



WALLACE W. "Wally" ADAMS - Died Saturday, August 23, 2014 in Rising Sun, Maryland at the age of 72. The cause of death was cancer. He was born July 19, 1942 in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Wallace M. and Helen C. Adams. Wally served in the United States Air Force and was stationed in the Philippines during the Vietnam War. He worked at the Perry Point VA Medical Center where he retired after 30 years of dedication and he was a member of the American Legion Post #194 in Rising Sun, MD. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Deposit Chapter #722*. Wally was passionate about golf and was an enthusiastic Raven's fan. He enjoyed telling jokes and making people laugh; but what Wally enjoyed the most was spending time with his wonderful family, especially his grandson, Adam. Wally is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Carol of Rising Sun, MD; daughter, Leah Snider and her husband, Thom of Columbia, MD; grandson, Adam Snider of Columbia, MD; two sisters-in-laws, Ruth Graybeal of Calvert, MD and Peggy Morrison and her husband, Don of Perryville, MD; brother-in-law, A. Paul Kaye of Baltimore, MD; niece, Cheryl Orrichio of Bel Air, MD; and nephew, Michael Kaye of Jarrettsville, MD. A memorial service was held in Wally's honor at 3:00 PM on Thursday, August 28, 2014 at the Chesapeake Bay Golf Course at Rising Sun (Chantilly Manor County Club) where the Reverend Ray Graham officiated. Family and friends were invited to join the family for refreshments following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made payable to the American Cancer Society in memory of his Mom, Helen and sent in care to R.T. Foard Funeral Home, P.A., 111 S. Queen Street, Rising Sun, MD 21911.

JOHN R. AHRENS – Died recently in 2016 in Mesa, Arizona at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born September 17, 1949. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Illinois*.

JAMES "Jimmy" "Jim" AIELLO – Died Monday, May 16, 2016 in River Edge, New Jersey at the age of 68. The cause of death was CLL – Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia. He was born in New York City, New York on April 26, 1948. He served in the United States Army from 1969 to 1971 with service in the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rutherford Chapter #800**.



MORRIS B. ALLEN - Died Monday, July 11, 2016 in Portage, Indiana at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 14, 1942 in East Chicago, Indiana to the late William and Gladys Allen. He is survived by his best friend and significant other, Judy Burden; his daughters, Candice (Bryan) Luttman, Valerie (nee Allen) Sobczak, Pam (Shawn) Donovan, Kathy Cooper; his son, David Burden; his brothers, Gary (Amber) Woods, Richard (Katie) Allen, Timmy (Debbie) Allen; his sister, Alma Tovo; his grandchildren, Mikey Sobczak, Alex Sobczak, Summer Sobczak, Jason Rhew, Lindsey Donovan, Mike Donovan, Nathan Cooper,

Kaylyn Cooper and His “Breakfast Buddies” from the VVA, and; many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Morris was a United States Army Veteran and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Portage Chapter #905**. He was also a member of American Legion Post #260 and #502, as well as a past Post-Commander of the VFW in Portage. Morris was a retired Steelworker, having served many years at Bethlehem Steel. He was a member of the United Steel Workers and served as a Griever during his time at the mill. The Funeral Service was held on Friday, July 15, 2016 at 6:00 PM at the Edmonds and Evans Funeral Home, 6941 Central Avenue, Portage, IN 46368 with Pastor Allen Wright officiating. Visitation hours were held on Friday, July 15, 2016 from 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM at the funeral home. Cremation services were provided by the Heritage Crematory in Portage, IN.



TERRENCE J. “Terry” ALLEN - Died unexpectedly on Friday, September 2, 2016 at his home in Fox Lake, Illinois at the age of 64. He was formerly of Waukegan, Illinois. The cause of death was chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and congestive heart failure. He was born in Evanston, Illinois on December 20, 1951 to the late Philip and Marie (née McLellan) Allen. Terry went on to serve in the United States Air Force during Vietnam in the 35th SPS K-9 unit as a dog handler. Terry worked for the State of Illinois at the Ann Kiley Developmental Center providing daily care for the residents, retiring in 2012 after 23 years of service. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Illinois**. Terry loved to fish, travel and read and he was a lifelong Chicago Blackhawks fan. A friend to all who knew him, he is survived by his siblings, Philip (Barbara), Nancy (Clark) Farrell, and Patricia Allen; and nieces and nephews, Deborah (John), Christopher, Julie (Stephen), Pamela (Dave), Robert (Jana), Tammie, Allison and James (Katie). In addition to his parents, Terry was preceded in death by his brother, James Allen. Visitation hours for the family and friends were on Friday, September 9th, held from 4:00-7:00 PM with a memorial service beginning at 7:00 PM at Hamsher Lakeside Funerals and Cremations, 12 North Pistakee Lake Road, Fox Lake, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Terry's name may be made to the Veteran charity of your choice. You may leave online condolences for the family at <http://www.HamsherLakeside.com>.



CURT W. ANDERSON – Died unexpectedly on Tuesday December 20, 2016 at Our Lady of Lourdes Medical Center at the age of 63. He was a resident of Willingboro, New Jersey. The cause of death was gastrointestinal hemorrhage. He was born on October 3, 1953 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to the late James and Marie Anderson. He resided in Willingboro for the last 37 years. Curt served in the United States Navy aboard the USS Hunley during the

