



GARY A. ACTON - Died Monday, October 29, 2018 at his home in Billings, Montana at the age of 76 from cancer. Gary was born in Colfax, Iowa on September 18, 1942 to the late Lowell and Annabel (née Jolly) Acton. After graduating from the University of Iowa, he was hired by Eastern Montana College Department of English where he taught from September 1966 to May 2014. He served in Vietnam in the United States Army Artillery in 1969, was wounded and was presented the Purple Heart and Bronze Star. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Billings Chapter #334**. He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Martha Jo Acton of Billings and his brother Jon Acton of Indianola, Iowa. Graveside military honors were conducted at 10:00 AM on Friday, November 9, 2018 at the Yellowstone National Cemetery in Laurel, MT. In lieu of flowers, please donate to your favorite charity.



DAVID MICHAEL ALLEN - Died Monday, November 26, 2018 in Lutz, Florida at the age of 72. He was formerly of Beaver, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on August 23, 1946 to the late Bess and Jack Edward Allen. He worked for the United States Airways for over 30 years. He was a United States Air Force veteran and served as an Airman First Class in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. He also was a sports fan who loved the Steelers, Penguins, and the Pirates. David is preceded in death by his parents, Bess and Jack Edward Allen; and his sister, Lynn Yeargin. He is survived by his former wife, Debra Milligan; son, Jack Allen and his wife, Angie; daughter, Tracy Hansen and her husband, Eric; brother, Scrappy Allen and his wife, Nancy; and his grandchildren, Morgan, Jocelyn, Austin, Benjamin, Anthony, and Emilee. David will also be missed by several nieces and nephews. A Memorial Visitation was held on Thursday, March 21, 2019 in the Noll Funeral Home, Inc., 333 Third Street, Beaver, PA from 10:00 AM until the time of Blessing Service at 11:30 AM. The inurnment was in the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies with Full Military Rites. In Lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in David's name to your local Veterans Affairs office.



PAUL WILLIAM ANDERSON - Died Tuesday, January 31, 2017 in the Minnesota State Veterans Home, Fergus Falls, Minnesota at the age of 77. He was formerly of Moorehead, Minnesota. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 31, 1939 in Tyler, Minnesota to the late George and Edith (née Peterson) Anderson. He was baptized and confirmed at Sillerud Lutheran Church, Balaton, MN. He graduated from Ruthton (MN) High School in 1957. He attended the University of Minnesota and Augsburg College in Minneapolis,

MN. He was drafted into the United States Army in 1964 and was on the football team until he was stationed in Germany during the Vietnam War. He was a member of Bethesda Lutheran Church, choir member, on the church council, and a church treasurer. He was a lifetime member of the American Legion Post #21 in Moorhead. He served as Post Commander, was on the finance committee, the Boy Scout committee, and was editor of the monthly District 9 newsletter. He was also in charge of the color guard at funerals. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fargo (North Dakota) Chapter #941**. He enjoyed reading, crossword puzzles, music and all sports. He was an accountant, farmer, school bus and charter bus driver, and a construction worker. While living at the VA home in Fergus Falls, he was the “Postman,” Resident Council president, choir member, food committee, and participated in all activities. He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Marilyn; three children, Tony (Robin), Topeka, KS, Heidi (Jamie) Brockhouse, Sioux Falls, SD, and Kerri (Brent) Solie, Fertile, MN; five grandchildren, Erica and Lucas Solie, Joey and Brandon Anderson, and Samantha Brockhouse; three brothers, Philip (Joyce), Ruthton, Carl, Mt. Prospect, IL, and Dan (Bev), Balaton; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; one infant sister, Rhoda; a sister-in-law, Mary Ann; and his stepmother/aunt, Ruth. The family would like to thank all of our family and friends for the cards, flowers, and prayers during this time. Your care, concern, and thoughtfulness were greatly appreciated. A special thank you to the staff of the Fergus Falls Veterans Home. The funeral service for Paul was held on Friday, February 3, 2017 at 10:30 AM in Bethesda Lutheran Church, Moorhead. Visitation was one hour prior to the funeral at the church. The burial was in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery, Little Falls, MN.

DENNER ALEXANDER ASTYK, JR. - Died Tuesday, January 22, 2019 in Mooresville, North Carolina at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 23, 1947. He is survived by his wife, of the home. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77**. A memorial service was held at the Calvin-Cook Funeral Home Chapel on January 26, 2019 from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM.



FREDERICK W. “Fred” AUGHENBAUGH - Died Thursday, October 4, 2018 at Penn Highlands Clearfield at the age of 68. He was a resident of Houtzdale, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 4, 1950 in Clearfield, Pennsylvania to the late Raymond and Florence “Honey” Aughenbaugh. Fred graduated from the Clearfield High School in 1968. He then moved to Lansing, Michigan, where he was employed by General Motors. After that, he proudly served with the United States Army and was injured in the line of duty. He was honorably discharged in 1972. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clearfield Chapter #974**. Fred was known as a 'Mr. Fix it' with him being able to build anything from electronics, fixing cars and even building a robot. He was a member of numerous local military outposts and an honorary sheriff's deputy for Clearfield County. He is survived by his

son, Frederick B. Aughenbaugh and his wife, Stephanie of Clearfield; a granddaughter, Mazzy Aughenbaugh; the love of his life, Pamela Brock of Altoona; a sister, Rosella Smeal and her husband, Al of Houtzdale; and two brothers, Ernest S. Aughenbaugh and his wife, Rebecca of Saint Johns, Michigan, and Robert W. Aughenbaugh of Glen Richey. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Edward J. Aughenbaugh and Raymond James Aughenbaugh. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday at the Kevin A. Beardsley Funeral Home, Clearfield. The burial was in the Pine Grove Cemetery, Clearfield. Friends were received from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on Friday and from 10:00 to 11:00 AM on Saturday at the funeral home. To sign the online guestbook, go to www.beardsleyfuneralhome.com.



ROBERT S. "Bob" BAKER - Died Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at the Maine Medical Center from Hodgkin's Lymphoma caused from Agent Orange, contracted during the Vietnam War. He was 71 years of age and a resident of North Berwick, Maine. Bob was born on May 29, 1947 in Los Angeles, California to the late Arley L. and Stella M. (née Durost) Baker. After graduating from Eagle Rock High School in CA, Bob proudly served in the United States Army during the Vietnam war. It is there that he was exposed to the deadly chemical known as Agent Orange, which ultimately took his life. Bob moved from Los Angeles to the east coast while in his 20's, wanting to escape the hustle and bustle of the overwhelming chaos of the city and finally landed in North Berwick, Maine in 2016. He and his wife, Diana bought a historic home in North Berwick where he enjoyed his simple life of tinkering and collecting trucks, tractors and other vehicles that could use his repair. He was an elevator repairman for most of his life, working first in California then for over 40 years at Bay State Elevator in Springfield, MA. Bob was proud to be a veteran and was very involved as a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Biddeford Chapter #1044* of Sanford, American Legion Post #26 of Biddeford and was on the Board of Directors of the Patriot Riders of American, Maine Chapter One, honoring our fallen heroes. He was also a member of the Bay State Elevator Company and the International Union of Elevator constructors. In recent years, Bob was learning the art of Stained Glass. In his idle hours, Bob was an avid fan of car shows as well as a huge collector and connoisseur of all things Star Trek; whether it be movie marathons or memorabilia. Bob enjoyed antique items from our generations left behind, no matter how big or small, he loved the history. In recent years, Bob was learning the art of Stained Glass. Bob had a special relationship with his only son, Samuel. They were the closest any father and son could ever be. He was an easy-going man known for his dry sense of humor; laughing at his own jokes and having his own "mood" noises. He would give anyone the shirt of his back if they needed it. Bob was a jack of all trades from plumbing to electrical and shared his knowledge with anyone who was interested. Bob will be forever remembered as a well loved and respected man to anyone whomever knew and loved him. He is survived by his wife of 29 years, Diana M. (née Girard) Baker and son, Samuel J. Baker both of North Berwick; his lifelong

friend Kevin Morrissey as well as all the friends he made throughout his involvement with various organizations. A time of visitation was held on Saturday, February 23rd from 1:00 to 3:00 PM at the Johnson Funeral Home, 26 Market Street, North Berwick, ME. The burial with military honors was on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at the Southern Maine Veterans Cemetery, Springvale, ME. In lieu of flowers, friends who wish may contribute to Vietnam Agent Orange Relief and Responsibility Campaign, Post Office Box 303 - Prince Station, New York, NY 10012-0006, Make check payable to: Veterans for Peace/VAORRC.



JOHN ROBERT BARGER - Died at 8:10 PM on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at Kettering Medical Center in Kettering, Ohio at the age of 74. He was a resident of Sidney, Ohio. He was born on October 12, 1944 in Piqua, Ohio to the late Elston and Nina (née Zerkle) Barger. On July 19, 1975 he married the former Beverly Ann (née Holland) Goble, who survives along with two children, Ty Meeker of Westville, Molly (Dean) Smith of St. Paris; three step-children, Carole (Stan) Crosley, Bruce Goble and Brent Goble, all of Sidney; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; siblings, Keith (Judy) Barger of Kaiser Lake, Lisa (Ben) Drake of Troy, and Cassie Spreher of North Lewisburg; and half-brother, Greg Barger. John was a graduate of Graham High School, class of 1962. He went on to serve in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was in the 512th Transportation Company. John worked as a machine repairman for the former Copeland Corporation for many years and later worked for and retired from Goodyear in Saint Marys. He was a member of the Sidney Eagles, American Legion Post #217 and the Sidney VFW. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97**. John was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed feeding wildlife and gardening. Funeral Services were held on Monday, February 18, 2019 at 12:00 PM at the Cromes-Edwards Funeral Home, 302 South Main Avenue, with Pastor Tom Walter officiating. The burial was in the Cedar Point Cemetery in Pasco. The family received friends at the funeral home on Monday from 10:00 AM until the time of service. Guestbook condolences and expressions of sympathy may be made to the Barger family at our website, www.cromesfh.com.



JOHN NORMAN "Johnny B" BARTGIS II - Died peacefully on Sunday, February 24, 2019 in Frederick, Maryland at the age of 67, surrounded by his loved ones. The cause of death is unknown. He was born at Frederick Memorial Hospital in Frederick on August 4, 1951 to the late John Norman Bartgis, Sr. and Patricia (née Watkins Bartgis (Long) who survives. He was preceded in death by his father. He is survived by his wife; Alice, daughters; Jennifer, Jessica and Joanie and six grandchildren; Brady, Xavier, Zayden, Alivia, Logan, and Autumn. Surviving him, as well, are his mother and siblings, Jenny, Julie, Jerry, and Jodee. Johnny was a lifelong resident of Frederick. He attended both Frederick High School and Governor Thomas Johnson

High School, and later obtained a degree in Business Administration from Frederick Community College. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and continued his service in the United States Army Reserves. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Frederick Chapter #304**, proudly serving as a Flag Bearer within the Color Guard. Johnny worked over 30 years as a carpenter, retiring from the Washington Area Carpenters Union. He had an avid love for music, dancing and bowling, as well as an extreme passion for both the Baltimore Orioles and Baltimore Ravens. Above all, Johnny B was an absolutely devoted father and grandfather. He was a man of strong faith, believing in the power and strength of God. A celebration of life memorial was held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to the Martinsburg VA Medical Center, Voluntary Service, 510 Butler Avenue, Martinsburg, WV 25405.



JAMES ARNOLD “Jim” BARTLEY – Died Friday, April 28, 2017 in Aransas Pass, Texas at the age of 82. The cause of death is unknown. He was born at home in Cleveland, Ohio on November 12, 1934 to the late Carl Jackson and Elberta (née McClain) Bartley. After graduating from Pharma High School, he enlisted in the United States Navy and proudly served for 24 years. He was a structural mechanic and served with the Jolly Roger Squadron on the U S Independence. The Jolly Roger Squadron flag that flew on the Independence during the time he served on US Independence flew was flying in his room when he passed. While serving in the Navy he worked up through the ranks to become an Officer and by doing so he was a Mustang. He also took his college courses and received this degree while serving. He was in Vietnam twice and exposed to Agent Orange and as a result he had Agent Orange Poisoning which caused health issues. He was a life member of the Disabled American Veterans and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Corpus Christi Chapter #910**. On February 10, 1984, he married Lavada S. Rumbaugh and the wild ride began. Riding motorcycles, joining and ministering with the Christian Motorcycle Club, going to Sturgis for bike week, traveling throughout the country on the motorcycle and buying a farm. They moved to Eagle Rock, Missouri to live on the farm and raised calves, rabbits and lot of vegetables. Jim opened the Eagle Rock Prop and Upholstery Shop where he became a great boat propeller repairman and an award winning upholster. During that time, he taught himself to play the Mountain Dulcimer and the Bowed Psalter. He and his best friend Joel Pridgen made one of his dulcimers. He felt the call to the ministry and became a Licensed Local Pastor for the United Methodist Church and pastored two churches in Missouri. Then due to health he moved to South Texas where he became an Award-Winning wood carver and was a member of the Coastal Bend Wood Carvers. He was a man who loved God, who was loving, compassionate, caring, sensitive and very talented. He loved his wife, his sons, granddaughter, grandsons and great-grandson. He will be missed greatly by family and friends. He is survived by his wife Lavada Bartley, by previous marriage one son, Kevin Andrew Bartley and wife Diane Christine Bartley, one granddaughter Danielle Kristine Bartley, one great grandson James Ray Bartley, two grandsons Charles Keith Bartley and James Dalton Bartley, three nieces and six nephews and numerous great-nieces and

great-nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Carl Jackson and Elberta Bartley, two sons James Kenneth Bartley and Keith Arnold Bartley. A memorial service was held at the Texas Veterans Cemetery, Corpus Christi, Texas on July 6, 2017 at 10:00 AM. In lieu of flowers his wishes were for donations be made to the Disabled American Veterans Chapter #150, P O Box 7901, Corpus Christi, Texas 78467. Online condolences may be made at www.charliemarshallfuneralhomes.com. The arrangements were entrusted to Charlie Marshall Funeral Homes and Crematory, Inc., 2003 West Wheeler Avenue, Aransas Pass, Texas.



LEO ALAN BATTLE – Died Monday, December 31, 2018 in Chico, California at the age of 72. He died at home with his loved ones after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born on December 10, 1946 in Honolulu, Hawaii, Leo was raised by his adopted parents, Leroy and Mildred Schlotzhauer. Leo developed a love for surfing and in high school established life-long friendships with his Holo Kai Surf Club Family. He proudly served his country in the Vietnam War as a decorated United States Army Sergeant in the 101st Airborne Division from 1966-1968. Well known and loved throughout the community in Butte County for the assistance, work ethic, compassion, dignity and good humor he brought to so many during his career as an attorney of 40 years and his involvement in various organizations such as: the Elks Lodge, Elks RV Club, Chico Bass club, Butte County Bar Association, Past President of St. Thomas More School Board, St. Thomas More Knights of Columbus, Vietnam B Troup 2/17th Cavalry Association, Disabled American Veterans and American Legion. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Paradise Chapter #582*. He was instrumental in forming the Butte County Veterans Court to help rehabilitate veterans and was passionate about his volunteerism for events like Hooked on Fishing Not Drugs and CAST for kids which teaches children with disabilities how to fish. In his most recent years, Leo was happiest spending time with those he leaves behind. Hitting the road on RV adventures with his wife of 46 years, Terry Battle and his many fishing adventures with friends. Visiting his daughter and son-in-law, Summer and Jonathan Hine, in Santa Barbara. And Playing with his Grandsons at the beach, Leo Hine (9) and Sam Hine (7 ½) as well as numerous memorable family vacations. He was also over-joyed to have recently found and met his biological brothers and sisters and their families. The family would like to give special thanks to Enloe Hospice Care by way of any memorial contributions. They would also like to express gratitude for the outpouring of love from the many friends and family members who have supported them through this difficult time. A Mass Celebrating Leo's life was held at Our Divine Savior Church on February 23rd at 10:00 AM. The arrangements were under the direction of Bruise Funeral Home.

LLOYD D. BEASLEY – Died Friday, May 11, 2018 in Lombard, Illinois at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 17, 1950. He is survived by his wife, Rosemarie, Beasley, of the home. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Geneva Chapter #693*.

NICHOLAS “Nick” BELLANTONI – Died Wednesday, December 12, 2018 in Eatontown, New Jersey at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 25, 1948 in Oceanport, New Jersey. He served in the United States Army from May 8, 1968 to May 7, 1971 with a tour of duty in Vietnam from 1970 to 1971. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Allenhurst Chapter #12**.



CHARLES EDWARD “Chuck” BERGER – Died Wednesday, March 6, 2019 away at the Kansas City, Missouri VA Medical Center at the age of 75. He was a resident of Kansas City, Kansas. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Independence, Missouri on April 19, 1943. Chuck is survived by Irene, his wife of 33 years, his dog baby Izzy, and many friends and family. Chuck grew up in Independence, MO and graduated from William Chrisman High School. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War, serving as a United States Navy Corpsman with the 1st Marine Division, Da-Nang, Vietnam and onboard the USS Renville and USS Boxer. Chuck received the Purple Heart on April 15, 1967. He also received the Bronze Star, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. After Chuck left the service, he attended Finley College, obtaining a degree in Engineering. Chuck traveled around the world building production facilities, and then held the position of Plant Engineer at P.Q. Corporation in Kansas City, KS until his retirement. Chuck was a Master Mason 3rd Degree at the East Gate Lodge, a lifetime member of the VFW and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kansas City (Missouri) Chapter #317**. Graveside Services were held at Mount Washington Cemetery, 614 South Brookside Avenue at 12:00 Noon on Tuesday, March 12th. Friends gathered afterward at the Vietnam Veterans Hall, 3027 Walnut, Kansas City, MO 64108. No flowers please, donations may be sent in Chuck’s name to the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #317 (VVA #317).



JOHN EUGENE “Jack” BISHOP - Died Friday, February 22, 2019 at Genesis Medical Center – East Campus at the age of 78, following a long illness. He was a resident of Bettendorf, Iowa. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Moline, Illinois on February 19, 1941 to the late John F. and Donna “Diane” (née Long) Bishop. He was raised by his mother and her second husband Leonard Kuhlman. Jack married Sherry Ann (née Glass) Latham on May 24, 1968. Together they raised four children. Jack served in the United States Air Force from 1963

to 1967. He later served in the United States Army National Guard from 1979 until retiring in 2000. He was active in the Employer Support Group with the Guard. He completed a four-year journeyman machinist program at the Rock Island Arsenal. He then worked in various sales positions until joining the U.S. Postal Service. He retired from the Post Office in 2003. He was a past President of the Bettendorf Jaycees and a Jaycee International Senator; President of the Friends of the Bettendorf Public Library for 17 years; *Life Member* and *President* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776** as well as serving at the state level; and board President of the River Dominion Credit Union. Jack is survived by his wife Sherry, children Michael Latham (Julie), Jeffrey Latham (Stephanie), Kristi Swanson (Erick), and Jon Bishop (Penny); eighteen grandchildren; seventeen great grandchildren; sisters Cherine (James) Sandry, Pam (James) Long, and Trianna (Steve) McAllister all of Davenport; and brothers David, Donald, Wally, and Ricky Bishop. The funeral service for Jack was on Friday, March 1, 2019 at 11:00 AM at the Weerts Funeral Home, Jersey Ridge and Kimberly, Davenport with visitation on Thursday, February 28th from 4:00 – 8:00 PM at Weerts. Memorials in Jack's name may be made to the family to sponsor a meal at King's Harvest Homeless Shelter or to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital.



ROBERT C. "Jake" BOWDITCH - Died Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at the Bailey Center for Caring at the age of 74. He was a resident of the Clyde E. Larsen State Veteran Home in Saint Augustine, Florida. He was born in Winthrop, Massachusetts on May 10, 1944 and had resided in Saint Augustine since 2001, moving here from the Boston Area. Jake was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, having served three tours in Vietnam and was honorably discharged after 10 years of service. He then began a career as a fire systems inspector until his retirement. He was past commander of the American Legion Post #146 in Winthrop former president of the IBEW, a member of the Marine Cryptologic Association, the Marine Corps League, and Saint Anastasia Catholic Church. He was a *Permanently Hospital Veteran Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Augustine Chapter #1084**. A memorial service was held at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, March 19 at Saint Johns Family Funeral Home. A visitation began at 4:00 PM preceded the services. Interment with military honors was held at 11:30 AM on Wednesday at the Jacksonville National Cemetery. He is survived by his wife, Jane Bowditch, Saint Augustine; son, Paul Flegle (Erin), Longmont, CO; sisters in law Kathleen Cowperthwaite (Ken), Shirley Whittier, all of Saint Augustine, Elinor Whittier, Naples; brothers in laws, Stephen Whittier (Claire), Palm Coast, Paul Whittier (Susanne), Saint Augustine; two grandchildren, Kinlyn and Nylee Flegle; and cousin, Billy O'Neill, Hull, Mass. Saint Johns Family Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



GARY Z. "BG" BOWER - Died at home in Clairton, Pennsylvania on Friday, February 15, 2019 at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 15, 1943 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to the late Albert and Mary Rose (née Anerino) Bower. A United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War, Gary retired from the maintenance department of the Central Medical Pavilion in Pittsburgh and also formerly worked at J & L Steel. He was a member of the Keystone Alert "CB" Club and the American Legion Daniel Keffer Post #75 in Clairton. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pennsylvania**. Gary is survived by his wife Barbara E. (née Hartlein) Bower; his children Michael (Cindee) Clinton of Clairton, Michele (David) Bendel of Elizabeth, and Denise (Michael) Studvick of Elizabeth Twp.; his six grandchildren Jennifer, Joshua, Jessica, Samantha, Adam, and Chad; his eleven great-grandchildren; and also his nieces, nephews, and cousins. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by his son Gary Clinton, his two brothers, and his sister. Friends were received at the Paul E. Bekavac Funeral Home, Elizabeth on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM and from 6:00 PM until an 8:00 PM Prayer Service. A service with military honors was held at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies, 1158 Morgan Road, Bridgeville, PA on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 at 10:30 AM.



JAMES EDWIN "Jim" BOYCE - Died Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at UPMC Presbyterian Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania at the age of 73. He was a resident of East Liverpool, Ohio. He felt backwards and hit his head against the pavement resulting in his death due to traumatic brain injury. He was born on March 23, 1945 in Steubenville to the son of the late Mearl Boyce. In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death on April 4, 2014, by his beloved wife, Cynthia "Cindy" (Wetzel) Boyce, whom he married October 5, 1991. He was also preceded in death by Ernest Dunlevy, Arlene Grimm, and Rosalind Schaming. James graduated from Wellsville High School in 1965 and served in the United States Navy from 1965-1969 during the Vietnam War. He worked in the maintenance department for several area steel mills, including TMK Ipsco Koppel Tubulars Corporation in Koppel, PA. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862** in Rochester, PA. Jim was an avid fan of all the Cleveland sports teams and an OSU football fan. He also enjoyed watching crime dramas, working out, and hanging out at JP's Pizzeria. Jim was a romantic at heart. After an accident at the steel mill, he was unable to wear his wedding band on his hand any more. Instead, Jim wore it on a chain around his neck, and after Cindy died, he added her wedding band to the chain as well. Jim never took the chain off and had it on the day he passed away. He also bought fresh flowers every week to place beside Cindy's urn. He mourned the loss of his wife every day. Survivors include one daughter, Jenny Boyce, of East Liverpool; and his

mother, Joyce Wetzel, of Wellsville. Also surviving are two nieces: Shawna (Roger) Kelly and her sons, Rohan and Finley, of Hanoverton, OH, and Kristen Medure and her daughter, Brynslee, of East Rochester, PA; three cousins: Timothy (Helen) Dunlevy of Wellsville; Melissa (Tom) Miller of Salineville and their children: Matthew (Jill) Miller of Shepherd, MI, and Taumi (Conrad) Kalcich and her daughter, Arly Mae, of Pittsburgh, PA; and Dave (Kathy) Grimm and their children: Kasandra (Ryan) Wilson, Debra (Jason) Prendergast, and Dee (Chuck) Willis, and their children, all of Salineville. Jim also leaves behind his close friends: Daniel (Donna) Pratt of East Liverpool, Michael (Michele) Taggart and his son, Nigel, of Salem, and Bill Gray of Saxonburg, PA; Cory Weyand, his neighbor who was like a son to him; and his "fur baby", Lexi Lee. Private services were held at the convenience of the family. Roberts Funeral Home in Wellsville is entrusted with Jim's arrangements. You may view this obituary and send condolences online at www.robertsfuneralhomewellsville.com.

DAVID "Dave" BRANHAM – Died Friday, March 1, 2019 in the VA Medical Center, Detroit, Michigan at the age of 72. He was a resident of Wyandotte, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 28, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Detroit Chapter #9**.

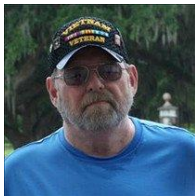


CECIL PAUL "CP" BRIDGES, SR. - Died Wednesday, November 28, 2018 in Campbell, Missouri at the age of 75 years, 1 month and 7 days. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 21, 1943 in Marmaduke, Arkansas to the late Cecil H. Bridges and Verval (née Watson) Bridges. He was a United States Army veteran, serving 2 tours in Vietnam. He was a member of the Southside Baptist Church in Kennett, VFW lodge, **Vietnam Veterans of America – Greenville Chapter #1056** and the American Legion. On July 19, 1976 in Kennett, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Jacqueline Dunn. She survives. Survivors include his wife, Jacqueline Bridges of Kennett, MO; four daughters, Pamela Davis and husband, Dave of Blytheville, AR, Barbara Carbone and husband, Kevin of San Jose, CA, Melissa Bridges and Melanie Bridges both of Springfield, MO; one son, Cecil Paul Bridges, Jr. of Kennett, MO; six sisters, Mary Lou Downing, Vickie Noble, Tina Whitlock, Sherry Wright, Donna Sue Taylor, and Becky Bridges; two brothers, Jerry Don Bridges and Rex Bridges; and a host of other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by one daughter, Misti Dawn Bridges; one sister, Shirley Hutchings and one brother, Bland Bridges. Visitation was on Friday, November 30, 2018 at 6:00 PM at the Bradshaw Funeral Home in Kennett. Funeral services were conducted on December 1, 2018 at 11:00 AM in the chapel with Reverend Johnny Bogel officiating. The burial was in the Dunklin Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Kennett, MO.

WILLIAM Y. "Napalm" BRIDGES - Died Tuesday, March 12, 2019 in Newport News, Virginia at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 8, 1943. He is survived by his wife, Hai, of Newport News; his sister, Joyce (Mel) Whiteside, of Houston, TX, and; a niece, Chery (David) Benson, of Houston, TX. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War with the 7th Armored Cavalry – Black Horse in 1967-1968. He was a *Life Member* of

Vietnam Veterans of America – Newport News Chapter #433. He was also a Life Member of DAV Chapter #58; VFW Post #8252, a 30-year member of The American Legion – Braxton-Perkins Post #25 and a member of Freedom Now of Virginia, Inc. The family received friends from 2:00 to 4:00 PM on Sunday, March 17, 2019 at the Parklawn-Wood Funeral Home, 2551 North Armistead Avenue, Hampton VA 23666. Friends were encouraged to visit www.parklawn-woodfh.com to share memories and words of condolence with the family. The arrangements were under the care of the Parklawn-Wood Funeral Home and Memorial Park, 2551 North Armistead Avenue, Hampton, Virginia 23666.

EDWARD J. BRIELE – Died Monday, February 25, 2019 in Wheatfield, New York at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 3, 1950 in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. He served in the United States Air Force from 1968 to 1972 during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77**



THOMAS LEE “Tom” BRUBAKER, JR. (USA, SFC-Ret.) – Died Tuesday, March 19, 2019 IN North Richland Hills, Texas at the age of 70. The cause of death was pancreatic cancer. He was born on June 8, 1948 to the late Thomas Lee Brubaker, Sr. and Wanda Jo (née Walker) Brubaker. Thomas served 24 years in the United States Army, attached with the 1st Calvary and the 101st Airborne and he served in Vietnam. He was stationed in Denver, CO, Fort Bragg, NC, Berlin, and Frankfurt, Germany. He retired in 1991 as SFC E7. He was a calibration specialist and a meteorological crew member. Thomas had also been an air traffic controller. He was a technical instructor and taught physics. Tom was a lifetime member of the American Legion and was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Grand Prairie Chapter #1013**. Thomas was preceded in death by father, Thomas L Brubaker Sr.; and mother, Wanda Jo Walker Brubaker. Survivors are his wife, Audrey Mae Brubaker; children, Kenneth (Leigh), Richard; grandchildren, Zachary Owens, Riley and Madalyne Brubaker; brother, Donald (Deby) Brubaker; sister, Judy (Jeff) Rhodes; and nieces and nephews. He was interred in the Fort Worth National Cemetery with full military honors.

