, Leigh Ann, David and Scott; and of course, Daisy. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews as well as great nieces and nephews, aunts, cousins and sister, Patricia Isbell, and of course, Larry and Brenda Laird and Jess and Peggy Johnson. Ervin's family received visitors from 5:00 until 8:00 PM on Tuesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, at the Malloy & Son Funeral Home. Funeral service was at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, at the Moody Memorial First United Methodist Church, 2803 53<sup>rd</sup> Street in Galveston with the Reverend Craig King officiating. Burial was at the Galveston Memorial Park in Hitchcock. Pallbearers were Trey Brown, Larry Fleenor, Jess Johnson, Larry Laird, Barry Whitburn, Eddie Vasquez, and Rick Neal. Honorary pallbearers will be Zach Brown, Michael Isbell, David Isbell, Scott Isbell, and Charlie Sterling. Glioblastoma Multiforme usually is found in the cerebral hemisphere of the brain. It contains a mixed grade of cells. This tumor represents 17% of all primary brain tumors. The Isbell Family would like to express their sincere appreciation and gratitude to the entire Galveston PD for their unconditional support.

<u>GEORGE W. JONES</u> – Died Sunday, May 25, 2014 in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 70. The cause of death was cancer. He was born May 23, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**.



**JIMMY FRANK JORDAN** - Died Thursday, June 19, 2014 at his home in Lake City, Michigan at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born December 8, 1947 in Fort Worth, Texas to the late Arnold and Eunice (née Herod) Jordan. Jimmy married the former Connie Weaver in 1990. He was a veteran of the United

States Navy, serving during the Vietnam War. He had been employed as a truck driver for a

medical delivery company. After his retirement they moved from Pontiac to the Lake City area. Jimmy was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America Pontiac Chapter #133** and a member of the American Legion Post #300 in Lake City. He was an avid sport fan and enjoyed passing the time watching car racing, football, golf and baseball; especially the Tigers. Jimmy is survived by his wife Connie, and sons: Jimmy (Angie) Jordan, Eddie Jordan and Robbie Jordan all of Tennessee and step daughters: Shannon Ellhof of Michigan and Mary Ellhof of Ohio, as well as eleven grandchildren and three great grandchildren. He is also survived by four brothers: Calvin (Lori) Jordan of Michigan, Wayne Jordan of Texas, and Doug (Bonnie) Jordan and Theodore (Linda) Jordan both of Michigan, and two sisters: Mary (Walter) Hoskins and Jean (Todd) Jones both of Michigan. Memorial contributions may be directed to the family. Military graveside services were conducted at 2:30 PM on Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, Michigan.

**RICHARD I. "Rick" KRAFT** – Died Sunday, May 24, 2014 in Orange Park, Florida at the age of 57. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Gary, Indiana on September 9, 1956. He served in the United States Air Force from 1973 to 1974 with a tour of duty in Vietnam. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Orange Park Chapter #1059**. He was buried in Arlington National Cemetery.



**THEODORE P. "Ted" LAWSON, JR.** - Died Friday, June 6, 2014 in Killeen, Texas at the age of 81. The cause of death was cancer. He was born May 30, 1933 in North Little Rock, Arkansas to the late Theodore P. Lawson, Sr. and Minnie Beatrice (née Stapp) Lawson. He graduated from North Little Rock High School. He served honorably in the Arkansas State National Guard prior to joining the United States Army. He served

32 years retiring at Fort Hood, Texas in 1983 at the rank of CW4. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War serving two tours. He served overseas tours in Okinawa and 2 tours in Korea as well as multiple posts in the US. He felt it was an honor to serve his country and protect his loved ones. He was lifetime member of the American Legion, Veteran of Foreign Wars, and a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Harker Heights Chapter #1000. He was an alumnus of the Killeen Citizens on Patrol as well as volunteering for the Handicap Parking Program. As a member of KCOP he left a lasting, positive impression on the many students and their families as he volunteered at their schools. He was always ready and willing to volunteer wherever needed in the community. As a member of the Harker-Heights/Killeen Moose Fraternity Lodge 2179 and as a Fellow, and Legionnaire he served in many capacities including Governor and other positions at local and state levels. He was strong supporter and provider for his family. A loving husband, father and grandfather he enjoyed bowling, playing pool, and dancing. Some of his hobbies include working in his yard and being involved in neighborhood activities. He loved playing with his grandchildren, great-grandchildren and his dogs. He never met a stranger. He will always be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend. He was preceded in death by his loving wife Ethel Aileen Lawson in 2010, his parents, two sisters; Helen Dey and Carolyn Brown, and son-in-law Paul Thompson. He is survived by his loving daughters Bea Kruse (Darryl) of Taylor, TX and Karen Thompson of Killeen, TX, grandchildren; Shannon Richkowski (Dave), Barry Graham, and Nicholas Kiesling (Barbara), great grandchildren Haley, Tyler, Olivia, Lawson, and Ruby, sister; Alice (Willie) Payne and sister-in-law Gaye James as well

as a host of loving family and friends. Honorary pallbearers include Darryl Kruse, Shannon Richkowski, Barry Graham, Nicholas Kiesling, Dave Richkowski, Barbara Kiesling, Martin Partida, Jim Harris, and all his poker buddies. Services were at 12:00 PM on Friday at Crawford-Bowers Funeral Home Chapel in Killeen. He was buried with full military honors at 2:00 PM at the Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery. Visitation was from 6:00-8:00 PM on Thursday at Crawford-Bowers Funeral Home in Killeen. Memorials may be made to the Moose Charities, 155 South International Drive, Mooseheart, IL 60539-1100.



**PATRICK J. LIPSKY** - Died peacefully Tuesday, June 24, 2014 with his family by his side after a courageous battle against Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP). He was 64 years of age and a resident of Luxemburg, Wisconsin. He was born in Kewaunee, Wisconsin on August 24, 1949, to the late Julius W. and Joan M. (née Stezinski) Lipsky. After graduating from Sturgeon Bay High School, Pat joined the United States Army.

On October 12, 1974 he married Linda Hermans. Together they raised two children, Jason and Amber. Pat was employed with WG&R Furniture as a salesman before pursuing his dream of owning a bar. Pat and Linda established Lipsky's Bar in 1981. In 1988, they built the motel and re-named their business, Lipsky's On The Bay. It was here, where lifelong friendships were made. They continued to grow with the addition of a restaurant and pavilion, located across the street where they featured their Authentic Jamaican Cookout, which was inspired by their many trips to Jamaica. In 2001, they sold Lipsky's On The Bay and retired. He was a proud veteran who actively served during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Amvets of Sturgeon Bay, the American Legion Ralph Kline Post 262 in Luxemburg and a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - DePere Chapter #224. Survivors include his wife of 39 years, Linda; one son, Jason Lipsky, Oshkosh; one daughter, Amber (Edward) Bellin, Bellevue; his cherished grandson, Jackson Bellin; two sisters, Jeanne Kollross (Michael Malvitz), Green Bay; Jill Pritzkau (Bob Peters), Fla.; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Armella Hoffmann, New Berlin; Arlene (Larry) Pennings, Denmark; Elaine (Richard) Pennings, New Franken; Darrel (Marlene) Hermans, Chippewa Falls; many nieces and nephews, relatives and friends. Pat was preceded in death by one infant son, Gerard; his parents, Julius and Joan Lipsky, his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Joseph and Rose Hermans; one brother, Larry Lipsky; one brother-in-law, Daniel Hoffmann. Visitation was held at Saint Louis Catholic Church, N8726 County Line Road, Dyckesville on Saturday, June 28, 2014, between 9:00 AM and 11:45 AM. The Funeral was at Noon, at the church with Reverend John VanDeuren officiating. Full Military rites followed the funeral with the American Legion Ralph Kline Post #262, Luxemburg. McMahon Funeral Home, Luxemburg is assisting the Lipsky Family. www.mcmahonfh.comIn lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Cure PSP, 30 East Padonia Road, Suite #201, Timonium, MD, 21093. (www.curepsp.org) Pat's Family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the staff at Kewaunee Care Center as well as the many friends and neighbors along with a special thank you to his niece, Michelle La Plante.