Vietnam War. Curt recently retired from Drexel University, where he worked in the Information Resource Technology department for 17 years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bordentown Chapter #899** and lifetime plank owner and member of the crew of the Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Association. Two of Curt's greatest passions were music and travel. Proficient in piano, clarinet and bagpipes, he felt privileged to lend his talent to the Mission of Honor and other worthy causes. Ever excited about his next trip with his wife, he was always planning new adventures for them. But above all, he was a devoted family man. He is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Kathleen (née Gallagher); his daughter, Caitlin Civitello (Lou); his four siblings James Anderson, Jr. (Maureen), Marie Vesper, Teresa Jermyn (Rick) and Maureen Anderson; his brothers-in-law Frank Gallagher (Dottie) and Chris Gallagher (Kaye), and; many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Memorial donations may be made in Curt's name to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter NJ #899, P.O. Box 263 Bordentown, NJ 08505 or Doane Academy, 350 Riverbank, Burlington, NJ 08016. A Celebration of Curt's life was held on Wednesday December 28, 2016 at 11:00 AM at the Bordentown Home for Funerals, 40 Crosswicks Street, Bordentown. Calling hours were held on Tuesday evening from 6:00-9:00 PM and on Wednesday morning from 9:30 AM until time of the service. Burial was in the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veteran Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direct care and supervision of Robert L. Pecht, Bordentown Home for Funerals, 40 Crosswicks Street, Bordentown, NJ 08505. Please go to Curt's Book of memories page at www.Bordentownhomeforfunerals.com to upload a picture, light a candle, make a donation or offer condolences to the family.



CHARLES MONROE "Chuck" ARMSTRONG - Died at the Willis Knighton Medical Center North in Shreveport, Louisiana, on Friday, December 12, 2014 at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 3, 1947 in Pleasant Hill, Louisiana to the late Charles Monroe Armstrong, Sr. and Helen Louise (née Rutherford) Armstrong. In addition to his parents, Charles is also predeceased sister, Brenda Harrison; and his son, Charles Michael Armstrong. He is survived by his loving wife of 48 years, Alice Armstrong; his daughters, Shannon Menefee and husband, Mitch, and Christy Boothe and husband, Jason; his grandchildren, Clarissa Menefee, Hannah Menefee, Josiah Menefee, Jackson Boothe, Sarah Jane Boothe and Audrey Boothe; his brothers, Lloyd Armstrong and wife, Pat, Alan Armstrong and wife, Janie, Kevin Armstrong and wife, Janet, and Keith Armstrong; his sister, Joyce Bailey and husband, Bob; and numerous nieces and nephews. Charles was known to his friends and family as "Chuck" a name that stuck with him after his military days. Chuck had that entrepreneurial spirit that always kept him busy. It is that same spirit that propelled him to start his own three businesses and hold six distinctly different patents. His recognized expertise in utility industry technologies led Chuck to not only travel extensively across the United States but around the world. He was a veteran of the United States Army, serving in the Vietnam War and a member of the Dallas Chapter of Greet the Troops. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Denton Chapter #920**. He was a deacon at Calvary Baptist Church and a member of the Renewal Sunday School Class. Chuck never met a stranger and people enjoyed spending time with him. He was always eager to share his faith and to mentor others. He loved his wife, his daughters and grandchildren and led a devoted life to honor God. He was an admirable man and will be greatly missed. A funeral service was held at 9:30 AM on

Monday, December 15, 2014, at Calvary Baptist Church in Nacogdoches with the Reverend Paul Sevar officiating. The pallbearers were Jerry Kirk, Dewayne Prestwood, Raymond Wiggins, Marty Morris, Randy McClain, Ruben Carmona and Vernis Rogers. The honorary pallbearers were the Deacons of Calvary Baptist Church. The burial was in the Tennessee Cemetery in Timpson, Texas. Friends and family were invited to visitation from 3:00 to 5:00 PM on Sunday, December 14, 2014 at the Cason Monk-Metcalf Funeral Directors. Memorial contributions may be offered to Calvary Baptist Church, Building Fund Activity Center. Online condolences may be offered to www.casonmonk-metcalf.com. Arrangements were under the direction of Cason Monk-Metcalf Funeral Directors, located at 5400 North Street, Nacogdoches, Texas.

JOSEPH BALUCH - Died Sunday, August 7, 2016 in Carrollton, Texas at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born March 21, 1942 to the late Joseph and June Baluch. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War and served in the United States Navy and the United States Army for a total of 19 years. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America**. He is survived by his wife, Yong Baluch; his daughter, Cathy Baluch Lam; his sisters, Cheri Harper and Becky LeBlanc; his brother, Ricky Baluch, and; two grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, June and Joseph Baluch, mother, Catherine Baluch; his brothers, David Dentino and Timothy Baluch. Funeral services were held at 10:30 AM on Thursday, August 11, 2016 at the Rhoton Funeral Home in Carrollton, TX. Burial was at Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery.



ROBERT LEON "Bob" BARBER - Died Saturday, January 31, 2015 in Yuma, Arizona at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born February 24, 1946 in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. Bob was known as a very stubborn man who would go to great lengths to do things "his way" and while his stubbornness would often annoy those around him, it also allowed him to overcome many challenges in his life. He was orphaned at nine years of age and relegated to the foster care system in Pennsylvania joined the United States Marine Corps before finishing high school, and he spent six years in the Corps which included a deployment to Vietnam and a subsequent injury that saw him Medevac'd back to the states before his 20th birthday. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Yuma Chapter #835**. After returning from Vietnam, he met his future wife, Shirley, and her three kids. He married Shirley, became a father to those three children, had another child, and with little education or much else built a career as a very well respected diesel mechanic in Yuma working for LA-Yuma Freightlines and other businesses. He provided well for his family, raised four wonderful and successful children. The world would be a better place if more people were so stubborn and determined. Bob enjoyed hunting and fishing with friends and family, camping, four-wheeling - constantly tinkering with related vehicles, his home and garden, and his beloved dogs. Bob is survived by his wife, Shirley R. (née Benson) Barber of Yuma; daughters, Cindy Vance (Kenny) of Purgitsville, WV, June Durham (Chip) of Gilbert, AZ, and Barbara Barber of Yuma; son, Pat Barber (Marye) of Yuma; sisters, Carol of Wilkes-Barre, PA and Annabelle of Mountaintop, PA; and brother, Harry of Sweet Valley, PA; 10 grandchildren; 9 great grandchildren; and many

nieces and nephews. Bob was preceded in death by his brothers, Elmer, William, and Eddie; sisters, Anna, Lillian, and Barbara; father, William Robertson Barber; and mother, Lillian Loretta Steele.