CHARLES JAMES BUTLER, JR. – Died Wednesday, September 18, 2013 at the VA Medical Center in Iowa City, Iowa at the age of 81. He was a resident of DeWitt, Iowa. He was born on June 7, 1932 in Joliette, North Dakota to the late Charles and Edith (née Carpenter) Butler. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1950 and served his country until his retirement in 1970. On June 8, 1979, he married Thelma M. Neave in Rock Island, IL. Charles was a member of the National Rifle Association, Vietnam Vets, the Disabled American Vets #2, VFW #8883, Masonic Lodge #37, and AMVETS. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776**. He is survived by his Wife: Thelma Butler of DeWitt; three Daughters: Sherry (Kurt) Buterbaugh of KY; Carol Butler of KY, Martha Cousins of DeWitt; seven Sons: Chris Butler of CO, Roger Butler, and Markus Butler, all of KY; Brian (Debbie) Lake of DeWitt, Mike (Teri) Lake of Walcott, IA, Steven (Chris) Lake of DeWitt, Mark Lake of Cedar Rapids, IA; 12 Grandchildren and 6 Great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death

by 13 brothers and sisters. There were no services. Per his wishes, cremation rites have been accorded. The Cunnick-Collins Mortuary and Cremation Service assisted the family with the arrangements.



JAMES R. CAINES – Died Sunday, March 10, 2019 in Pooler, Georgia at the age of .72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 19, 1946. He is survived by his spouse, Shirley A. Caines of Savannah, Ga, brothers Donald Caines (Janet) of Port Wentworth, GA; Robert Caines (Laura) of Grovetown, GA; Steven Caines (Janice) of Harlem, GA; and sister Barbara Mize of Chattanooga, TN; his step-son Anthony Strickland(Katy), grandson Avery; nieces, nephews; great nieces and nephews. James was the Commander of the Military Order of the Purple Heart #596; member of the American Legion Post #135; Marine Corp League #1326; Moose Lodge (Savannah, GA.); VFW #4392; La Société des 40 Hommes et Chevaux Locale #567; International Association of Heat and Frost Insulators and Allied Workers Local #96 (Pooler, GA); Retired from Local #96; Volunteer American Red Cross. He also participated in the Stand Up for America Parade and Savannah Veteran's Day Parade. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Savannah Chapter #671*. Visitation hours were from 11:00 – 12 Noon on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at the Funeral Home, with the Funeral Service at 12:00 Noon. The interment was in the Lower Black Creek Cemetery. The family entrusted the Baker McCullough Funeral Home Garden City Chapel with Services, 2794 West US Highway 80, Garden City, Georgia.



DENNIS C. CALHOUN - Died Thursday, February 7, 2019 in Harrison Township, Michigan at the age of 73. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on May 22, 1945 in Detroit, Michigan to the late Ivan and Helen (née Dunlap) Calhoun. On December 7, 1973 he was united in marriage to the former Lynne A. Emerick. Together they celebrated their 45th Wedding Anniversary. He proudly served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Mr. Calhoun owned and operated K & B Asphalt Co. of Wayne, Michigan and Tucson, Arizona. He was employed in the construction industry for over 42 years retiring in 2007. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Clinton Township Chapter #154*, a member of the Asphalt Pavers Association, and the Corvette Club of Tucson. He and his wife, Lynne were passionate about traveling and enjoyed many cruises together; their favorite destinations being Alaska and Australia. He also enjoyed woodworking and was an avid boater. Survived by wife Lynne, a daughter, two granddaughters, nephews, Keith B. (Lori) Ringstad, Jason Ringstad, Joshua (Nicole) Ringstad, sister-in-law and brother-in-law Lynda (Keith R.) Ringstad, great nephew Brady, canine companion Bubba, and feline buddy Leonard. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by an infant son and great niece Gillian. Visitation was on Tuesday,

February 12, 2019 in the Harold W. Vick Funeral Home, 140 South Main, Mount Clemens from 2:00-8:00 PM with a service at 7:00 PM with the Reverend Brian West officiating and followed by Military Honors conducted by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #154. The burial took place on Thursday, February 14, 2019 at 11:00 AM at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly, Michigan. Contributions may be addressed to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #154 or Karmanos Cancer Institute.



RONALD PAUL "Ronnie" CARR, SR. - Died Friday, December 21, 2018 at Potomac Valley Hospital at the age of 72. He was a resident of Keyser, West Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on Monday, September 30, 1946 in Keyser to the late Glenn I. and Edna F. (née Burns) Carr. In addition to his parents he is preceded in death by his brother, Richard Carr. Ronald graduated from Petersburg High School Class of 1964, proudly served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and retired from Westvaco as a Warehouseman in Finished Product. He was a member of Boyce-Houser American Legion Post #41, VFW Post #3518 Nancy Hanks, Keyser, DAV, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172** and a member by faith of Rees Chapel United Methodist Church. He enjoyed spending time in his garage, using his hands to fix anything, especially automobiles. He also took pride in maintaining his home inside and out. He enjoyed watching sports from the Pirates to "How 'bout them Cowboy's". Surviving are his wife, Frances Louise (née Roy) Carr; his children, Ronald P. Carr, Jr., William M. Carr and wife Lisa and Rhonda L. Swanson and husband Scott; his sisters, Shirley Landis, Sue Carr, Glenna Waters; his grandchildren, Destiney Huffman, Aaron Carr, Haley Dolly, Lexi Carr, Kirstie Carr and Brittany Swanson; his great-grandchildren, Emilyn, Zachary, Zoey, Cameron and Abel. He is also survived by his sister-in-law, Wanda Carr; and numerous nieces and nephews. Memorial Contributions may be made in honor of Ronald Paul "Ronnie" Carr, Sr. to Rees Chapel United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 26, New Creek, WV 26743 or Boyce-Houser American Legion Post #41, 66 South Main Street, Keyser, WV 26726. Friends were received at the Rees Chapel United Methodist Church, 4404 New Creek Highway, New Creek on Friday, December 28, 2018 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. The funeral services were held immediately after visitation at 1:00 PM with the Reverend Dr. Stephon Reed officiating. Inurnment was in the Potomac Memorial Gardens with Military Honors being accorded by United States National Army Honor Guard and Post #13 Veterans Honor Guard. Condolences may be left for the family after "Ronnie's" obituary at www.markwoodfuneralhome.com.

PABLO CASTORENA – Died Friday, March 22, 2019 in El Paso, Texas at the age of 76. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in El Paso on September 6, 1942. He was a veteran of Vietnam War and served proudly as a Drill Instructor and retired with a rank of Gunnery Sergeant serving proudly with United States Marine Corps. After retirement he served as a volunteer for the VA. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – El Paso Chapter #574**. He is survived by his loving siblings; Esteban A. Castorena and Ester Lagesen and

nephews and nieces. Graveside Service were held on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 11:00 AM at the Fort Bliss National Cemetery with Marine Honors. Services entrusted to Sunset Funeral Home-West, 480 North Resler Drive. Please visit our online registry at www.sunsetfuneralhomes.net.

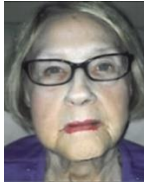


JOHN STANLEY CHATMAN (USA, MSG-Ret.) - Died Thursday, February 28, 2019 in Dayton, Ohio at the age of 70. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on July 23, 1948 in Dayton to the late John and Evelyn Chatman. John received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1982 from Central State University. He retired from the State of Ohio Transportation Department after many years of dedicated service. He served with honor and valor in the United States Army; extremely loyal to his Alma Mater, Central State University; a longtime active member of the CSU National Alumni Association and served as an officer in the Dayton Alumni Chapter. John graciously gave of his time and financial resources to various community and social causes. John never met a stranger and was always very respectful to everyone that crossed his path. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97**. He was a devoted brother, uncle, cousin, friend and mentor. He leaves to cherish his memory: three sisters, Avis Crutcher Williams, Dagmar Chatman-Keith (Cordell) and Toni Chatman Alexander; nephew, Don Allen Crutcher Jr.; three nieces, Latoya McFarland, Jamila Chatman and Carmen Williams, and a host of cousins, other relatives and friends. Visitation hours were held from 4:00-8:00 PM on Friday, March 8, 2019 at the Thomas Funeral Home, 4520 Salem Avenue. Homegoing celebration was held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, March 9, 2019 at the Greater Allen AME Church, 1620 West Fifth Street with Pastor Elmer S. Martin, officiating. The family received friends one hour prior to the service. The interment was held at 11:00 AM on Monday, March 11, 2019 at the Dayton National Cemetery. The arrangements were entrusted to the Thomas Funeral Home, 4520 Salem Avenue, Dayton. On-line condolences may also be sent to the family at www.thomasfunerals.com.



JOSEPH PAUL “Joe” CHRISTIANO - Died Thursday, January 24, 2019 in Butler, Pennsylvania at the age of 72, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death was cancer. Joe was born in New York City, New York on October 27, 1946 to the late Joseph and Josephine Christiano. After retiring as a letter carrier for United States Post Office in Franklin Lakes, he worked as a custodian at the Richard Butler School. He was a veteran of the Vietnam war serving for the United States Army, a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #8096 in Butler, and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rutherford Chapter #800**. He loved listening to oldies music, playing golf, and the New York Rangers. Joe is survived by his devoted wife of 50 years, JoAnne, his beloved children, Derrick and his wife Stephanie and Tracy Vitale and her husband Joseph, his cherished grandchildren, Madison Christiano and Joseph and Sophia Vitale and his loving and caring sisters in law and brothers in law, Judy and

Annette Cappello and Philip Cappello and Paul Bologna. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, Aunts, cousins and loyal friends. Viewing hours were held on Sunday, January 27, 2019 from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the Morrison Funeral Home, 86 Bartholdi Avenue, Butler, New Jersey. A funeral service was offered at 5:00 PM on Sunday also at the funeral home. The final disposition was held in private. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to either New Jersey Vietnam Veterans Memorial Foundation (NJVVMF), 1 Memorial Lane, Holmdel, NJ 07733 or Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) (Chapter #800), 35 Wingra Avenue, Rutherford, NJ 07070 ATTN: Scholarship.



BETTY JEAN CHUBB – Died Friday, February 22, 2019 in Holly Hill, Florida at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on August 11, 1940. With her husband Steve by her side, Betty Jean Chubb left this world of pain and suffering to be with her Lord Jesus. She is survived by her husband Steve, and two sons, Kenneth Rentz of North Carolina and Robert Rentz of Maryland along with granddaughters and great-granddaughters. She was a member of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – New Smyrna Beach Chapter #1048**.



LAWRENCE R. "Larry" COPELAND – Died on Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25, 2018 in Carpinteria, California at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on September 19, 1942 and moved to California when he was 14. He served as a United States Navy SeaBee during the Vietnam War and was stationed at Port Hueneme and at Midway Island. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Carpinteria Chapter #218**. Larry also worked in the food service industry since he was 16, retiring at the age of 61. Larry was the middle child of three and will be remembered by his younger brother Mike. Larry married his wife, Katrina in June 1976 and was the father to four children. Larry was known as a true family man and animal lover. He was honorable, caring and kind, and will be missed by all who knew him. Larry is survived by his wife Katrina, his children and grandchildren. The celebration of Larry's life was held at Saint Joseph Church in Carpinteria on Saturday March 2nd with a Mass at 11:30 AM and a gathering immediately afterwards. The arrangements were entrusted to the McDermott-Crockett Mortuary.



WILLIAM W. "Bill" CORNELIUS – Died Friday, February 5, 2016 at the Billings Clinic Hospital, Billings, Montana at the age of 64. He was a resident of Joliet, Montana. The cause of death is unknown. Bill was born in Miles City, Montana on October 28, 1951 to the late William W. Cornelius and Mary Ellen (née Cross) Cornelius. He spent his childhood in the Forsyth/Rosebud area and graduated from Rosebud High School in 1968. After high school, Bill attended the Montana State University for a couple of semesters until the Draft Board called his number. Bill was sent to Vietnam with the United States Army and though he returned home to Montana, he forever bore the scars from his time in the jungle. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Montana**. When Bill returned to Montana, he followed his father's footsteps and operated heavy equipment throughout the states of Montana, Wyoming, and Idaho. Bill also went to Alaska and worked on the Alaskan pipeline. In 1980, Bill's son, William W. Cornelius Jr. "Billy" was born. When Billy was nine months old, his mother, Bill's wife Sandy Cornelius was killed in a traffic accident. Bill moved to driving truck, which allowed him to take Billy with him. He would often say that he and Billy had been to every state, except Maine and Vermont. Once Billy started school, Bill settled in Billings. He became known as one of the finest finish dozer operators in the state of Montana. When working for Schellinger Construction, Bill took 1st place as a Finish Dozer Operator in the regional Equipment Rodeo held in Idaho. Construction Companies sent their best operators to the competition for bragging rights. Bill is survived by his beloved son, Billy Cornelius (Melissa); wife, Marilyn; daughter, Shasta Waldo; brothers, Jim and Dan Cornelius; aunt and uncle, Pat and Ted Moore, numerous other aunts, uncles, and cousins; and the apple of his eye, granddaughter Aylah Cornelius with whom he shared his love of gardening and spending time with the animals. The interment was in the Yellowstone National Cemetery with Military honors on Friday, May 27th. A Celebration of Life reception was held following the interment. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Wounded Warriors or the local Veterans Association of your choice.

WILLIAM K. CRUM – Died recently in 2018 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 2, 1948. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New York**.

RICHARD RANDALL "Randy" CUNNINGHAM – Died Wednesday, January 30, 2019 in Milan, Tennessee at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 31, 1948 in Gibson County, Tennessee to the late Joel Cunningham and Annie B. Cunningham, of Bradford, Tennessee who survives. Randy graduated from Bradford High School in 1967. He began working at ITT Milan. He married his wife Jane (née McCartney) Cunningham in January 1968. He was drafted into United States Army in May 1968. After basic training he was sent to Vietnam for a 12-month tour. While serving he was awarded two Meritorious Medals of Valor, two Bronze Stars of Valor, two Purple Hearts, Combat Infantry Badge and other unit citations.

He rose to rank of Sergeant E-5. After his service he returned to ITT. In 1974 he began a career with Gibson Co. EMS. He retired after serving 37 years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Trenton Chapter #1124**. He is survived by his wife Jane (née McCartney) Cunningham of Milan, Tennessee, two sons Steven (Meg) Cunningham of Milan, Tennessee, Scott Cunningham of Milan, Tennessee, mother Annie B. Cunningham of Bradford, Tennessee, two grandson Blake Cunningham, Blaine Cunningham. He is preceded in death by his father Joel Cunningham, two brothers Jones "Mouse" Cunningham, and Mack Cunningham, two sisters-in-law, Betty Cunningham, and Shirley Cunningham. Funeral services were held on Saturday February 2, 2019 at 11:00 AM at the Hunt Funeral Home, LLC with Brother Kenneth Epperson and Brother Mike Melton co-officiating. The burial was at Belew's Chapel Cemetery. Visitation hours with the family were held on Friday from 4:00 until 8:00 PM at the funeral home. The pallbearers were Blake Cunningham, Blaine Cunningham, Alan Abbott, Brent Abbott, William Longmire, Don McCartney. The honorary pallbearers were Bill McCartney, Earl McAlister, Frank Williams, Robert Earl Owen. Randy was a member of Belews Chapel General Baptist Church. Memorials may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #1124 of Gibson County. Hunt Funeral Home LLC was honored to serve the family of Richard "Randy" Cunningham.



GREGORY CARTER "Greg" DAIGNEAULT - Died Tuesday, June 19, 2018 at the Maine Medical Center at the age of 75. He was a resident of North Berwick, Maine. The cause of death was multi-system organ failure following heart valve replacement surgery, diabetes mellitus-Type II. He was born on November 16, 1942 in Huntington, West Virginia to the late Llewelyn G. and Louise (née Beazley) Daigneault. Greg was a graduate of Cheverus High School in Portland, Maine and earned his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from the University of South Maine. He was proud to be a United States Marine, serving during the Vietnam War at Chu Lai. He was awarded several medals including the Vietnam Service Medal with three Bronze Stars. He shared stories of his experiences of that time with his family regularly. After his USMC service, he worked several different jobs such as a mortgage loan interviewer in Portland and a middle school teacher in Phillips, Maine. After his retirement, he enjoyed his position as bus driver for MSAD 60 in North Berwick, ME. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Biddeford Chapter #1044**. Greg loved woodworking and made many pieces of furniture for his home. He took great pride in keeping his home and property neat. He also loved fishing and a peaceful game of golf. He'll be remembered as a very kind and gentle man with a big sense of humor. Mostly, Greg loved his family greatly. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Dr. Susan D. Daigneault of North Berwick and their son, Matthew E. D. Daigneault and his wife, Maribe Zolli of Dover, NH. At Greg's request, there were no public services. A Celebration of his life was held at their home. Friends may contribute to a charity of their choice. The arrangements were entrusted to the Johnson Funeral Home, 26 Market Street, North Berwick, ME. Condolences may be expressed at www.JohnsonFuneralHomeME.com.

SIDNEY EARL DANIELS – Died Monday, February 25, 2019 in Rockville, Maryland at the age of 73. The cause of death was pneumonia, acute renal failure and dementia. He was born in Shamrock, Florida on April 24, 1945. He was the beloved husband of Robertina “Rosie” A. Daniels; loving father of Seddrick W. Daniels, and Jehan Fevriere; grandfather of Lindsey and Devin Daniels, and Dalen Fevriere; brother of Charles, Marion and Michael Daniels, and Brenda Lamb; nephew of Vivian Baker, and uncle of Ebonee; grand uncle of Trinity, and countless cousins. He served in the United States Army from 1967 to 1969 during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Silver Spring Chapter #641**. A service was held at the Pumphrey’s Colonial Funeral Home, 300 West Montgomery Avenue (Route 28, just off I-270 exit 6A), Rockville, MD on Saturday, March 9, 2019 at 1:30 PM. The family received friends following the service until 4:00 PM. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Wounded Warrior Project, 4899 Belfort Road, Suite #300, Jacksonville, Florida 32256.



JOHNNY DONALD DAVIS - Died Thursday, February 14, 2019 at VA Medical Center in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma at the age of 72. He was a resident of Lawton, Oklahoma. The cause of death was cancer. Johnny was born on September 7, 1946 in Troy, Alabama to the late Milton Davis and Dorothy Marie (née Sneed) Davis. He joined the United States Army in 1968 and served 11 years active duty, including Vietnam and 2 overseas duties. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**. Johnny also worked in the oil fields, as a truck driver and he owned and operated a taxi cab service. He was a hardworking man with morals, values and charisma. He married Mikii T. Davis and they lived in Lawton until his death. Johnny was a God-fearing man and loved his Family more than anything! He is preceded in death by his parents, Dorothy Sneed and Milton Davis; his grandmother, Marie Sneed; his brother, Donnie Davis; his sisters, Gloria Bean and Angela Davis and Ann Marie Sneed. Johnny is survived by his sisters, Belinda Woods and Bobby Whitus, JoAnn and Jim Scott of Troy, Alabama and Debbie and David Brown of Columbia, South Carolina; his brother in law, Kevin Washington of Lawton, Ok, J.T. and Janice Jones and Kenneth Jones of Troy, Alabama; his children, Ursula Davis and Ola Lenore Russaw of Daleville, Alabama; his grandbabies, Honesty Davis, Imajia Shipman and Jyciana Davis of Daleville, Alabama; his beloved fur babies, Joy and Tyke; and a host of nieces and nephews.



STARR G. “Barney” DEIBERT - Died Thursday, March 7, 2019 at his home in Minising, Michigan at the age of 72, following an unexpected illness. He was born on January 1, 1947 in Munising to the late Alton and Ramona (née Kjellin) Deibert. Barney attended the William G. Mather High School and was in the Class of 1965. He worked as a field assistant in the Geological Survey before entering into the United States Army. Barney served

in Vietnam from 1966 until 1968. He returned home to Munising and went to work at Hartho. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Negaunee Chapter #380**. Barney retired from Timber Products as the head watchman after many years of service. In years past, he liked hunting and fishing, and Barney had a pilot's license and enjoyed spending time at the Hanley air field. He took great pleasure in harassing the waitresses at 387 on a daily basis, and he also enjoyed researching things on his computer. He is survived by his sisters – Echoe Deibert, of Marquette and Blanche Brown, of Marquette; nieces, Brenda Abbott and Cristy (Robert) Souder-Clary; nephew, Brad (Nicky) Brown; and a special cousin – Willis (Myrna) McFarlin. Barney was preceded in death by his parents, Alton and Ramona and by his brother, Alton Deibert. No public services will be held.

LOUIS A. DELGADO – Died recently in 2019 in the South Florida Nininger Veteran Nursing Home in Pembroke Pines, Florida at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 14, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Boca Raton Chapter #1125**.



DAVID M. DEMINSKY - Died Friday, February 22, 2019 in Sun City, Arizona at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 16, 1947 in Streator, Illinois to the late Andrew and Mary (née Negray) Deminsky and grew up there with a large extended family nearby. He served in the United States Air Force in Vietnam and started his family with his wife, Kathleen, shortly after returning. They moved to Tucson, AZ in 1976. For 20 years, he worked on Davis Monthan Air Force Base for the Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Center (AMARC) as a wood worker. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Sun City Chapter #1043**. He retired early and moved to Sun City in 2007 where he enjoyed his swimming pool March-November. He spent a lot of time at the Bell Woodworking Club and made many friends there. Woodworking was his lifelong passion and he made many beautiful items for friends and family, especially his grandson. Mostly he will be remembered as a dedicated, loving father and a wonderful Papa to his grandson, Alex. He is survived by his daughters Dana (Zazueta) and Mary Ann, son Clinton, grandson Alejandro, and sons-in-law Dan Zazueta and Keven Caldwell. He was preceded in death by his wife, Kathleen (née Iverson) Deminsky, his father Andrew, mother Mary (Negray), his sister Marilyn Cox, and brother Terry. Funeral services were held on March 16, 2019 at 10:00 AM at Sunland Memorial Park, 15826 North Del Webb Boulevard, Sun City, AZ. A reception followed. White Sox Bears or University of Arizona attire was encouraged. The Cubs, Packers and Cowboys would be insulting, just as Dave would have wanted. Flowers may be sent to Sunland or donations, in lieu of flowers to Disabled American Veterans.



PAUL L. DePAOLI - Died Tuesday, September 16, 2014 in Middle Island, New York at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 16, 1943 in Westbury, New York. He was a United States Army Vietnam Veteran. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hicksville Chapter #82**. He retired from the United States Post Office. Paul was an athlete, a poet, a comedian and a counselor. He was the beloved husband of Linda (née Casilli); loving father of Paul DePaoli (Jennifer), and Mary-Jo DePaoli-Brower (John); cherished grandfather of Ryan, Jake, Justin and Logan DePaoli and John and Alexis Brower, and; dear brother of Annette Buffalino (Nick). The arrangements were made by the O.B. Davis Funeral Homes, 4839 Nesconset Highway (Route 347), Port Jefferson Station, NY. Visiting hours were on Saturday and Sunday 2:00-4:00 and from 7:00-9:00 PM. The Funeral Mass was on Monday at 10:30 AM at Saint Frances Cabrini Roman Catholic Church, Coram, NY. The interment was in the Calverton National Cemetery. www.obdavis.com.

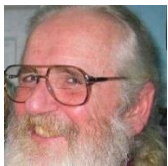


RONALD EDWARD "Ron" DIXON - Died Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at the Clarissa Cook Hospice House in Bettendorf, Iowa at the age of 80. He was a resident of Moline, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. Ron was born on April 22, 1938 in Moline to the late Edward Nelson and Dorothy Mae (née Metzger) Dixon. He was a 1956 graduate of United Township High School. He attended the University of Illinois and was a member of Phi Sigma Kappa and graduated from Augustana College in 1962 and was a member of Beta Omega Sigma. He proudly served in the United States Army from 1962-1964 as a Specialist 4 when he was honorably discharged. He first worked for IH at the East Moline Plant in 1959. He returned to college in 1960. After graduating from college and then serving his country for 2 years, he returned to the East Moline plant in August 1964. He entered the management training program in August 1965. He held supervisor's position in welding, assembly, shearline, combine repair, receiving inspection, and Department 36. He retired from the East Moline Plant in November 1992. He returned to work on contract in April 1993. He last worked in March 2008. Ron was a past member of the American Legion, Friends Circle Club and the East End Club. He was a current *Life Member* **Vietnam Veterans of America – Quad Cities (Rock Island) Chapter #299**, Moline Vikings and Swithzoid Club. Ron married Joanne Windey Perkins on October 2, 1965 in Rock Island. Together they raised Joanne's two daughters, Carrie O'Neill and Sherrie Brown. They had two sons, John and Patrick. Patrick's untimely death in May 2007 was devastating to the entire family. Joanne died five months later. Ron never got over the loss of his beautiful wife, Mother of his children and best friend. Ron enjoyed his family and friends, playing golf, fall fishing trips to Minaki, Ontario, Canada, putting in a vegetable garden, having an adult beverage with friends at the north end of Hafners, going to Marco Island in the winter,

going to Door County, Wisconsin in the fall, Chicago during the holidays, sundowns, his four dogs, Oscar, Hap, Lucky and Susie, cruises and mostly "Life". Survivors include children, Carrie O'Neill, Bettendorf, IA, Sherrie Brown (Gary Lenz) Dubuque, IA, and John (Dawn) Dixon, Moline, IL; grandchildren, Rachel (Justin) Peterson, Adam (Cashlin) Boyle, Jennifer Brown, Zachary Brown, Zack (Trisha) Cox, and Ashley (Alex Ryckeghem) Cox; 9 great grandchildren; sister, Joan Lehmann, Rapid City, SD. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and son, Patrick. Visitation hours were from 2:00-5:00 PM on Sunday at the Van Hoe Funeral Home, LTD, East Moline. Funeral services were on Monday at 10:00 AM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Moline. The burial was at Saint Mary Mausoleum in East Moline. Memorials may be made to Clarissa C. Cook Hospice House, VVA Chapter #299, or the Animal Welfare Center. Online condolences may be left for the family at www.vanhoe.com.



FELIM P. DOHERTY - Died Wednesday, January 9, 2019 in Bloomfield, New Jersey at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Newark, New Jersey on July 29, 1950 to the late Thomas and Margaret (née McKenna) Doherty. He lived in Newark prior to moving to Bloomfield 55 years ago. He retired from the Essex County Sheriff's Department as a Sheriff's Officer. Felim was a member of the F.O.P. Lodge #12 and a United States Air Force Veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rutherford Chapter #800**. He is survived by his loving wife, Lynn E. (née McCombs) Doherty; his daughter, Caitlin and his sisters and brothers, Charles, Margaret and Thomas Doherty, Elizabeth Graf, Patrick and Kevin Doherty, Ita Ferrie, Mary Markham and Peter Doherty. Along with his parents he was also predeceased by his sisters, Rose Anne Pitts, Alice Doherty and his brother Brendan Doherty. There was a memorial service held at the Kingdom Hall, 23 Hunt Place in Nutley on Saturday, January 19, 2019 at 5:00 PM.



MICHAEL F. "Mike" DONOHUE, JR. - Died Saturday, October 13, 2018 at CRVNA Hospice House in Concord, New Hampshire at the age of 70 after a long battle with COPD and cancer. He was a resident of Bradford, New Hampshire. He was born in Dorchester, Massachusetts on January 9, 1948 to the late Michael and Marie (née McGowan) Donahue. He attended Christ the King Elementary School and Rice Memorial High School in Burlington, VT graduating in 1965. He entered the United States Army in October 1967 and served in the 1st Engineer Battalion, 1st Infantry Division. He did two tours of duty in Vietnam and was discharged on February 5, 1970. Mike received five commendation medals, one being an Oak Leaf Cluster, and also a certificate of appreciation. He wore his army colors proudly throughout his life. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Concord Chapter #41**. Moving on with his life, he attended the University of VT from 1971 graduating in 1976 with a

BS in Engineering. Mike married Joy Johnson in 1973 divorcing in 1996. They had three children. After graduating from UVM Michael was hired by NH Dept. of Transportation in Concord as a civil engineer from which he retired in 2004 as Senior Consultant Supervisor. When asked recently about his job-Michael said with great sincerity, "I loved my job, I really loved my job!" Mike had many friends. He enjoyed sitting around a firepit or anywhere talking and talking and talking about politics or any subject, with beer or coffee in hand. He loved to read and enjoyed coin collecting. He enjoyed hunting but was rarely successful. Survivors include his sons, Sean Donahue and his wife, Shannon of Northfield, NH, Kevin Donahue of Danbury, NH, Timothy Donahue of New London, NH, grandson, Aidan Donahue and granddaughter, Camille Donahue; sibling, Kathleen Schweithelm and her husband, Arthur of Northport, NY; nieces, Amy Schweithelm of San Diego, CA, Laura Flanagan of Northport, NY, Megan Kelly of Northport, NY and former wife, Joy J. Donahue. Friends visited the family at the Chadwick Funeral Home, 235 Main Street, New London, NH on Thursday, October 25, 2018 from 5:00-7:00 PM. A service was held on Friday, October 26, 2018 at 1:30 PM at the NH Veterans Cemetery, 110 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen, NH. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America, 8719 Coleville Road, Suite 100, Silver Springs, MD 20910.