**<u>GARY L. LOWRY</u>** – Died Friday, June 6, 2014 in Carson City, Nevada at the age of 69. The cause of death was cardiac arrest. He was born in Sparta, Wisconsin on November 11, 1944. He served in the United States Marine Corps from December 29, 1961 to April 28, 1966 with a tour

in the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Carson City Chapter #388**.



**LAWRENCE L. "Larry" LUCEUS** – Died Saturday, June 7, 2014 in Canton, Michigan at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Detroit, Michigan on May 24, 1942. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam-era. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Plymouth Chapter #528**. He was the beloved husband of Anita; dearest father of Lezlie (Brian) Cebulski and Kim (Jeff) Olson; dear brother of Leora (Marvin) Adams and Lindsay (Marie), and; loving grandfather of Andrew (Lauren) Adkins, Christopher Adkins; Julia, Zack and Jacob Olson. Memorial Contributions are requested to be sent to Bethel Youth Camp. He was interred in the Great Lakes National Cemetery at 4200 Belford Road, Holly, Michigan.



**KENNETH G. "KG" MARKS, JR.** - Died on Thursday, August 22, 2013 in Kimball, Michigan at the age of 68. The cause of death after long suffering with the mental and physical effects of his time served in Vietnam, his enlarged heart and weakened immune system contributed to his death from pneumonia. He was born on January 6, 1945 in Corpus Christi, Texas to the late Kenneth and Doris Marks. After graduating from Port Huron High School in 1963, he served in the

United States Marine Corps from 1964 to 1968, which included deployment in Vietnam. He became skilled in many different trades over the course of his working life, including construction, welding, and HVAC. He loved the outdoors, was an avid sportsman, and enjoyed gardening. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Marysville Chapter #1083**, Veterans of Foreign War Post 8465, and Disabled Veterans of America. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Rita; son, Kevin and Lisa Marks; daughter, Teresa and Rob Pionk; daughter, Elizabeth Marks and Chris Kinney; brother, Michael and Linda Marks; and 7 grandchildren Gary, Nick, Kameron, Christopher, Justin, Bradley, and Anthony, all of whom he loved very much. He is preceded in death by both of his parents, and his sister, Celia Sesi (Marks). His family and friends are blessed with the legacy of his caring spirit. There was a memorial service in his honor on Tuesday, August 27, 2013, 10:00 AM at Holy Family Parish Church 79780 Main Street in Memphis. On behalf of Ken, thank you to all of his friends, family, and those with whom he served, for their daily thoughts and prayers throughout his illness, and protection while he served. Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to the family.



**JAMES LYLE MCPHERSON** - Died Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at Lake Saint Louis, Missouri at the age of 68. The cause of death was metastatic renal cell carcinoma with sepsis. He was born July 6, 1945 in Jefferson City, Missouri to the late James and Alice McPherson. He was the loving husband of Eunice A. (née Gerken)

McPherson; devoted father of Tasha (Denny) Querantes; cherished grandfather of Beck and Greer Querantes; dear brother of Sharon Miller; beloved brother-in-Law, uncle, cousin, and

friend to many. Lyle was a member and a Senior Commander of the O'Fallon VFW Post #5077. He was currently serving his third year as Commander. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Charles Chapter #458**. Lyle was also a member of other Veteran Organizations. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to VFW Post #5077 Cancer or Relief Fund for Veterans or Donor's Choice.



**JAMES WESLEY MESKUM** - Died Friday, June 27, 2014 at the Vermont Veterans Home in Bennington, Vermont at the age of 66. He was a resident of Shaftsbury, Vermont. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 26, 1947 in Torrington, Connecticut to the late Wesley C. Meskun and Florence (née Everett) Donlay who survives. Jim was a 1965 graduate of Woodbury (CT) High School. He

joined the United States Marine Corps in 1966 and volunteered for two tours of duty in Vietnam where he served in Chu Lai as an aviation avionics technician supporting both the 121st and 223rd VMA Attack Squadrons. He was honorably discharged in 1969 with the rank of Sergeant. Jim married the former Linda McMahon at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Valley Falls, NY on July 17, 1971. Jim was employed as a customer support specialist by Xerox in both Connecticut and Vermont from 1970 - 2003. Very active in the Shaftsbury community for several years, Jim had served as a town auditor, chairman of the Shaftsbury Veterans Committee, current treasurer of the NorShaft Lions Club and longtime member of the Shaftsbury Fire Department. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Bennington Chapter #601. Jim was a lifetime member of VFW Post #7330 in Oakville, CT, a member of both the Marine Corps Association and the Marine Corps League and also the NRA. He also coached both youth baseball and soccer in Shaftsbury. Jim enjoyed gardening, hunting and fishing and was an avid collector of stamps, coins, gems and minerals and antique tools. Survivors include his wife, Linda Meskun of Shaftsbury; a daughter and son-in-law, Jennifer and Dalton Frazier of Nantucket, MA; a son and daughter-in-law, Matthew and Jennifer Meskun of Puerto Rico; his mother, Florence Donlay of Kent, CT; two grandchildren, Dalton Frazier II and Zoey Meskun; three brothers, Gerald Meskun of Colebrook, CT, Scott Meskun of Plantsville, CT and Keith Donlay of New Milford, CT and several nieces, nephews and cousins. Jim was predeceased by a brother, Gregory Meskun. The funeral was held from Four Chaplains All Faiths Chapel at the Vermont Veterans Home on Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. Friends called at the Mahar & Son Funeral Home on Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00 PM when the family was in attendance. Burial took place in the family lot in Saint John Cemetery, Schaghticoke, NY. Should friends desire memorial contributions in James W. Meskun's memory may be made to either the Shaftsbury Veterans Committee or the Wounded Warriors Project through the office of the Mahar & Son Funeral Home, 628 Main Street, Bennington, VT 05201. Guest book condolences may be made at www.maharandsonfuneralhome.net.



JOSÉ LUIS MONCADA, SR. - Died Monday, June 30, 2014 in Lewisville, Texas at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Mexico on October 27, 1945 to the late Pablo and Maria del Rosario R. Moncada. Mr. Moncada graduated from Bowie High School and served in the United States Navy. He was a proud Vietnam Veteran. Mr. Moncada retired from the United States Postal Service and was

a Little League coach. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - El Paso Chapter

**#574.** In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his brothers: Victor, Roberto, Enrique, Luis, Francisco and Ramon Moncada; sisters: Elvira M. Munoz and Manuela M. Cano. He is survived by his children: Jose Luis Moncada, Jr., Daniel (Lara) Moncada, Javier (Jenny) Moncada, Joseph (Jeannie) Moncada, Jaime (Debbie) Jurado and Ruben (Nancy) Jurado; 12 grandchildren: Xavier M., Daniel A., Gabrielle L., Jacob, Aber, and Brianna Moncada, Demetrius Torres, Nicole, Faith, Ruben Jr., Emily and Isaiah Jurado. He is also survived by his sisters: Consuelo M. Bonilla, Guadalupe M. Duran, and Maria M. Estrada; and brother, Alejandro Estrada. Visitation was held from 5:00-9:00 PM, with a Vigil to begin at 7:00 PM, Thursday, July 10, 2014 at Sunset Funeral Home-East, 750 North Carolina Drive. Graveside Service was at 1:00 PM, Friday, July 11, 2014 at Fort Bliss National Cemetery. Services entrusted to Sunset Funeral Home-East.



**<u>REDOLPHUS MONTFORD</u>** – Died Monday, June 23, 2014 in Edison, New Jersey at the age of 70. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born in Dublin, Georgia on December 11, 1943 to the late Horace Montford, Sr. and Lola Montford. Mr. Montford had been a resident of South Plainfield, New Jersey for 44 years and was

formerly of Piscataway, New Jersey. He was the owner-operator of Selective Maintenance Services, and the security coordinator for the Plainfield Board of Education. In addition, he worked with the Plainfield Recreation Dept. for 20 years. Mr. Montford was a life member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Plainfield and a veteran of the United States Army, serving in the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Brunswick Chapter #233**. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his brother, Horace Jr. Mr. Montford is survived by his wife of 46 years, Claudia; sons, Randolph and Rudolph; grandchildren, Corey and Autum; brothers, Roy L., Willie E., and Johnny A. Montford, and sisters, Loa Jordan, Shirley Drew, Elanor Mattos, and Mazel Wells. Funeral services were held on Saturday at 10:00 AM at the Mount Olive Baptist Church, 216 Liberty Street, Plainfield, N.J. Visitation was from 8:00 AM until time of service.