THOMAS M. "Tom" BENNETT – Died Saturday, November 19, 2016 in Madisonville, Kentucky at the age of 71. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born in Lexington, Kentucky on January 20, 1945. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Madisonville Chapter #1060*.



HARRY ROY BERGERON - Died Sunday, January 3, 2016 at home in Albion, New Jersey, at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 8, 1942 in Oneco, Connecticut to the late Nellie (née Dawley) and William J. Bergeron II. He was predeceased by his first wife, Marylou (née MacIntosh), his Stepfather, Peter A. Majane, and his brother, William J. Bergeron III. After High School, Harry joined the United States Army and served six years with the Military Police. He was stationed in Texas, West Germany and served two tours in Vietnam. Harry was honorably discharged and was awarded a number of service medals including; Good Conduct Award, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, National Defense Medal, Drivers Badge and Sharpshooter Decoration. Upon return to the United States, Harry was employed by UPS. He was actively involved with the Camden County 4H for over 15 years. Harry received several special 4H commendations and awards. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Egg Harbor Township Chapter #825*, the National Rifle Association, the VFW and the Disabled American Veterans. Harry was an avid fisherman and horseman. Harry is survived by his wife, Lois E. (née Allen) Bergeron; his stepchildren, Maryann (MacIntosh) Gladfelter and her husband Bruce, Victoria (MacIntosh) Hicken and her husband Eric, Carol Salden and Kathleen Pierotti; his sister Jeanne Field; his brother John Majane, and his wife Peggy. He also is survived by his grandsons, Eric Gladfelter, Mathew Gladfelter, Ian Eddy and Marco Salden; cousins, nephews and nieces include June (née Staskizitch) Dawson, her husband Paul, Christine (Field) Woodcock and her husband James, Scott W. Bergeron, Rebecca Field and Richard J. Field III, and; along with numerous other relatives and friends. A memorial service was conducted at the Williamstown Assembly of God, 214 East Malaga Road, Williamstown, NJ on Saturday, January 9th, gathering at 10:30 AM with the service beginning at 11:00 AM. The burial was private. Memories and condolences may be shared at www.ellisstiefelfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, the family requested that memorial contributions be made to either: Vietnam Veterans Of America, 8719 Colesville Road, Suite #100, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, or to the Williamstown Assembly of God, 214 East Malaga Road, Williamstown, NJ 08094, or to Samaritan Hospice, 5 Eves Drive, Suite #300, Marlton, NJ 08053. Harry's entire family wishes to thank the dozens of health care professionals that worked with Harry over the past two years.



RUSSELL ALLEN BERGUM - Died Saturday, October 25, 2014 in Lake Taylor Hospital in Norfolk, Virginia at the age of 68. He was a resident of Saluda, Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Elmhurst, Illinois on June 26, 1946 to the late Glenn C. and Mary (née Merkle) Bergum. He retired from GTE as a switchman in 1999. He served his country in the United States Army as a front line medic during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Gloucester Moose Lodge, #886, a lifetime member of the VFW a member of the American Legion and DAV. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Virginia**. He was preceded in death by his son, Robert Joseph Bergum and his parents, Glenn C. and Mary Merkle Bergum. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Bergum; his daughter, Nina Mitchell; his brother, Glenn Raymond Bergum and his wife Judith, sister-in-law, Marilyn Hooper and her husband, Otis, grandsons Zachary Goodman and Quentin Goodman, 5 nieces, 2 nephews, 3 great-nieces and 4 great-nephews. The family received friends at the Andrews Funeral Home and Crematory on Sunday, November 2, 2014 from 6:00-7:30 PM. A graveside service was held on Monday, November 3, 2014 at 3:00 PM at the Albert G. Horton, Jr. Veterans Cemetery, 5310 Milner's Road, Suffolk, VA 23434. Memorial donations may be made to the Virginia Wounded Warriors Project, 900 East Main Street, 6th Floor-West Wing, Richmond, VA 23219. Andrews Funeral Home and Crematory, Gloucester, VA was in charge of arrangements.



HARRY WALTON BILLER, JR. - Died Saturday, March 28, 2015 at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Martinsburg, West Virginia at the age of 79. He was a resident of Harpers Ferry, West Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born February 14, 1936 in Harpers Ferry to the late Harry Walton Biller, Sr. and Mary Elizabeth (née Hammond) Biller. He was of the Methodist faith. He was a retired Chief Master Sergeant and served three tours of duty with the United States Air Force in Vietnam. He flew 50 combat missions as an aerial photographer aboard Douglas RB-26 and Fairchild C-123K aircraft. During his 21-years of active service, he was decorated many times. He was a member of the Harpers Ferry/Bolivar District Veterans Association. Harry was also a member and Past Master of Logan Lodge No. 25 A.F. & A.M., Past Noble Grand of Virginia Lodge No. 1, IOOF and Shenandoah Rebekah Lodge No. 2; all of Harpers Ferry, WV; Loyal Order of Moose Lodge No. 1582, Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie No. 1136, American Legion Post #96, all of Brunswick, MD, the Veterans of Foreign War Post #3522 of Charles Town, WV and the 167th Retirees of Martinsburg, WV. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Frederick (Maryland) Chapter #304**. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Wanda Keister Biller, at home; daughter, R. Lynn Folk and husband, Philip of Harpers Ferry, WV; two sons, Harry W. Biller, III "Trey" and wife, Cari of Austin, TX; and John David Biller, "JD" of Harpers Ferry, WV; four grandchildren, Jeremiah J. Folk and wife, Jennifer of Mt. Sterling, KY; Kia Biller of Austin, TX; Cody Biller and wife, Kori of Houston, TX and J. Dakota Biller of Fort Benning, GA, three great- grandchildren, Cade, Kingsley and Everly, one sister, Ruth Kennedy of Frederick, MD; one brother, Richard Biller of Sterling, VA; one half brother, Mike Kronk of Martinsburg, WV and one step-brother, Wayne Smallwood of

Brownsville, MD. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Jenny Weddle and Esther Sigler and one brother, Robert Biller. Services were held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, April 11, 2015 at the Eackles-Spencer and Norton Funeral Home, 256 Halltown Road, Harpers Ferry, WV with the Reverend Douglas Fraim officiating. A visitation was held one hour prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Harpers Ferry/Bolivar District Veterans, P.O. Box 1365, Harpers Ferry, WV 25425.