ROGER WAYNE DUCKETT - Died Monday, December 24, 2018 in Clearfield, Pennsylvania at the age of 72. The cause of death was end-stage chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and dementia. Roger was born on July 23, 1946 in Clearfield to the late George D. Duckett and Mary Zoe (née Aughenbaugh) Duckett. On May 20, 1978 he wed Patricia M. (née Miller) Duckett in Sinnemahoning, PA. Pat resides in Clearfield. He served in the United States Army from November 4, 1966 to November 1, 1968. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clearfield Chapter #974**. His generosity, kindness, humor and love will be dearly missed. There was no public visitation or service. A celebration of Roger's life occurred at a later date. PA Simple Cremation, Clearfield assisted the family. To sign the on-line guest-book go to www.pasimplecremation.com.



HARLEY CHARLES DUNAKIN, SR. - Died Wednesday, March 13, 2019 in Paulding, Ohio at the age of 74. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in South Bend, Indiana on August 15, 1944 to the late Carrie (née Henderson) and Charles Dunakin, Sr. On June 2, 1973 he married Jacqueline Huebner who survives. He was a United States Army veteran serving 13 months in the 196th Light Infantry Brigade and retired in 1999 from GM Powertrain. He was a member of Saint Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Paulding; lifetime member of VFW Post #587; lifetime member of Eagles #2405; UAW #211; Fish and Game Club; and the American

Legion. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Defiance Chapter #954**. He was a former softball and baseball coach. he and Jacki enjoyed traveling all over the world. He enjoyed hunting, woodcarving, taxidermy, and carpentry and was an avid Ohio State Fan. His very unique sense of humor will be missed. He is also survived by his children, Harley (Jody) Dunakin Jr., Latty, Dionicia Webster, Paulding, April Dunakin, Bradenton, FL, Kevin Dunakin, Paulding, Shawn Dunakin, Hicksville, Erin (Kelly Morrow) Dunakin, Brooklyn, MI, and Storm (Katrina) Dunakin, Colorado Springs, CO; brother, Douglas (Micki) Dunakin, Antwerp; 18 grandchildren; and 10 great grandchildren. He is also preceded in death by his brothers, David and Charles, Jr. Funeral services were conducted at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, March 19th at Saint Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, Paulding. He was laid to rest in Saint Paul Cemetery, Paulding. Visitation hours were from 2:00 – 8:00 PM on Monday, March 18th at the Den Herder Funeral Home, Paulding. There was also visitation at the church from 10:00 AM until the time of services. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation made to Saint Paul Evangelical Church or Honor Flight.

PAUL L. DUNN – Died recently in 2019 in Batavia, Ohio at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 3, 1943. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Batavia Chapter #649**.



ROBERT JUDD ECKERSON, MD - Died Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at his home in Vernon Township, New Jersey at the age of 76. He was formerly of Sussex, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Spring Valley, New York on January 6, 1942 to the late Frank M. and Fannie “Anne” Eckerson. Robert was a dedicated Police Officer in Clarkstown, New York. While working as a Police Officer, he continued serving his country as a United States Army Helicopter Pilot. He was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Vernon Chapter #1002**. After 20 years as a Police Officer, he retired and attended Medical School. After completing his residency program, he again served his country as a United States Air Force Physician. He and his wife Lucille moved to Vernon, NJ in 1997 where Robert served our community as a Physician at Vernon Urgent Care in Vernon, NJ. Predeceased by his parents, his sister Jane Eckerson Hill; brother Frank M. Eckerson, Jr.; father-in-law, John Zagarese; and brother in law Dennis Zagarese, Robert is survived by his loving wife of 34 years, Lucille (née Zagarese) Eckerson; mother-in-law, Marion Zagarese; sisters-in-law, Diane and husband Shawn Callahan and Janeen and John Calaca; niece Kiersten Fuchs and her fiancé, Kenneth Minnes; and nephews, Joseph R. and James T. Calaca. Services were private and under the direction of the Ferguson Funeral Home, 27 Third Street, Sussex, NJ 07461. Memorial donations in Robert’s name may be made to the Disabled American Veterans and the Wounded Warrior Project.

MICHAEL R. EGAN – Died Monday, October 15, 2018 in Englewood, Florida at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 6, 1945. He is survived by his wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Florida**.

DAVID DENNIS ELLIS - Died Wednesday, August 1, 2018 at his residence in Boyertown, Pennsylvania at the age of 71. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Reading, Pennsylvania to the late Robert H. Ellis, widower of Emma R. (née Shirey) Ellis. David was a 1965 graduate of Boyertown High School. He was the husband of Sandra F. (née Riegner) Ellis, of Boyertown. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was employed by U.S. Airways in Philadelphia and worked in fleet services from 1969 through 2005. He also worked at Redner's Markets in Pottstown from 2005 through 2015. He was a life member of the American Legion Post 471 of Boyertown where he was presently Adjutant and past Commander. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Temple Chapter #131**. He also was a member of the board of directors for Boyertown Area Youth baseball. Also surviving are one brother, Robert W. Ellis and two sisters, Kathleen (Ellis) Echols and Bonnie (Ellis) Russ. Relatives and friends were invited to attend his funeral service on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at 10:30 AM at Morrell Funeral Home, Inc., 124 West Philadelphia Avenue, Boyertown, PA. A viewing was held from 9:30 to 10:30 AM at the funeral home. The burial was in the Saint Paul Lutheran Church Cemetery in Sassamansville. Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to Boyertown Area Youth Baseball, P.O. Box 1982, Boyertown, PA 19512. The Morrell Funeral Home, Inc., was in charge of the arrangements. (www.morrellfuneralhome.com).

ROBERT J. EMERY - Died Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at the Brighton Rehabilitation and Wellness Center in Brighton Township, Pennsylvania at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was a resident of Beaver, Pennsylvania and formerly of Bridgewater, Pennsylvania. He was born on July 6, 1947 in Rochester, Pennsylvania, to the late Leland and Margaret (née Haney) Emery. Robert was a veteran of the United States Army having served during Vietnam, graduated from Beaver Area High School, and he had retired from K-Mart. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. Surviving Robert is a daughter Rosemary (Andrew) Rush of Brighton Township, Pa, five brothers Lee (Patty) Emery of Cape Coral, Fl; Jack (Barb) Emery of Bedford, Pa; Tim (Joyce) Emery of Bridgeville, Pa; Mark Emery of Fairfax, VA; and Larry (Debbie) Emery of Bayport, NY; two grandsons, Micah and Oliver Rush. As well as numerous nieces and nephews, aunts and uncles. As per his wishes, all the services were private. The interment took place in the Beaver Cemetery. Arrangements were conducted by the Noll Funeral Home Inc., 333 Third Street, Beaver, PA. Online condolences may be shared at www.nollfuneral.com.

DONALD E. EVANSHINE, JR. – Died Monday, November 22, 2010 in Batavia, Ohio at the age of 61. He was formerly of Mount Washington. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 8, 1949. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Batavia Chapter #649**. He was the devoted father of Shane T. Evanshine, brother of Terry (Kathie) Evanshine and Kim (Harry) Thompson, dear uncle of Chris, Chad and Chase Evanshine, Mathew and Jessica Justice, great-uncle of Grace and Elizabeth

Evanshine. Funeral services were conducted at the T.P. White and Sons Funeral Home, 2050 Beechmont Avenue, Mount Washington on Tuesday, November 30th at 9:30 AM. Friends visited on Monday from 6:00 to 9 PM. Memorials were requested to Vietnam Veterans of America.



GERY PHILLIP EZELL - Died Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at the Tennessee State Veteran's Home at the age of 75. He was a resident of Clarksville, Tennessee. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on April 4, 1943 in Clarksville to the late Raymond and Mildred (née Miles) Ezell. Gery served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and was retired from South Central Bell as an engineer. He was a member of the Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity and a graduate of Austin Peay State University. He was a charter member of Hilldale UMC and *Past President* and *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Clarksville Chapter #396**. He was a Shriner and member of Masonic Lodge #747. Gery was very active in the Missing in America Project. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Dorothy Ezell; daughters, Terri (Eric Herndon) Ezell and Apryl (Jon) Steele; brothers, Gene (MaryAnn), Ronnie (Ann) Ezell, and Chris (Nancy) Ezell; and grandson, Jonathan Steele. Funeral service for Gery Phillip Ezell was on Monday, April 1, 2019 at 12:00 Noon at the Sykes Funeral Home. Bro. Bill Graham officiated. Entombment was at the Resthaven Memorial Gardens. Members of Clarksville High School Class of 1961 served as pallbearers. The family received friends on Sunday, March 31, 2019 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM with a Masonic Service to follow and again on Monday from 10:00 AM until the hour of service. Please visit Gery's guestbook at www.sykesfuneralhome.com and share a memory with the family.

JOHN E. FABULA - Died peacefully on Friday, May 18, 2018 in Bayonne, New Jersey at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. John was born on November 19, 1944 in Bayonne to the late John A. Fabula and Patricia (née Fleming) Fabula and lived there all his life. He proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps during Vietnam. He was a member of the American Legion Post #19, and Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #4. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rutherford Chapter #800**. He was a retired Jersey City Police Officer, serving the City for over 25 years. He was the devoted husband of Mary Ellen (née Lacey) Fabula; proud father of Laurie Ann Slovik {Joseph}, John P. Fabula-Kearny PD {Jessica}, and Coleen M. Fabula {Vincent}; cherished grandfather of Alayna Koslow, Tyler Slovik and Eloise Fabula; dear brother of Raymond J. Fabula, Robert M. Fabula and the late Margaret Ann Bilak. Relatives and friends were invited to attend the viewing on Tuesday, May 22nd from 2:00-4:00 and from 7:00-9:00 PM at the G. Keenen O'Brien Funeral Home, 984 Avenue C, Bayonne. A Funeral Mass will be offered on Wednesday, May 23rd at 10:00 AM at Saint Vincent Church. The interment was in the Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to: St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (envelopes available at the Funeral Home).

BERNARD D. FRY – Died recently in 2019 in Largo, Florida at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 17, 1949 in Rochester, New York. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**.



ROBERT LOUIS "Bob" GAMBERT, JR. (USA, CW4-Ret.) - Died Sunday, March 10, 2019 in his home in Carlisle Pennsylvania at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 11, 1943 in San Francisco, California to the late Robert Louis Gambert, Sr. and Elvera Anne (née Lopez) Gambert-Jones. Robert was a member of the VFW Post #477, NCOA, USA Warrant Officers Association, AUSA, and American Legion Post #101. He was also a life member of the 11th ACR, NRA, AMVETS Post #274 and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Harrisburg Chapter #542**. Bob was a 4th Degree Knight with the Knights of Columbus – Saint Martin's Assembly. Robert honorably served his country in the United States Army for 33 years, including two tours in Vietnam and a tour in Desert Storm, before retiring as a CW4. Bob is survived by his wife, Ute C. (née Allinger) Gambert of Stuttgart, Germany; one daughter, Patricia Lorena Gambert of El Paso, TX; two granddaughters, Lorena Gambert of San Antonio, TX, and Monica Amelia Gambert of Harrisburg, PA; one grandson, Juan Carlos Gambert of El Paso, TX; three sisters, Barbara Jones (husband Bruce) Ricci, Mary Portillo, and Nelly Gambert; one great-grandson, Angelo Mejia of San Antonio, TX; one nephew, Robert Jones of San Francisco, CA; and one niece, Gloryanna Ricci of San Francisco, CA. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at the Mary Queen of Peace Chapel, 452 Mara Circle, Carlisle, PA with Reverend Father Tyson Wood as celebrant. The burial was private and held at the convenience of the family at Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. A viewing was held on Friday, March 15, 2019 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM at the Hoffman Funeral Home and Crematory, 2020 West Trindle Road, Carlisle, PA. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to VFW Post #477, 2104 West Trindle Road Carlisle, PA 17013. To view the full obituary or to sign the guestbook, please visit www.HoffmanFH.com.



DAVID F. GARCEAU, SR. - Died Sunday, January 14, 2018 in Winter Haven, Florida at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 6, 1940. He leaves his beloved wife Beverly A. Garceau, along with four children, Donna J. Parker, Leeann M. Williams, David F. Garceau, JR., and Don J. Garceau. He also leaves behind grandchildren and several great-grandchildren. Mr. Garceau proudly served in the United States Army for over 20 years, received two purple hearts as well as many service commendations. He was a *Life Member* of

Vietnam Veterans of America – Auburndale Chapter #1040. Services were held at 1:00 PM on Friday, January 18, 2019 at Ott-Laughlin, Auburndale.



ROBERT JOSEPH GILMAN – Died Saturday, April 21, 2018 in Franklin Park, Illinois at the age of 72. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related lung cancer. He was born on December 15, 1945 in Chicago, Illinois. He was the beloved husband of Patricia; loving father of Suzanne (Alan) Dugosh and Joanne (Keith) Majors; proud grandfather of Daniel, Tessa, Sadie, Kendall and Drew; dear brother of Richard (Cathy), Michael (Sue), Mark (Carol), Joanne, Denise (Tom) Jaszka and the late Virginia Guillo, and; cherished uncle of many. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War with a tour of duty in Vietnam from September 1964 to September 1965. Robert was a *Life Member* and *Past-President* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Des Plaines Chapter #311**, a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #2992 of Des Plaines, and the Disabled American Veterans. In lieu of flowers memorials to the DAV Disabled American Veterans, CST.DAV.org > GIVING OPTIONS > Donate Now or DAV Charitable Service Trust, 3725 Alexandria Pike, Cold Spring, KY 41076 were appreciated. Visitation hours took place on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 from 3:00 to 9:00 PM at the Sax-Tiedemann Funeral Home and Crematorium, 9568 Belmont Avenue, Franklin Park. The funeral service was held on Thursday, April 26, 2018 at 11:00 AM at the funeral home. Inurnment was at the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery.

MARY CATHRYN (née Batson) GOBERT - Died Friday, August 3, 2018 at Harbor Hospice, Beaumont, Texas at the age of 68. She was a resident of Vidor, Texas. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on November 12, 1949 in Many, Louisiana to the late Mary Addy (née Alfred) Batson and Melburn John Batson. Survivors include her husband, Rodney Gobert; daughters, Cheryl Marie Bouse and her husband, Randy T. Bouse, of Fred; Samantha “Sam” Rae Martin and her husband, Brian G. Martin, of Lumberton; brother, Bubba Batson; grandchildren, Randi Marie Bouse, Thomas Anthony “Tony” Rogers, Gabriel Ray Rogers; and cousin, Carol Ann Greer and her husband, Lloyd, of Gladewater, Texas. She was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Beaumont Chapter #292**. She is preceded in death by her sister, Eula Irene Batson-Dillon. Cremation arrangements were under the direction of Broussard’s, 2000 McFaddin Avenue, Beaumont.



RODNEY ANTHONY GOBERT - Died Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at Harbor Hospice, Beaumont, Texas at the age of 71. He was a resident of Vidor, Texas. He was born on August 28, 1947 in Lake Charles, Louisiana to the late Mary Agnus (née Landreneaux) Gobert

and John Justin Gobert. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Beaumont Chapter #292**. Survivors include his daughters, Cheryl Marie Bouse, and her husband, Randy; and Samantha “Sam” Rae Martin, and her husband, Brian; grandchildren, Randi Marie Bouse, Thomas Anthony “Tony” Rogers, and Gabriel Ray Rogers; brother, John W. Gobert, and his wife, Martha, of Orange; sisters, Roxanne Navarro, and Diane Duke. He is preceded in death by his wife, Mary Cathryn (née Batson) Gobert, his parents, and three brothers. Cremation arrangements were handled through Broussard’s Crematorium, Beaumont.



LAWRENCE ANTHONY “Larry” GOUCHER – Died Tuesday, March 12, 2019 in the VA Providence Medical Center, Providence, Rhode Island at the age of 70. He was a resident of Pawtucket, Rhode Island. The cause of death was respiratory failure and multiple organ failure. He was born in Limerock (Lincoln), Rhode Island on December 4, 1948 to the late Robert Patrick Goucher, Sr. and Elizabeth (née Burke) Goucher. He was also predeceased by his older brother, Robert Patrick Goucher, Jr. in 2015 at age 67. He is survived by two daughters and a son, and; nieces and nephews. He enlisted in the United States Army on June 27, 1966 and was honorably discharged on January 11, 1969 at the rank of Specialist 5 (E-5). He was a helicopter crewman and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with 16 Oak Leaf Clusters, Bronze Star with “V” device and the Army Commendation Medal with “V” device. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – James Michael Ray Memorial Chapter (Woonsocket) Chapter #818** and a member of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – James Michael Ray Memorial Chapter (Woonsocket) Chapter #818**. A celebration of life was held at 11:00 AM in the Howard Rogers American Legion Post #25 in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Interment was in Mount Calvary Cemetery in Cumberland, Rhode Island with full Military Honors at 12:15 PM. A reception followed back at the Howard Rogers Post #25 in Pawtucket.



FREDERICK MICHAEL GOULD - Died Thursday, September 13, 2018 in Ridgewood, New Jersey at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. Frederick was born in Paterson, New Jersey on September 9, 1946 and had lived in Ridgewood since 1978. He served his country as a soldier in the United States Army from 1966-1968 in the Vietnam War. After his service, Frederick worked for NJ Bell / Verizon, first as a lineman and retired as a manager in the technology department. He was a member of the company’s Pioneers Club and the Skeeters Club. Frederick was deeply devoted to many fraternal and veteran’s organizations. He was Past Commander of the VFW Post #1593 and Past Commander of VFW District #1 Passaic County. With the VFW, Frederick was also the State Chairman for their scholarship program, Voice of Democracy. He held numerous positions on the state level with the VFW and was a former

State Commander of the Military Order of the Cootie (MOC). He was a Service Officer for the VFW and Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA). He was also Past National President 4th Infantry (IVY) Division Association. He was a Past Governor of Moose Lodge #657 in Clifton and was a member of the Wayne Elks Lodge #2181. Frederick was also an officer for the Special Children's Committee of the Cerebral Palsy Center. He was a member of American Legion Post of Ridgewood, NJ, The Society of the Fifth Division United States Army, and a life member of all the military organizations. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rutherford Chapter #800**. He was a parishioner of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church in Ridgewood. Frederick was the beloved husband of the late Patricia (née Pollenz) Gould (2016); loving father of Kimberly Gould of Budd Lake, Brian Gould and his wife Colleen of Byram, and Nicholas Michael Gould of New Port Richey, FL; dear grandfather of Natasha Riley, Tyler Gould and Jameson Gould. Frederick is survived by his dear companion, Donna A. Tutuian, of Hawthorne, and his cousin Dianne Vincent and her husband Martin of Warner, NH. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was predeceased by his brother Russell Gould (2009). The funeral was at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, September 19, 2018 from the Browning-Forshay Funeral Home, 557 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne for a 9:30 AM Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church, Ridgewood. The interment was in the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veteran's Cemetery in Wrightstown, NJ. Friends visited the family at the funeral home on Tuesday, from 2:00-4:00 PM and from 7:00-9:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter #800, c/o Wojciechowicz, 35 Wingra Avenue, Rutherford, NJ 07070.



RAYMOND GREENE - Died Thursday, June 21, 2018 in Saint Luke's Hospice House at the age of 73. He was a resident of Easton, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. Raymond was born on August 17, 1944 in Princeton, NJ to the late Charlie and Nellie (née Dorsey) Greene. Raymond was married to the former Bernice Hall. He worked for the Bethlehem Steel, Electronic Data System (EDS), and was the Director of the Northampton County Veteran's Affairs. He proudly served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. Raymond was a member of Bethlehem Seventh Day Adventist Church, the Disabled Veterans Program, and the American Legion. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Easton Chapter #415**. In addition to his wife, Raymond is survived by children: Richard, David, Daniel, Glorie, and Cornelius; brothers Charles Dorsey, Tommy Dorsey, and Timothy Dorsey; sisters Elouise (Sue) Kamara, Lilah McKellar and husband Silbert, and Penelope Moore and husband Terry; host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other relatives. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by brothers Alfonso Smith, Willie Lee (Hook) Greene, and Jimmy Dorsey who all served in the US Army; nieces Tiffany L. Neely, and Chanelle Allen. A calling hour was held on Saturday, June 30th from 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon in the Morello Funeral Home, Inc., 3720 Nicholas Street, Easton, PA (Palmer Twp.), followed by a Prayer Service at 12:00 Noon in the funeral home. The interment was on Monday, July 2, 2018 at 2:30 PM in the Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville. In lieu of

flowers, memorial contributions in Raymond's memory may be made to any military service organization of your choosing.



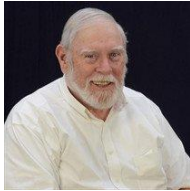
JOHN "D.J." "Tiny" GUERRERO - Died Friday, July 29, 2016 Fargo, North Dakota at age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 24, 1936 in Hazen (near Reno) Nevada to the late Hope (née Martinez) Guerrero and Ben Guerrero. DJ's mother, Hope, named him after the celebrated June 24 Feast of Saint John the Baptist. He went to the orphans' home in Carson City Nevada in 1940. John was adopted out in 1947 and moved to Sacramento California. When John was about 12 years old. He started work in a Chinese grocery store called the Eye Street Bridge Market. John joined the California National Guard in 1950 at age 14. Enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1953 at the young age of 17. After basic, he deployed to Korea serving in the First Marine Division Infantry as a machine gunner. After 17 months, John returned stateside in early 1955. John's military services included member of the Military Police in Port Chicago, CA as a Special Weapons Currier, Marine Corps Rifle and Pistol Team as a shooter, returned overseas with the 3rd Marine Division to Okinawa, Japan, went to the Red Sea and Philippines and back to the Persian Gulf returning state side in 1959. In 1963 John was called back to join the Marine Corps at the age of 28 and was sent to Vietnam for the first of 4-tours. His companions in Vietnam gave him his moniker D.J. It was a Swede for Minnesota who respectfully told John the meaning of this nickname, DJ or "Dirty John". Severely wounded in 1967 he transferred to Tripler US Army Hospital in Hawaii where he would spend the next 22 months recovering from his injuries. His last tour was at Millington Naval Air Station near Memphis, TN retiring in 1970. During Johns dedicated service to this country he was the recipient of many honors and awards with his most recognized accolades being the recipient of Five Purple Hearts. Immediately following retirement DJ moved to Fargo ND. He attended college at North Dakota State University, Fargo ND. John married Patricia Kukowski of Beach ND and two boys were born of this union, David Paul and Nicolas Guerrero. In the course of his life in Fargo, DJ has met many fine people and worked with a host of enlightening individuals. His involvement in the Fargo community crossed many arenas. He owned his own insurance agency for 9 years. D.J's involvement and volunteer work with the Special Olympics began in 1997. The State Summer Games moved to Fargo because of the flood in Grand Forks forcing that entire city to evacuate including the host site of the State Summer Games. With three weeks to put the six-sport, two-day event together, Special Olympics needed three hundred volunteers, equipment, and food. D.J jumped at the challenge and became our number one volunteer. He was honored that year with special recognition at the State Awards Banquet for his hard work and tenacity and the only one ever given out – the Angel Award. Since 1997, D.J has spent countless hours doing whatever is necessary to make sure that the State Games run smoothly, helping with several aspects. John was a dedicated Bison fan and spirited NDSU sports team volunteer. He enjoyed many years volunteering for the USA wrestling tournament held at the Fargo Dome, Fridays every fall were devoted to Team Makers luncheons at the Holiday Inn, Fargo and most recently, he directed his time and effort to

include the NDSU women's basketball team. DJ was grateful to the folks he met that treated him well and brought fullness to his life. The compassion, thoughtfulness, and goodwill of the people in the area has been appreciated and he wishes blessings upon each and every one. He especially enjoyed his friendship with his tailgating buddies, Sharon Goldsmith is to be mentioned because of her unwavering friendship and devotion and lastly cousin Kathy Valdez who was a constant companion throughout his entire life. In his retirement, he enjoyed working with Father William Sherman in researching and documentation on North Dakota ethnic history from which several books were collaborated. Member of ND Special Olympics, USA Wrestling out of Colorado Springs CO, NDSU Teammaker, NDSU Alumni Association, Life Member DAV, VFW, Marine Corps Association, First Marine Division Association, Second and Third Marine Association, Kiwanas, Member of the AmVets, Volunteer VA Hospital, Reunion Committee member for the prior listed Marine Divisions. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fargo Chapter #941**. Survived By: Brother Raymond Olvera, West Sacramento, CA; Sisters: Mary Erler (Bill), Honolulu, HI and Lisa Parrish, Orlando, FL; Sons: David Guerrero and Nicolas Guerrero. Preceded in death by parents Hope and Lupe Olvera, and biological father Ben Guerrero. As well as his dear cousin Kathy Valdez. Memorials are preferred to the ND State Special Olympics. A prayer service was held on Friday evening, August 12, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Boulger Funeral Home Fargo ND with visitation from 5:00-7:00 PM. The funeral service was held on Saturday, August 13, 2016 at 10:00 AM with visitation an hour prior at Saint Anthony at Padua Catholic Church, Fargo ND.



WALTER CLIFT GWIN (USA, MAJ-Ret.) - Died Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at his residence in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 89. The cause of death was cancer. Walter was born on December 12, 1929 in Tampa, Florida to the late George Henry and Valera (née Riddle) Gwin. He married Helen Davis in 1952 in Dade County, Florida. On September 15, 1952 Walter enlisted in the United States Army in Miami, Florida. He served in the United States Army for twenty years serving in both the Korean and Vietnam wars. While in the military he earned the following awards: Army Commendation Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, and two Overseas Service Bars. Walter retired on November 1, 1972. Following Walter's service to his country he married Judith "Judy" Shelby on November 2, 1973. Judy passed away on March 29, 1984. Walter was a loving family man who was very dedicated to his community and service oriented. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of Mt. Scott Masonic Lodge #540, past president of the LaSill Optimist Club, and past commander of American Legion Post #193. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**. If you needed help with something Walter was also very quick to volunteer, and he would volunteer for anything. He gave blood often and knew the importance of simply giving and giving back to his community. It was at these events that Walter enjoyed socializing with others. He enjoyed doing crossword puzzles with friends and reading. Walter is survived by his three daughters, Susan Gwin of San Antonio, Texas, Kathy Gwin of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Gail Little and husband James of Flower Mound, Texas, two step-sons, Stuart Sheppard and wife Pam, and Scott Sheppard, nine grandchildren, Tabitha Stout and husband David, Mikel Keeler and husband Joel, Shanna Jones, Jimmy Little and wife Brittany, Bobby Little and wife Jennifer, Meghan Phillips and husband Wesley, Brandon Sheppard, Lindsay Sheppard, and Callie Sheppard, 14 great

grandchildren, 2 great-great-grandchildren, and his first wife Helen (Davis) Madden. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Judith, one sister and five brothers. Graveside service for MAJ (Retired) Walter C. Gwin was at 1:00 PM on Friday, March 15, 2019 in the Post Cemetery, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the military veteran's charity of your choice or to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 15829, Arlington, VA 22215 or by going to www.diabetes.org.



ROBERT DAVID HAGEWOOD - Died Friday, March 22, 2019 in White House, Tennessee at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Nashville, Tennessee on April 3, 1947 to the late Annie (née Dickerson) Hagewood and W.P. Hagewood. He was also predeceased by his brother, William Neil Hagewood. David is survived by his loving wife of 49 years, Linda (née Glaus) Hagewood; sons, Robert Keith (Christy) and Matthew David (Danielle). He is also survived by his loving grandchildren; Maria, Amanda, Natalie, Andrew, Amelia and Roman. He will be their "Poppa" forever. Brothers Paul (Mary Ellen), Tommy (Ruby) and twin Douglas (Diana), sister-in-law Charlotte Hagewood and many nieces, nephews and cousins. David honorably served his country as a United States Navy Corpsman attached to the Marines during the Vietnam war. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hendersonville Chapter #240**. He enjoyed many hobbies, several of which he shared with Linda. He loved their trips to Knoxville for the Lady Vols basketball games and touring different areas of this beautiful country and socializing with friends. His favorite lunch of the week was with his "Retired old men eating out (Romeo) group." David was a member of Kemper Heights Church of Christ, where in years past he taught classes, preached and worked with the young people, many of whom still remember the nicknames he gave them. He had great faith in God and lived his life toward reaching his heavenly home. Even though he endured many health issues he never said, "why me" it was always "Why not me". The family thanks all the friends and family that have supported them through this journey and the doctors and medical staff at Vanderbilt hospital and NHC Sumner in Gallatin. The funeral service was on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 11:00 AM in the chapel of Austin and Bell Funeral Home in White House. Participating in the service was Douglas Hagewood, Tim Garrett, Tommy Hagewood, Jerry Simons, Dan Lankford, Ken Green and James Perry. The interment was in the Historic Spring Hill Cemetery in Madison with military honors and with Jim Young, Terry Douglas, John Case, Johnny Claiborne, David McKee, Bill Roak, Bill Davis and Ralph Gregory serving as active pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Wayne Davis, Dick Yutendale, Elders and Deacons Kemper Heights Church of Christ, employees of Dialysis Clinic, Inc. and the Stratford High Class of 1965 Visitation hours were on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 from 2:00-8:00 PM and on Thursday from 9:00 AM until the time of the service at the funeral home. Remains rested at the Austin and Bell, 533 Highway 76, White House, TN.