**ROBERT JOSEPH "Bobby" MOZINGO** - Died Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at his home in Seven Springs, North Carolina at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born June 8, 1943 in Lenoir County, North Carolina to the late Franklin Delmar Mozingo and Iris (née Outlaw) Mozingo. Bobby proudly served his country retiring from the United States Army with the rank of Sergeant First Class. He served four

months during the Cuban Missle Crisis, six months during the uprising in the Dominican Republic and two tours in Vietnam. Bobby's patriotism ran deep. He was always eager to speak or salute a fellow veteran. Following his retirement from the military, Bobby worked almost 20 years with Smithfield Packing. Bobby was active in the Disabled American Veterans and was a former vice president of the Greenville chapter. Bobby also formerly served as a *Vice-President* and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Greenville Chapter #272**. He was currently serving on both the state and national boards of the Vietnam Veterans Association-POW/MIA. Bobby had a great love for history. He was a past co-president of the Seven Springs Historical Association and a past member of the Lenoir County Historical Association. He was presently a member of the Bladen County Historical Association and was on the board of the Harmony Hall Historical Plantation in Bladen County. Bobby served as a past Lieutenant

Commander of The Goldsboro Rifles. He especially enjoyed being both a Civil War and Revolutionary War re-enactor. He proudly served his community of Seven Springs as a former member of the town council. Bobby enjoyed woodworking, blacksmithing and working in his yard. He especially liked good conversation and never met a stranger. Bobby is survived by his wife of 52 years, Karen Marcom Mozingo; three children, Robert Joseph Mozingo Jr. and wife Elva, of Kinston, Karen Mozingo Byrd and husband Mike, of Kinston and Jennifer Mozingo Hill and husband Harry Jr., of La Grange; nine grandchildren, Matthew Mozingo "Sabrina," Stephanie Mozingo "Bradley," Dalton Mozingo "Kristen," Devane Mozingo "Jordan," Andrew Mozingo "Michaela," Daniel Byrd, Adam Byrd, Brooke Mozingo and Trace Hill; three greatgrandchildren, Brady Sheppard, Michael Mozingo and Cash Bailey; two step-grandchildren, Kristin Hanlon "Jamie" and Taylor Coburn; one adopted son, Jordan Houston; along with a number of nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Bobby was preceded in death by a son, Douglas Allen Mozingo; and three brothers, Thomas Grady, Ray Grady and Bill Mozingo. A graveside service with military honors was held on Friday, June 6, 2014 at 11:00 AM from Pineview Cemetery with the Reverend Ashley Summerlin officiating. The family received friends at the Mozingo home and Friday following the graveside service. Online condolences may be expressed at rousefh.com. Memorials may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675. Arrangements are with Rouse Funeral Home, La Grange. Sign the guest book at Kinston.com.



**ROBERT CLAYTON "Rob" NEAL** – Died Tuesday, May 6, 2014 at the age of 66 in Clearlake, California. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born March 22, 1948, in Lakeport, California to the late Charles E. Neal and Virginia M. (née Hook) Neal. He was a fifth generation Kelseyville farming family member, descending from the Merritt family of Kelseyville. He was active in the Boy Scouts and earned the

rank of Eagle Scout under the direction of his uncle, Don Hook. Rob attended Kelseyville schools and graduated in 1966 before attending Santa Rosa Jr. College. He enlisted in the United States Army and did a tour of Vietnam where he was twice wounded and received the Bronze Star. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Gardendale Chapter #416. He loved Lake County and enjoyed fishing and hunting as a boy with friends and family. He always loved the area and only spent a small amount of time away from Big Valley. He married Susan Thalgot of Idaho and is survived by his daughter, Elizabeth M. Krupka and son-in-law, Clint Krupka and two granddaughters, Catherine and Emily currently of Las Vegas. He is also survived by his sister, Kathy Neal, and her partner, Pat Griffin, of Belchertown, MA. Rob had several first cousins in Kelseyville who were also close growing up and in the Kelseyville schools at the same time. They are Connie (Hook) Burnes, Jerry and Karen Hook, Ken and Pam Hook, John and Molly Deacon, Clyde and Jane Deacon, and Anne (Deacon) and Mark Munsey. Other first cousins are Katherine "Kitty" (Neal) Dunlop of Georgia, Clayton Neal of Virginia, Steven Neal of Colorado, and Daniel Neal of Morgan Hill, CA. His last days before finding peace from cancer and addictions were spent at Meadowood Nursing Home in Clearlake where he was given excellent care both physically and emotionally. The family thanks the caregivers. There was no memorial service.



**DAVID RAY NEELEY** - Died Thursday, May 29, 2014 at the Pickering House after a courageous battle with mantle cell lymphoma. He was a resident of Lancaster,

Ohio. He was born on November 9, 1943 to the late Kenneth and Margaret (née Webb) Neeley. He graduated from Lancaster High School in 1961 and worked for a time at Arcair Company in Lancaster. He enlisted and served in the United States Air Force from 1963-67, with one year in Vietnam. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lancaster Chapter #1045. He was a member of First United Methodist Church where he faithfully served as an usher. Following his military service he worked briefly at Anchor Hocking, W. G. Fairfield Electrical Construction Company and Diamond Power. In 1974, he began working full time at a job he dearly loved - farming, raising beef cattle, grains, hay and straw. Later, with the help of two of his sons, he began producing sweet corn, pumpkins and gourds. While in treatment at OSU Medical Center, he passed many hours sharing details of these operations with any willing listener! An invitation was always extended for the OSU staff and others to visit the produce stand in our front yard in summer and fall. He is survived by his wife, Carola Ann (Adams) Neeley, whom he married December 21, 1968; three sons, Benjamin, Brian (Kindra), and Daniel (Aubrey) Neeley all of Lancaster; one daughter, Catherine Bosworth, Pickerington; eight grandchildren, Chelsea Neeley, Columbus, Kylen, Brynna, Brodie and Karsen Bosworth, Chloee Mathias, Pickerington, Evelyn and Lindiwe Neeley, Lancaster; sister, Janice Stouder, niece, Denise Stouder, Lancaster, nephew, Kevin (Johanna) Stouder, Morrisville NC; cousins Nancy (Dr. Brooks H.) Sitterley, Ann Arbor, MI, Craig (Sheila) Webb, Newark, Jeffrey Webb and Jim (Samantha) Webb, Lancaster; several second cousins. He also leaves behind special friends and former part-time employers, Paul Beery and Neil Scholl. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his uncle and aunt, Robert (Martha) Webb, aunt, Dorothy (Webb) Gerhard Roan, uncles, Joseph Gerhard and Paul Roan, brother-in-law, Paul Stouder, Jr. Funeral services took place Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30 AM at the First United Methodist Church, 163 East Wheeling Street in Lancaster with Pastor Robert McDowell officiating. Calling hours were from 2:00-4:00 PM and 7:00-9:00 PM Monday at Halteman-Fett and Dyer Funeral Home, 436 North Broad Street, Lancaster and one hour prior to the service at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church Crossroads Fund or Fair HoPe Hospice of Fairfield County. Special thanks go to Dr. Joseph M. Flynn, and the nurses and staff on 8 James and 2 James Clinic at the OSU Wexner Medical Center.