ARDEN ARTHUR BORSHOFF - Died Monday, June 13, 2016 at the VA Medical Center in Milwaukee, Wisconsin at the age of 72, following several bouts with cancer. Arden was born on June 17, 1943 to the late Merlin and Bernice (née Adams) Coher and grew up in Soldier's Grove, Wisconsin. Soldier's Grove remained dear to his heart throughout the years and he delighted in telling his daughters and granddaughter of his many happy memories with family and escapades with friends and cousins in his youth. He entered the United States Army out of high school and spent some of his happiest years as a food inspector being stationed in Germany, Texas, and Okinawa. After the military, he returned to the U.S. and was a resident of the Milwaukee area for most of his adult life, but also called Hong Kong home for many years. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Waukesha Chapter #425**. He was loved by family, friends, and dogs everywhere. He loved to laugh, tell jokes, and have fun. He yearned to be fishing at all times. He was a lover of animals and was loved by them. Arden is preceded in death by his parents, Merlin and Bernice (Adams) Coher, his grandparents, Lyall and Zella (Bailey) Adams, his aunt Lila (Cecil) Turk, aunt Margaret (Paul) Peterson, and uncle Arden (Betty) Adams. He is survived by three daughters, Alisa (Michael) Stephens, Carmen (Bruce) Jordan, and Laura Borshoff (Sergio Silvestri), one granddaughter, Madeline Jordan, his sister, Julie (Mick) Showen, and niece, Matia (Jake) Malek, sister, Marianti (George) Mangos, and many other beloved family and friends. A memorial service was held on Saturday, July 2nd, at 12:00 PM at the BMZ Methodist Church at 210 Pine Street, Soldier's Grove, WI, 54655.



WILLIAM A. "Bill" BOUDREAU - Died Tuesday, November 17, 2015 in Abington, Massachusetts at the age of 75, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death was heart failure. He was originally from North Weymouth, Massachusetts born September 27, 1940 to the late Percy and Miriam (née Macusty) Boudreau. Bill spent many of his teenage years working at his father's gas station, Boudreau's Atlantic. In 1961, he proudly enlisted in the United States Air Force and served his country for four years. After his time in the service, he completed an electrical apprenticeship and became a member of Local #103. For 30 years he worked as an electrician for the MBTA. Growing up he played the piano and was a lifelong enthusiast of classical music. He was a member of the Bagaduce Music Lending Library. Bill was an avid newspaper reader and was extremely knowledgeable about current events, both locally and around the world. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America –**

Massachusetts. He followed politics, greatly enjoyed political debate and was a steadfast supporter of the Second Amendment. His background of working in his father's garage and his knowledge of electricity contributed to his ability to repair and fix many things. He was a true "do it yourselfer". In later years, Bill enjoyed spending time with his family and playing with his grandchildren. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Paula (née Kelly) Boudreau of Abington; his daughter Christine Banks and her husband Michael of Norwood and his daughter Jacqueline Heald and her husband Gary of Abington. He was the grandfather of Erin and Justin Banks of Norwood. He was the brother of Margaret Archibald of Braintree and her late husband Donald, John Boudreau and his wife Johanna of Hooksett, New Hampshire, Elizabeth Archibald and her husband Richard of South Weymouth and Mary Boudreau and her companion Michael Kelly of South Weymouth. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews. His wife and daughters would like to thank Bill's siblings and their families for their love and support. Visiting hours were on Sunday, November 22nd from 4:00-8:00 PM at the McDonald Keohane Funeral Home, South Weymouth at 809 Main Street. A Funeral Mass was held on Monday, November 23rd at 10:00 AM at Saint Michael Church in Avon, Massachusetts. The burial was in Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne, Massachusetts. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Bill's memory to the American Heart Association or other charitable organizations of choice.



LAWRENCE EDWARD "Larry" BOWSER - Died Thursday, October 27, 2016 at the Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown, West Virginia, following a lengthy illness. He was 69 years of age and a resident of Star City, West Virginia. The cause of death was a stroke. He was born on May 5, 1947 in Mount Morris, Pennsylvania to the late Lawrence Bowser and Elizabeth (née Sollars) Bowser. Larry was a graduate of University High School, a Vietnam veteran serving with the United States Marine Corps, and a retired coal miner. Larry was very patriotic and active in military organizations. He was a member of the General Earl Anderson Chapter #342 Marine Corps League, the Mount Morris American Legion Post #992 and the Westover VFW Post #9916. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Morgantown Chapter #306**. He was an active participant in military activities and in 2012 was honored as the Veteran-of-the-Year. Larry also had a passion for antique cars and was a member of several car clubs including the Street Cruisers, Dream Machines, and was founder and president of the University City Car Club until his health declined. Larry is survived by his son Larry Bowser and wife Alicia of Morgantown, two grandchildren whom he dearly loved, Brayden and Briella Bowser, his former wife, Barbara Fox, sisters, Fran Headley and husband Warren of Mt. Morris, Martha Tomago and husband Joe of Westover, Wanda Dunbar and husband George of Star City, and Naomi Roupe of Salado, TX, brothers, David Bowser and wife Jackie of Mt. Morris, James Bowser and wife Brenda of Morgantown and Tim Bowser of Morgantown and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, and cousins. Larry was preceded in death by his daughter, Sandra Kay Bowser, two sisters, Shirley Fominko and Rose Sampson, and three brothers, Ronald Bowser, Arnold Bowser and Thomas Mark Bowser, brother-in-law, LTC Lee Roupe, maternal grandparents, Harry and Irene Sollars, paternal grandparents, John and Ona Bowser and

paternal step-grandmother Heiskell Bowser. The family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to Windy Hill Village and their staff for the loving care and compassion given to Larry. Visiting hours were from 2:00-6:00 PM on Sunday at the McCulla Funeral Home, 770 Fairmont Road, Morgantown and on Monday at the Kingdom Evangelical Methodist Church 540 Fairmont Road from 10:00 AM until the 11:00 AM funeral service with the Reverends Kevin Cain and James Sollars officiating. The burial was in the Beverly Hills Memorial Gardens with full military honors provided by the United States Marine Corps Honor guard, the General Earl Anderson Marine Corps League and the Patriot Guard.