JAMES ROBERT "Jim" HAIGHT - Died suddenly Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at the Portland VA Medical Center at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was a resident of Portland, Oregon and formerly of Kersey, Oregon. He was born on November 7, 1947 in Summerville, Pennsylvania to the late Amer V. and Violet R. (née Allshouse) Haight. He lived in the area until 1973 when he moved to California. Jim worked at B & K Electric as an Electrical Engineer, where he also served on the Electrical Engineering Technology Advisory Committee. After retiring, Jim returned to the area before moving to Portland in 2017. On March 29, 2007, Jim married Annette Strickland, who survives. He is also survived by a daughter, Heather Harwood of Portland, OR; a son, James (Tania) Haight, Jr. of Las Vegas, NV; three grandchildren, Tala Haight, Tyler Harwood, and Brooke Harwood; a step grandson, Julian; three sisters, Vicky Ann Reed and her husband Vernon of St. Marys, Deborah J. Eastman and her husband Lance of Allegany, NY, and Linda Fox and her husband John of St. Marys; two brothers, Joseph H. Haight and his wife Brenda of Sylvania, GA and Ray C. Haight and his wife Wendy of Mercer, PA. In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by a brother, Dennis L. Haight. Jim was a former member of the Maria Lutheran Church. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and was awarded the Silver Rose in 2002 for military merit on being exposed to Agent Orange while defending his country. He had the biggest heart and most contagious smile. Jim loved spending time with his family, the outdoors, and fishing. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Mary's Chapter #720**. There was no visitation. Family and friends were invited to attend a Funeral Service held in the Lynch-Radkowski Funeral Home on Saturday, March 30, 2019 at 11:00 AM. Full military rites were accorded by the Fox Township Servicemen's Burial Detail. The burial was in the Maria Lutheran Cemetery.

JOHN ARTHUR HAWBECKER - Died Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at Greenville Memorial Hospital, Greenville, South Carolina at the age of 80. He was a resident of Salem, South Carolina. The cause of death was anastomotic leak, sepsis, aspiration, PEA arrest and atrial fibrillation. He was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania on December 4, 1938 to the late John Hawbecker and Mary Hawbecker-Brown. He was a veteran of the United States Army and served in Vietnam as an enlisted Cryptologist Analyst. After the Army, he pursued a 23-year career as a Communication Systems Analyst with the Department of State, during which he served 14 years overseas in Greece, Philippines, Korea, Singapore and Pakistan. After retiring from the government in 1987, he worked for 15 years for Lockheed-Martin as a Satellite Systems Analyst. He volunteered to serve as the chairman of the Architectural Control Committee for the Danbury Forest Homeowners Association in Springfield, VA. After final retirement, he moved to the Walhalla area in 2002. He was a member of the Antique Boat Club of America, NARFE, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – West Union Chapter #1017**, in the Upstate, Newcomer Club of the Foothills, and was a founding member of Euchre Card Club. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, where he served on the congregation council. Mr. Hawbecker enjoyed home improvement, always had a project on

which he was working and completed many home renovations himself. He loved bluegrass music and chopping wood. He attended many car shows and took trips across the nation with his friends in the American Automobile Club of America. He participated in Operation Inasmuch Outreach. Mr. Hawbecker enjoyed clogging with the Keowee Cloggers and was the only male in the group. He also worked with Disaster Response on two mission trips to Mississippi to serve those that were affected by hurricane Katrina. In addition to his wife of 54 years, Mildred Joan (née Sutton) Hawbecker, he is survived by a daughter: Delaine Marie Hollandsworth (Edgar M.) of Ashburn, VA; sons: John Michael Hawbecker (Andrea) of Lorton, VA and Bryon Lee Hawbecker of Woodbridge, VA; sister: Ellen Marie Brown of Selbyville, DE; grandchildren: Bryce K. Hollandsworth and Kyle J. Hollandsworth; special cousin: Eileen Selkis of Fort Mill, SC; and numerous friends and extended family. A celebration of life was held at 1:00 PM on Thursday, February 7, 2019 at Saint John Evangelical Lutheran Church in Walhalla, SC. The family received friends immediately following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Saint John Evangelical Lutheran Church, 301 West Main Street, Walhalla, SC 29691 or to the charity of one's choice in honor of John.

LAWRENCE JAMES HAWKINS, SR. – Died Friday, February 15, 2019 in the Sandy Nininger Veterans Nursing Home in Pembroke Pines, Florida at the age of 83. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 27, 1935. He is survived by his wife, Magda Hawkins; sons, Lawrence Hawkins, Jr. and Michael Hawkins, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Boca Raton Chapter #1125**. The family received friends on Wednesday from 3:00 - 7:00 PM at the T. M. Ralph Funeral Home Sawgrass/Weston, Sunrise, Florida. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Thursday at 11:00 AM in the Saint Bonaventure Catholic Church, Davie, Florida. Interment and Military Honors took place on Thursday at 1:15 PM in the South Florida National Cemetery, Lake Worth, Florida. In lieu of flowers donations, may be made to Saint Jude Children's Hospital. Funeral arrangements were made by the T. M. Ralph Funeral Home Sawgrass/Weston 371 Northwest 136 Avenue, Sunrise, Florida 33325 - <http://tmralph.com>.



DARVEL EDWIN HEMANN - Died Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at his residence in Germantown, Illinois at the age of 72. The cause of death was a heart attack, hypertension and Diabetes Mellitus-Type II. He was born on December 2, 1946 in Belleville, Illinois to the late, Edwin and Julia (née Fauke) Hemann. Darvel is survived by his sister, Darlaine Pearson of Belleville. He was a veteran of the United States Army and a retired civil servant at Scott Air Force Base. Darvel was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Breese Chapter #269** - Clinton County, IL. A graveside service with full military honors was held on Monday, February 25, 2019 at 1:00 PM at Saint Boniface Cemetery in Germantown with Father James Buerster

officiating. Memorials may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America - Chapter #269-Clinton County, IL, P.O. Box 284, Breese, IL 62230.



ROGER HEYMANOWSKI – Died Saturday, December 30, 2017 in Cheektowaga, New York at the age of 72. The cause of death was heart failure. He was born in Buffalo, New York on October 29, 1945. He was the beloved husband of 47 years to Barbara (née Kostrzewski); dearest father of Erik (Bernadette), Monica (Peter) Metzger and Melissa (Michael) Roncone; loving and proud grandpa of Vanessa and Savanna Heymanowski, Shaiann and Lily Metzger and Angelo Roncone; son of the late Henry and Helen (nee Zdolinski) Heymanowski; brother of Karen Jakubczak; brother in law of James (Danielle) Kaye, David (Donna) Kostrzewski and Susan (Brad) Berner; also survived by nieces and nephews. He was a United States Combat Army Veteran of the Vietnam War from November 1965 to November 1967. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77**. He was very active in veteran affairs and the Polish-American community. He was a retired vocational instructor/teacher, a former business owner, executive director of Youth Conservation Corps, Erie County Deputy Sheriff, a marketing consultant and a 2017 candidate for Cheektowaga Town Board. Heymanowski had a BA degree in communication and an associate degree in recreation leadership. Heymanowski was the golf league president at Pvt. Leonard Post 6215 in Cheektowaga and coordinator of the veteran jobs fair Operation Hire. Family was present to receive relatives and friends on Thursday, January 4th from 2:00-4:00 and from 6:00-9:00 PM at the Melvin J. Sliwinski Funeral Home, 85 George Urban Boulevard (west of Harlem Road) where funeral services were held on Friday at 9:15 AM and from Infant of Prague Catholic Church at 10:00 AM. The Melvin J. Sliwinski Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. www.sliwinskifuneralhome.com.



REVEREND DR. CHARLES DONALD "Chuck" HILLER - Died Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at his home in Summerdale, Pennsylvania at the age of 71. He was formerly of Berwick, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was metastatic squamous cell carcinoma and chronic lymphocytic leukemia. Chuck was born in Berwick on July 6, 1947 to the late Donald and Sara (née Werts) Hiller. Chuck is survived by his wife of 38 years Jane (née Waren) Hiller; his godson, Kylan Barry; three foster children, John Messner, Michael Weinstein, and Jesse Schissler; five siblings, Tom Hiller, (Louise), Marian Knights (Russ), Bill Hiller, Fred Hiller (Kelly), David Hiller (Judy); numerous nieces and nephews, and; great-nieces and great-nephews. Chuck was preceded in death by his Sister, Joyce Davis. Chuck was a graduate of Berwick High School and studied at the University of Texas at El Paso, was a Graduate of Penn State University, and received his Master of Divinity and Doctorate at Drew University. Chuck was a United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War. He served at First United Methodist Church, Mechanicsburg,

Saginaw-Starview United Methodist Church, Mount Wolf, Saint Mark United Methodist Church, Harrisburg and retired from Summerdale United Methodist Church. Chuck was a member and past President of Mechanicsburg North Rotary Club, Northeast Fire and Rescue EPFD Company 20 where he served as its Chaplain, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Harrisburg Chapter #542** where he served as its Chaplain, and the Train Collectors of America. Chuck was an avid Penn State fan and train collector. A viewing was held on Friday, February 22, 2019 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Summerdale United Methodist Church. Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, February 23, 2019, with a viewing from 1:00 PM until time of services in Market Square Presbyterian Church, Harrisburg. The burial was held at the convenience of the family in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville, PA. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Market Square Presbyterian Church, 20 South Second Street, Harrisburg, PA 17101 or to Summerdale United Methodist Church, 203 2nd Street, Summerdale, PA 17093. The family would like to thank Hospices of Central PA for the excellent care given to Chuck. Please visit richardsonfs.com to sign the guest book. www.pennlive.com/obits.



RUDOLPH ANTINELLI “Rudy” “Hawk Eye” HOLTON – Died Monday,

March 4, 2019 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. Rudy passed away peacefully after a long illness. He was born in New York City, New York on October 4, 1950, one of six children born from the marriage of the late Frank Holton, Sr. of Trinidad and Tobago and Roxanna (née Harris) Holton of Greenville, South Carolina. After several years in New York the family moved to Red Hook Brooklyn, New York. Frank and Roxanna’s children grew quickly and steady under the determined guidance of their mother’s loving, God-fearing hands and their father’s sound advice, humor, steady work ethic and sense of fair play. Rudy attended Saint Mary - Star of the Sea Catholic School for eight years. He then attended John Adams High School in Queens, New York. There he excelled in all subjects and was a member of the school football team, playing the Safety position. He finished matriculation early but since there were no protocols to graduate students early, Rudy had to take uncredited classes until June of 1968. He signed up for the United States Marine Corps in March 1968 and was awaiting graduation from High School to enter. This was at the height of the Vietnam War. His mother tried to convince him to join the Air Force...ANY BRANCH BUT THE ‘MARINES!!!!’ However, remember this was Rudy and he was not one for doing things the easy way. Rudy received his orders and had to be at Camp Pendleton on July 10, 1968. Fun-loving as Rudy was, he “accidentally spent” his airfare to attend his friend Curtis’ wedding. Needless to say, Rudy was in a bit of trouble because he was a few days late showing up at Pendleton. He called the USMC Recruitment Center at the Brooklyn Navy Yard and said that he did not show up at Pendleton, because his Grandmother was ill. Well, anyone who knows Rudy’s Grandmother, Lillian Harris knew she was a strong and opinionated woman who hardly knew illness. In fact, when any kind of sickness came around, she gave it a black eye and kicked it through the door and down the stairs!!!! During his tenure in Vietnam he operated as

a member of a Flame Thrower Unit then he became a Radio Operator. He also gained the Nickname "Hawkeye", and attained the rank of Corporal. He returned home to New York City in 1970 subsequently met and married Michele Lodge and added three children Gerald, Yanice and Kanya. He later married Cheryl Matthias and she has a daughter, Odessa Miskedini. Rudy worked for Verizon for 29 years and retired in 2004. Rudy was a happy person who always helped out and had a special place in his heart for children. He worked at the YMCA in Harrisburg as a Chess Coach. He also participated in the Harrisburg School District Reading Program. He volunteered to assist students with reading disabilities. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Harrisburg Chapter #542*. He was also a Range Safety Officer part-time at Harrisburg Hunters and Anglers. Rudy was a kind, considerate person who was quick to laugh and always playing tricks on people to make them laugh. He was a good friend who could always be counted on for support and guidance. He loved the New York Giants Football team and all things about football. He was an avid reader of political fiction and loved History especially the Vietnam War Era. He leaves behind his wife Cheryl and first wife, Michele, his brother Frank, Jr., Paul, Griffin, Anthony and Jonathan (Lisa); his children, Gerald (LaRonda) Lodge, Yanice (Alvin Sr.) Alston, Kanya Holton and Odessa Miskedini; his precious grandchildren, Dajan'ee, Davonte, Keana, Kiara, Kayshon, Kayla, Raven, Tyesha, Gerald Jr., Ryasia, Sedasia, Jenee, Alvin, Jr. and Arianna; precious great-grandchildren, Khalia, Khamari, King and Bailey, and; a host of family, friends, and a grateful community to celebrate his life.

MICHAEL HAROLD HOLZ - Died Friday, February 15, 2019 at Dayton VA Medical Center, Dayton, Ohio at the age of 76. He was a resident of Dayton. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 10, 1942 in Dayton to the late Harold and Norma (née Montgomery) Holz. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Michael worked as an attorney in Dayton for over 50 years. He married Patricia A. (née Woodward) Holz in December 2005. He was a member of many organizations including MENSA, Bar Association (over 50 years), Veterans, and Animal organizations and others. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97*. He is survived by his loving wife, Patricia; step-sons, Bryan W. Lau, Matthew R. Lau, and John G. Lau; aunt, Olive Myers; uncle, Herb and Judy Montgomery of Indiana; and cousins, Douglas Kromer of North Carolina, and Dennis Kromer of Oregon, Cathleen Rice and Eddie of Indiana. Memorial services were held on May 18, 2019 at Saint Paul Episcopal Church, 33 West Dixon Avenue, Dayton, OH. Military services were at 12:00 Noon and church services were at 1:00 PM. A reception followed until 3:00 PM. Memorial suggestions are to the Humane society, Sisca, or any medical charity. The arrangements were in the care of Newcomer South Chapel.



JON D. "Jonny" HOVDE - Died at his home in Fertile, Minnesota on Monday, November 12, 2018 at the age of 70, surrounded by family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 14, 1947 in Fertile to the late Ole and Arleene (née Larson) Hovde. He graduated from Fertile High School in 1965 and shortly after moved to California to work with his uncle in the construction business. It was there that he met the love of his life, Darlene

Black. Jonny, as a young man, was well-known around Fertile because of his paper route, which he faithfully delivered to residents for many years. He also mowed lawns, shoveled snow, and picked up odd jobs while in school. Through diligently saving his money, he was able to purchase a brand-new Honda motorcycle which he proudly drove and willingly gave rides to his friends and family. In 1967, at the age of 19, Jonny entered the United States Army and was sent to Vietnam in October of the same year. He was severely wounded in January of 1968, losing an arm and leg. It was then, while on an ice blanket, that Jonny made three vows to God if his life would be spared. Those three promises of: having the fastest car in Polk County, not being dependent on the government, and making a difference in the lives of others; were goals he strived to fulfill throughout his life. On June 21, 1969, Jonny married his California girl, Darlene, and moved her to Minnesota where they remained throughout their life. A proud graduate of North Hennipen College in Minneapolis and Moorhead State College, Jon took a position at 3M in St. Paul as an executive in their marketing division. Due to complications from his injuries he left his employment at 3M and moved his family to Fertile, MN. Jon's greatest pride and joy was his family, especially his children: Jeremy and Jessica who blessed him with five wonderful grandchildren whom he adored. The best times were when his house was filled with his family enjoying holidays, playing games, riding four-wheelers, and playing and singing with his talented grandchildren. Jon beamed when he talked about how very fortunate, he was to have his children and grandchildren live so nearby and to be able to watch them grow. One of his hardest times in his last weeks was knowing he would be leaving this family he cherished so much! Jon led a life of dedication through his service on the School Board, Concordia Church Board, American Legion, VFW, DAV, Polk County Fair Board, Minnesota State High School League, and Minnesota State School Board. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fargo Chapter #641**. He was well known for his award-winning book, "Left for Dead" and his many motivational speeches on, "Making a Difference". He spoke to countless groups, both large and small throughout the United States. The speeches closest to his heart were those he made to students and fellow military members. Jon is survived by his loving wife of 49 years, Darlene; his son, Jeremy Hovde and wife Sarah; daughter, Jessica Ellingson and her husband Nathan; and grandchildren Preston and Sierra Hovde; Olivia, Norah, and Sophia Ellingson all of Fertile. Also surviving are three sisters: Barbara Renna (Cliff) of Minneapolis, twin sister Cathy Bolstad (Keith) of Fertile, and Lana Christensen (Les Holte) of Fergus Falls, MN and a brother-in-law Alden Webster of Osseo, MN; as well as his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Bert and Mary Black and brothers-in-law Dennis (Wendy) Black and Gary (Cathy) Black of California. Other survivors include many nieces and nephews of whom he was very fond. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sister's Karen and Peggy; and brother-in-law Dale Black. The funeral service was at 11:00 AM on Saturday, November 17, 2018 at the Concordia Lutheran Church, Fertile, MN. Visitation hours were held on Friday, November 16th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM with a 6:30 PM prayer service at the Concordia Lutheran Church, Fertile and one hour before the service at the church. The burial was in the Concordia Lutheran Cemetery, Fertile, MN.



FRANCIS LUTHER HUNTLEY (USMC, SSG-Ret.) – Died Thursday, March 7, 2019 in the Southern Hills Hospital in Las Vegas, Nevada at the age of 77. He was a resident of Las Vegas. The cause of death was acute cardiopulmonary arrest, septic shock, bilateral multilobar pneumonia and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was born in Cottonwood, Idaho on July 30, 1941 to the late James Guy Huntley, Sr. and Ada Marguerite (née Poland) Huntley and spent most of his life in the Central Idaho Area. After graduating Cottonwood High School in 1959, he worked two years as a seasonal worker for the United States Forest Service. On December 7, 1961, he joined the United States Marine Corps. He saw duty at NAS Cubi Point, during the Cuban missile Crisis, and from 6 March 1964 to 6 July 1965 he was deployed to DaNang, Vietnam with the First Marine Squadron. After returning to the United States, Francis reenlisted on 29 December 1965 and returned to Vietnam assigned to the 1st Marine Air Wing, DaNang. In February 1967 he extended his tour of duty for six months. He returned to the States in September of 1968 and was stationed in Texas and Arizona and on 30 April 1973 was retired disabled. During his military career, Francis received the following commendations: National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with three stars, the Republic of Vietnam Commendation Medal with device, the RVN Cross of Gallantry with palm, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the Navy Unit Commendation, a Presidential Unit Commendation, and the Good Conduct Medal with two stars. He also, unofficially, received a pair of wings for flying twice the speed of sound in the back seat of an F4B fighter. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Idaho**. After his service years he lived in San Diego, CA and Boise for several years, before returning to Cottonwood in 1986, where he worked locally as a bartender. This was followed by an interest in computers which led him into building web pages. He moved, with his oldest brother, Albert, to Orofino, Idaho in 1995 where he built web pages for various businesses in that locality. In search of a warmer, dryer climate, Francis moved to Las Vegas in 2017, where he lived until his death. He was preceded in death by his parents and six siblings; brothers Albert, Dawn, Myrick, Leland, Raymond and his sister Marguerite. He is survived by his brothers, Les, of Lewiston, James of Grangeville, and John of Middletown, DE, and his cousins, Linda and Steve of Las Vegas, who faithfully looked after him. A graveside service was held in Cottonwood, Idaho.

FLOYD BELMONT IMLER, JR. - 76, of Hyndman, Died Friday, February 15, 2019 at the Western Maryland Regional Medical Center at the age of 76. He was a resident of Hyndman, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 29, 1942. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**. Private arrangements were entrusted to the Upchurch Funeral Home, P.A., Cumberland.



ROBERT OLIVER "Bob" JACOBSON – Died Monday, February 11, 2019 at Sanford Hospital in Fargo, North Dakota at the age of 72. The cause of death was chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was born on January 20, 1947 in Fargo to the late Cecil and Kathleen (née Strandvold) Jacobson. Bob grew up in Fargo and graduated from Fargo Central High School in 1965. He proudly served his country in the United States Navy from December 30, 1965 until his discharge on December 21, 1971. During his service, he received the following military decorations – National Defense Service Medal, Navy Unit Commendation and Good Conduct Award. He was united in marriage to Donna Nokes in March of 1968 in Saratoga Springs, NY. Three children were born to this union – Joseph (1968), Thomas (1973), and Cecil (1977). Bob worked for many years as a self-employed serviceman and went on to work for the NDSU library until his retirement. Throughout the years, Bob was very active in Boy Scouts, and also several community area Veterans Service organizations. He served on the American Legion Post Executive Committee, and as Post Adjutant. He was active in the Scouting program as a youth and then spent 28 years as an active, registered scout leader. He served as Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, and committeeman of Troop #216. He served on District Commissioner Staff as a trainer and as a unit commissioner. He served as Chapter Advisor for the Order of the Arrow and was elected and inducted into the Vigil Honor Society. He was the Commander of the USS Robalo Base of the United States Submarine Veterans Incorporated. As such he planned and organized the dedication ceremony for North Dakota's Sub Vets WWII Memorial in Lindenwood Park in Fargo. He served as Chairman of GODORT, and also sat on the Executive Board of the North Dakota Library Association. He served as Vice President of Chapter 42 (NDSU Chapter) of the North Dakota Public Employees Association. He was one of the 2004 NDPEA Activist of the Year recipients. Bob was very proud of his Bachelor of Science Degree he received from NDSU in May of 2003, at the age of 56. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fargo Chapter #941**. Bob is survived by his three sons – Joe Jacobson of Fargo; Thomas (Chris) Jacobson-Chism of Dallas, TX; and Cecil (Jill) Jacobson of Detroit Lakes, MN; his seven grandchildren – Andrew, Samantha, Cydney, Dakota, Tristan, Alayzha, and Alyse; and one great-grandchild soon to arrive. Also surviving are his brother, Richard Jacobson of Fargo; and niece and nephew, Laura and Steve Jacobson. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Patricia Jacobson.



JOHN JOSEPH "Jack" JADOWSKI - Died Monday, March 11, 2019 as the result of injuries from a fall on February 14, 2019. He was 65 years of age and a resident of New York Mills, New York. John was born on August 21, 1953 the son of Joseph J. Jadowski and Theresa Kitlas Jadowski. John was a 1971 graduate of New York Mills high school and attended SUNY Canton before enlisting in the United States Marine Corps. John served in the Marine Corps in

Yuma AZ from 1972 - 1975 being Honorably discharged as a Sergeant. John was a Marine to the core and a member and supporter of various veteran organization including the New Hartford American Legion, the Malson Jones VFW, AMVETS, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Utica Chapter #944**, Marine Corps League and the Whitestown Veterans. He was a yearly supporter of the Toys for Tots campaign and assisted Veteran's organizations with their financial affairs. After serving in the Marine Corps, John graduated from Herkimer County Community College and SUNY Utica Rome with a degree in Business/Public Management. He served as controller to Truss, Pole Building and Fuel Additive businesses as well as Gerrit Smith Infirmary. He worked for Metropolitan Insurance as an auditor and retired from New York State as an accountant for the Department of Family Assistance. John loved to fish, hunt and just be in the woods with his friends. He was a member of the Sharpshooters Club in Forestport where his initial injury occurred while plowing snow with his good friend and fellow Marine Tom "Fish" Sychtyz. John spent his childhood on Kayuta Lake where waterskiing under the moon light; bomb fires on the islands and parties at the camp will long be remembered. He leaves behind his Mother Theresa Jadowski of Yorkville; his brother Jerry (and his companion Theresa Ricci) of Kayuta Lake Forestport; his uncle Francis "Hank" Kitlas of Whitesboro; his Aunt and Godmother Jane Labaj of Utica and numerous cousins including Dan Jadowski and Al Kitlas and their families with whom he shared a close relationship. He leaves his good friend Louise Buehler and her family, who never left his side while John was hospitalized; lifetime friends of the Flickinger and Reddy families as well as Tom Sychtyz, Joe Lenhart, Paul (PJ) West, Ken Czupryna, Dick Goff, Ermelindo Laracuente, Mike Geddes and Dick Schmidt. John was predeceased by his father, his grandparents, his Godfather John Labaj, several Aunts and Uncles and his cousin Jeff Kitlas. The family would like to again extend their appreciation to Louise Buehler and her family, responding members of the Holland Patent and Stittville Fire Departments; the State Police; members of the Kuyahoora Ambulance; Staff of the ICU/CCU at St. Luke's Hospital and Cheryl Gates of the Holland Patent American Legion. Relatives and friends were invited to attend John's Mass of Christian Burial, which was celebrated on Monday, March 18, 2019 at 9:00 AM at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, New Hartford. Those who wish came calling on Sunday, March 17, 2019 from 2:00 – 4:00 PM at the Kowalczyk Funeral Home, 284 Main Street, New York Mills. John was buried at a later date at the Gerald B.H. Solomon Saratoga National Cemetery located in Schuylerville, New York in Saratoga County, New York. "Semper fi" Memorial contributions in his memory may be made to the Marine Corps – Law Enforcement Foundation, 10 Rockefeller Plaza, Suite #1007, New York, NY 10020.



CONNIE LEE JAEKEL - Died Tuesday, February 5, 2019 in Port Huron, Michigan at the age of 72. The cause of death was cancer and heart disease. She was born on July 31, 1946 in Brockway Township, Michigan. She married Frederick A. Jaekel, Jr. on March 21, 1973 in Port

Huron. Mrs. Jaekel worked in scheduling at Personal Home Care and Crane Connection prior to retirement. She had also worked at Evangelical Home. Connie loved riding motorcycles, playing bingo, knitting, crocheting and crafts. She was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Huron Chapter #1083**. She is survived by her husband of 45 years, Frederick; three brothers, Craig (Pat) Gerlach, Clare (Wanda) Gerlach and Carey Parmann; a sister, Colleen Parmann; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Lesley Reid; mother, Ilene (Robert) Parmann; father, Norman Gerlach; and niece, Krystal Ferris. A memorial service was held at 11:00 AM on Friday, February 15, 2019 in the Pollock-Randall Funeral Home with visitation beginning at 10:00 AM with Tom Meinhardt officiating. Inurnment was in the Allied Veterans Cemetery Columbarium in Port Huron. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association. To send condolences, visit pollockrandall.com.



THOMAS MICHAEL “Tom” JOHNSON - Died Friday, January 25, 2019 in Green Bay, Wisconsin at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 22, 1950 in Selma, Alabama to the late John W.R. and Marcella (née Krupp) Johnson. On April 17, 1974, Tom married Deborah Caramahas in Pensacola, FL. Tom served his country in the United States Navy. He was a postal clerk for the US Post Office. Tom was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – DePere Chapter #224**, Rolling Thunder and the Falcon Club of America. He enjoyed going to car shows and loved driving his Ford Falcons. Tom is survived by his wife, Debbie; his son, John W.R. (fiancée, Deanna); grandsons, Elliot, Lincoln and Trysten; brother, Jim (Connie) Johnson; sister, Marinell (Allen) Reeves; brothers-in-law, Michael D. Caramahas and Dave LeCaptaine; sisters-in-law, Michelle (Randy) Braun and Sylvia Johnson; and father and mother-in-law, Michael and Lorraine Caramahas. He is preceded in death by his daughter, Wendy; brother, Allan Johnson and sister-in-law, Cathy Vance. Visitation hours were held on Friday, February 1, 2019 from 4:00 until 7:00 PM at the Lyndahl Funeral Home, 1350 Lombardi Avenue. A White Shirt Service was held at 7:00 PM by the Vietnam Veterans Chapter #224. Visitation continued on Saturday, February 2, 2019, at First United Presbyterian Church, 605 North Webster Avenue, from 10:00 AM until the funeral service at 11:00 AM with the Reverend Luke Farwell officiating. Military Honors followed. Entombment was at the Shrine of the Good Shepherd. Expressions of sympathy, memories and photos were shared with Tom’s family on his tribute page at www.lyndahl.com.