JAMES T. NOLAN, JR. (USA, SSG-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, July 2, 2014 in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 73. The cause of death was cancer. He was born October 26, 1940 in Washington, Texas to the late James T. Nolan, Sr. and Dora (née Williams) Nolan. He was the brother of eight siblings but was the oldest of this

union to which five children were born. One sister, two brothers, his parents and grandparents preceded him in death. He was educated in public schools in Washington, TX, and attended college in East Texas after which he joined the United States Army. He joined in 1962 and served his country with honor until his retirement in 1984. While in the Army, he earned the following awards, National Defense Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon-2, NCO Professional Development Ribbon-2, Humanitarian Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Driver-Mechanic Badge, Good Conduct Medal-6 and Sharpshooter (Rifle-M-16). He served his country for 22 ½ years. We thank God for his dedication to our Country. After meeting Mae

Frances Holland, the two fell in love and became inseparable. They were married October 16, 1967 in Wichita Falls, TX, and were married 46 years until the Lord called him home on July 2, 2014. To this union, God blessed them with two beautiful children. Before his illness, he was active with the Vietnam Veterans where he served as the State Treasurer for several years. He helped to set up the Vietnam and Korean Monuments in Elmer Thomas Park in Lawton where his name rests on two bricks on each side. He also served as the Chaplain with the Vietnam Veterans. James dedicated his life to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in 1985. He was ordained as a minister to the Gospel of Jesus Christ in 1986 under the leadership of Pastor Frederick Baumans. He ministered wherever and to whomever the Lord led him to carry the word. He loved the Lord. He was a loving friend to all he met, a loving husband, father, brother and grandfather. A mighty soldier has gone on home to be with the Lord. A job well done, he fought a good fight, he has finished his course, and he kept the faith 2 Timothy 4:7. He will be truly missed but God knows best to wish to just make a mistake. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751. Cherishing his memory is his beloved wife Mae Frances of the home, son Kenneth and wife Kristy Nolan of Wichita Falls, TX, daughter Jeanette Nolan Russell of Junction City, KS, two brothers, Wilbert Nolan of Dallas, TX, Ed Nolan of Lawton, OK, a sister Glenda Nolan Evans of Wichita Falls, TX, six Grandchildren, and four great grandchildren, three uncles, Robert & wife Martha Williams of Wichita Falls, TX, Ed and wife Hazel Williams of Wichita Falls, TX, U. L. Williams of Detroit, MI, one aunt Nita Williams of Wichita Falls, TX, a host of other relatives, and special friends, Members of the Vietnam Veterans of America. The funeral service was at 11:00 AM on Monday, July 7, 2014 in the Becker-Rabon Funeral Home Chapel with Chaplain Dan Tucker and Pastor Mark Graham Burial with Full Military Honors was in the Fort Sill National Cemetery, Elgin, officiating. Oklahoma Becker-Rabon Funeral under the direction of Home.

<u>KENNETH D. OATES</u> – Died Saturday, November 9, 2013 in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 59. The cause of death was chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was born in Vernon, Texas on October 28, 1954. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam-era from February 11, 1972 to November 11, 1973. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**.

<u>GERALD JAMES OTTAVAN</u> – Died Friday, March 21, 2008 in Montgomery, New York at the age of 62. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Nutley, New Jersey on January 15, 1946. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War and attained the rank of Sergeant. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Orange County (*New Hampton*) Chapter #140.



**ALFRED PANTALLERESCO** – Died Saturday, March 8, 2014 in Warren, Michigan at the age of 69. The cause of death was cardiopulmonary arrest due to Hodgkins lymphoma and cardiomyopathy. He was born in Malta on August 5, 1944. He served in the United States Army from July 1965 to July 1967 with a tour in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Las Vegas** 

**Chapter #17**. He was the beloved husband of Jean; loving father of Elizabeth and Daniel (Danielle); cherished grandfather (Nanu) of Netanya, Nevada, and Anthony; dear brother of

Carmela Farrugia, Joseph Pantalleresco, Emanuel Pantalleresco, and Doris (John) Sant. Arrangements were made by Charles Verheyden Funeral Home, Inc.



**THOMAS A. RICHARDS** (USMC, LTC-Ret. NAVY CROSS) - Died Wednesday, June 18, 2014 in Virginia Beach, Virginia at the age of 67. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related metastatic lung cancer and non-small cell carcinoma. He was born to the late Howard Thomas and Vera (née Nelson) Richards in Madison, Wisconsin on

April 4, 1947. His bear hugs, ear to ear smiles, bellowing laughter, incredibly warm disposition and zeal for life will be dearly missed. Tom was raised on the west side of Madison, WI and attended Randall Elementary School and West Middle and High School. As a high school sophomore, he discovered his aptitude for long distance running and became a star runner on both the cross country and track teams. His love of running continued throughout his life, including competing in several marathons. Following his graduation from high school, he worked as a machinist. In 1967, Tom joined the United States Marine Corps and found his life's passion. After completing recruit training he was selected to attend scout sniper school and Vietnamese Language School at the Defense Language Institute in Monterey. He was then assigned to Company H, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 9<sup>th</sup> Marines in the Republic of Vietnam where he earned a meritorious combat promotion to the rank of sergeant, the Navy Cross Medal for valor in combat, and the Purple Heart Medal for his wounds. Upon completing his assignment with the 9<sup>th</sup> Marines, Tom served as a drill instructor at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego. While serving as a drill instructor he was selected for the Marine Associate Degree Completion Program, received his Associate's degree, and was selected to attend Officer Candidate School through the Marine Corps' Enlisted Commissioning Program. He was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant. Tom served four tours in infantry units and in various staff positions from battalion to division level. In addition to the Navy Cross and Purple Heart, Tom was awarded numerous other personal decorations and service medals, including the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal (two awards), the Army Achievement Medal, the Combat Action Ribbon and the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, of which he was most proud. He retired in 1995 as a Lieutenant Colonel. Both during and after the Corps, Tom's civic service and pursuit of academic excellence was legendary. He actively participated in the Legion of Valor and served as its National Commander, 2008. He was widely known for his nine years serving with Spirit of the Fourth, Inc. in the Rancho Bernardo community of San Diego, CA. He was active in the Rotary Club and established the Miramar Semper Fidelis Rotary Club on the Marine Corps Air Station, Miramar; only the second service club on an active military base anywhere in the world. He was an active member of the San Diego County United Veterans Council (UVC) and served as the UVC chairmanship for 2010. He co-founded the Soldiers of the Sea, Band of Brothers Inc., an organization dedicated to bridging the gap between the Marine Corps and business communities. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - San Diego Chapter #472. Tom served as a mentor to the San Diego State University Student Veterans Organization (SVO) and was presented with its "Mentor for Life" Award, its highest honor. He was appointed by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger to the California Veterans Board. He spearheaded nationwide efforts to discover incidents of Stolen Valor and prepared a "Friend of the Court" brief for submission to the Supreme Court in support of a finding that the Stolen Valor Act of 2005 was constitutional. In recognition of his community service, Tom was selected

in 2005 for membership in the Rancho Bernardo Hall of Fame, one of only ninety-selectees since 1974. In June, 2009, he was named the California 75th State Assembly District Veteran of the Year. He also received the "Lifetime Support of Veterans Award" from the San Diego Veteran of the Year committee in 2009. He relocated from Southern California to Virginia Beach in 2012 and was appointed by Governor McDonnell in 2013 to the Virginia Joint Leadership Council of Veterans. An avid student, Tom earned both is baccalaureate and master's degrees in history, and his masters of business administration, all from San Diego State University. While in Virginia Beach, Tom followed his passion for teaching history as an adjunct professor at Tidewater Community College. Tom maintained a rigorous physical fitness regimen throughout his life, permitting him to engage in numerous outdoor activities including diving, kayaking, camping, and hiking. During the past eleven years he climbed California's 14,497 ft. Mt. Whitney ten times. Tom never quit anything that he set his mind on. He was a consummate advocate for veterans' issues, was a devoted and dedicated husband, and was the best and sincerest friend a man could have. He was the epitome of a renaissance man who loved opera, fine art, classical and Celtic music, and world travel. He is survived by his loving wife, Diane Hall Richards of Charlottesville, VA; cousins, Linda Halverson and Laurie Lerhdahl and their extended families; aunt Theda and the late William Curwen and their extended family; his brother Marines; his friends and an extended honorary family - too numerous to name - all of whom dearly loved, and were loved by, and will dearly miss their "uncle" Tom. The family wishes to thank the compassionate caring staff at the VA Palliative Care and Hospice Center, Hampton, Virginia, who provided great comfort, superb care and love to Tom and his family. A memorial service to honor Tom will be held at H. D. Oliver Funeral Apartments, Inc., 2002 Laskin Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23454 on Saturday, July 12, 2014, at 1:00 PM. Arrangements are in process for a memorial service and interment following at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA, as well as a service in San Diego, CA. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Tom's honor to be sent to Legion of Valor, 4704 Calle Reina, Santa Barbara, CA 93110. Online condolences may be sent to the family at hdoliver.com. Semper Fidelis!