SUSAN L. BRADY - Died Saturday, December 31, 2016 at the Douglas T. Jacobson Veterans Nursing Home in Port Charlotte, Florida at the age of 71. The cause of death was cancer. She was born January 27, 1945. She served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Murdock Chapter #1037*. The arrangements to the family were made by the National Cremation Society of Florida.



BARNEY B. BRAUKER - Died Sunday, October 16, 2016 at the Laurels of Coldwater at the age of 69. He was a resident of Tekonsha, Michigan. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born November 3, 1946 in Coldwater, Michigan to the late Marlin and Mary (née Kindig) Brauker. He served in the United States Army and was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He worked for many years at the Federal Center in Battle Creek. He belonged to and was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek Chapter #730*, the American Legion, Lansing Post and the Branch County Conservation Club. Barney enjoyed firearms and taught Hunters Safety with 4-H for many years. Barney is survived by his daughter Kersten Cook, of Hillsdale; his mother, Mary Brauker-Bogi, of Dundee; his brother, Burl (Shirley) Brauker, of Union City; his sister Megan (Larry) McConn, of Bronson, and; nieces and nephews, Becky Walters, Dusty Coats, Jason Smith and Erin Mosher. He was preceded in death by his father, Marlin R. Brauker and his stepfather Ernie Bogi. A memorial service was held. Arrangements were being cared for by Dutcher Funeral Home in Coldwater. Memorials may be directed to the Vietnam Veteran of America.

RICHARD O. BRIDGES - Died at home in Yakima, Washington on December 3, 2014 at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Fort Worth, Texas on December 31, 1945 to the late Claude and Elizabeth (née Meggs) Bridges. He married Charlotte (née Skavang) Bridges on November 12, 1983. Living in Texas made Richard a football fan from an early age and he rooted for the University of Texas ("hook 'em horns") and Dallas Cowboys ("come on C'boys") all his life. But, having lived in Snohomish WA for most of the last 32 years, the Seattle Seahawks were next on his list of favorites. Richard joined the United States Army and served in Vietnam. Overall, he spent 14 years in the military. He had a knack for languages and learned both Czech and German during his service. Richard enjoyed saying he could speak 4 languages

since "Texan" counted separately from English. He earned a degree in Accounting through the University of Maryland while serving in the Army. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Washington**. Richard loved numbers and used his skills in the non-profit world with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. When Richard realized nuances of clergy taxes were not always handled correctly, he began providing tax services to clergy members. Having been born on December 31, Richard was proud that he started life as a tax deduction. In his final job before retirement, Richard was the Executive Director of a Seattle based charity serving meals to the homeless and providing job placements. Richard had an open door policy for both clients and staff. He was proud of his team of people, the effectiveness of their work, the happy work environment and the fiscal efficiency with which they accomplished so much. Although Richard was a numbers man, there was also an artistic side to him. He performed in, produced and directed many musicals with King's Players in Edmonds, WA where he made lots of good friends. Richard played a variety of roles including Ko-Ko in "The Mikado," Jud Fry in "Oklahoma!" and Jeff in "Brigadoon." Charlotte learned all his songs with him while he practiced during their daily commute from Snohomish to Seattle. Richard also wrote and performed in a play for King's Players titled "Next Year We'll Double Your Salary." Richard and Charlotte moved to Yakima in 2011 to be on the sunny side of the Cascade Mountains and very much appreciated the welcoming community. Films, golf, travel, and writing were Richard's hobbies. His favorite places were Southern Bavaria and Maui, but he was looking forward to new adventures too as he made plans to buy a motor home. Richard is survived by his wife Charlotte; his brother Roger Bridges of Wills Point, Texas, and; two sisters, Sydney Bridges of Bremerton, WA and Janet Barto of Ravensdale, WA, as well as a host of nieces, nephews and in-laws. There was a celebration of Richard's life on December 20th at 11:00 AM at the Tree of Life Lutheran Church in Terrace Heights at 410 North 37th Street, Yakima, WA 98901. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requested donations be directed to either Tree of Life Lutheran Church or the Wounded Warrior Project. Arrangements were handled by the Rainier Memorial Center, 2807 Terrace Heights Drive, Yakima WA 98901.

GEORGE R. BROWN – Died Friday, August 12, 2016 in The Villages, Florida at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born July 29, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Virginia Beach Chapter #48**.



LESTER EUGENE "Les" BROWN, JR. – Died Monday, September 28, 2015 in Danville, Iowa at the age of 68. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related lung cancer. He was born in Burlington, Iowa on June 19, 1947 to the late Lester Eugene Brown, Sr. and Byrene Bertha (née Buxton) Brown. On August 2, 1969, he married Aggie S. Luschen in Fairfield, Iowa. He served in the United States Army with one year tour of duty in Vietnam and attained the rank of Sergeant (E-5). He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fort Madison Chapter #947**. Les ran his own business, Brown Mobile Home Repair where he retired from. He also worked for Danville Mill and Supply, Borax, and the Iowa Army Ammunitions Plant's Security Department. He was a 1966 graduate of Harmony High School in Farmington, Iowa. He was a