VIRGINIA ANN “Granny” JOHNSON - Died Monday, February 11, 2019 in Marshalltown, Iowa at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. Virginia (née Hall) was born on March 29, 1953 in Marshalltown, Iowa to the late Ralph “Shorty” and Vera (née Fleming) Hall. She attended school in the Green Mountain school district. On January 16, 1972,

she was married to Richard Johnson in Melbourne, Iowa. The two welcomed a son, Kenneth James, in 1972. Virginia was a beloved “sample lady” at Hy-Vee in Marshalltown and a long-time employee at the Times-Republican. Virginia had a heart for serving others and proudly donated much of her time to the VFW, Iowa Veterans Home, Ladies Auxiliary, American Legion Auxiliary, and any stray cat that showed up on the farm. She was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Des Moines Chapter #490**. She enjoyed taking road trips to look for eagles and Freedom Rocks, baking her famous sugar cookies and chocolate cake with peppermint frosting, and snuggling her cats. Most of all Virginia will be remembered for her love and devotion to her family. She lovingly took care of her grandparents in old age and doted on her mother Vera until her passing. She enjoyed taking her grandchildren to the Iowa State Fair and letting them get as many temporary tattoos as they wanted, family dinners where her ham balls and swiss steak her favorites and keeping “Grumps” in line. Her grandchildren will cherish the memories of taking trips to the library, shopping sprees at the Dollar Tree, and cups of fudge with little spoons. Virginia will be lovingly remembered by her husband Rick; her cats Molly and Dozer; Son Ken (Niki); grandchildren; Malaina (Ethan), Michael, Colton, and Ashlynn; great-granddaughter: Aumree; best friend Shirley; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. In death, Virginia rejoins her parents Ralph and Vera Hall; Grandma and Grandpa Fleming; brothers Robert Hall and David Waltemeyer; and a host of beloved Family members. Services for Virginia were held at the Mitchell Family Funeral Home on Saturday, February 16, 2019 at 11:00 AM with Pastor John Whitehead officiating. A visitation was held on Friday, February 15th from 5:00- 7:00 PM. Memorials in Virginia’s name may be directed to the family. For more information or to send a condolence, please visit www.mitchellfh.com or by calling (641) 844-1234. The Mitchell Family Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



WALTER EUGENE JULLERAT – Died Tuesday, October 16, 2018 in Lovelock, Nevada at the age of 72. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born on January 23, 1949. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lovelock Chapter #834**. He was a Chapter Past-President, Vice-President, Secretary and Sergeant-at-Arms at various times. He was interred in the VA Cemetery in Fernley, Nevada.



NEIL B. KEMP - Died peacefully Thursday, February 21, 2019 in Cincinnati, Ohio at the age of 70. He was formerly of Aurora, Indiana. The cause of death is unknown. Neil was born in Greenock, Scotland on April 26, 1948 and at the age of 16 became a citizen of the United States. He was the loving husband of Kimberly (née Bonfield) Kemp; devoted brother of Merv (Lisa) Kemp; brother-in-law of Karen Bonfield, Kathy(Bill) Ruch, Jim (Fran) Wesseling; uncle of Ryan (Jen) Wesseling and Spencer Ruch, Kevin Ruch preceded him in death; great-

Uncle to Owen, Jack, Michael, Malachi and Schylar; loyal friend to Jim Kendall, Jack Pretty, Carl Owens and Tracey Ruch. Neil He was proud to have served his country as a United States Marine Corps corpsman during the Vietnam War. Neil was a very talented bagpiper, starting at the age of 4. He was a member of the Shriners Pipe Band, Caledonian Pipe and Drum Band, Hamilton County Sheriffs Band. After winning Best National he shared his talents with many students from Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. As a Supervisor Foreman at the Ford Motor Company in Canton and Sharonville, he was proud "his hourly guys" called him a friend as well as a boss. Neil loved Dollar Beer Mondays at the Aurora Legion Post #231 and having his wife as his designated driver. He was a loyal volunteer for many positions and projects, also enjoyed the friendships made there. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora (Indiana) Chapter #71**. Neil enjoyed "building cars" with his gearhead buddies. Also loved participating in local car shows, both entering his cars and judging. He enjoyed boating, and loved surprising his wife "Kim, we bought a boat!" Annual Guy Trips to Florida led him to purchasing a home there. Neil will be missed by his family and many friends. All were welcomed to a Celebration of Life at the Radel Funeral Home, 650 Neeb Road, Delhi on Wednesday, February 27th from 5:00 PM until the time of the funeral at 7:00 PM. All were welcome but not expected to come and share a memory or just a moment.

HERMAN E. KIEFER III (USAF, Lt.Col.-Ret.) – Died Wednesday, March 13, 2019 in Lancaster, California at the age of 86. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 5, 1932. He is survived by his son, Rupert Kiefer. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War and served both at NKP Thailand and in Da Nang, Vietnam. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – California**.



GENE RICHARD KOPEC – Died recently in 2019 in North Port, Florida at the age of 73. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on February 9, 1946 in Chicago, Illinois. He served in the United States Marine Corps with the Third Marine Division during the Vietnam War in which he was awarded three Purple Hearts for being wounded in action. He was awarded Purple Heart w/2 Oak Leaf Clusters, National Defense medal, Vietnam Service medal, Vietnam Campaign medal, Good Conduct medal 2 awards, Sharpshooter badge; Battles/Campaigns: Khe Sanh. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Murdoch Chapter #1037**.

GARY L. KUDERMAN – Died Monday, March 13, 2017 in Riverside, California at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 5, 1945. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Riverside Chapter #47**. A memorial service was held on April 13, 2017 at 10:30 AM in the Riverside National Cemetery.



JOSEPH SAMUEL “Joe” LAPOSATA (USA, LTG-Ret.) – Died Monday,

December 3, 2018 in Melbourne, Florida at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on 3 October 1938 in Johnstown, Pennsylvania to the late Joseph and Mary Laposata. He was the oldest of four children and the first of the generation that was fully assimilated into the American culture after his grandparents immigrated to the United States from Italy early in the 20th century in search of economic opportunity. Joe began to work in his father’s barber shop at 10 years of age. Advanced from janitor, to cashier, to shoe shine boy, Joe passed all exams and earned his barber license at 16. After high school, Joe attended Indiana State Teachers College in Indiana, PA, and paid every penny of his college tuition. He graduated with a degree in Biology and a Chemistry/Physics minor. Appointed a Distinguished Military Graduate, he received a Regular Army Commission and immediately entered active duty service. Joe served as an Infantry officer and was later transferred to Logistics to serve as a parachutist and parachute rigger. He served in the 2nd Separate INF Brigade, the Fifth Infantry Division on two separate occasions, and the 8th Infantry Division as well as a posting to the 8th Division’s Airborne Brigade. He also served in the 25th Infantry Division in combat in Vietnam. He was given a sabbatical to attend Cornell University and was awarded a Master of Arts Degree in Agricultural Economics. Joe was also attached to the US Air Force for a year and served in the 56th Special Operations Wing. He served in the Pentagon on two occasions culminating in an assignment as the Chief of Logistics Plans and Operations for the U.S. Army. His military career terminated with an assignment in Naples, Italy, as Chief of Staff of NATO’s Allied Forces Southern Europe. After 33 years of service, General Laposata retired at Fort Lee, Virginia in 1993. His retirement plans were interrupted when he was appointed by the President of the United States to serve as the Secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission in Washington, D.C. This service was later interrupted when he was asked to serve in a diplomatic post as the Deputy General Manager and Director of Logistics at NATO’s Maintenance and Supply Agency in Luxembourg. Returning to the United States and moving to the Indian River Colony Club in Viera, Florida, he lectured and mentored in the ROTC Department at Florida Institute of Technology and served on numerous corporate and academic boards. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Johnstown Chapter #364**. Joe married Anita, the girl down the street, in 1961. They first met as children and later became college sweethearts. They shared the virtues of a common character base and the Christian religion. Anita is exceptionally bright, and they had a loving relationship. Joe was sustained by Anita in his busy life and his love for her knew no bounds. 70 to 80-hour weeks were common for 20 years; Anita managed the home, children and dogs with extraordinary skill. They lived 15 years in Italy, Germany and Luxembourg. After 37 years of public life and another 17 years of private endeavors as well as writing a book titled *It’s All About Choices*, he fully retired in 2016. Joe is survived by his wife Anita; three married sons, Joe/Christie (Toronto, Canada), Dave/Carol (Santa Fe, NM) and Matt/Lisa (Atlanta, GA); seven grandchildren – Albert, Cameron, Danny, Edward, Lauren, Mike and Saffron; and brothers Sam/Kathie and

Michael/Susan and sister Dolly/Mike. Loved by his family and highly decorated by both United States and foreign governments, Joe goes to his reward content that he ran the race of this life using all his talent and character. Joe had few regrets; but did note that he wished that he had learned to play Bridge.

THOMAS JAMES LEDBETTER – Died recently in Brookings, Oregon at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 19, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Brookings Chapter #757**.



RONALD LEE "Ron" LEUENBERGER - Died Thursday, November 15, 2018 in Sumner, Iowa at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Clarksburg, West Virginia on June 2, 1944 to the late Ben and Beverly (née Koehler) Leuenberger. He received his early education in the Clarksburg Schools, prior to the family moving to the Tripoli area in 1959, where Ron would graduate from Tripoli High School in 1962. Ron was called to serve his country in the United States Army in July of 1965 and served until being honorably discharged in July of 1967. He served with the 1st Cavalry Division, Company C, 15th Corps Battalion, at An Khe, Vietnam. On July 18, 1966, he married Cleota Brase. To this union two children were born, Ken and Kim. The couple would later divorce. Ron farmed in the rural Sumner area for twenty-three years and worked at the United States Postal Service for thirty years, before retiring in 2004. On August 30, 2002, Ron married the sweetheart of his dreams, Rosalee Buchholz, in Clarksburg, West Virginia. He was a member of Saint John Lutheran Church in Sumner, Brandenburg-Krueger Post #4013, VFW in Tripoli, Thomas E. Woods Post #223, American Legion in Sumner, VFW #2208 in Waverly and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lake Mills Chapter #790**. Ron enjoyed working in the garden, mowing lawn, reading, traveling, and playing cards. He is survived by his son Kenny (Stacey) Leuenbeger of Tripoli; daughter, Kim (Vern) Fox of Independence; grandson, Ethan Fox; three step-grandchildren, Erica, Austin, and Megan Newbrough; one brother, Robert (Cheryl) of Fairbank; three sisters, Betty Soukup of Clear Lake, Peg Ross of Riceville, and Bev (Sam) Jamison of McIntire; many nieces and nephews; and former wife, Cleota of Tripoli. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Rosalee, who died January 29, 2018; three sisters, twin sisters, Jean and Joan, and Brenda; and brother-in-law, Bob Soukup. Memorial services were held at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, November 21, 2018 at Saint John Lutheran Church in Sumner with Reverend Tracy Hinkel officiating. The burial was in the Saint John Lutheran Church Cemetery with military rites conducted by Thomas E. Woods Post #223, American Legion of Sumner, Brandenburg-Krueger Post #4013 VFW of Tripoli, and Waverly Area Veterans Honor Guard. Visitation hours were held from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on Tuesday, November 20th at the Becker-Milnes Funeral Home in Sumner and for one-hour preceding services at the church on Wednesday. Memorials may be made to the family for later designation.

WILLIAM ROGER "Bill" LLOYD, SR. - Died Wednesday, February 27, 2019 in Ambridge, Pennsylvania at the age of 69. He was formerly of Lawrenceville, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was a massive heart attack while on the train back home from the DAV Mid-Winter Conference in Washington, DC. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on August 23, 1949 to the late John and Grace Lloyd. He was the beloved husband of 35 years of Jennifer S. "Beans" (née Thompson) Lloyd; loving father of William R. Lloyd, Jr., Bethany S. Lloyd (James Nagel), Rebecca E. Lloyd (James Poslusny) and Renée E. (Paul) Wright; pap of James, Logan, Joseph, Skylar and baby to be; son of the late John and Grace Lloyd; son-in-law of the late Joseph and Donna Thompson; brother-in-law of Peggy Gleason and Cindy Gilmore; also survived by several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Bill was a Vietnam Veteran who proudly served in the United States Army. He worked at H.J. Heinz, Hussey Copper and Austin Bleach Company. Bill was the Department of PA DAV Chairman of Legislative Affairs. He was the 3rd Junior Vice-Commander for the Department of PA DAV, an Adjutant for Chapter #107 DAV, Past District Commander of District #6 DAV, Past Commander of the National Order of Trench Rats, Western PA, Dugout #617, Adjutant for the VFW Post #1821, served on the Beaver County Veterans Advisory Board and held various positions for the VFW And Trench Rats. Bill was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**, DAV, Trench Rats and the VFW. Family and friends were welcomed at the Walter J. Zalewski Funeral Home, 216 4th Street, Lawrenceville on Monday, March 4, 2019 from 2:00-8:00 PM. The funeral service at the Funeral Home was on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 12:00 Noon. Interment was in the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies with full Military Honors.



JAMES LLOYD "Jim" LUTZ - Died Thursday morning, April 5, 2018 at the Veterans Administration Medical Center Hospice in Plains Township, Pennsylvania at the age of 69 after a period of declining health due to his exposure to Agent Orange. He was a resident of New Albany, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related ischemic heart disease, aspiration pneumonia and failure to thrive. Jim was born January 19, 1949 in Brooklyn, New York to the late Ruth (née Morrison) Lutz and John Lutz. He was a 1967 graduate of Saint Augustine High School in Brooklyn, NY. Jim served in the United States Army from May 2, 1968 to May 7, 1971 with the 185th Air Reconnaissance Squadron in Ban Me Thuot in the Central Highlands, Vietnam from November of 1968 to December of 1969. Jim was merited with the Vietnam Service Medal with four Bronze Service Stars, the National Defense Service Medal, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Air Medal, and the Rifle Expert Badge. From January of 1970 to May of 1971, Jim served as a fire fighter at Robert Gray Army Airfield in Fort Hood, Texas. He was employed by Honeywell, Inc. for 25 years and Associated Electrical Construction for 10 years. During his employment with Honeywell, Jim completed projects on the World Trade Center Twin Towers, Empire State Building and numerous other well-known structures in New York City. Jim also owned and operated Serpico Pizza in Towanda, PA. Jim was a member of Saint Athanasius Roman Catholic Church in Endicott, NY, an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Pennsylvania**, IBEW Local

3, NYC, and was a past director of Agent Orange Victims International, Suffolk County, Long Island, NY. Jim was one of one-hundred named plaintiffs in the 1979 Agent Orange Litigation. Jim was an avid lover of Corvettes, Harley Davidson Motorcycles and Pit Bulls. Jim would say "I've forgotten more about cars that most people will ever know." Jim was an accomplished pianist and played twice at Carnegie Hall in New York before his 13th birthday. Jim was a great music enthusiast with his favorite artists and bands including Elvis Presley, The Doors, Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers, Fleetwood Mac, Crosby, Still, Nash and Young, David Lee Murphy, Led Zeplin, CCR, and Billy Joel among others. Jim once met Billy Joel to whom he sold photographs of military life in Vietnam which were used in the production of Billy Joel's video Good Night Saigon. Jim loved anything to do with New York City. He was a devoted fan of the New York Yankees and enjoyed watching the Barrett Jackson Car Auction. Jim is survived by his wife Roberta "Robin" Smith Lutz, children, James, Kristine, Jessica, Leslie Assante (Salvatore), Robert, Stephen (Stacy), Danielle, Michael, Mary Rose and Heidi, grandchildren, Keith, Seth, Antonio, Christian, Ayanna, Mattia, Kiara, Christian, Lyric, Gabriella, Jameson, Abigail, Amelia, and June Rose, brothers, John, Kenneth, and Richard, sister, Patricia, very special nephew, Richard (brother-in-arms' US Army & FDNY), nephew, John, nieces, Jill, Brianne and Jeanine, great nieces, Kyleigh, Ally and Ruth. In addition to his parents he was predeceased by his daughter, Deborah and granddaughter, Verity. The family received friends on Monday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home 217 York Avenue, Towanda, PA. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Saint Athanasius Roman Catholic Church, 406 Shady Drive, Endicott, NY. The burial was in the Bath National Cemetery, Bath, NY with full military honors. The family suggested that contributions may be directed to the Regional No-Kill Animal Shelter, 117 West Fulton Street, Gloversville, NY 12078 in memory of James Lloyd Lutz. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.



RONALD LYNN "Ron" MATLACK - Died Wednesday, January 23, 2019 in Richland Washington at the age of 77. He was formerly of Hermiston, Oregon. The cause of death was cardiopulmonary arrest, respiratory arrest, pneumonia, chronic kidney disease, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, coronary artery disease and diabetes mellitus – type II. He was born on January 26, 1941 in San Francisco, California to the late Denton and Virginia Matlack. Ron was raised in California, Irrigon, and Umatilla where he attended school until graduation in 1959 from Irrigon High School. Ron served in the United States Army for 10 years until his honorable discharge in 1970. Dates of active service April 1960 to April 1962 and July 1962 to January 1970. He served tours of duty in Berlin Germany and Dong Ba Dinh, Vietnam. He received many awards and decorations for his time in the Army. During Ron's career he worked as a military patrolman, Hermiston police officer, Department of Defense

federal police officer and Dept of Defense Umatilla Army Depot guard. Ron also retired as an Army Reserve Drill Sergeant in 1989. Ron worked at the Umatilla Army Chemical Depot for many years as a toxic material handler until his retirement in 1993. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Oregon**. Ron is survived by his wife Vivian of Hermiston, brothers Jim Matlack of Hermiston, Ken Matlack of Irrigon, sister Sharon Alexanian of Pendleton, Gary Force of Tucson AZ, Raymond Force of Hiram, GA. and sister Beverly Jean Force Tucson AZ; children Patty, Laronda, David from his first marriage and Erica Matlack of Hermiston from his marriage to Vivian of 44-years. He is also survived by step-children Juan Villalobos Jr. of Hermiston, Nina Schulz (Mark) Wenatchee WA, Vicky McWilliams (Terry) Culver OR, Michelle Jones New Orleans LA, Natalie Hodges (Dale) Hermiston, Lisa Sobotta (Sam) Bend OR; grandson Julien Trujillo Hermiston, numerous nieces and nephews, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and cousins. Ron enjoyed being with family, fishing, weekend motorcycle trips and a good tobacco pipe (in his younger years). He had many hobbies that included woodworking, model airplanes, reading and music. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Shriners in Hermiston, Bay City and Tillamook chapters. Ron was preceded in death by his parents Denton Matlack and Virginia Corey and infant sister Judy. The memorial service was on Saturday, February 2nd at 1:00 PM in the Burns Mortuary Chapel in Hermiston OR. In lieu of flowers memorial donations can be made to American Diabetes Association Organization, Department of Veteran Affairs, Vietnam Veterans of America VVA.org or a charity of your choice. Please leave online condolences for Ron's family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon was in care of arrangements.



DAVID L. McCONAGHA (USN, CPT-Ret.) - Died Friday, March 8, 2019 in Abingdon, Maryland at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Columbus, Ohio on September 21, 1941 to the late Ralph and Martha McConagha. He was the beloved husband of Jeanette M. McConagha; devoted father of Heather McConagha-MacNaughton and her husband Deacon, Pat McConagha and his wife Kay, Deidre Austen and her husband Ed, and Marty McConagha and his wife Shannon; cherished grandfather of Rhiyana, Jamison, Jay, Kacey, Alyssa, Clay, Cameron and Mackenzie; dear brother of Linda Kelly and her husband Lew, Nancy Tishkoff and her husband Stuart and Susan Donaldson and her husband Lynn; valued uncle to many nieces and nephews. Following graduation from Reynoldsburg High School, David attended Muskingum College then transferred to the Ohio State University where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics. While working towards his degrees, he married Jeanette Myers of Reynoldsburg in August 1962. In 1964, David embarked on a twenty-seven-year naval career with more than twenty-five years flight experience with the A-3B and EA-6B aircraft. His career included teaching mathematics at the US Naval Academy Preparatory School at the Naval Training Center in Bainbridge and flight training in Pensacola, Florida and NAS Whidbey in Washington State. As a young navigator, David flew photographic reconnaissance and combat missions with VAP 61 in Vietnam from 1967 to 1969. David later

served as a Naval ROTC instructor at Dartmouth College while earning a Master of Arts Degree in Operations Research/Systems Analysis. David's career continued with stations at NAS Norfolk with the electronic warfare squadron VAQ 33 and a return to NAS Whidbey Island where he was a plank owner in VAQ 138 and commanding officer of VAQ 132. His squadron's deployments included tours on the aircraft carriers Saratoga and Dwight D. Eisenhower. During his tenure at NAS Whidbey, David attended and graduated from the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island. In 1983, David was transferred to the Pentagon where he held successive positions in the offices of the Chief of Naval Operations and the Director for Operations, Joint Staff. David was directly involved with policy, requirements, and operational control of U.S. military forces. Upon retirement from the Navy in 1991, David continued to serve our country as the Director, Office of Weapons Surety for the U.S. Department of Energy. His responsibilities included nuclear weapons safety, security, and coordination with the Department of Defense. In the international arena, David contributed to both the North Atlantic Treaty Organization nuclear weapons safety and security programs, and cooperative surety efforts with the United Kingdom. He travelled frequently to the republics of the former Soviet Union to assist in the safe, secure dismantlement of their nuclear weapons. David retired from the Department of Energy in 1997. David was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Fleet Reserve Association, Military Officers Association, and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ocean City Chapter #1091**. Along with other commendations, he was awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal (with gold star), multiple Navy Air Medals and Strike/Flight Awards, Navy Unit Commendation (with one bronze star), Navy Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Service Medal (with one bronze star), Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Vietnam Service Medal (with one silver star), Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (with one bronze star), Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation (with one bronze star), and the Meritorious Service Medal. David served several tenures as Senior Warden at Grace Episcopal Church in Brunswick, Maryland. In retirement, David became an active member of the American Legion, Post 166 in Ocean City Maryland. David was a long-time member of the Barbershop Harmony Society and was recognized as Barbershopper-of-the-Year when singing with the Catoctones in Frederick, Maryland. He later spent countless happy hours rehearsing and performing with The Chorus of the Chesapeake and singing baritone in several quartets. David's retirement afforded him time to boat on the Susquehanna River, volunteer at the USNTC Museum in Bainbridge, Maryland, and visit Ireland to explore first-hand the genealogy he had spent so much time researching. David also was an avid attendee at sports and school events for his grandchildren. Some of David's favorite days were filled with Ocean City trips in his convertible, listening to Willie Nelson and Patsy Cline, with his dog Eli by his side. A service was held at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 303 North Main Street, Bel Air, MD on March 30th at 11:00 AM. The family invites all to attend a luncheon and reception to celebrate David's life directly following the service. It was David's wish that all wear bright colors to the service.

CAMDEN WHITE McCONNELL – Died Saturday, March 23, 2019 in Goodlettsville, Tennessee at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 1, 1942. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America –**

Hendersonville Chapter #240. Funeral Home Services for Camden were provided by the Neptune Society - Nashville of Brentwood, TN.

PHILIP G. McDANIEL – Died recently in 2018 in Carrollton, Texas at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 6, 1951. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Oklahoma**.



LEE S. "Herkie" McDONALD - Died Sunday, February 24, 2019 at the Steuben Center in Bath New York at the age of 72. He was a resident of Big Flats, New York. The cause of death is unknown. Lee was born and raised in Big Flats on February 5, 1947 to the late Carlos and Betty (née Sherwood) McDonald. He is also predeceased by his brother Lawrence McDonald and stepson Daniel M. Kennedy, Jr. Lee is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Roberta Jane "B.J." McDonald; daughter and her family, Sarah J. and Douglas Taxiera of High Point NC with children, Jack and Sophia; stepsons, Kevin C. Kennedy of Elmira with wife Nally and children, Shannon and Brian; John B. Kennedy of Palm Springs CA; Dan's daughter, Caitlin Kennedy of Charlotte NC; along with several cousins and many dear friends. Lee was a 1965 graduate of Horseheads High School. After graduation he enlisted in the United States Navy, proudly serving in Vietnam. He was awarded the Silver Star Medal and the Purple Heart Medal. Lee had a career in human services, retiring as a residential director with the NYS Office for People with Developmental Disabilities. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elmira Chapter #803**. Lee was an avid gardener, taking great pride in the flowers he grew. A Funeral Mass was held at Christ Episcopal Church, 33 East First Street, Corning NY at 10:30 AM on Thursday, March 14, 2019. A celebration of Lee's life followed at 12:00 Noon at the Big Flats American Legion, 45 Olcott Road South, Big Flats, which included military honors. A graveside service took place on Friday, March 15, 2019 at 11:00 AM at the Woodlawn National Cemetery. Those wishing may remember Lee with a donation to either Christ Episcopal Church, Corning, Big Flats American Legion, or the Vietnam Veterans of America, 1200 Davis Street, Elmira NY 14901.



THOMAS EDWARD "Eddie" McFADDEN – Died Friday, March 8, 2019 in Trenton, Tennessee at the age of 69. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Humboldt, Tennessee on August 15, 1949 to the late Oscar McFadden and Willie (née Rogers) McFadden. Mr. McFadden, a retired Mill Wright for Hobbs Bonded Fiber, a United States Army Veteran, and a *Life Member* and *Vice-President* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Trenton Chapter #1124**. Mr. McFadden loved to hunt rabbit and loved his family, especially his two grandsons. He was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar McFadden and Willie Rogers; and a brother, Gary McFadden. He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Kay McFadden; two daughters, Christy King

and husband Brian, and Jennifer Parks and husband David; two brothers, Greg McFadden and Anthony Rogers; two grandsons, Carson King and Trevor Tipton. Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Monday, March 11, 2019 at the Shelton Funeral Home Chapel with burial to follow in Oakland Cemetery. Visitation hours were held from 5:00 until 8:00 on Sunday, March 10, 2019 at Shelton Funeral Home.

JOHN L. McLEOD – Died recently in Diana, Texas at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 11, 1938. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Texarkana Chapter #278**.

CECIL E. MEADOWS – Died Tuesday, March 19, 2019 in Truckee, California at the age of 79. The cause of death was dementia. He was born on December 29, 1939 and lived many years in Honolulu, Hawaii. He is survived by his brother, Tom Meadows. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kailua Chapter #858**.



RONALD P. MELICHAR - Died peacefully Sunday, December 30, 2018 at the age of 70, at the Virginia Highlands Health and Rehab in Germantown, Wisconsin, after a courageous fight with Alzheimer's and Dementia and cancer. He was a resident of Saukville, Wisconsin and formerly of Boltonville, Wisconsin. Ronald was born on September 3, 1948 in Port Washington, Wisconsin to the late Leo and Mary Jane (née Klos) Melichar. He grew up in Cedarburg, graduating from Cedarburg High School in 1966 before proudly serving in the United States Marine Corps. He was honored with a Purple Heart for his service in the Vietnam War. Other honors included the Combat Action Ribbon, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, and Good Conduct Medal. Ronald met Joyce Breger in 1970. They were married on June 12, 1971 at Holy Hill in Richfield. The couple lived in Boltonville for 44 years before moving to their current home in Saukville. Together they raised two children. Ronald worked as a Maintenance Mechanic for 42 years at Mercury Marine in Fond-du-Lac, retiring in 2005. He was a member of Kewaskum American Legion Post #384, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – West Bend Chapter #448** and was a longtime member of the Boltonville Fire Department, volunteering for over 30 years. Ronald enjoyed packing care boxes with Wisconsin WE Care for Wisconsin soldiers in harm's way. He also enjoyed Sprint Car races, hunting, farming, Green Bay Packer football and tinkering in his shop. In his younger days he enjoyed demolition derbies and driving race cars. Survivors include his loving wife of 47 years, Joyce, and their daughters Liza Butler and Kelly (Kevin) Settele. He was a proud grandpa to Naomi Melichar and Bobby Ward. He is further survived by his mother Mary Jane Melichar, brothers Alan (Sue) Melichar and Brian (Lori) Melichar, aunt Marie Prom, nieces, nephews, cousins, other family and friends. He is preceded in death by his father Leo, and brother Loren Melichar. A Celebration of Life event was held on January 13th at the Boltonville Fire Department from 1:00-3:00 PM with Military Honors held at 2:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Vietnam Veterans, Boltonville Fire Department, or the Washington County Humane Society, where his precious cats Autumn and Ashes were from.

The Eernisse Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements; online condolences may be left at www.eernissefuneralhome.com. The family wished to extend thanks to Clement Zablocki VA Hospital in Milwaukee, the Vets Club, and Virginia Highland Health & Rehab in Germantown for the wonderful care given to Ronald.



JOHN RIVERRA MENOR - Died Monday, March 25, 2019 in Fayetteville, North Carolina at the age of 86. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 2, 1932 Aiea, Oahu, Hawaii. He is survived by his wife, Yoko of the home; three daughters, MaryAnn Bishop (husband Glen), Kimmie Menor (husband Tim Kennedy), Caroline Miller (husband Scott), a son, George Menor (wife Ana) and children by marriage; Diana Carteret (husband Dale) and Eddie Dean (wife Sabrina); eight grandchildren, Nicole, Matthew, Andrea, Gabriela, Diego, Bryce, Zenas and Justin; three great-grandchildren, Kaitlyn, Kalei and Andrew; and six siblings, Lenora Achay, Primasita Menor, Braollio Menor (wife Joyann), Gerry Menor (wife Crizen), Chona Rosuman (husband Robert) and Primo Menor (wife Elizabeth). John served proudly in the United States Army, the Naval and Army Reserves for over 22 years, including two tours of Korea and three tours of Vietnam. He was a loving husband and will be missed by all who knew him. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Fayetteville Chapter #1033*. A Graveside Service with full military honors was held on Monday, April 1, 2019 at 12: 00 Noon at Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery. The family received friends prior to the service at Rogers and Breece Funeral Home from 10:00 to 11:15 AM.