**JAMES "J.R." RICKETTS** - Died Friday, November, 29, 2013 at a local hospital at the age of 60. He was a resident of Chickamauga, Georgia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born October 11, 1953. He was a lifelong resident of the Chattanooga area and was a United States Army Veteran with the 101st Airborne during the Vietnam-era. He was a member of the Lookout Mountain United Methodist Church, of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America** – **Chattanooga Chapter #203**, American Legion Post 95, and Veterans of Foreign Wars Chapter 3679. His passions in life were his family, barbequing, and always lending a helping hand to those in need. Survivors include his wife, Mary Ricketts; children, Sonya (John) Crowder, of Hixson, Tenn., and Jason (Bridget) Ricketts, of Trenton, Ga.; mother, Wagie McEwen, of Hixson, Tenn.; brother, Billy Cunningham; sisters, Brenda (Grady) Mathis, Glenda (David ) Hawkins, Helen (Vernon) Thurmond , and Debbie (Teddy) Keedy; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. A gathering of friends was held on Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 4:00-8:00 PM with Military Honors at the South Crest Chapel of Lane Funeral Home and Crematory, located at the end of Historic Missionary Ridge, Rossville. **MALCOLM GARDNER RUSSELL, JR.** - Died Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at his residence in Clarksville, Tennessee at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born July 11, 1947 in Bridgeport, Connecticut to the late Malcolm Gardner and Christine (née Baldwin) Russell. He was also predeceased by his first wife, Frances Russell; his son, Eddie Kennison; and his sisters, Beverly Libby and Christine Lemus. He was a United States Army Veteran and retired from Manchester County Schools in Connecticut. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clarksville Chapter #396**. Survivors include his wife, Linda Bellett Russell; son, Thomas (Kim) Kennison of CT; daughter, Melissa Ann (Peter) Erisoty of TN; brother, Michael Edward (Debra) Russell Sr. of TN; sisters, Elenore Russell, Linda (Gerry) Damond, Sandy Vitkus, Kathy Jo Plourde all of CT; grandchildren, Ashley Kennison, Thomas Stewart of TN, T.J. Kennison, and Cydney Kennison; several nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the family to assist with medical expenses. On-line condolences may be made at NaveFuneralHomes.com. Graveside services were held 2:00 PM on Tuesday, July 1, 2014 at Kentucky Veterans Cemetery West in Hopkinsville with military honors.

STEVEN GEORGE SCHAEFER - Died Thursday, April 25, 2014 in Des Plaines, Illinois at the age of 65. The cause of death was a bone marrow infection – leukemia. He was born May 7, 1948 in Evanston, Illinois. He was the loving father of Tonya (Michael) Sullivan and Steven Schaefer; proud grandfather of Zachary and Steven; devoted son of Helen (Late George P. JR.) Schaefer; dearest brother of Ronald (Cheryl), Robert (Jen), George (Chris) and Cathi (Karl) Swaringim. Steve served his country during the Vietnam War serving in the United States Army where he received the Purple Heart. He was very involved in his community having acted as MC for the Memorial Day and Veterans Day Programs. He held memberships in Veterans of Foreign Wars, Des Plaines Post #2992, William E. Sarb Post #2202 Schaumburg, Ill., American Legion Post #36 Des Plaines, Ill. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Des Plaines Chapter **#311**, Veterans of Foreign Wars State of III. Organization, Honor Flight Chicago, he was President of Pillars of Honor, a member of Knights of Columbus and the Des Plaines, Elks Lodge #526. Visitation was on Thursday, May 1, 2014 beginning at 3:00 PM until 9:00 PM at Saint Mary Catholic Church, 794 Pearson Street, Des Plaines, Illinois 60016. A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday, May 2, 2014 at 10:00 AM at the church. Interment was in the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, Ill. Memorials may be made to the Leukemia Research Foundation or a charity of one's choice. Funeral care provided by G.L. Hills Funeral Home.



**JAY SIMPSON SCHUMPERT** - Died Monday, May 12, 2014 at his home in Williston, South Carolina at the 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born December 9, 1946 in Old Ellenton, South Carolina to the late Wilfred Ollie "Buck" Schumpert and Imogene (née Thames) Schumpert. He is survived by Marisa, daughter, Bryane

S. Washburn and son-in-law George Washburn; son Jarrett Clayton Schumpert; grandchildren Isabella Washburn and Gabriel Washburn. He is also survived by a sister Laura Buice and brother Rusty Schumpert. Jay accepted Jesus and loved the Lord with all his heart! He was baptized at Williston First Baptist Church. Jay and Marisa fell in love in 1972 and celebrated a deeply loving marriage for 41 years. He was known for his kindness and devotion to high ideals. Jay served in the United States Army in Vietnam from 1968 – 1969 in the 44<sup>th</sup> Signal Battalion in

Long Binh, Saigon and Bien Hoa. Jay appreciated and honored his country and fellow servicemen. Jay went into the family lumber business Schumpert Lumber Company upon returning home from the war. In 1979, it became Schumpert Building Supply, Inc. and later Schumpert Building Supply LLC., from which he retired in 2009. He attended and served as Deacon and Assistant Sunday School Superintendent at the Williston First Baptist Church. The last few years he attended Edisto Baptist Church. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Barnwell Chapter #828**. Jay loved spending time with family and friends. He enjoyed history and attended the Dunbarton, Ellenton, and family reunions every year. He has various hobbies at home. Funeral services were held 10:00 AM on Friday, May 16, 2014 at Williston First Baptist Church with burial in the Williston Cemetery. The family received friends at their home on Edisto Church Road Thursday from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.

DENNIS C. SHELMAN - Died Tuesday, June 17, 2014 in Kent General Hospital in Dover, Delaware at the age of 66. He was a resident of Felton, Delaware. The cause of death is unknown. He was born April 1, 1948 in Wilmington, Delaware to the late, D.C. Shelman and Sarah Jane (née Barrow) Shelman. He retired as a truck driver and had previously worked for the railroad. He was a Vietnam Veteran, having served in the United States Navy; and was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Dover Chapter #850. He belonged to the DelRods Association, and enjoyed antique cars. He would attend the annual "Lead East," in Parsippany, N.J.; a 50's and antique car show event. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Katrina Dawn Shelman, who died in 2013. Dennis is survived by two sisters, Lynda Foskett and her husband, Richard, of Dover; and Rosemary O'Mara, of Randolph, N.J.; five brothers, Carl Shelman and wife, Ardith, of Felton; Lloyd Shelman and wife, Judy, of Parkersburg, W.V.; Michael Shelman, of Bridgeville; Paul Shelman, and wife, Kim, of Seven Springs, N.C.; and Warren Shelman, of Long Beach, CA.; 11 nieces and nephews, numerous grand nieces and nephews, and special friends, Gerry and John; and Colin and Billie. A Memorial Service was held at 5:00 PM on Monday, June 23, 2014 at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 425 North Dupont Highway, next to K-Mart, in Dover; where family and friends gathered from 4:00 to 5:00 PM. The family prefers casual attire please. Following the services, everyone is invited to the great hall for a time of fellowship and refreshment.