member of Harmony Bible Church, Church choir, Community Bible Study, American Legion, and the Burlington Tea Party Patriots. He was an 8th degree black belt in NA HA TE martial arts. He enjoyed hunting and shooting, target practice, traveling, and spending time with his children and grandchildren. Survivors include his wife, Aggie S. Brown, of Danville; one daughter, Carrie (Niko) Pothitakis, of Fort Madison; one son, Chad Brown, of Burlington; four grandchildren, Braeden Brown, Samantha Pothitakis, Nicole Pothitakis, and Mitchell Pothitakis; his mother, Byrene Bertha Brown, of Danville; two brothers, Rick Brown, of Pocatello, ID, and Tom Brown, of Danville; one sister, Nancy Bigger, of West Burlington; 12 nieces and nephews; and 27 great-nieces and great-nephews. Cremation was entrusted to the care of Prugh-Thielen Crematory. Visitation hours were from Noon until 7:00 PM with the family to receive friends from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at the Prugh-Thielen Funeral Home, 3940 Division Street. The memorial service for Mr. Brown was at 10:00 AM on Friday, October 2, 2015 at the Harmony Bible Church with Pastor Danny Dingus officiating. Interment was in the Burlington Memorial Park Cemetery. Full military honors were rendered by the Burlington Area Veterans Honor Guard. A time of food and fellowship was held at the Harmony Bible Church following the burial. A memorial has been established. Prugh-Thielen Funeral Home was in care of the arrangements.



DONALD "Don" BRUCE – Died Sunday, August 7, 2016 at his home in Dallas, Texas at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 1, 1944 in Bayside, New York. A Vietnam War Veteran, he founded and ran his own business for 40 years. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Texas**. He was 72 years young and loved fitness, football and family. He is survived by siblings Janie Bruce and Raymond Bruce; wife Mary Bruce; children Erika Bruce (Gary Moskowitz), Jason Bruce (Stacy Hoffman Bruce), Katherine Tarnoff (Dylan Tarnoff) and Nicole Bruce; and grandchildren Stella Bruce, Zachary Moskowitz and Sarah Moskowitz. In lieu of flowers, donations to Jewish War Veterans were welcomed and appreciated.

WILLIAM E. "Bill" BRUCKNER – Died peacefully at home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 at the age of 70. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on May 25, 1946. He was a proud United States Marine Corps Vietnam Veteran with a 2533 MOS-Radio/Telegraph Operator in Vietnam-3rd 8" Howitzer Battery SP. 1st Platoon, An Hoa and Hill 55. His tour of duty was from 30 July 1967-15 August 1968. Bill was a Charter Member of Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans Chapter #1, an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wisconsin** and other veteran organizations. Bill retired from WYMS Radio Station as the Music Director and Jazz Disc Jockey. He is lovingly survived by his wife of 44 years, Nancy (née Hess); beloved brother-in-law of Tom (Jeanine) Hess, Jean (John) Brobst, William (Anita) Hess, Charles (Debbie Serreyn) Hess and Christine (Carl Rohlik) Hess. Bill was loved and will be remembered by cousins, nieces, nephews, special neighbors and friends. Visitation hours were held on Saturday, October 1st at Church and Chapel Funeral Home, 7626 West Greenfield Avenue, West Allis, Wisconsin from 9:30-11:30 AM. The Funeral Service was celebrated at

11:30 AM. The Urn burial with full Military Honors was at the Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Froedtert Hospital Cancer Center.

L. A. BRUNDAGE – Died recently in 2016 in Denton, Texas at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born January 22, 1941. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was Life *Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Denton Chapter #920.*



JOHN J. BURY - Died Saturday, December 31, 2016 at home in Media, Pennsylvania surrounded by his loving family. He was 80 years of age. The cause of death is unknown. He was born March 16, 1936 to the late John J. and Victoria (née Fudala) Bury. John received his associate's degree from Delaware County Community College. John was a Chief Petty Officer for 22 years, with the United States Navy, serving during the Vietnam War. He was deployed 4 times to Vietnam and served on the Sacramento as well as the San Pablo and Ponchatoula. After retiring from the Navy, Mr. Bury taught at the Williamson College of the Trades, and the Westtown School. Mr. Bury was a devoted retired United States Navy Veteran, who continued to be actively involved through the Media VFW Post #3462, **Vietnam Veterans of America – Media Chapter #67** and a staunch advocate for the Blue Water Vietnam Veterans. John also worked tirelessly on campaigning for Joe Sestack for both Congress and the Senate. John was a parishioner of the Church of St. Francis de Sales, Lenni, PA. He loved nature and feeding the birds. John was an avid hunter, lover of fishing and traveling. Most of all, he was devoted to his family and cherished spending time together. He was the son of the late John J. and Victoria (Fudala) Bury. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Catherine M. (née Reilly) Bury; his children, Jennifer, Jason, David Bremer, Tammy Bremer and Susan Bremer-May; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; his brother, Richard (Carol) Bury; his In-Laws, Marie (the late Harry), Maureen (the late Charles), the late William and Maureen, Anne (the late Andy), and Gene (Eileen), and; also survived by nieces and nephews. The Funeral Mass was on Monday, January 9th at 11:00 AM at the Church of the Nativity of the BVM, 30 East Franklin Street, Media, PA 19063. Visitation hours were on Monday, January 9th from 9:30 AM- 10:45 AM at the church. Interment was private at a later date at the Washington Crossing National Cemetery, Newtown, PA. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America at www.vva.org or Disabled Veterans at www.dav.org.



DUANE CHRISTOPHER CARLTON (USA, LTC-Ret.) – Died in the early morning hours of Monday, June 6, 2016, doing two of the things he loved, riding his motorcycle and hunting. He was 61 years of age and a resident of Bozeman, Montana. The cause of death was a motorcycle accident, death resulting. He was born June 29, 1954 He was a man of principles and was always pursuing his passions. He enjoyed watching his children participate in sports, various activities, and later become mature, responsible adults. His hobbies included: skiing, hunting, fishing, hiking, watching sports, running marathons, golfing, scuba diving, skydiving, and so much more. Duane was not a man to sit still for very long. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam

War and retired at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bozeman Chapter #788**. He will be deeply missed by his wife Cindy, daughter Katie, son Clint, daughter-in-law Jessica, granddaughters Emily and Alison of Helena, brothers Matthew of Florida and George of Texas, and countless other family and friends. There are no words to describe his impact in the world. Memorial services were conducted at 3:00 PM on Saturday, June 11th at the Dahl Funeral Chapel of Bozeman. Military honors were conducted at the funeral home following the service. Condolences and memories may be shared with the family at dahlcare.com.