MIKE KAZUJI MIYAGISHIMA – Died Saturday, March 2, 2019 in Las Cruces, New Mexico at the age of 88. The cause of death was a lung infection. He was born in Terminal Island California on March 30, 1930 to the late Rikizo Miyagishima (father) and Ryo Miyagishima (mother). Mike was the 4th of 5 children; Noriko (1st), Kimiye (2nd), Kazuichi (3rd), and Yuji (5th). He is survived by his wife Eufracia Catalina Porras y Gallegos Miyagishima of the family home. Together they had five children. His first son is James Miyagishima with daughters Kaitland (Jay), Ramona (Abraham) and son, Santiago (Maria Juliette). His second son is Robert Miyagishima, wife Maura Morton of El Paso, TX; they have two daughters, Laura (of the family home) and Roberta and Dani with daughter Arianna and son Dimitri. His third child is Carol who married Doug Rogers, from Las Vegas, NV. They have two sons, Mike (San Francisco) and Sean (Preston, AZ). Finally, their third son is Mayor Ken Miyagishima of Las Cruces who married Rosie Reza, daughter, Danielle (currently a medical student at Yale), and three sons; John, Frank and Carlos. Eldest child is Jose Gallegos, married to Amy Soto with son Juan Carlos. Mike grew up as a child in Terminal Island, California, after serving 4 years at an internment camp at Poston AZ during WW II, he was reunited with other family members in November 1945. He moved to the

Los Angeles, CA area and decided to enlist in the United States Air Force on December 31, 1948 (18 years old). He served during the Korean conflict and received the Bronze Star for actions associated with that assignment. While he was stationed at Holloman A.F.B., Alamogordo, NM he met Juan Gallegos who was a contracted employee with the U.S. Government and wife Concha. He introduced Mike to his daughter, they fell in love and decided to get married. Although both sides of the family were against it, he married Eufracia Catalina Porras y Gallegos on November 28, 1952. They honeymooned in Juarez, Mexico. He had 2 sons while stationed at H.A.F.B. NM; Jim in June 1953, Bob in July 1955. When he was stationed at Altus A.F.B. OK, Carol was born in June 1959; and finally, when he was stationed at Kessler A.F.B. MS, Ken was born in May 1963. His last stateside assignment was at Vandenberg A.F.B. CA, where he stayed until October or November 1968. He was in computer maintenance and no longer an air traffic controller. While he was stationed at V.A.F.B. CA, he went to night school and he eventually earned his Associate in Arts Degree. His last active duty assignment was in Bangkok, Thailand with Temporary Duty Assignments to Vietnam. He moved his family to Alamogordo prior to reporting for duty in Thailand. He finally retired on November 30, 1969. The family stayed in Alamogordo until May 1971 when they all moved to Las Cruces, NM except his eldest son (Jim) who enlisted in the U.S. Army. Mike Miyagishima continued with his education and soon earned a Bachelor's in Business Administration degree from the main campus of New Mexico State University. He retired from Civil Service in the summer of 1987. Mike Miyagishima was affectionately known by his family as Mr. Volunteer. Once he retired from the U.S. Air Force, Civil Service and as a loan officer with White Sands Federal Credit Union, he started volunteering his time to different organizations. These included: the local soup kitchen; NM Mounted Patrol; American Legion; Disabled American Veterans; and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Las Cruces Chapter #431**. He would read to students at Booker T. Washington Elementary School and University Hills Elementary School as well. He was very active in collecting donations for the Law Enforcement Torch Run and he participated in the Special Olympics. He was an active swimmer and scuba diver when he was stationed at Vandenberg AFB near Lompoc California in the last 1960s. He loved to go abalone fishing/hunting at the local beach and usually took his 2 oldest sons (Jim and Bob). He was admitted to the ICU in Las Cruces, NM on 26 January 2018 with infections to his lungs and his blood. He was moved to the ICU at University Medical Center in El Paso, TX on 6 February 2018 where he developed a heart problem. He succumbed to his serious infections and passed away on 5 March 2018 at approximately 5:20 am. Funeral arrangements were handled by Baca's Funeral Chapels, 300 East Boutz Road, Las Cruces, NM 88005. Public viewing prior to the rosary was on March 16, 2018 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, with the rosary starting at 7:00 PM. Catholic mass was officiated by the Most Reverend Oscar Cantu' Bishop of Las Cruces and it was held at Immaculate Heart of Mary Cathedral, 1240 South Espina Street, Las Cruces, NM on March 17, 2018 at 10:00 AM. Primary Casket Bearers were Ken Miyagishima, Bob Miyagishima, John Miyagishima, Frank Miyagishima, Michael D. Rogers and Sean D. Rogers. Honorary Casket Bearers are Jim Miyagishima, Kaitland Kazuko Valencia-Miyagishima and Carlos Miyagishima. The arrangements were entrusted to Baca's Funeral Chapels of Las Cruces. Your exclusive providers for "Veterans and Family Memorial Care." For online condolences logon to www.bacasfuneralchapelslascruces.com.

CHESTER S. "Chet" MOHRHOFF - Died Sunday, December 23, 2018 in Sparta, New Jersey at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. Chester was born in Jersey City, New Jersey on July 24, 1943 where he was a Police Officer for 30 years, retiring in 1994. He was a United States Air Force Veteran serving in Vietnam. Chester was a member of the Harmony Lodge in Hamburg, New Jersey the Sparta VFW Post #7248 and the Fraternal Order of Police. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Vernon Chapter #1002*. Chester is survived by his beloved wife Maria (née Marrero-Vazquez) Mohrhoff; son Sean Mohrhoff and his wife Ellen of Newton, New Jersey and granddaughter Samantha Marie Mohrhoff. He is also survived by his nieces Paula and Michelle. Funeral arrangements were held under the direction of the Goble Funeral Home, Sparta, New Jersey. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in his memory to: Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 Saint Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-9959.



THOMAS JOSEPH "Tom" MORGAN, SR. - Died Thursday, February 7, 2019 at his home in Mount Savage, Maryland at the age of 72, surrounded by his beloved family and friends. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 7, 1947 in Cumberland, Maryland to the late Thomas Charles and Nannie Bell (née Scott) Morgan. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three brothers and two sisters. Tom served in the United States Marine Corps from 1966 to 1969 having served in Vietnam. Following his discharge from the military, he was employed by Foxcraft Home Builders until he had a stroke in 1999. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172*. He enjoyed spending time with his family and his grandchildren were the light of his life. He loved playing bingo with his children at Hot Stove. Surviving are his wife of 51 years, Mary Bernadette (née Brailer) Morgan; daughters, Tricia Blank and partner Jimmy Harmon, Jennifer Younger and husband Rob and Kelly Hite and husband Mike; sons, Tommy Joe Morgan, Jr, and wife Carla, Jason Morgan and wife Stacey and Scott Morgan and wife Shelly; 13 wonderful grandchildren, Christian, Carleigh, Isiah, Alysha, Destiny, Jasmine, Morgan, Hayle, Mason, Donnavan, Trevor, Trenton and his little man Trey; great grandson, Rylan Ross; brothers, Russell Morgan, Sr. and David Morgan. Family and friends were received at the Durst Funeral Home, 57 Frost Avenue, Frostburg, MD, on Sunday, February 10, 2019 from 2:00-4:00 and from 7:00-9:00 PM. Funeral services were held on Monday, February 11, 2019 at the funeral home at 10:00 AM with Pastor Jim Jeffries officiating. The interment was in the Maryland Veterans Cemetery at Rocky Gap. Military honors were accorded by Vietnam Veterans of America - Chapter #172. The family would like to thank WMHS Hospice and Mount Savage Fire Department for all their support.

LARRY E. MORRIS – Died in December 2018 in Franklin, North Carolina at the age of 81. He was formerly of Comstock Park, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 15, 1937. He is survived by his loving wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of ***Vietnam Veterans of America – Franklin Chapter #994***.



WAYNE L. MORTIMER - Died early Sunday morning, January 20, 2019 at Belgium Gardens where he had been a resident for the last year. He was 72 years old and a resident of Fredonia, Wisconsin and formerly of Chicago, Illinois and Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. Wayne was born in Sandy Hollow, Pennsylvania on September 20, 1946 to the late Guy and Betty (née Eddinger) Mortimer. He attended local schools before enlisting in the United States Navy, where he served as an electronics mechanic. On July 20, 1968 Wayne was united in marriage with Carol Brennan at Saint Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church in Chicago. The couple lived in Chicago before moving to Cedarburg in 1989, and later to Fredonia in 2003. Mr. Mortimer was employed as an electronics technician at Quad Graphics for 16 years, retiring in 2010. He had previously worked at Milwaukee Electronics for a number of years. Wayne was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – West Bend Chapter #448** and Warren Kane American Legion Post #410 in Fredonia. He was an avid reader and enjoyed word puzzles, computers and driving his Honda Goldwing motorcycle. In his spare time, Wayne liked watching documentaries, How It's Made and Bob Ross on TV. He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Carol, and their daughter Jenesta Mortimer, both of Fredonia. He was the beloved Granddad of Olivia Herman. Wayne is also survived by sisters Marcia (Don) Farnham and Janice Mortimer-Smith, both of Florida, aunt Sue McCoy of Ohio and special cousin John Johnson. Further survivors include nieces, nephews, brothers- and sisters-in-law, other family and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents, infant sister Shirley, sister-in-law Linda Angle and his beloved parents-in-law Raymond & Gloria Brennan. A Memorial Service was held at 6:00 PM on Friday, February 1st at the Eernisse Funeral Home, 1600 West Grand Avenue, Port Washington. Rev. Linda Westphal-Buth presided. The family received visitors at the funeral home on Friday from 3:00-6:00 PM. Military Honors preceded the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials were suggested. Online condolences may be left at www.eernissefuneralhome.com.



DARCEY EUGENE MOSER, JR. - Died Friday, February 15, 2019 in Jacksonville, Florida at the age of 88. The cause of death is unknown. He was born September 21, 1930 in Saint Louis, Missouri to the late Darcey Eugene, Sr. and Georgia Ann (née Walton) Moser. He was a longtime resident of Clay Hill and was a member of the Congregational Holiness Church in Green Cove Springs. Darcey served in the United States Navy and retired as Senior Chief. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Orange Park Chapter #1059**. In his spare time, he enjoyed attending auctions, antiquing, singing and loved horses and parrots. Darcey lived his life always working for God. He was preceded in death by his parents, Darcey Eugene, Sr. and Georgia Ann (Walton) Moser, sisters, Charlotte Elizabeth Colombo of MO, and Myrtle Alice Moser Rhodes of PA, brothers Charles Edward Moser of MO, and John Franklin Moser of St. Augustine. Survivors are his wife, Melody (Frank) Moser of Jacksonville, son, Victor Moser (Darlene) of Lawtey and daughter, Amanda Highsmith (Joey) of Jacksonville, brother, Victor

Melvin Moser (Susan) of Saint Augustine, and many grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and extended family. A visitation was held from 5:00 until 7:00 PM on Friday, February 22, 2019 in the Helm-Gallagher Funeral Home Chapel, 1811 Idlewild Avenue, SR 16, Green Cove Springs. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at the Congregational Holiness Church, 2079 SR 16 W, Green Cove Springs, with Reverend Ronnie Surrency officiating. The burial was in the Hickory Grove Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Lake City VA Hospital, <https://www.northflorida.va.gov/NORTHFLORIDA/giving/index.asp> or to the VVA/AVVA Chapter 1059 Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 626 Orange Park, Florida 32067. The arrangements were made under the care of the Helm-Gallagher Funeral Home and Cremation Services (www.helmgallagherfh.com), 1811 Idlewild Avenue, SR 16, Green Cove Springs, FL.



DANIEL MELVIN "Danny" MULLENAX - Died Friday evening, February 15, 2019 in Mannington, West Virginia at the age of 78. The cause of death was cancer. He passed peacefully, at home, surrounded by his family. Danny was born on July 14, 1940 in Farmington, West Virginia to the late Mabel Mullenax Smith and the late Charles Frederick Mullenax. He graduated from Farmington High School in 1960, where he was a member of the football team. He was a member of the Nazarene Church of Mannington. Danny was a 17-year Bladder Cancer survivor, and the 2013 Marion County Cancer Survivor-of-the-Year. A proud member of the WoodCutters and a lifelong Husky sports fan, Danny loved nothing more than watching football in the stadium he helped to build. Danny never met a stranger and loved to sit and chat with anyone who had the time. He also enjoyed spending time hunting and fishing. Danny started his adult life in the United States Air Force, before beginning a career as a Coal Miner. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mannington Chapter #1055**. He, then, worked 21 years and retired from Harrison Power Station. Danny is survived by the love of his life, Jackie Mullenax. The couple was together for sixty years and married for fifty-eight. He is also survived by his children: Todd Mullenax and his wife Kristen, and Tracy O'Brien and her husband Steve. His grandchildren were his "buddies." Maddie Muniz and her husband Zack, Mackenzie Mullenax and her partner, Darren, and Abby O'Brien, along with his grandson Patrick Sullivan O'Brien, who preceded him in death in 2010. He always referred to Patrick as his "lil Buddy." He is also survived by many nieces and nephews that he dearly loved. Danny and Jackie became especially close to their nephew Eddie and his wife Vicky Barron in the latter years of his life. Danny is additionally survived by his sisters, Maxine Brownlee and Sue Fullen Angelino, and his brother Gary Mullenax. He was preceded in death by his sisters Marie Cotrel, Jean Hohman, and Mary Muzichuck. The family would like to extend their gratitude to the VA Medical Center, Dr. Arnett and his nurse Crystal, the medical staff at Fairmont General Hospital, the many nurses and doctors at Ruby Memorial Hospital, and the Amedysis staff who looked after him during his final days. Friends visited the family at the Hutson Funeral Home in Mannington on Monday, February 18th from 12:00 Noon to 8:00 PM. The funeral services were held at the Nazarene church in Mannington on February 19th at 11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers the family

requested donations be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation or The American Cancer Society in Danny's memory.



LEE ROBERT "Bob" MULLINS II – Died quietly on Monday March 25, 2019 at the Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House of Huntington, West Virginia at the age of 72. He was a resident of South Point Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 4, 1946 in Huntington, West Virginia to the late Lee Robert Mullins, Sr. and Elizabeth Mullins III. He was a well-respected Vietnam War Veteran and a longtime and popular resident of Huntington, WV currently residing in South Point, Ohio, Lee was a graduate of Huntington High School and has maintained a special group of friends that Shelia and he lunched with, Connie Stanley, Sharon Miller and Linda Milam. Lee had a distinguished career with the United States Army, having served during the Vietnam War in 1966 to 1968 and was awarded an array of medals for his service. Lee was honored with the Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal and a Marksman Rifle award. Moreover, he was important to his military buddies and served the rest of his military career as a member of the Army National Guard 254th Transportation Unit in Huntington, WV. After his military career, Lee assisted other military veterans however he could. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Prichard Chapter #949* in Huntington, WV. Among his many veteran duties, Lee worked very closely with area veterans and delivered meals to veterans during various memorial events for the VVA and traveled with the VVA float. Lee devoted his life to the family he adored, most of all his wife of 52 years Shelia Houck Mullins and his children, Lee R. and Elizabeth Mullins, III of Huntington, Greg A. and Brenda Mullins of South Point, Ohio and Derek S. Mullins of South Point, Ohio. He was also loved and active with his grandchildren, Michael Mullins of Huntington and Mitch and Brittany Mullins of South Point, Ohio. He is preceded in death by his parents, Lee R. and Virginia Goodrich Mullins of South Point, OH. and in laws Ora and Juanita Houck of Huntington. In addition, a special friend Linda Clere. The family would like to offer a heartfelt thank you to Hospice of Huntington for the care Lee and the family received. Becky and Kelly will forever be in our hearts for all they did. Pallbearers were members of the family and friends. Funeral services were conducted at 11:00 AM on Saturday at the Reger Funeral Chapel by Pastor Ed Pickem. The burial was in the White Chapel Memorial Gardens, Barboursville. Friends visited from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Friday at the Reger Funeral Home. Condolences may be made to the family at www.regerfh.com.



TERRY MILLARD MUSSER - Died Thursday, November 1, 2018 at the Gundersen Hospital, La Crosse, Wisconsin at the age of 70. He was a resident of Black River Falls, Wisconsin. The cause of death was intracranial hemorrhage and arteriovenous malformation. He was born on November 15, 1947 in Black River Falls, Wisconsin to the late La Von (née

Spors) and Millard Musser. Terry was born and raised in the Melrose area, attending Melrose High School and the University of WI-La Crosse. On October 21, 1967, he married Elaine Murray at Saint Joseph's Catholic Church in Black River Falls. For forty-one years they lived on Elaine's family farm in the township of Irving. Terry served three years in the United States Army serving two tours in Vietnam. He was with the First Cavalry Division in Vietnam in 1965 and 1966. In 1967, he was with the 173rd Airborne Brigade until he was discharged February 1, 1968. Terry was a driver's license examiner and then a farmer. In 1984, he was elected to the State Assembly for the 92nd District. He served as a State Representative for twenty-four years, retiring in 2008. Terry belonged to several veteran organizations as an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Wisconsin**, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, and AMVETS. Veterans were dear to his heart. Terry enjoyed many different activities: taking special care of his dogs, feeding and observing the birds, daily trips to town to get his newspaper and running errands for the family, deer hunting, spending hours every week mowing the lawn, and playing sheep's head. He loved watching the Packers, the Brewers, and the Badgers play. Terry is survived by his wife of 51 years, Elaine; a son, Laine (Crystal) of Black River Falls; a daughter, Terilyn, of Merrilan; his mother, La Von (Spors) Zeman of Black River Falls; five grandchildren, Carson (Stephanie Wathen), Cameron, and Carissa Scholze of Humbird; Jackson Peterson of Merrilan; Liam Musser of Black River Falls; a great-granddaughter, Oaklynn Stuhr of Independence; a sister, Vicki (Jerry) Huber of Humbird; and several aunts, uncles, nieces, and nephews. Terry was preceded in death by his father, Millard Musser; his parents-in-law, Lloyd and Ovidia Murray; two brothers-in-law, Harry Reineking and Gene Murray; and his sister-in-law, Katie Murray. A Celebration of Life for Terry was held on Saturday, November 10th at 10:30 AM at the American Legion Hall in Melrose. The burial was in the Melrose Cemetery. Friends visited the family on Friday, November 9th from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Melrose Legion Hall and again on Saturday from 9:30 AM until the time of service. Memorials may be given to the Melrose American Legion Post #439, AMVETS Post #1776, Jackson County Food Pantry, and Jackson County Animal Shelter. The Buswell Funeral Home of Black River Falls, WI assisted the family with arrangements.



MICHAEL C. "Miguel" NEWMAN - Died at his home on December 17, 2018 in Colorado Springs, Colorado at the age of 68, due to multiple health complications from Agent Orange. Miguel was 68. He was born in Minnesota on May 10, 1950 to the late Clarence Effrim Newman and Margaret Jennie (née Mendez) Newman. He is survived by his wife, Babette; daughter Jenevieve (Dan); and five grandchildren; Tyler, Collin, Evalyn, Baer and Georgia. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Anoka Chapter #470**. A memorial service was held at the Kraus-Hartig VFW Post #6587, 8100 Pleasant View Drive, Spring Lake Park on Sunday February 10th from 1:00-4:00 PM. Interment at Fort Snelling was on May 10th at 11:00 AM.



GEORGE ALBERT OGDEN, JR. - Died Friday, October 6, 2017 at the West Virginia University Ruby Memorial at the age of 71, with his family by his side. He was a resident of Morgantown, West Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 25, 1946 to the late George Albert and Josephine (née Fairfield) Ogden. His passion in life was for his five grandchildren. George never knew a stranger and always willing to help anyone in need. George was a member of the VFW Post #9916 and Club #17. He was a Vietnam veteran and served in the United States Navy. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Morgantown Chapter #306**. George retired as a coal miner from Consol Energy. He is survived by two daughters, Charlotte Ogden-Sisler and Bradly of Morgantown, WV and Catherine Ogden of Beaver Falls, PA; brother, Bill and Jennifer Ogden; five grandchildren, Ethan Olenick, Mary Faith Bellman, Chloe and Keira Conneway, and Riley Sisler; and many good friends, nieces, and nephews. In addition to his parents, George is preceded in death by his wife, Mary; and several aunts and uncles. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to VFW Post #9916, PO Box 2176, Westover, WV 26501 and Club 17, Inc., #1 Brookstone Plaza, Morgantown, WV 26508. Friends and Family were received at the Fred L. Jenkins Funeral Home on Sunday, October 8th, from 4:00 until 8:00 PM. Visitation hours continued on Monday, October 9th, from 10:00 until the time of service at 11:00 AM with Reverend Ray Frankhouser officiating. The burial was in the Lawnwood Cemetery with military honors provided by the Westover VFW Post #9916.



DENNIS M. PASIAK - Died Friday, March 15, 2019 in North Tonawanda, New York at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 18, 1946. He was the husband of the late Yoon Hee Pasiak; dearest father of John M. (Myong Suk) Pasiak and Benjamin J. (Athena) Pasiak; proud grandfather of Jonathan, Andrew, William, Ian, Everett, Jacob and Grace; also survived by his godchild, Erin Boniowski and cousins. Dennis was a United States Army veteran of the Korean Conflict. He was a retired Contracting Officer at the United States Air Force Base, Niagara Falls, NY, where he served for 31 years and one year with the United States Army Corps of Engineers. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77**. Dennis served on the North Tonawanda School Board for nine years and was First Ward Alderman for the City of North Tonawanda for two terms. He leaves a legacy of advocating for others and had the true heart of a servant. The family was present to greet relatives and friends on Tuesday, March 19th from 4:00-8:00 PM at the Saber Funeral Home, 549 Oliver Street, North Tonawanda, where the funeral services were held at 8:00 PM. Flowers graciously declined. Memorial gifts may be made in Dennis' honor to any veteran organization.



JAMES THOMAS PATTERSON - Died Saturday, February 23, 2019 at the age of 72, surrounded by his family at Vanderbilt University Medical Center. He was a resident of Columbia, Tennessee. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 26, 1946 in Maury County, Tennessee to the late Theo Patterson and the late Lila Mae (née Musgrove) Patterson. He was a 1964 graduate of Hay Long High School and served honorably in the United States Army during the Vietnam War after being drafted in 1965. He was awarded the National Defense Award medal and the Republic of Vietnam Service Award. On February 16, 1966, he married his high school sweetheart, Linda Sue (née Barr) Patterson, to whom he was faithfully married for 53 years. Upon his return from service, he began his thirty-five-year career with Union Carbide where he held the position of foreman for several years and retired as a Team Leader. After his retirement from Union Carbide in 2004, James began his true calling in life as the Maury County Veteran's Service Officer in 2005. He was a member and Past Commander of Herbert Griffin American Legion Post #19, former District Commander of American Legion; and on the State level, he had served as Tennessee Department Service Officer from 2010 – 2016, Tennessee Department Commander from 2015 – 2016, and was named Tennessee Department Legionnaire of the Year in 2014. He was also former Chef de Gare for the 40&8 Locale #1394, a member of the Disabled American Veterans, and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Morrison Chapter #1112**. He was also a member of the Fruit of the Vine, associate member of Fraternal Order of Police, and Columbia Elks Lodge. A member of the Columbia Breakfast Rotary Club, he was serving as Sergeant-of-Arms and lead the Pledge of Allegiance at their weekly meetings and was a former Paul Harris Fellow recipient. James was an avid reader, sometimes reading two or three books at one time. He enjoyed traveling, camping and helping others. James was, in word and deed, a man for others. He was never impressed with his own accomplishments but always eager to champion the cause and character of our nation's veterans and everyone he met. He was a man of many talents and one who wore many hats literally. He was a member of Riverside United Methodist Church where he had served as President of the Men's Club and President of Hewgley Sunday School Class. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children, Tracy Patterson of Summertown and Stacy (Jonathan) Brashier of Waynesboro; son-in-law, Steve (Mary) Matheny of Columbia; siblings, Joann Laws of Columbia, Milton (Brenda) Patterson of Williamsport, Patty Smith of New Mexico, Doug Patterson of Texas; grandchildren, Ashton (Marlana) Matheny, Gerrick Patterson, Jace Brashier, Annsley Brashier, Titus Brashier, Remington Brashier, William Brashier, Klara Brashier, Connor Matheny; and great grandchild, Ellis Jaymes Matheny. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Tammy Matheny; and sister, Linda Franklin. Funeral services were conducted on Thursday at 11:00 AM at Riverside United Methodist Church with Reverend Jim Norton, Chaplain Ray Dye, Calvin Cheek, and Ty Cobb as co-officiants. The burial was in the Polk Memorial Gardens with military honors provided by Herbert Griffin American Legion Post #19. The family visited with friends on Wednesday from 3:00–8:00 PM at the Oakes and Nichols Funeral Home and on Thursday from 10:00 – 11:00 AM at the church. The family suggested memorials be made to the 40&8 Nurses Training Scholarship Program, 1394 Voiture Locale, P. O. Box 152, Columbia, TN 38402 or the Riverside United Methodist

Church, 313 Sixth Avenue, Columbia, TN 38401. Condolences may be extended online at www.oakesandnichols.com. Active pallbearers were Bob Stevenson, Mike Connor, Ty Cobb, Roger Gilliam, Steve Barr, Gerald Barr, Wayne Patterson, Alvie Woodard, and Rex McBee. The honorary pallbearers were Bill Chaffin, Earl Pettus, Wendell O'Neal, Pauline Cooper, members of American Legion Post #19, members of Columbia Breakfast Rotary Club, retired employees of Union Carbide, and Hardison Mills Campground Owners.

MICHAEL D. "Doc" PIPER – Died Sunday, March 17, 2019 in Soledad, California at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 8, 1946. He served in the United States Navy as a Corpsman in Khe Sanh in 1968. He was one of the co-founders of the Veterans Service Office Service Center at the Correctional Training Facility-Central in Soledad. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Soledad Chapter #1065**.



REVEREND NATHANIEL PRINCE - Died Saturday, February 23, 2019 at home in Louisville, Kentucky at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 20, 1947. He was a United States Vietnam Marine Corps Veteran. He was a *Life Member* and the *Chaplain* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Louisville Chapter #454** and Montford Point Marines. He was one of the first black supervisors at Hillerich and Bradsby Co, member of Lampton Baptist Church, pastored Park Ridge Baptist Church, and attended Pleasantview Baptist Church. He is survived by daughters and devoted caregivers Candace, Precious, and Stefany; granddaughter, Treasure; brothers, George and Jerome; and a host of family and friends. The visitation was held on March 1, 2019 from 6:00-9:00 PM and the funeral was on March 2, 2019 at 11:00 AM was held at the Pleasantview Baptist Church, 2600 Virginia Avenue, Louisville, KY, with the burial on March 6, 2019 in the Veteran Cemetery in Radcliffe, KY. The W.T. Shumake and Daughters Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



JANICE IRENE "Jan" REED - Died Monday, February 4, 2019 at her home in Cambridge, Minnesota at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on July 23, 1947 in Morris, Minnesota to the late Vernon and Florence (née Onnen) Kruize. She grew up in Donnelly, Minnesota and attended school in Morris, graduating from Morris High School in 1965. After high school, she worked at Fingerhut for a time before working in the office of a trucking company. She also worked at Thermo Serv in Anoka and drove for Care Cab from which she retired in 2012. On May 23, 1970, she was united in marriage to Fred Reed in Cambridge. They lived in Columbia Heights before moving to East Bethel where they raised their two children, Michelle and Jason. For the past seven years, they lived in Cambridge. Janice was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Stanchfield Chapter #684**. She liked to sew and do needlepoint and enjoyed camping with her family at Big Sandy Lake. She made trips to the Black Hills and recently made a trip to Phoenix, Maryland to attend

the 9th Infantry Division of Vietnam Vets Reunion, with Fred. Janice thoroughly enjoyed watching her “little pride and joy” Nicolle perform in plays, speech tournaments, band and choir. She was preceded in death by her mother and nephew and godson Kurt Kruize in 2010. Janice is survived by her husband Fred, children Michelle (Curt) Ulrich and Jason Reed all of Cambridge, granddaughter Nicolle Ulrich of Dinkytown, father Vernon Kruize of Donnelly, brothers Lyle (Bev) Kruize of Hancock, MN and Dave (Nancy) Kruize of Morris, as well as many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. A Memorial Service was held at 11:00 AM on Friday, February 8, 2019 at the Cambridge Lutheran Church. Visitation was one hour prior to the service at the church. The interment was in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Little Falls, Minnesota.