**LEROY H. "Buck" SIEFER** - Died at 6:26 AM on Thursday, January 19, 2012 at St. Rita's Medical Center in Lima, Ohio at the age of 65. He was a resident of Lima, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. He was born June 26, 1946 in Lima to the late Harry and Helen (née Michel) Siefer. On Feb. 12, 1971, he married Judith A. Martino, who survives him. Mr. Siefer had been a salesman for Tom Ahl. He was a United States Army veteran of the Vietnam War, where he received two Purple Hearts, the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Combat Medical Badge and the Army Commendation Medal. He was a member of St. Gerard Catholic Church. He was a life member of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9648, Columbus Grove, and had served as the first president of the VFW Post #6741, Elida. He was a member of Charitable Italian American Organization. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lima Chapter #89**. He was willing to go the extra mile to help family, friend or stranger. He loved gardening and tinkering around his home, being a handyman, being with his family and telling a good joke. Survivors also include three children,

Angela (Scott) Merrill, of Columbus, Victoria (Cory) Mouser, of Cartersville, Ga., and Anthony (Adela) Siefer, of Columbus; six grandchildren, Darien Ann, Jonah David, Tess Catherine, Keegen Michael, Josephine Ann and Griffin Michael; 10 siblings, Jean Barnes, Betty (Marvin) Ross, Marilyn Coombs, Gerald Siefer, Barbara (Ed) Alexander, Norbert (Mary Kay) Siefer, Keith Siefer, Greg Siefer, Mary Bishop and Rose (Ed) Sowers; four sisters- and brothers-in-law, Francie (Bob) Simrak, Pam (John) Flatter, Karen Martino and Joe (Deb) Martino; and several nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial was at 10:00 AM on Monday at Saint Gerard Catholic Church, with military rites by VFW Post #9648. Father Jim Szobonya officiated. Burial was at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia. Friends called from 4:00 to 6:00 PM and from 1:00 to 3:00 PM and 5:00 to 7:00 PM on Sunday at Siferd-Orians Funeral Home, where a parish wake service was held at 6:00 PM on Sunday. Memorial contributions may be made to the Disabled American Veterans or the Veterans Food Pantry. Condolences may be expressed at www.siferd-oriansfuneralhome.com.



DONALD R. "Don" SMITH - Died unexpectedly on Monday, May 26, 2014 in Mount Saint Mary's Hospital in Lewiston, New York at the age of 64. He was a resident of Ransomville, New York. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on August 4, 1949 in Spencer, West Virginia to Betty (née Taylor) Smith of Ransomville and the late Homer E. Smith. A United States Army veteran of Vietnam, he served from August of 1967 to his honorable discharge in April of 1970. Don served in the 23<sup>rd</sup> Administration Company, Americal Division Support Command at Chu Lai from May of 1969 to early April of 1970. His unit was the recipient of an Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service in connection with military operations against a hostile force. Don also received the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Good Conduct Medal and the Sharpshooter Medal (M-14). Don then served in the United States Army Reserves, The Army National Guard, and in 1986 he was honorably discharged from the United States Air Force Reserves. He married Luz M. (née Morales) Smith on October 2, 1971. Don was employed by the former AIRCO Speer and then Carbon Graphite in Niagara Falls for 25 years, retiring in 1992. Don was a member of the Lewiston Assembly of God, American Legion Post, was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77, and a member of the Disabled American Veterans. He was an advocate for all veterans. Don enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and hiking. He loved country and blue grass festivals, and the banjo. An accomplished gardener, he was a member of the Ransomville and Wilson garden clubs. Don enjoyed playing cards with the senior citizens. He will be remembered for his generosity to his family, friends and fellow veterans. In addition to his mother, Betty; and his wife, Luz; he is survived by two daughters, Rebecca Smith of Ransomville and Tina Davis of Niagara Falls, NY; his grandchildren, Samantha, Zachary and Madison Davis, Cierra, Isabella and Anthony Enzinna; and two sisters, Joanna (Gary) Hayes of Ransomville and Jeanne (Ray) Yarish of Shelton, CT. Friends called at Hardison Funeral Home, 3648 Ransomville Road, Ransomville on Friday from 2:00-4:00 PM and 7:00-9:00 PM. Funeral services were held on Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, at 11:00 AM in the Lewiston Assembly of God, 4754 Creek Road, Lewiston, with the Reverend Geordie Davey officiating. Burial with military honors was in the North Ridge Cemetery, Church Road, Town of Cambria, New York. Memorials may be made to Freedom Village, 6331 Inducon Drive East, Sanborn, NY 14132.



**SAMMY K. SMITH, SR.** - Died Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at Unity Point Health Trinity in Bettendorf, Iowa at the age of 69. He was a resident of Davenport, Iowa. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on October 23, 1944 in Hamilton, Texas to the late Meredith Millard and LaVada E. (née Askins) Smith. On October 25, 1967 in Muleshoe, Texas, he married Carolyn Campbell. Sammy worked as a Millwright for

Alcoa for 27 years. Sammy proudly served his country in the United States Navy serving three tours during the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Chapter #776** in Bettendorf and was the former honor guard captain for **Vietnam Veterans of America – Chapter #299** in Rock Island. Sammy enjoyed fishing, smoking and gambling. He attended Faith Gospel Church in Davenport. Sammy cherished his time spent with family, especially his grandchildren. Those left to honor his memory include his wife, Carolyn; daughters, Carolee (Brian) Lohman of Lowden, IA and Jannene (Steven) Lieferman of Davenport; son, Sammy (Erin) Smith, Jr. of Des Moines; step-daughters, Lorraine (Scott) Fields of Atoka, TN and Teri Jones of Bettendorf; step-son, Michael (Teresa) Dykes of Bettendorf; 14 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren; and a brother, Stanley Smith of Davenport. Funeral services celebrating his life were held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, June 10, 2014 at McGinnis-Chambers Funeral Home in Bettendorf. Burial were at Rock Island National Cemetery. Visitation hours were from 4:00 PM–7:00 PM on Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup> at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the family.



**<u>CAROL ANN ST. GEORGE</u>** - Died Monday, June 16, 2014 at Avera Hospital Milbank, South Dakota at the age of 70. She was a resident of Milbank, South Dakota. The cause of death was cancer. Carol Ann (née McMahon) St. George was born July 10, 1943 in the Milbank hospital. She was the daughter of Robert and Laura McMahon. Carol attended school in the rural Milbank area, later moving to Big Stone to care for

her grandfather, Tom McMahon. Carol worked at the canning factory, then moved to Milbank and worked at Lyle's cafe. At the age of 18 she joined the army and was stationed in San Francisco, California. She met her husband Jerry St. George in California. They married and then moved to Seattle, Washington. There Carol was a foster mom for 20 years, and also ran a daycare. Carol returned to Milbank in 1985 and started working at Whetstone Valley Care Center. She worked between there and Park Place for 27 years, until her recent illness. Carol liked to travel. Her favorite trip was to Germany to see her granddaughter, Jennifer. She saw many states in her travels. Carol spent her life helping people. She enjoyed running a daycare, and took in foster children. She raised 2 of her grandchildren. She took extra special care of her residents at the nursing homes, and went out of her way to make sure they were happy during their stay. She was a member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America - Watertown **Chapter #1054.** Carol volunteered at the community thrift store for several years. She enjoyed raising money every year for the Alzheimer's Memory Walk with her granddaughter, and organized many fundraisers. If at any time there was a person in need Carol would do her best to help them. When Carol was diagnosed with cancer she started the first cancer support group in the Milbank area to help people who have been diagnosed with cancer find the answers they need, and connect to support each other. This group has helped many people, and will continue helping people for many years to come. Carol brightened a lot of people's lives, and will be missed by many. Left to cherish her memory are her children: David St. George of Watertown, SD, Doug St. George of Spokane, WA, and Pam St. George of Lolo, MT; five grandchildren:

Shellia, Jennifer, Andy, Kendra, and Jaiden; two great-grandchildren: Alana and Ashlynn; siblings: Joyce Hofenke of Milbank, SD; Joe (Sue) McMahon of Big Stone City, SD; Steve McMahon of Akron, Iowa; and Marlene Goetsch of Nassau, MN. She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Laura McMahon; two brothers, Charles and Robert McMahon; and sister-in-law Sandy McMahon.0 The memorial service was at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at the Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home in Ortonville with Reverend Keith Bicknase officiating. Visitation is one hour prior to the service at the Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home.



**REVEREND TERRY LEE STREATER** - Died Wednesday, February 26, 2014 in Eagle Springs, North Carolina at the age of 66. The cause of death was cancer. He was born May 30, 1947 in Montgomery County, North Carolina. He served in the United States Air Force from May 1, 1966 to January 27, 1970 during the Vietnam War. He

was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – West End Chapter #966**. He is survived by his wife, Joann Streater; son, Terry Streater Jr., of Eagle Springs; daughters, Ebonee Streater, of Southern Pines, Adrienne Streater, of Carrollton, Va.; brothers, Eugene Streater, of Greensboro, Larry Streater, of Rockingham, sisters, Veraline Bellins, of Greensboro, Betty Streater and Carolyn Streater, of Troy; and granddaughter, Tiara Streater, of Aberdeen. Funeral services were held at 2:30 PM on Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, at the Zion Grove A.M.E. Zion Church, Eagle Springs. Family hour was held from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, at the church.