EDWARD J. “Buddy” CARNEY, JR. - Died peacefully on Sunday, July 10, 2016 in the West Haven VA Medical Center at the age of 69. He was a resident of Guilford, Connecticut. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 1, 1947 in New Haven, Connecticut to the late Edward J. Carney, Sr. and Jennie (née Lobodynsky) Carney. He graduated from West Haven High in 1965. In December of that year, he married his wife of 50 years, Julia (née Bimonte) Carney. In his junior year of high school, he joined the Naval Reserves and upon graduating high school he went on active duty to Naval Electronics Training School in California for nine months. He was then discharged and one year later went active again for two years on several ships in the Mediterranean during the Vietnam War-era. During the year between his two active duties he was employed by Diebold Incorporated where he utilized his skills from the Naval Electronic Training School. His job was held for him until he returned from his second active duty. Edward continued to work for Diebold Incorporated for 33 years and retired as a Senior Customer Service Engineer. After his retirement, Edward joined several veteran organizations such as an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Connecticut**, AMVETS (life member), Nalpa, Anivicus, Tin Can Sailors, Forty and Eight, and The American Legion (life member). Edward was also a member of the Knights of Columbus, AARP, and the NRA. He was a Notary Public for many years. During Edward’s membership in The American Legion, he was the Commander of Post #48 in Guilford and later their Adjutant. He was also Commander of the Second District. In 2005-2006, he became State Commander, the same time his wife became the State President for American Legion Auxiliary. Edward loved The American Legion and loved helping his fellow veterans. Edward has two children Katherine A. Carney (Guilford) and Edward J. (EJ) Carney III (Maryland), five grandchildren, Air Force Karah N. Behrend, Army Brendon G. Carney, Emily J. Hopkins, Amanda K. Hopkins, Edward J. Carney IV, two great-grandchildren Elizabeth N. Behrend and Adeline T. Behrend, as well as many nieces and nephews. He has three brothers, Brian (Betty) Carney of Orange, Bruce (Paula) Carney of West Haven, and James (Nancy) Carney of Orange. He is predeceased by his mother, father, and brothers, Michael and Thomas Carney. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at Saint George Church, 33 Whitfield Street on Friday, July 15th at 10:00 AM. Burial at sea took place in Norfolk, Virginia. Friends and family came during visiting hours on Thursday, July 14th from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at the Guilford Funeral Home, 115 Church Street, Guilford. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent in Edward’s name to The American Legion Post #48 Scholarship Fund,

P.O. Box 1453, Guilford, CT 06437. To share a memory or leave a message of condolence for the family, please visit: www.GuilfordFuneralHome.com.



MICHAEL ROBERT CASO - Died Saturday, January 16, 2016 in Port Angeles, Washington, at the age of 68 after a short battle with cancer. He was born March 18, 1947, in Hackensack, New Jersey to Robert Caso and Louise (née Spicer) Caso. He attended Queen of Angels Catholic School, Roosevelt Junior High and graduated from Port Angeles High School in 1965. After graduation from PAHS he joined the United States Navy, doing a tour in Vietnam. After his service in the Navy, he attended Peninsula College. He worked as a longshoreman until retirement. Throughout the years, he was active in the Masonic Lodge, United Way, Search and Rescue, scuba diving, Guardian Ad Litem, Democratic Party, The Gun Club, an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Washington** and he served on the Cowlitz Tribal Board. He is survived by Diana, his wife of 33 years; his son, Sean Caso; grandson, Kalehua; granddaughter, Kawai; his parents, Robert Caso and Louise Spicer; his sister Darcie (Mike) Kitz; nephew, Kristopher (Alaina) Kitz; great-nephew, Cayden; and great-niece, Natalia. He was preceded in death by his sister, Robin Monds. At his request there was no service.



JESS V. CASTRO – Died Thursday, June 20, 2013 in El Paso, Texas at the age of 97. The cause of death is unknown. He was born September 25, 1915. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He attained the rank of Sergeant E-5. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – El Paso Chapter #844**. Visitation hours were from 5:00-9:00 PM on Monday, June 24, 2013 at the Martin Funeral Home Central with a Vigil at 6:30 PM. The Funeral Mass was at 8:45 AM on Tuesday, June 25, 2013 at Our Lady of Assumption Catholic Church in El Paso. Interment with full military honors was at the Fort Bliss National Cemetery.



RONALD NEILSON “Ron” CHANEY - and his wife, Laurene “Laurie” Chaney, both of Hamilton, Montana, died together on December 29, 2016, of injuries sustained in an auto accident. He was 72 years of age and his wife was 71. Ron was born on October 21, 1944, in Little Rock, Arkansas to the late Robert “Elmo” and Norma Marcia “Narcy” Chaney. His father died shortly before Ron’s birth, at the end of World War II. His mother later married John Ainsworth, who became his Stepfather. Ron grew up in Altadena, California, the middle of three children, in a classic post-war household. Ron was a talented and competitive athlete, and spent his teenage years playing guitars, and searching for the big waves along the California coast with his surfboard in hand. Ron graduated from John Muir High School in Pasadena, California, and the University of Oregon. Ron enlisted in the United States Army in 1965 as an