ERIC GEORGE REIMER - Died Monday, February 18, 2019 in Amherst, New York at the age of 71. The cause of death was sepsis, pneumonia and cardiomyopathy. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland on November 2, 1947 to the late Leon and Lenora Reimer. He was the beloved husband of Frances R. (née Maccomb) Reimer; devoted father of Jason Reimer (Jessica Mediak); cherished grandfather of Skylar, Elliot, Olivia, and Madison; dear brother of Gail (late Charles) Wolling, Judy (Thomas) Conroy, and the late Carol and Joan Reimer, and; also survived by several nieces and nephews. Eric served in the United State Army during the Vietnam War from 1967 to 1970. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77**. There was no prior visitation. The funeral service was private. Online condolences may be added at www.lombardofuneralhome.com.

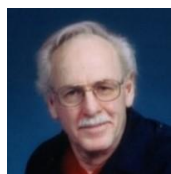


ANDREW N. RESTIVO - Died Saturday, February 23, 2019 in Spencerport, New York at the age of 73, with his loving family by his side. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 18, 1946 in Albion, New York to the late Anthony and Dorothy (née Green) Restivo. Andy served his country in the United State Army, combat infantry, during the Vietnam War. He was a proud *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**. Andy was predeceased by his brother, Jimmy Restivo and sister, Joan Wake. He is survived by his children, Todd (Diane) Restivo and Heather (Corey) Reed; 7 grandchildren; siblings, Barbara (Harold) Babcock, Edward (Lorene) Restivo and Sandra (Donald) Hinman; several nieces, nephews and cousins. The family received friends on Thursday, February 28th from 3:00-5:30 PM at the Christopher Mitchell Funeral Homes, Inc. 21 West Avenue, Albion, where his Funeral Service with Military Honors was at 5:30 PM. The interment was private. In

lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #20, P.O. Box 12580, Rochester, NY 14612.



ROBERT EDWARD "Bobby" RICE - Died Saturday, September 5, 2015 in Louisville, Kentucky at the age of 70. He was formerly a resident of Taylorsville, Kentucky. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 9, 1944 to the late James Rice and Dorothy (née Denny) Rice who survives him. He worked as a machinist for Naval Ordnance and retired after 36 years of service. Mr. Rice was a United States Marine Corps veteran serving in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Louisville Chapter #454**. Among those that preceded him in death include his father, James Rice; brothers, Jimmie and Gary Rice; and granddaughter, Sabrina Roberts. He leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife of 29 years, Faye (née Pullen) Rice; children, Brian, Michael (Tracy) and Richard (Tabitha) Rice, Kelly Ellis (William), Craig Davis (Angie) and Stacey Lurie (Steve); twelve grandchildren, Kelly, Dylan, Jaydan, Jackson, Alex, Caleb, Bethany, Hudson, Kori, Shelby, Mackenzie and Morgan; three great-grandchildren; mother, Dorothy Denny Rice; brother, Donald Rice (Lynn); and sister, Susie Buckner. The funeral service was conducted at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 in the chapel of Schoppenhorst, Underwood and Brooks Funeral Home (Preston Highway at Brooks Road; use John Harper entrance). Friends paid their respects on Tuesday from 2:00-8:00 PM and on Wednesday from 10:00 AM until the time of the service at Schoppenhorst. Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project. Family video on www.subfuneralhome.com.



DEWEY FRED RIEMER - Died Thursday, August 23, 2018 at his home in Mankato, Minnesota at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 5, 1943 in Tyler, Minnesota to the late Chester and Vernus (née Schlueter) Riemer. He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1964 to 1965 during the Vietnam War as a jet mechanic and also in the United States Navy as a heavy equipment operator in the construction battalion. He served a total of 26 years in the military. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dunnell Chapter #832**. After his service, he continued to work with heavy equipment and was also an arborist. On February 23, 2005, Dewey married Annabella Alidon in Manila, Philippines. He survived by his wife, Annabella Riemer of Mankato, MN; children, Dawn Jackson of Forest Lake, MN and Lane Chester Riemer of Brookings, SD; brothers, Warren (Mary) Riemer of Sun City, AZ and Byron Riemer of Glendale, AZ; brother in law, Audy (Marilyn) Alidon; and nephew, Mardy Alidon. He was preceded in death by his parents and his twin brother, David Riemer. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11:00 AM on Friday, August 31, 2018 at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Mankato. The burial was in Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Visitation was held for one hour prior to the Mass on Friday at the church. Mankato Mortuary assisted the family with the arrangements.

CHARLES R. RILEY - Died Monday, March 4, 2019 in Reeds Spring, Missouri at the age of 73 after battling pancreatic cancer. He was born on September 26, 1945 in Connerville, Indiana to the late Charles C. and Francis L. (née Stevens) Riley. Charles had been a resident of the area twenty years. Charles was a *Life Member* and *Charter Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kimberling City Chapter #1119** and a lifetime member of VFW #846 Overland Park, KS. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He served his country proudly in the United States Air Force. Charles was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Sarah Riley. Survivors include: his wife, Eddie Riley of Reeds Spring, MO; daughter, Lisa Nelson and husband, Tim of Overland Park, KS; son, Charles E. Riley of Independence, MO; three sisters, Jo Kennedy and husband, Richard, Ruth Gaines and Patricia Lunsford all of Indiana; eight grandchildren and a host of other family and friends. Visitation hours were on Thursday, March 7, 2019 from 5:00-7:00 PM at the Stumpff Funeral Home Kimberling City, MO. The burial was at 12:00 Noon on Friday, March 8, 2019 at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery, Springfield, MO. The arrangements were under the direction of the Stumpff Funeral Home Kimberling City, MO.

KATE ROMAN – Died recently in 2019 in Spokane, Washington at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on January 26, 1950. She was a veteran of the Vietnam War. She was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Sparks (Nevada) Chapter #989**.



JOHN W. ROODS, JR. - Died Monday, December 31, 2018 at his home in Ogden, Utah at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Ogden on March 22, 1951 to the late John W. Roods, Sr. and Julia Laura E. Roods. John served on active duty aboard the USS Kitty Hawk (United States Navy) as well as various duty in the Military Reserves for many years; was a Fire Fighter for 28 years DDOFD; worked in UDOT Incident Management for 15 years and was a member of VFW. He was the commander for the America Legion Post #9 for four years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clearfield Chapter #1079**. John loved spending time with his family, taking care of his horses and dogs. He enjoyed leather work, woodwork carvings and the outdoors. He was of Christian faith. He is survived by his two children; John W. Roods III; Tara Bowden, his five grandchildren; Braxton, Hannah, Logan, Savannah, and Karson who loved their grandfather very much. His Brother George and Sisters; Myrtle and Cathryn. Funeral services were held at Leavitt's Mortuary, 836 – 36th Street, Ogden, UT on Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 11:00 am. A viewing was held on Wednesday, January 9, 2019 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM and again on Thursday, January 10, 2019 from 10:00 – 10:45 AM.



JOHN SHELLY RYALS, JR. - Died Thursday, January 3, 2019 at the Lowell General Hospital-Saints Campus, in Lowell, Massachusetts at the age of 77. He was a resident of Tewksbury, Massachusetts. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Refugio, Texas on November 13, 1941 to the late John Shelly Ryals, Sr. and the late Bernice (née Mixon) (Ryals) Steed. John grew up in San Antonio, TX, where he attended local schools and graduated from St. Edwards College High School. He was the beloved husband of Sarah M. (née Peterson) Ryals, with whom he celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 29, 2018. In 1963, he enlisted in the United States Navy and served during the Vietnam War aboard the USS Newman K. Perry. He was awarded several decorations for his active duty service including the National Defense Service Medal, and the Vietnam Service Medal with One Campaign Star. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Tewksbury Chapter #837*. Prior to his retirement, he was employed by the BNZ Corporation (formerly known as Johns Manville) in Billerica. Mr. Ryals was a member of the Wamesit Masonic Lodge AF & AM in Tewksbury and the Aleppo Shriners in Wilmington. In addition, he served for many years as a troop leader with Troop #41 Boy Scouts in Tewksbury. Mr. Ryals enjoyed camping, fishing, and vacationing in Maine and Florida. In addition to his wife, he is survived by three children, Ronald E. Ryals and his wife Shelley of Chelmsford, Shelly Ryals-Joncas and her husband Roger of Pelham, NH, and Karen Ryals-Reardon of Tewksbury; seven grandchildren, Eric Ryals, Abigail, Caroline, Ethan, and Sophia Joncas, and CJ and James Reardon; one brother, Lawrence Ryals and his wife Margaret of Refugio, TX; his nephews, Bobby and Daryl; his nieces, Kathleen and Sherry. Mr. Ryals was the brother of the late Rosemary Jolly. Calling hours were held on Monday, January 7th from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Farmer and Dee Funeral Home, 16 Lee Street, Tewksbury, immediately followed by a prayer service held at the funeral home. The interment was in the Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne, MA on Tuesday, January 8th at 1:15 PM. Donations in his memory may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children, 51 Blossom Street, Boston, MA 02114.

GEORGE VICTOR SANTINO – Died Monday, January 21, 2019 in Edison, New Jersey at the age of 72, The cause of death was Parkinson's disease. He was born on August 31, 1946. George will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Cheryl, and his children, Justin (Blair) and Ryan (Sachi), as well as his grandchildren, Addison and Chase. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – New Brunswick Chapter #233*. Family and friends will never forget George's charm, humor and unwavering support for his beloved Philadelphia Eagles and Phillies. A private service and life celebration were held. Memorial donations in memory of George can be made to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research.



JAMES EDWARD "Jim" SAWMILLER - Died 12:01 AM on Saturday, February 10, 2018 at Mercy Health – St. Rita's, Lima, Ohio at the age of 77, with his family at his side. He was a resident of Wapakoneta, Ohio. He was born on April 6, 1940 in Buckland, Ohio to the late Warren and Lucille (née Briggs) Sawmiller. On

August 5, 1961, he married his high school sweetheart and the love of his life, Jane L. Kentner, and she preceded him in death on January 17, 2007. Survivors include, four sons, Jeffrey (Elaine) Sawmiller, Jerry (Nikki) Sawmiller, both of Wapakoneta; Jay (Bridget) Sawmiller, Bloomfield Hills, MI; and Jon (Jodi) Sawmiller, Maria Stein, OH; ten grandchildren, Tyler, Ashley, Jessica, Sarah, Kristine, Audrey, Conor, Nicolas, EJay, and Hank; eight great-grandchildren; two sisters, Beverly Bockey, Spencerville, and Mae Ambos, Botkins; sisters-in-law, Betty Jo Sawmiller, Wapakoneta; Deborah Sawmiller, FL; Joann (Larry) Jauert, CA; Ruth Doering, Wapakoneta; Barb (Max) Place, Wapakoneta; Yvonne Ruese, VA; brother-in-law, Dean (Donna) Kentner, Wapakoneta, numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by brothers, William Sawmiller and Gary Sawmiller; and sister-in-law and brothers-in-law, Joyce and Mike Schlenker, Pete Bockey, Darrell Ambos, Ned Doering, and Mike Ruese. Jim worked for Dana Corporation in Lima for 30 years before retiring in 2002. He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Moulton, and a member of the former Wapakoneta Elks. A 1958 graduate of Buckland High School, he was a retired member of the Buckland Volunteer Fire Dept. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Celina Chapter #783**. Jim was an avid sports fan. He rooted for the Reds, tolerated the Bengals and cheered loudly for the Buckeyes. But above all, he loved the Wapakoneta Redskins. You could find him in the stands of games for both boys and girls. He was a walking almanac of Redskin sports history of past players, games and even scores. Jim was a founding member of the Marathon Coffee & Opinion Club and President of the Wapakoneta Scratch-off Lottery Association. Funeral services were at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Moulton with Pastor Melodi Hagen officiating. The burial was in the Resthaven Memory Gardens, near Moulton. The family received friends from 2:00-8:00 PM on Tuesday at the Bayliff and Eley Funeral Home, 1102 Lincoln Avenue, (State Route 501) Wapakoneta and 1 hour prior to the service on, Wednesday at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the Wapakoneta Athletic Boosters Club or the Trinity Lutheran Church Endowment Fund. Condolences may be expressed at www.bayliffandeleyfh.com.

JOHN W. SAWYER III - Died Sunday, May 6, 2018 at the Hope Hospice in Cape Coral, Florida at the age of 75. He was a resident of Punta Gorda, Florida. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 26, 1942 in Lansing, Michigan to the late John W. Sawyer II and Justine (née Hurley) Sawyer. A 1960 graduate of Sexton High School, John met and married the love of his life, Reba N. (née White) Sawyer shortly before being drafted into the United States Army and deployed to Vietnam. For many years, Mr. Sawyer owned a chain of bookstores across Michigan called "The Book Company", eventually expanding to Miami, Florida. In the early 80s, John, Reba, and their two children, Julie and John IV, moved to the Florida Keys. After selling his book businesses in the late 1980s, the family moved to Miami, where John began a successful second career in hurricane shutter sales. Upon his wife's retirement, the couple chose to settle in the Fort Myers/Punta Gorda area. Semi-retired, John continued shutter sales but became civically active, becoming heavily involved in the Republican party, eventually running for public office. Mr. Sawyer became active with local VFW and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Murdock Chapter #1037**. Mr. Sawyer is survived by his wife Reba Sawyer of 53 years of Punta Gorda, Florida; his 2 children, Julie (Terry) Pfeifer of Odenton, Maryland and John Sawyer IV of Hopkins, Minnesota; his twin brother Tom Sawyer of Adrian, Michigan; as

well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins. There was a gathering of family and friends on Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 3:00 PM at the American Legion Post #110, 3152 Harbor Boulevard, Port Charlotte, Florida for services and Military Honors. Inurnment was at a later date in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia. Donations in his memory may be made to Wounded Warriors or Vietnam Veterans of America. Please visit the online tribute for John W. Sawyer III at www.kays-ponger.com to sign the guest book and offer condolences to the family. The arrangements were provided by the Kays-Ponger and Uselton Funeral Home and Cremation Services - Punta Gorda Chapel.



DAVID DOLAN SHANNON - Died at his residence in Burlington, Iowa on Tuesday evening, June 5, 2012 at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 21, 1945 in Clinton, Iowa to the late Donald Edward and Gloria (née Dolan) Shannon. He married Mary Ruder on Nov. 25, 1967 in Worthington, Minnesota. David was always a survivor; he put himself through college, graduating from Mankato State College with a Bachelor of Science degree in business. He was drafted into the United States Army in November 1968, one week after his first son was born. He was an artillery radio operator in Vietnam from 1969 thru 1970 and reached the rank of Sergeant. He loved his country and ultimately gave his life for our freedom. He was an Executive Manager with JC Penney from 1971 to 1981 and was a Sales Consultant for Peels Salon Services from 1982 to 2009. David was always the life of the party, constantly trying to cheer everyone up. He had a very deep and sincere heart toward others. He was generous, kind, loving and always there to lend a helping hand. He was loved by all who knew him and had many friends. He enjoyed monthly poker games with his buddies, his poker group he started in 1980. Besides his wife, children, family & friends, his first love was boating. He started with jon boats and then spontaneously bought three different cruising boats in 1993. He nursed and nurtured his 28 ft. Celebrity cruiser for 16 years. He traveled many miles on the Mississippi River, but his biggest adventure was going up the Illinois River into the Chicago River and onto Lake Michigan with Edward and Carla. David's beloved boat has now been handed down to his son, Paul and his family, to enjoy on the waters of New Orleans. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Kiwanis Club, Bluff Harbor Yacht Club and Saints John and Paul Catholic Church. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fort Madison Chapter #947**. He is survived by his wife, Mary; two sons, Paul (Holly) Shannon of Harvey, Louisiana and Edward (Carla) Shannon of Bartlett, Illinois; five grandchildren, Holden Grimes, Cole David & Olivia Faye of Harvey, Louisiana, Hunter Merritt & Alexis Madelynn of Bartlett, Illinois; two brothers, Ted (Sandy) Shannon of Blaine, Minnesota and Marc (Sue) Shannon of Fargo, North Dakota; three sisters, Angie (John) Nord of Grand Forks, North Dakota, Colleen Shannon (Marty Sieve) of Lake George, Minnesota and Susie Luing of Worthington, Minnesota; five nephews, Patrick, Ryan, Nick, Joel and Brian; eight nieces, Nancy, Maureen, Julie, Erin, Kelly, Michelle, Shannon and Heather. He was preceded in death by his parents, paternal and maternal grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins. The Funeral

Mass for David Dolan Shannon was on Saturday, June 9, 2012 at 9:00 AM at Saint Paul Catholic Church, Burlington, Iowa. The celebrant was Reverend Father Anthony Herold. Special music was provided by the Des Moines County Resurrection Choir. Military rites were conducted by the Burlington Area Veterans Honor Guard. The interment of ashes occurred later. The family received friends on Friday evening from 6:30 until 8:30 PM in Prugh's Chapel. In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established with the Disabled American Veterans.



BERNARD LEROY "Butch" SIEFKE - Died Monday, March 05, 2018 at the Valley Lodge Assisted Living of Correctionville, Iowa at the age of 73. He was formerly of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 7, 1944 in Cushing, Iowa to the late Elijah and Opal (née Scott) Siefke. He was baptized at Sioux Falls Baptist in Sioux Falls, SD. Butch attended Correctionville High School and then joined the United States Navy in 1961. He served in Vietnam and was discharged in 1965. Butch earned his G.E.D. from the Armed Forces Institute in Madison, Wisconsin. He was united in marriage to Debbie Mullen on September 10, 1986. Butch was a *Life Member* of the following veteran organizations: American Legion Mumford Moon Post #79, VFW Sioux Valley Post #1750 of Correctionville, **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurelia Chapter #888** of Northwest Iowa, an AMVETS member-at-large, and the VFW Children's Home. Butch is survived by his daughter, Laura Lynn Siefke of Sioux Falls, SD; grandchildren, Mackenzie, Nathaniel and Emmalee Siefke; sisters, Beulah (Roger) Sand of Anthon, IA and Betty (Larry) Pierce of Correctionville, IA; a brother, Brad Siefke of Anthon, IA; and a brother-in-law, Sam Jenkins of Washta, IA. Butch is also survived by his special friends, Ron and Lena Whitesell who have been more like family than friends over the years. He is preceded in death by his parents; an infant sister and sister, Janet Jenkins. A funeral service was held on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 11:00 AM at the G.A.R. Hall of Correctionville with Cliff Cockburn officiating. The burial was held at a later date. Military rites were conducted by the American Legion Mumford – Moon Post #79 and the Sioux Valley VFW Post #1750 both of Correctionville. There was no visitation.



SIMON SIERRA - Died Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at Select Specialty Hospital, Davenport, Iowa at the age of 74. He was a resident of East Moline Illinois. Simon was born on May 30, 1944 in Moline, Illinois to the late Amador Terronez and Jessie (née Vasquez) Sierra. He married Carol Boldt-Near. He had been employed in the safety division as a highway maintainer for the Illinois Department of Transportation, retiring after 30 years. Simon was a United States Navy Veteran serving from 1961-1965 and was aboard the first aircraft carrier into Vietnam following the Gulf of Tonkin incident. He was a life member and past commander of the VFW #8890, life member of the Mexican-American Veterans Association Chapter #4, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rockford Chapter #299**, and the East Moline American Legion Post #227. Simon was also a past member of the Optimist Club and the East Moline Illinois

Jaycees. He was active with the Republican Party and a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Simon loved to travel and visit national parks where he enjoyed photographing wildlife. He was proud that he accomplished visiting all 50 states with Maine being the last one. Simon had a great love for Christmas and his annual Circa 21 Event. He loved to golf and was an avid fan of Northwestern University; Simon took great pride in his yard and landscaping. Above all was his love of family and his drive to see youth succeed in life. Survivors include his wife, Carol; siblings, Paul Sierra, Moline, James Sierra, Colona, Peter (Jan) Sierra, Silvis, Veronica (Jerome) Houtekier, Moline, Francisco (Ronna Roessler) Sierra, East Moline, Rita Trulson, Silvis, Father Angel Sierra, Tuscola, Raymond (Linda True) Sierra, Silvis, Lydia (Scott) Castel, Moline; numerous nieces and nephews; and 2 grandsons, Isaiah and Zachary. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Amador Jr. and sister, Esperanza Hay. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:00 AM on Friday, February 8, 2019 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, Silvis. Visitation hours were from 3:00-7:00 PM with a rosary recited at 7:00 PM on Thursday at the Esterdahl Mortuary and Crematory, Ltd., Moline. The burial was at the National Cemetery, Rock Island Arsenal where military rites were accorded by MAVA Chapter #4 and VVA Chapter #299. Memorials may be made to MAVA (Mexican American Veterans Association). Memories may be shared online by visiting esterdahl.com.



GARY A. SIMONSON - Died unexpectedly on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 in Stevens Point, Wisconsin at the age of 72. He was formerly of Plover, Wisconsin. The cause of death is unknown. Gary was born in Portage, Wisconsin on June 18, 1946 to the late Delbert and Eleanor Simonson. On November 7, 1970 he married his beloved wife Bonnie (née Borski), at Saint Stanislaus Catholic Church. Gary graduated from PJ Jacobs High School in 1964. He joined the United States Marine Corps in 1966, served in the Vietnam War, and received honorable discharge in 1972. He took pride in serving his country and instilled the value of patriotism in his family. In 2016, he was honored at the Highground Veterans Memorial Park in Neillsville. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America Plover Chapter #115**. Gary appreciated the importance of having an excellent work ethic and providing for his family. He was a dedicated employee of companies such as Frito Lay, Cintas, Enterprise, Len Dudas Motors, and Scaffidi Motors. Gary was preceded in death by his parents (Delbert and Eleanor) and infant daughter Stephanie. He is survived by his wife (Bonnie), sons Chris (Adrienne) and Matt. He is also survived by twin sister Gail (Edward Tepp) and sister Claudia (Randy Wisniewski). Gary loved and cherished his grandchildren Kelton, Addie, Carsten, Cooper, and Nash. He loved to watch them play and compete in sporting events. His special four-legged friend, Riggs, is also left behind. Gary enjoyed golf, washer toss, cornhole, birdwatching, and playing cards. He also enjoyed watching the Brewers, Sixers, Pterodactyls, and old Western movies. In the autumn months, he was busy watching the Packers and Badgers. He used halftime to round up "just one more" batch of fallen leaves in the yard. In recent years, he put forth valiant efforts in fantasy baseball and football leagues. His witty, dry sense of humor will be sorely missed. Funeral Services for Gary were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday February 23, 2019 at the Shuda Funeral Chapel - 3200 Stanley Street, Stevens Point. Friends and family

gathered to share memories from 9:30-10:45 AM on Saturday at the funeral chapel. Full Military Honors were held at the funeral chapel following the service. The burial was held at Guardian Angel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Portage County Humane Society or the "Never Forgotten Honor Flight" program.



STEVEN A. "Steve" SKIPCHAK - Died Monday, February 4, 2019 in Waupaca, Wisconsin at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on December 9, 1946 to the late Arthur and Leona (née Pickart) Skipchak. His love of country was shown by serving in the United States Navy for four years during the Vietnam War, aboard various ships: USS Oriskany, USS Forrestal and the USS Hancock. He continued service in the reserves for the next 30 years with the Seabees; after which continued friendships to this day with many of whom he served with. He was a member of Saint Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church. Steve was a baker for many years at the Wisconsin Veterans Home in King. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wisconsin**. He enjoyed fishing, camping, cutting wood and spending his nickels at the casino. He also enjoyed hunting with special friends, Jeff, Bobby, Tommy and Wayne. His love of nature led Steve and Ann to their summer home – camping in Eagle River – where they met many wonderful friends. In his last years, these friends helped him out with chores to make their stay easier (camping angels!). When we get up to Heaven, we will find him chopping wood and making a campfire with a drink in his hand. He will be sadly missed by his wife, Ann; son, Jeffrey (Amy) Levy; sisters and brother, Rose Mary Wichman, John (Cindy) Skipchak, Linda (friend, Duke) Kubczak; special mother-in-law, Nancy Chavez, many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a brother, Michael and two brothers-in-law, Jeff and Dennis. The Funeral Mass was on Monday, February 11, 2019 at 1:00 PM at Saint Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church. The visitation was on Monday at the church from 11:00 AM until the time of the Mass. The burial was in the Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery in King, Wisconsin.

DAVID CAMERON "Bulldog" SMITH (USA, LTC-Ret.) - Died Monday, November 12, 2018 at the Hospice House in High Point, North Carolina at the age of 85. The cause of death was lung cancer and kidney failure. He was born in Stoughton, Massachusetts on May 10, 1933 to the late George and Madeline Smith. His parents, brother, and two sisters preceded him in death. He leaves a wife, Shirley H. Smith, son David Cameron Smith II, daughter Cheryl S. Conley, and sister Nancy Smith. He also leaves five grandchildren who gave him so much pride and joy: Major D. Cameron Smith III (Rachel), Craig H. Smith (Charette), Rachel S. Jolly (Lee), Richard D. Conley, and Kendall S. Stafford (Heath). He leaves seven great grandchildren carrying on his family happiness. With his family, Bulldog settled in High Point, NC in 1973. Entering the United States Army at an early age, he served in many units and retired as a Special Forces Lieutenant Colonel. He received the Silver Star, Bronze Star and Purple Heart as a Vietnam veteran in addition to other awards and citations. For many years, until his death, he trained

Special Forces in the Robin Sage program. He returned to Vietnam seven times with his humanitarian group. He helped establish a local STMP project sponsoring many Montagnards settling in the US. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Brookings (Oregon) Chapter #757**. He was a devoted member of Special Forces Association, Special Operation Association, many other military organizations, as well as Masonic Lodge #699. He regularly attended at First Baptist Church of High Point. Visitation hours were from 6:00-8:00 PM on Tuesday at the Cumby Family Funeral Service in Archdale. The funeral service was held at the First Baptist Church of High Point at 10:00 AM on Wednesday. The interment was held in Fayetteville's LaFayette Cemetery at 2:00 PM on Wednesday with full military rites. Memorials may be made to Hospice of the Piedmont, 1801 Westchester Drive, High Point, NC 27262.



JOHN EARLE SMITH - Died Thursday, March 14, 2019 in Jonesville, South Carolina at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 11, 1952 in Union, South Carolina to the late Jesse Smith and Ruth (née Porter) Smith. He was the husband of Joyce (née Spears) Smith. He was a former employee of Ray Walker Trucking Company, a graduate of Jonesville High School, and a United States Army Veteran. He was a *Life Member* and a *Past President* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Jonesville Chapter #644**. He was a retired SGT with the SCARNG after more than twenty-five years of continuous service. Survivors in addition to his wife, include one son, Jonathan (Matisha) Smith; one daughter, Jocelyn Ruth Smith; six grandchildren; two brothers, Allen Smith and Robert Lee (Vivian) Smith; and one sister, Myrtle Smith Jones. Visitation hours were held from 4:30 – 6:30 PM on Monday, March 18, 2019 at the Community Mortuary Chapel, 361 Meansville Road, Union, SC. Graveside services were held at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at the M. J. "Dolly" Cooper Veteran Cemetery. Community Mortuary, 102 Marion Avenue, Spartanburg, SC was in charge of the arrangements.



KENNETH BAYARD STANLEY - Died Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at home in Mannington, West Virginia at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 8, 1938 in Valley Bend, West Virginia to the late Kenneth Harold Stanley and Dorothy (née Chewning) Stanley. Kenneth graduated from Tygart Valley High School and enlisted in the United States Army where he served in Vietnam and later retired after 20 years of service. Following his retirement, he worked at Friendly Furniture in Fairmont. He loved golf, was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mannington Chapter #1055** and kept up with his grandchildren's activities. Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Nancy L. (née Maxwell) Stanley; five children: Candace (Michael) Tuttle of Mannington, Kevin R. (Kim) Stanley

of Richmond, VA, Craig D. Stanley of Mannington, Crystal (James) Harbert of Idamay, and Kelly (Antonio) Arnett of Mannington; eleven grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; a brother: William J. (Carolyn Sue) Stanley of Inwood; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Kenneth was preceded in death by a brother: Howard Stanley. Friends visited the family at the Hutson Funeral Home, 3171 Husky Highway on Thursday, February 21, 2019 from 2:00-8:00 PM where funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Friday with Reverend Jerry Bush officiating. The interment was in the West Virginia National Cemetery in Pruntytown where full military honors were conducted. Condolences may be accessed at www.hutsonfuneralhomes.com.



JAMES LAWRENCE "Jim" STELLMACH - Died peacefully Sunday, February 24, 2019 at home in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin at the age of 74. He was a resident of Sigel, Wisconsin and formerly of Neenah, Wisconsin. Jim was born in Neenah on June 22, 1944 to the late Francis and Bernice (née Schroedel) Stellmach. He married Susan Osborn on February 6, 1971 and was blessed with 48 years of marriage. Jim was a Vietnam veteran and a proud member of the United States Air Force from 1963 to 1969. Jim was a man with strong convictions and was passionately dedicated to his family, faith and country, and defended his values with a vigor well-known to many. This vigor was an extension of the love and pride he felt for many things and wanted to share with others. He gave much of himself and contributed his time, energy and support to a number of causes, such as annually ringing bells for the Salvation Army. Jim is dearly loved by his family and friends and they are proud of him too. He will be terribly missed. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wisconsin Rapids Chapter #101**. Jim is survived by his wife Susan; children; Paul (Karen) Stellmach, Melanie (Russ Paltzer) Stellmach, and Patience Stellmach; grandchildren; Foster Ludka, and Samuel Stellmach; brothers; Mike (Janet) Stellmach, and David (Jill Sater) Stellmach; sister-in-law Joan Stellmach; and many other wonderful family and friends. Jim was preceded in death by his parents Francis and Bernice; brother; Roger Stellmach; and sister; Carol Stellmach. A memorial service was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, March 2, 2019 at the Ritchay Funeral Home in Wisconsin Rapids, WI. Rev. Aaron Becker officiated the service. The family greeted relatives and friends from 9:30-11:00 AM on Saturday at the Funeral Home. Military rites were provided by the VFW Post #2534 of Wisconsin Rapids, WI.