**PASTOR "Pat" TORO** - Died Thursday, July 3, 2014 in Queens, New York of myelodysplastic syndrome, a blood disorder caused by exposure to Agent Orange. He was 64 years of age. He was born in New York City, New York on March 21, 1949. Toro, the former president of Queens, New York, was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Queens Chapter #32**, served with the United States Marine Corps in Vietnam, then came home and worked for the New York

City Police Department and the Port Authority Police Department. He retired in 1991 only to devote himself to veteran issues. He was an *At-Large Member* of VVA National Board of Directors.



**PETER D. UMBRAS** - Died Friday, January 3, 2014 at the University of Rochester Medical Center due to complications from a stroke. He was 70 years of age and a resident of Bennington, New York. He was born in Chicago, Illinois on January 25, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was anat *At-Large Life Member* of

**Vietnam Veterans of America – New York**. He was the beloved husband of Anne Conable and devoted father of Sophie. He was a writer, designer, activist, Vietnam veteran, transplant survivor since 2002, proud member of Actors Equity, SAG and AFTRA for over 40 years. Services were private. Donations in Peter's memory may be made to UNYTS/Donate Life Foundation, 110 Broadway, Buffalo, NY 14203 or Tan Son Nhut Association, c/o Carol Bessette, 8251 Taunton Place, Springfield, VA 22152.

**HAROL R. VAN AUKEN** – Died Wednesday, June 4, 2014 in Middletown, New York. The cause of death is unknown. He is survived by his wife, Jennie. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He

was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Orange County (New Hampton) Chapter #140.



**FRANK J. VOLL, JR.** - Died peacefully Saturday morning, November 2, 2013 at his residence in Akron, New York while under hospice care. He was 66 years of age. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Buffalo, New York on January 23, 1947 to late Frank J. Voll and Dorothy (née McIntyre) Voll of Clarence, New York. Frank was a

United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War. He was formerly employed by Eastman Machine Company in Buffalo for over 22 years, starting as a mechanical engineer and later becoming Vice President of Operations. Frank later moved on to work for Delphi where he retired in 2012. He also was a member of the L.L. Tillman American Legion Post #900 in Akron. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77**. Surviving is his loving wife of 44 years, Christine Wolters Voll of Akron; daughter, Wendy (Josh) Schadt of Middleport; son, Raymond Voll; grandchildren, Andrew Seguin and Aaron Schadt, Collin and Katty Voll, and; a brother James Voll of Ransomville. There will be no prior visitation. Family and friends gathered for a memorial service on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 AM at High Point Church, 1163 Main Road, Corfu, New York, where full military honors followed the service. Memorial contributions may be made in Mr. Voll's memory to Hospice Buffalo, 225 Como Park Boulevard, Cheektowaga, NY 14227. Arrangements were entrusted to the J. Leonard McAndrew Funeral Home, LLC, 32 John Street, Akron, NY 14001, Ronald Konieczny II, Director & Proprietor.

NICHOLAS P. "Nick" VUCETICH - Died Thursday, May 6, 2014 in University of Pennsylvania Medical Center Presbyterian at the age of 62. He was a resident of Ambridge, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born February 26, 1952 in Sewickley, Pennsylvania to the late Nicholas P. and Elva Mae (née Chambers) Vucetich. He was employed as an electrician with the Pittsburgh Brewing Company. He was a member of the Beaver County Chapter of HOG and had served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Freedom Chapter #862. Surviving are two sons, Josh and Dawn Vucetich, Baden, and Ryan Vucetich and Kristen Komosa, Ambridge; three grandchildren, Brooklyn Vucetich, Braeden Vucetich and Taylor Gray; a brother, John Vucetich, in China, and three sisters and two brothers-in-law, Judy (Peter) Shuberth, Connecticut; Becky (Bruce) Connor, Colorado, and Peggy Vucetich, Florida. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Barbara Chambers. Family and friends were received Saturday, May 10, 2014 from 2:00 PM until time of service at 7:30 PM in the Bohn-Matich Funeral Home Inc., 1099 Maplewood Avenue, Ambridge. Interment was in the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies. Member of the Beaver County Special Unit will meet at 7:00 PM at the funeral home to provide full military honors.



**<u>CHARLES A.</u>** "*Buck*" WAGNER - Died Friday, May 16, 2014 at Miami Valley Hospital peacefully surrounded by family and friends. He was 78 years of age and a resident of Dayton, Ohio. The cause of death was a cerebral hemorrhage. He was born April 15, 1936 in Fairview, Kentucky to the late Clifton and Ida Wagner. He is survived by his wife Freda of 57 years, son Joe (Renée) and daughter Lydia (Ric)

Houser. He was preceded in death by his son Marty, his parents, brother Clifton Jr and sister Dixie. He is also survived by eight grandchildren: Chris (Tiffany) Houser, Jason Houser, Jeremy Houser, Jonathan (Amber), Rachelle (Josh), Richelle Halsall, Brittany Halsall and Kirstie (Jonathan) Newsome plus sisters Margaret (Woodie) Ring and Norma (Denver) Lakes, brotherin-laws and sister-in-law Verna Wagner, Bobby Pepper and David (Debbie) Pepper, aunts Jewell Wade and Dorothy Jolley. He has 12 great-grandchildren Jordan, Hannah, Abbigail, Noah, Haidyn, Haley, Travis, Adalyn, Gavin, Mason, Jacob, Madalynn. He was a retired Fleming County Jailer and drove for Kerns Bakery for 20 years. He was a member of Calvary Open Bible Church. Buck was very active in his community as a member of the Mad River Lions Club, he was a Mason for 50+ years, spent many years as a volunteer firefighter, sixteen years as a city councilmen, member of the Kiwanis Club, a member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #77, American Legion, Eagles, volunteered with Cub Scouts, Mad River Pee Wee Football and Baseball. Buck was an avid fan of the University of Kentucky Wildcats basketball and Ohio State Buckeyes football. As a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, friend and neighbor, he will be remembered for his outgoing personality, big heart and never meeting a stranger. His neighbors refer to him as the "Mayor" of the cul-de-sac. A visitation was held at Newcomer Funeral Home, 4104 Needmore Road, Dayton, Ohio on Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00-7:00 PM followed by a memorial service at 7:00 PM officiated by Pastor Dan Powell and Pastor Kathy Pittman which will include a Lions memorial. On Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>, he was returned to his Kentucky home of Flemingsburg where he was at Boone-Nickell Funeral Home and received visitors from 2:00-3:30 PM with a funeral service at 3:30 PM officiated by the Reverend Norman Wasson which included Masonic Rights. The final resting place was in the Elizaville Cemetery in Kentucky.

**THOMAS "Tom" WARD** – Died Wednesday, June 4, 2014 in Grand Marsh, Wisconsin at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on March 7, 1947. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Adams Chapter #729**.

**GEORGE L. WEEKS, JR.** - Died Sunday, June 22, 2014 at Arcadia Nursing Home, Little Egg Harbor, New Jersey at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Elizabeth, New Jersey, in 1947 to the late George L. Weeks, Sr. and Diana Weeks. He lived in Clark, New Jersey and Edison, New Jersey, before moving to Little Egg Harbor in 2006. He was a communicant of St. Theresa's Church, Little Egg Harbor, and worked for PSE&G for 36 years as a lineman in Edison before retiring in 2006. He was a United State Navy veteran who served in the Vietnam War and was a member of the American Legion Post No. 5 in Rahway, N.J.; the VFW in Edison, N.J.; a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Brunswick Chapter #233** in New Brunswick, N.J., and the Italian American Social Club in Little Egg Harbor. He is survived by his beloved wife of 36 years Mary Weeks; brothers, Ronald Weeks and wife Christine of Edison, N.J., and William Weeks and wife Donna of Manahawkin, N.J.; nephew Jason and nieces, Stephanie and Samantha. Viewing hours were held on Wednesday, June 25, 2014, from 4:00 to 8:00 PM and Thursday, June 26, from 10:00 AM until the funeral service at 11:00 AM at Maxwell Funeral Home, 160 Mathistown Road, Little Egg Harbor, N.J. 08087. Entombment was at the St. Joseph's Cemetery, Toms River, N.J. **FREDERICK E. WHITE** – Died recently in 2014 in Carson, California at the age of 63. The cause of death is unknown. He was born April 20, 1950. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Redondo Beach Chapter #53**.



**HORACE L.** *"Buzz"* **WILSON, JR.** - Died from leukemia on Tuesday, May 13, 2014, in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, with his wife at his bedside. He was 71 years of age. "Buzz", as he was affectionately called by family and friends, was born in 1943 and raised in Woodbridge, New Jersey, and graduated from Woodbridge High School in 1962. He enlisted in the United States Army, served in

Korea and in the Vietnam War and was honorably discharged in 1966. Mr. Wilson graduated from the Middlesex County Police Academy and pursued a distinguished career in law enforcement in the Middlesex County Sheriff's Department and as county investigator with the Ocean County Prosecutor's Office. He created and supervised the Ocean County Arson Response Unit. He was the first investigator ever in that agency to qualify as an expert in arson investigation and the first African American to retire from that department in 1994. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – New Brunswick Chapter #233. Mr. Wilson was also a consultant to the Congress of National Black Churches in Washington, D.C., regarding the burning of 129 black churches throughout the Southern states in the early 1990's. Active in many civic organizations, he was appointed to New Jersey's Privacy Study Commission by Governor James McGreevy. Mr. Wilson's friends and colleagues will remember him for his warmth and generosity, his infectious smile, quick wit, and love of Star Trek and Gladys Knight. He enjoyed traveling with his wife and attending family gatherings, and also enjoyed the special bond he shared with his two granddaughters. Horace is survived by his wife, Inez; aunts, Sarah Williams and Marie Brogsdale; children, Jody Veler, Patressa McLaurin (John), and Brian Wilson; granddaughters, Laryn Wilson and Jazmine McLaurin; sisters, Roberta Scott (Julius), Blenda Wilson (Louis Fair), and Loretta Witter (Dennis), in addition to many loving cousins, nieces and nephews, and admiring friends and colleagues. His life was celebrated at 11:00 AM on Monday, May 19th, at the Plinton-Curry Funeral Home, 428 Elizabeth Avenue, Somerset, N.J. Military honors were presented. Visitation took place at Plinton-Curry from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. Interment was at Franklin Memorial Park, North Brunswick, N.J.



**MARTIN STEVEN "Marty" WILSON** – Died Friday, September 27, 2013 in Bronte, Texas while surrounded by loving family and friends. He was 67 years of age. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related lung cancer. Marty (as he was called) was born on October 24, 1945 in Salt Lake City, Utah to the late Ernest and Edna Wilson. He spent his childhood with his family, living in Utah, Montana and eventually settling in Wheatridge, Colorado, a community on the outskirts of Denver. He

graduated from Wheatridge High School in 1964, while working as a supervisor of a cleaning crew. He would laugh and say that he became a supervisor before he was old enough to drive the work truck. He had a very strong work ethic and didn't hesitate to state that he had been working since he was 11 years old. He and his older brother Mike had a paper route that was considered the largest in that area at that time. Shortly after graduation he established his independence by moving into his own place. He joined the United States Air Force in April of 1966, and was stationed at March AFB in California where he met Kimbrel Wilkerson, also in the

Air Force. They were married on April 1, 1967, shortly before his deployment to Vietnam. He served as an air cargo specialist. He returned from "across the pond" and completed his enlistment at March Air Force in Riverside, Calif. Upon completing his service, he moved his family to San Angelo, Texas, where he worked for Foremost Dairies, Holsom Bakery and Budweiser. He ended his work history with Jim Bass Ford where he served as Service Manager for 20 years. He was a very civic-minded person. He was active in the Sundown Lion's Club and served as Vice-President of the local chapter of Vietnam Veterans of America - San Angelo Chapter #457. He is preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Kim; and brother Mitchell. He is survived by wife, Sharon Wilson; daughters Michele Batten and husband William, of San Angelo and Terri Gober and husband Bill, of Garland and son Doug, of Rocksprings; brother Mike Wilson of Grand Junction, Colo.; sons Blair and wife Kelly, of Snyder, Blain McGinnis and wife Stacy, of Bronte and Bowie McGinnis, of Lubbock; nine grandchildren, Brandon Batten, Kylia McGinnis, Bradley McGinnis, Chelsea McGinnis, Crystal McGinnis, Austin McGinnis, Ashley McGinnis, Newt McGinnis and Will McGinnis; and one great-granddaughter Ambree McGinnis, as well as numerous aunts, cousins and nieces. A celebration of Marty's life was held in the home in Bronte at 2:00 PM on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

FRANK KENNETH WIMPEE – Died Monday, June 9, 2014 in Middleburg, Florida at the age of 64. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related cancer. He was born on October 13, 1949 in Jacksonville, Florida to Guy Frank Wimpee and the late Verdie (née McCullough) Wimpee. Frank graduated from Wolfson High School in 1967. He then served his country honorably in the United States Army and was a Vietnam Veteran. Frank flew right seat in the OV-1 Mohawk Recon Planes and was a member of OV-1 Mohawk Association. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veteran of America – Orange Park Chapter #1059. He retired from the Jacksonville Fire & Rescue Dept. following 23 years of service and was a member of the Fraternal Order of Firefighters. He had lived on Black Creek in Middleburg since 1982 and was Baptist by faith. He was predeceased by his mother and a brother, William Bill Wimpee and is survived by his wife of 32 years, Janice Wimpee; father, Guy (Betty) Wimpee; step-sons, Tony and Ben Williams; sister, Joan (Scott) McClelland; sister-in-law, Lily (Roy) McLaughlin; granddaughter, Olivia Williams. A graveside service was held on Wednesday, June 25, 2014 at 2:30 PM at the Jacksonville National Cemetery with military honors. Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.broadusraines.com. Arrangements under the care of Broadus-Raines Funeral Home, 501 Spring Street, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043 (904) 284-4000. In memory of Frank's brother, Bill Wimpee, in lieu of flowers the family requested donations be made to the ALS Association, Florida Chapter, 3242 Parkside Center Circle, Tampa, FL 33619.



**DALE D. M. WINDHAM** - Died Thursday, June 5, 2014 at his home in Boise, Idaho at the age of 74. The cause of death was congestive heart failure. He was born on July 29, 1939 at Georgetown University Hospital in Washington, D.C to the late Aubrey P. and Zelma (née Slay) Windham. He had 2 sisters and 4 brothers. Dale attended grade school in Ozark, Alabama. He graduated from Annandale High School in Virginia in 1957. His summers were spent as a lifeguard. Although born in

the city, Dale grew up in the country and enjoyed camping, fishing and hunting. He joined the United States Marine Corps at 17 and spent the summer of 1957 at boot camp in Parris Island,

South Carolina. While still a Marine Private, he received an appointment to the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland in 1958. At the Naval Academy he was a championship fencer and was Company Commander in his senior year. Dale graduated from the Academy in 1962 and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in his beloved Marines. After infantry training at Quantico, Virginia he was selected for flight training at Pensacola, Florida. He received his coveted "Wings of Gold" as a Marine Fighter Pilot in 1964. His squadron, Marine Attack Squadron 223 (VM 223) deployed to Vietnam in 1965 where he flew 75 missions and was promoted to the rank of Captain. After returning from the war Dale was hired by Trans World Airlines as a pilot. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Meridian Chapter #1025**. Dale is survived by his daughters, Christine and Kelly, his grandchildren, Kyleigh, Lennon, Zion, Sienna, Blessing, Elle and Elka, by his siblings, Kay, Bush, Vanda, Tony and Tom, and by many beloved nieces and nephews. He enjoyed skydiving, hang gliding, scuba diving, backpacking, skiing, kayaking, canoeing, fly fishing in Alaska, and riding his Harley. Dale enjoyed his life. Remembrances may be left for the family at www.AccentFuneral.com.

## 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!

FATHER PHILIP G. SALOIS, M.S.

National Chaplain