FREDERICK H. "Fred" STRUBBE III (USA, MSG-Ret.) – Died Monday, February 11, 2019 in Coloma, Maryland at the age of 82. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 29, 1937 in Newark, New Jersey to the late Frederick H. Strubbe, Jr. and the late Dora Maria Margeretha (née Stegmann) Strubbe. Fred proudly served his country in the United

States Army, retiring as a Master Sergeant. Fred continued to work for the US Army, retiring as a Department of the Army Civilian at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, MD. He was a member of the NRA, AUSA, American Legion, VFW, DAV, and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Deposit Chapter #722**. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and was a huge NY Giants fan. His most cherished time was spent with his wife, whom he adored and his wonderful family. Fred is survived by his two daughters: Lorelei I. Shanklin and her husband, Jeffrey of Castle Rock, CO and Heidi R. Dillard and her husband, Larry of Arlington, VA. He was the proud grandfather of Kathryn and Thomas Dillard and Caelan and Milla Shanklin and was also survived by his brother, Walter Strubbe. Including his parents, Fred was also preceded in death by his beloved wife of 47 years, Chom O. Strubbe. A celebration of Fred's life was held from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Thursday, February 28, 2019 at the R.T. Foard Funeral Home, P.A., 111 South Queen Street, Rising Sun, MD 21911. The burial was held at 12:00 Noon on Friday, March 1, 2019 in the Restland Memorial Park, 77 Deforest Avenue, East Hanover, NJ 07936.



THOMAS ROGER SULLIVAN, SR. – Died Friday, February 22, 2019 at his residence in Poplar Bluff, Missouri at the age of 76, surrounded by his family. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on August 23, 1942 in Poplar Bluff to the late Luther Franklin “Sonny” Sullivan and Lillie Berniece (née Edwards) Sullivan. He had three siblings who died during childhood then his mother died when he was just over one year old. He had a 4-year old sister who survived childhood with him, Margaret Rose. He and his sister Margaret Rose grew up under very difficult circumstances during the Depression and World War II. They learned early in life about hard work, perseverance, family, and the value of education. He studied elementary and high school in Poplar Bluff, MO and was proud to have always been the teacher’s pet. While in high school, he worked within the COE program for 3 ½ years under the tutelage of T.G. Campbell and Henrietta Metz at Jim Hogg’s Supermarket. He worked with a great bunch of student co-workers: Jim Hogg, Jr, Mae Hogg, Dot and Earnest Hammons, and the super great Bill Hogg. He graduated from High School in May 1960. In June 1960, he enrolled at the renowned Gradwohl School of Medical Laboratory Technology for 12 months and also successfully completed its required internship for 6 months, after which he obtained his diploma in 1962. In 1962 he passed the exams and became a Certified Medical Technologist. He remained a member of the American Medical Technologists for over 50 years. He had also been an officer for the AMT Missouri State Chapter. He had met the great Chester Dzienkowski who attended a meeting in Poplar Bluff in the mid-70’s. He worked at Centerville, IL, from 1962 to 1966. In October 1966, during the Vietnam War, he was drafted to serve with the United States Army. He underwent basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO, then transferred to Fort McClellan, AL, for training, then assigned to Fort Bragg, NC, where he worked as a Medical Lab Specialist until October 1968. His main job was to prepare blood which was life-saving for the troops in the field of battle. After his service in the military, he returned to Centerville to work in the Laboratory for 2 more years. He had worked in Canton, IL, for a brief period when he was recruited to work for the Poplar Bluff VA Hospital, now the J.J. Pershing VA Hospital. He

started work at the Laboratory on January 1971 and worked in the same place mostly in Microbiology for the remainder of his career, finally retiring in 1996. While working at the Poplar Bluff VA, he also attended night school at TRCC and in 1973 he earned an Associate of Arts degree. He continued further studies and in 1975 he earned a degree as Associate in Applied Science in Medical Technology. During his employment at the Poplar Bluff VA, he was invited to give lectures on Microbiology to the students at TRCC, mainly on tuberculosis. He also mentored students from TRCC on the Microbiology procedures as they fulfilled their clinical rotations at the Poplar Bluff VA. He was dedicated in teaching those students as they progressed in their studies. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Greenville Chapter #1056**. He was married to Shirley Armes from 1964 to 1984. Under this union Tonya Rene was born in April 1968 at Womack US Army Hospital and Thomas Roger Sullivan, Jr. was born in Nov 1975 in Poplar Bluff, MO. In May 1986, he married Cynthia A. Silvestre and he gained a step-son, Vincent A Franco who was three years old at the time. He is survived by his wife, two children, a stepson, three grandchildren (Alek, McCoy, and Chase), a daughter-in-law (Amy Lynn), a son-in-law (Scott Morse), a sister (Margaret Rose Sullivan Stewart), and four half-brothers (Gary, Robert, Laverne, Jerry). He was preceded in death by his parents, three older siblings, three stepmothers, three half-siblings. He loved fishing and deer hunting when he was younger. He loved beating his friends at golf and at card games. His hobby was renovating old houses and doing most of the work himself. He was blessed to have worked with many distinguished people during his professional career. He worked hard to earn a good living, always with his family in mind. He participated in community affairs and was a member of the Crime Stoppers and the Butler County Landlord Association. He took his civic duty seriously. He was a good husband, father, step father, grandfather, and brother. He was gentle and kind and he had the patience of Job. He was a good teacher to those who were fortunate enough to learn from him. He wants to extend his profuse thanks to his surviving sister Margaret Sullivan Stewart for taking care of him and protecting him from harm when they were both very young, when he was just over one year old and she was only four years old, and their mother had died and his father was drafted to the Army. Together with Margaret, he wants to extend his extreme gratitude to relatives who took care of both of them as little children and young adults during very difficult times most especially to Lillian Willis and her then living husband Bill. Visitation and funeral services were held on Tuesday, February 26th with visitation starting at 12:00 Noon and the funeral services started at 2:00 PM in the Moore Funeral Service Chapel in Poplar Bluff. The burial was in the Mount Zion Cemetery.



JONATHAN EDWARD “Jon” SUTTLE – Died Wednesday, March 6, 2019 in Moss Bluff, Louisiana at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Ponca City, Oklahoma on September 24, 1946 to the late John Oshal and Maxine (née Wittmer). He was also predeceased by his sister Susan Kay Suttle White and her husband Jim Wallace White; father in-law Daniel Jackson Monk, brother in-law Thomas (Chip) Jackson Monk, and his brother

George Whitfield Rawls. He is survived by his wife of 51 years Rebecca Christine Monk Suttle of Moss Bluff. And his three sons John Daniel Suttle of Sulphur, William Lee Suttle and his wife Rayna Wentling of Sulphur, and Scott Edward Suttle of Moss Bluff. And a special daughter Bonnie Leigh Sayaphoumy Top and her husband Leon Top of Atlanta, Georgia; her mother Bounlieng Sayaphoumy and her husband Liap Bouaphasavanh of Atlanta, Georgia; his brother, William Grey Rawls of North Carolina; his sister-in-law Bettyann Rawls of North Carolina; five grandchildren, Shelby Ann Suttle, Jonathan Taylor Suttle, Lauren Elizabeth Suttle, Brennen Cade Suttle, Isabella Christine Suttle, Kyra Top and Riley Top; his mother-in-law, Evelyn Christine Sheffield Monk; his brother in-law, Richard (Winder) Kenneth Monk of Milton, FL; his sister-in-law, Patricia Ann Monk Roberts and her husband James Roberts, sister in-law Cynthia Monk of Klamath Falls, Oregon, and; numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins. Jon was not rich, but he considered himself a wealthy man with his love for his family. Jon held many positions in his lifetime. From hood carrier to instrument fitter. He spent many years in the Gulf of Mexico and other production sites as a production operator with CONOCO. Before retiring he held many different positions at different plants in the Calcasieu Parish area and in Texas. Jon was a people person. Never met a stranger. He would go out of his way to help others. Often times when he didn't have the strength or funds to do so. While lying in his bed in hospice care, unable to get out of his bed or able to move he would ask whoever came in if he could get them some water or tea or whatever he knew he had. Always ready to share. Jon served with the United States Marine Corps in Vietnam and was wounded-in-action. If he met someone wearing a Marine Corps symbol, he would give them a handshake that included a Marine Corps Challenge coin. It could be a Marine or a family member. He wanted to share with them what it meant to be a Marine. Once a Marine always a Marine. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lake Charles Chapter #1098**. Jon loved his country and his flag. As long as he was able, he participated with the Marine Corps League in services honoring the fallen. Helped with the Avenue of Flags for many years. Stood with a Marine in front of a judge as they prepared to make a change in their lives. Praying they would stand strong as they stood up to the temptations in their lives. As his three sons grew, he would be as much a part of their lives as was possible - Y Indian Guides, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, RA's, children in mission churches, sports. World Hunger Relief in Mexico. He had many hobbies. Biking, camping, canoeing, hiking, nature photography. He loved outdoor cast iron cooking. Instructing others in outdoor dutch oven cooking. He wasn't a fisherman, but he loved living on the river. Loved going out with his grandchildren fishing the rivers and lakes. He was a good man. Sharing what he had whether it was a good story or the shirt off his back or boots on his feet. Or the coin in his pocket. He needs them more than I do he would often say. From spending times with his sons and then his grandchildren he tried to be a part of their lives. Teaching a granddaughter to do handstands or cartwheels. He may not have been a fisherman, but he fished and camped with his grandsons. They all knew he loved them unconditionally. And he loved to have fun! He will be missed. Everyone who knew him knows where he will spend eternity. Welcome Home Jon! Visitation was held on Sunday March 10, 2019 from the hours of 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM at the Hixson Funeral Home of Lake Charles. Services were held the same day at 1:00 PM. Dr. Jack Clift officiated. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to the Methodist Children's home of Southwest LA or the charity of one's choice.



JAMES EARL "Jim" TALBOT - Died peacefully on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 in Ypsilanti, Michigan at the age of 75, with his wife and daughter by his side. The cause of death was Alzheimer's disease. Jim was born on October 13, 1943 to the late John Talbot and Frances (née Gillespie) Talbot. On May 28, 2000, he married Carol (née Morris) Talbot in Denver, Colorado. Jim is survived by his two sons, Michael Talbot of Vale, Arizona and Scott Talbot of Briggsdale, Colorado. He is also survived by his stepdaughter, Annette Miller of Ypsilanti, Michigan and stepson, Robby Cairns of Denver, Colorado; his nine grandchildren, Samantha (Talbot) Wisse of Frederick, Colorado, Katelyn Talbot of Firestone, Colorado, Aeryn Krause of Longmont, Colorado, Tyler Miller of Ypsilanti, Michigan, Kyra Miller of Ypsilanti, Michigan, Jeff Miller of Ypsilanti, MI, Jayme Cairns of Denver, Colorado, Angi Cairns of Denver, Colorado, Rory Cairns of Denver, Colorado, Zack Hill and Rebeca Miller who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by his older brother, Jack Talbot and his younger brother, Tom Talbot. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Milan Chapter #310**. Jim worked at many jobs, which included, welder, CDL driver for a lumberyard, manufactured microchips, bus driver, and artist. Carol and Jim moved to Ypsilanti in 2010 to be with Annette and her children. Jim loved to travel with his wife, including a Mission trip with the church to South Africa, a Disney cruise to Alaska and seeing Mayan ruins in Belize. His love of art translated into wood burning pictures, mostly of wildlife, onto boards. A memorial service took place on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 6:00 PM at the First Presbyterian Church of Saline, 143 East Michigan Avenue, Saline, Michigan 48176. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation or to the church for the mission at Care Village, South Africa. Envelopes were available at the church. Jim was cremated with burial at a later date. To sign Jim's guestbook, to leave a memory or for more information or directions, please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.



KEVIN R. TEGTMEIER - Died Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at Sanford Health, Fargo, North Dakota at the age of 66. He was a resident of Fargo and formerly of Kindred, North Dakota. The cause of death is unknown. His wish was always to help others and even after death, he was a proud organ donor. Kevin was born on April 20, 1952 in Willmar, Minnesota to the late Roger and Iva Jean (née Koser) Tegtmeier. He graduated from Kindred High School in 1970. He was active in several sports in High School and excelled on the football field. He was a State Champion in Welding for FFA. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, serving in Vietnam from October 1970 to March 1977. He was honorably discharged on January 5, 1977. He was a proud highly decorated Marine Corps combat Vietnam Veteran and was very active in various Veteran Organizations. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fargo Chapter #941**. Kevin ran his own construction business doing siding and other construction work for many years. He was an avid private pilot and enjoyed flying in the air as much as on the

ground on his beloved Harley. He is survived by his daughter, Tracy Ann (Deano) Handt, Minnetonka, MN; grandchildren, Jaxon, Sydney and Marina; brothers, Sheldon (Cindy) Tegtmeier, Colfax, ND, Kenton Tegtmeier, Kindred, ND, Terry (Linda) Tegtmeier, Fargo, ND and Mark Tegtmeier, Fargo, ND and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, niece, Angela Tegtmeier and many fellow Veterans. A prayer service was held at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at the Fredrikson-Boulger Funeral Chapel, Kindred and visitation started at 4:00 PM. The funeral service was at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at the Norman Lutheran Church, rural Kindred and visitation started at 10:00 AM. The burial was in the Norman Lutheran Church Cemetery, rural Kindred with full Military Honors. The family invited all of Kevin's biker friends to bring their motorcycles to the Prayer Service on Tuesday.



DAVID LIEN "Dave" THEISS - Died Thursday, March 7, 2019 at his home in Clear Lake, Iowa at the age of 71. The cause of death was a heart attack. Dave was born on December 19, 1947 in Saint Louis, Missouri to the late Norman Barthel and Margery Caroline (née Ramspott) Theiss. He married Jane Mary Sujak in April of 1972, and to this union two sons were born. He later married Patrice Shannon on July 8, 1986, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Mason City, and to that union a daughter was born. A graduate of Widefield High School in Security-Widefield, CO, Dave enlisted in the United States Army and attended the West Point Preparatory School. In 1966, he joined the Merchant Marine Academy and was honorably discharged. He then attended Adams State College in Alamosa, CO, where he earned a bachelor's degree and played football. In March of 1973, Dave moved to Clear Lake where he and his father bought Haddy Sporting Goods and opened Theiss Sports. In 1977, he and his sister, Jacky, opened Theiss Shirts in Clear Lake. Dave was a member of the Clear Lake VFW Post #4868, Saint Patrick Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus Council #7898 in Clear Lake. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lake Mills Chapter #790**. He enjoyed playing games and running the Monday Night Football Club, spending time with family and friends, and volunteering throughout the community in several capacities. He was recognized for 50 years of involvement with the Clear Lake Lions Football team, the Governor's Volunteer Award, Rotary Club Citizen of the Year, All State Team Post Quartermasters, Fourth of July Grand Marshall, and past president of Clear Lake Chamber and Economic Development Corridor. He was also very involved with the Winnebago Honor Flight; organizing and fundraising for eight flights. Dave is survived by his wife, Patrice Theiss of Clear Lake; three children, Adam (Kelly) Theiss of Clear Lake, Abram Theiss of Fort Collins, CO and Amanda (special friend, Thad Benson) Theiss of Clear Lake; four grandchildren, Emily, Andrew, Alexis and Maggie Theiss; two siblings, Jaclyn (Herb) Garlock of Clear Lake and Penny (Joel) Walde of Dillon, MT; siblings-in-law, Jim Shannon, Mike (Susan) Shannon, Dan (Deb) Shannon, Steve Shannon, Matt (Colleen) Shannon, Susan Shannon and Sheila Shannon; and many nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Norman and Margery; parents-in-law, James T. and Marilyn Shannon; and two sisters-in-law, Carol and Marian Shannon. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30 AM on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at Saint

Patrick Catholic Church, 1001 9th Avenue South, Clear Lake with Reverend Father John Gossman officiating. The inurnment was in the Clear Lake Cemetery. Visitation hours were from 5:00-7:00 PM on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at the Ward-Van Slyke Colonial Chapel, 101 North 4th Street, Clear Lake. In lieu of customary remembrances, family suggested memorial contributions to the Dave Theiss Memorial Fund, Clear Lake VFW Post #4868, or to St. Patrick Catholic Church in Clear Lake.



CLEO LEVY TODD, JR. - Died Wednesday, March 6, 2019 in Mount Juliet, Tennessee at the age of 70. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born on December 30, 1948 in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina to the late Cleo Levy Todd, Sr. and Rosalee Todd. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lebanon Chapter #1004**. He is survived by loving wife of 47 ½ years, Patricia Todd; sons, Michael (Angie) Todd and James (Joell) Todd; grandchildren, Justin Todd, Hunter Todd, Garrett Todd, and Cody Todd; sister, Nancy (Bobby) Hughes. He was preceded in death by father, Cleo Todd; mother, Rosalee Todd; brothers, Hinson Todd, Robert Todd, and Lynwood Todd; sister, Betty Moreno. The Funeral Service was conducted on Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at 11:00 AM in the chapel of the Sellars Funeral Home at Mount Juliet. The interment with military honors was in Middle Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery with The American Legion serving as pallbearers. The family received friends on Tuesday, March 12th from 4:00 – 8:00 PM and on Wednesday, March 13th from 10:00 AM until service time. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society: American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123. The arrangements were provided by the Sellars Funeral Home at Mount Juliet, 2229 North Mount Juliet Road, Mount Juliet, TN - www.sellarsfuneralservices.com.

RONNIE L. TRICE – Died recently in 2019 in Norfolk, Virginia at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 12, 1942. He is survived by his wife. He was an *At-Large Donor* to **Vietnam Veterans of America – Virginia**.

THOMAS W. TUCKER – Died recently in 2019 in Nashville, Tennessee at the age of 81. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 30, 1937. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Nashville Chapter #953**.



EUGENE LOUIS VAN ROY - Died Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at his residence in Aulander, North Carolina at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on

September 12, 1948 in Sommerville, New Jersey to the late Louis and Helen (née Radomski) Van Roy. EuGene worked as a teacher in the graphics department of Chowan University until his retirement. He enjoyed trains and gardening. EuGene was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend that will be deeply missed by all that knew him. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ahoskie Chapter #1094**. EuGene is survived by his wife Kathy, daughter Sarah Helena Orphal and husband David of Garner, NC; two grandsons, Braiden Thomas Barnes and Holden Alexander Barnes of Garner, NC; and sister Lona Rae Hawthorne and husband Dent of Mifflintown, PA, along with his namesake to be born later this year, John EuGene Orphal. The family received friends at the home and had a celebration of life memorial service at a later date. The Garrett-Sykes Funeral Service – Ahoskie Chapel was in charge of the arrangements for the Van Roy family and online condolences can be directed to the family by visiting www.garrettsykesfs.com.



RICHARD CLYDE VIGUS - Died Wednesday, January 17, 2019 Warren, Michigan at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 27, 1950. He was the beloved husband of 46 years to Terry Vigus; father of Rick, Timothy (James) and Kimberly (Scott), and; loving grandfather of Timothy, Anthony, Trevor, Amber, Kamryn and Mackenzie. He served in the United States Marine Corps in the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Michigan**. Donations can be made to the Disabled American Veterans Charity @ DAV.org.



ANTHONY “Tony” (Vee) VILLAGGIO – Died Thursday, November 15, 2018 in Cromwell, Connecticut at the age of 72. The cause of death was metastatic head and neck cancer. He was born in Newark, New Jersey on September 13, 1946. He left the loving arms of the light of his life, his devoted wife of forty-seven years, Carol and his son, Michael of whom he was very proud, along with Michael’s family. Tony’s iron resulted from his United States Marine Corps. Training (1964-1968) served him well in meeting life’s challenges with determination and courage. He lived his life grateful for each day with the attitude, “my glass is half full.” He was a life member of the Cromwell Fire Department, a Cromwell Water/Fire Commissioner for eighteen years and membership in Knights of Columbus, Cromwell Outboard Association, Marine Corp League, DAV life member and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hartford Chapter #120**. Tony was an avid kayaker and fisherman. The Connecticut River and Bass will miss his presence! A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Friday, December 7th at 10:00 AM at Saint John Church, 5 Saint John Court, Cromwell. The burial was in the State Veterans’ Cemetery in Middletown where full military honors were accorded. There were no calling hours. Donations may be made to Salvation Army, P.O. Box 509, Hartford, CT

06141-0509. The family wishes to thank the United States Veterans' Healthcare personnel and Yale's medical teams for their support. To share memories or send condolences to the family, please visit www.doolittlefuneralservice.com.

DAVID L. WELLS – Died Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at Centennial Medical Center at the age of 71. He was a resident of Charlotte, Tennessee. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on February 16, 1948 in Dickson, Tennessee to the late Robert Wells and Zee (née Linzy) Wells. He loved gardening, riding horses and playing poker. David was very devoted to his family and never met a stranger. He was very proud to be a United States Army Vietnam Veteran. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dickson Chapter #950**. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Pam Wells, of Charlotte, TN; one daughter, Rhonda Wells Gurley (Russ), of Charlotte, TN; one brother, Roy Wells, of Ashland City, TN; two grandchildren, Ethan Wells (Kris), of Dickson, TN and Zee Gurley, of Charlotte TN, and; many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Robert and Zee (née Linzy) Wells and seven brothers and five sisters. Visitation hours were from 12:00 Noon-8:00 PM on Friday, March 1, 2019 and on Saturday 10:00 AM until the time of the service. The funeral service was conducted at 2:00 PM on Saturday, March 2, 2019 from the chapel of the Spann Funeral Home with Brother Tim McDonald, officiating. The interment was in the Greenwood Cemetery.

WILLIAM WESSEL – Died Friday, March 1, 2013 in Salt Lake City, Utah at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 19, 1936. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Florida**.



AUSTIN A. WILCOX (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Sunday, March 10, 2019 at his residence in Troy, New York at the age of 70, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related multiple myeloma. He was born in Troy on July 5, 1948 to Florence (née Jones) Wilcox of Troy and the late Ambrose Wilcox. Austin was a retiree of the United States Army and had served over a 40-year period. He had served in the Vietnam War and more recently in Afghanistan. He received numerous medals including the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm/ the Expert Rifle Badge and the Army Commendation Medal (1st Oak Leaf Cluster). He retired in 2005. Austin was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cohoes Chapter #8**. He was a hard-core Republican. A compassionate man he would always put other people's need before his own. Survivors in addition to his mother include his loving children, Lucille Wilcox (Pete Delcoro) of Richmondville, Denise Drywater of Oklahoma, Austin Wilcox II, Tanya Wilcox and Mario Dinelli all of Troy. He was the proud grandfather of Krissa Drywater, Alexander Wilcox, Susan and Maria Dinelli, and Samantha Adams and great grandfather of Julian Kai Fullbright. Also surviving is his brother Richard Burdick. Relatives and friends were invited to visit with his family at the Philip J. Brendese Funeral Home, 133 Broad Street (Route 32), Waterford on Saturday from 2:00-4:00 PM. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas.



JAMES KENNETH "Jim" WILLIAMS – Died unexpectedly Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at the Genesis Medical Center, East Rusholme Street, Davenport, Iowa at the age of 74. He was a resident of Davenport. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 9, 1944 in McCook Nebraska to the late Harold W. and Mable I. (née Livingston) Williams. He grew up in the Omaha area but returned to the Midwest in 2012 after living in Syracuse, New York for 26 years. Jim graduated from Creighton University in 1968 and earned two Master of Arts Degrees – in Journalism from Northwestern in Evanston, Illinois in 1971 and in Special Education from the University of N. Colorado in 1973. He proudly served his country as a language interpreter in the PsyOps Program in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776**. Jim married Connie Martin April 30, 1983 in Des Moines, Iowa. Jim worked as a General Manager for WOC/KIHK in the mid-80's. He was a member of Heritage Church where he taught preschool children. While in Syracuse he was a Young Life Volunteer. Jim treasured visiting area medical facilities with his therapy dog Mamie providing comfort to patients, families and staff at UnityPoint and Clarissa C. Cook Hospice House. Memorials may be made to Redemptorists - Denver Province, PO Box 173704, Denver, Colorado, 08217 or to the Trinity Hospital Radiation Department. Survivors include his wife of 36 years, Connie, Davenport and stepchildren, Casey Schmidt, Cedar Rapids and Ryan (Megan Fawcett) Williams, Columbus, Ohio. He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Betty Andrews and William M. Williams. Memorial Services were on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 10:00 AM at Heritage Church, 2700 Middle Road, Bettendorf. His family greeted friends on Friday from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at the Halligan-McCabe-DeVries Funeral Home, 614 Main Street, downtown Davenport.



FRANKLIN J. YEAROUT – Died Thursday, January 17, 2019 in Cleveland, Ohio at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 16, 1945. He was the loving father of Kimberly, Michele Gonzalez (Heriberto) and Patricia Katynski; grandfather of Daniel, Eddie, Brittany, Chelsea, Kaitlynn and Allison great-grandfather of Logan, Colton and David; loving brother of Thomas, Drema, and the following deceased James, Debbie and Rebecca, and; long-time friend of Frederick James, and; an uncle and friend to many. He was a United States Army Vietnam Veteran. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland (Maryland) Chapter #172**. The funeral services were at 7:00 PM on Monday, January 21, 2019 at the funeral home. Inurnment was in the Blue Ridge Memorial Gardens, Beckley, WV. The family received friends on Monday from 4:00–7:00 PM at the A. Ripepi and Sons Funeral Home, 18149 Bagley Road, Middleburg Heights. (west of I-71).



ROBERT STEPHEN “Buck” ZAKOS - Died Tuesday, January 10, 2017 in Catasauqua, Pennsylvania at the age of 74. He was known to many as “Buck” and “Bucky.” The cause of death was cancer. He was born on June 4, 1942 in Allentown, Pennsylvania to the late Stephen and Mary (née Novak) Zakos of North 4th Street in Allentown. Robert was a 1960 graduate of Louis E. Dieruff High School in Allentown. He was also a 1961 graduate of the former Allentown Business School. Robert was husband to Beverly A. (Scott) for 43 years. Robert had worked as a warehouse supervisor at Vanguard Plastics Mfg. in Upper Macungie Township, PA and retired from there in 1997. He was also a former employee of Western Union in Allentown from 1968–86, and of A-Treat Beverage Co. in Allentown from 1963–68. In his younger days, Robert was an avid basketball player and played on many teams in many recreational leagues. He was a member of the 1960s Winter’s Café basketball team that had a seven-year, 135-game win streak in the Allentown Rec Class A League. Robert was also a longtime umpire for many local area amateur baseball and softball leagues throughout the Lehigh Valley over the past forty-five years; including the Allentown Rec League, American Legion Baseball, Blue Mountain League, Lehigh Valley Slo-pitch, and many others. Robert was a Vietnam Veteran. He served in the United States Army from 1964–66 in the Field Artillery. He was a Specialist E-4, Fire Direction Controller for Battery A of the 6th Battalion, 27th Artillery Regiment. He was a recipient of a Meritorious Unit Commendation, the Vietnam Service Medal with two bronze battle stars, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation. Robert was a lifelong member of the Suburban North Family YMCA in Catasauqua, and previously the Allentown YMCA. He was also a member of the Catasauqua American Legion Post #215, as well as a member of AMVETS and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Easton Chapter #415**. Robert was also a member of the Catasauqua Club and the Catasauqua East End Fire Co. Social Club. He had been a past member of the former Allentown Italian Club and the former Allentown Ukrainian (Ukes) Club. Robert was a congregant of Saint Paul Lutheran Church in Catasauqua and was a past congregant of Saint John Lutheran Church in Allentown. Survivors include his wife, Beverly A., of Catasauqua; son, Robert S. Jr., husband to Lynn M., of Bethlehem, PA. Robert was predeceased by his sister, Rosemary A., late wife to James D. Kurtz of Whitehall, PA. Funeral services were to be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday January 14, 2017 at Saint Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, 417 Howertown Road, Catasauqua, PA. His viewing was held from 10:00-11:00 AM on Saturday at the church. The interment was in the Cedar Hill Memorial Park, Allentown. The Brubaker Funeral Home, Inc. of Catasauqua was in charge of the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his name, payable to the American Heart Association, 968 Postal Road, Suite #110, Allentown, PA. 18109 or the American Cancer Society 3893 Adler Place, Suite #170, Bethlehem, PA 18017.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD! AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM! MAY THEY REST IN PEACE! AMEN! Spencer 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.