intelligence officer. He served honorably in Vietnam. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hamilton Chapter #938**. In 1972, his son Ryan was born, while Ron was married to Kay Impey. Ron later married Pattie Phillips, while living in Encinitas, California, and soon after their two children, Colin and Jenna were born. Pattie and Ron were happy partners and active parents, busy with their family, coaching soccer teams and enjoying the beach. Sadly, Pattie preceded Ron in death in 1988, leaving Ron as a capable and loving single father. While raising his children, Ron worked as a contractor. He also was employed as a juvenile corrections officer, part of his life-long commitment to helping kids in need. Laurie was born on Christmas Eve in 1945 to Harry and Mildred Moliter. She was their second daughter, and was later joined by a younger brother and another sister. She grew up in Spokane, graduating from North Central High School. Her childhood was filled with friends, tennis, and weekends and summers spent at the family cabin at Diamond Lake. Laurie began her college studies at Eastern Washington University. During her freshman year, George Greener, a lanky blond in her French class, asked for her help with his translations. That request led to a joyful, loving and devoted marriage that was full of adventure. While George was in medical school, they resided in Guadalajara, Mexico, and welcomed their children Joel and Mindy. They later lived in Toledo, Ohio, and Indianapolis, Indiana, where their second son, Jonathan, was born. Their shared commitment to providing healthcare to underserved areas led them first to Superior, Montana, and then to Toppenish, Washington. After George's sudden and unexpected death, Laurie completed studies for a nursing degree at Yakima Valley Community College. She then returned with her children to the supportive community they loved in Superior. While in Superior, Laurie expanded her family to include Gerry Geske and his daughters Rachel and Becky. While they were married, their home brimmed with the energy that comes from a full house of lively kids. Laurie returned to college, capitalizing on her gift for languages and received a linguistics degree at the University of Montana. Laurie was a gifted writer, fluent in Spanish, a talented photographer, an avid gardener, and extremely generous with her time, talent and treasure. She documented family events through extensive photo albums and detailed letters. She never arrived empty-handed at an event, usually carrying homemade food, and always bringing her smile and gentle nature. In 1999, through a Christian singles website, Ron and Laurie connected. After a few months, they understood that they had a special bond to each other, and shared values and faith in God. Laurie decided to move to Nevada, and they were married on Ron's birthday in 2000. In 2004, Ron and Laurie semi-retired and moved to Hamilton to be closer to the mountains and their family. They became active in their church and with organizations that supported children in need. While in Hamilton, Laurie also worked as an English language instructor and home health nurse. Ron owned a post and pole business, and later drove a school bus, worked in maintenance for Faith Lutheran Church and the Ravalli County fairgrounds, and at the time of his death was employed as a paraprofessional in a kindergarten class at the Darby School District. Ron and Laurie had complementary personalities. Laurie radiated gentleness, was reflective and put everyone at ease, while Ron exuded energy, was fun-loving and had a great sense of humor. They each made room for the other to shine. They both enjoyed cooking, camping, hiking, traveling, socializing and serving others. They were committed to their children and grandchildren, and logged countless hours sitting on the bleachers, cheering them on in sports and other endeavors. They exhibited warmth and love, laughed easily and often, and displayed grit, determination and

perseverance. They were jointly admired and loved by those who knew them. Throughout their lives, they both drew strength from their faith. Their love of God was at the center of both of their lives and their marriage. Their decisions were all guided by their unwavering belief in God's plan for them. They shared their faith through active participation in their church, bible studies, as Sunday school teachers and by serving as missionaries domestically and abroad. They recently returned from a six-month trip serving as teachers in a Christian school in Mexico, a mission that brought them more friends, closer to each other, and great joy. Ron and Laurie were preceded in death by their dear spouses Dr. George Greener and Pattie Chaney, their parents, Harry and Mildred Moliter and Robert and Norma Marcia Chaney; their in-laws Walt and Eunice Greener and Netta and Russel Phillips. Survivors include their six children and their spouses: Joel & Jodie Greener of Redmond, Oregon; Mindy & Zane Warnken of Corvallis; Jonathan & Tina Greener of Seoul, South Korea; Ryan Benson of Spokane, Washington; Colin and Teriza Chaney of Morro Bay, California, and Jenna Chaney of Gardnerville, Nevada. They are also survived by their grandchildren, Brittany and Maddie Greener; Tristan, Emme and Caleb Warnken; Eva and Nate Greener; Tao and Kobe Kelsey; and Miles Chaney. They are also survived by their siblings and their spouses: Kathy & Pat Vaughan of Hamilton; Ray and Cindy Moliter of Chandler, Arizona; Kris and Mike Franklin of West Richland, Washington; Robert and Barb Chaney of Riverside, California; Susan Ann Darley of Santa Barbara, California. They are also survived by their brothers and sisters-in-law: John and Karen Greener of San Rafael, California; Lydia & Steve Griffith of Cheney, Washington; Lynn and Philip Nereo of Windsor, California; Alyce and Stan Davis of Olympia, Washington; Connie and Dave Sanchez of Seattle, Washington; and Gail and Ron Rosidini of Los Angeles, California. They will be missed by their dear cousins Bruce Stoltenberg of Hamilton; Earl & Floy Ann Montee of Anacortes, Washington; and special friends Mike and Aggie Lapinski of Superior. Also left behind are numerous heartbroken nieces, nephews and cousins. A memorial service was held for Laurie and Ron on Sunday, January 8, 2017 at 2:00 PM at the Assembly of God Church, 601 West Main Street in Hamilton, with Pastor Matt Leopold of the Corvallis Community Church officiating. A reception followed the services at the church hall. Cremation took place. Arrangements were under the care of Daly-Leach Chapel in Hamilton, Montana. The family suggested that memorials be made to the missionary fund at Corvallis Community Church, 310 2nd Street, Corvallis, MT 59828 or the charity of your choice.



DENNIS G. CIPRIANY - Died Monday, July 27, 2015 at his home in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on November 12, 1949 to the late Louis and Elizabeth Cipriany. He attended schools in Philadelphia, Orwigsburg, PA and graduated from Williamsport High School in 1967. Dennis attended Kent State University and graduated in 1973 with a degree in Journalism. While at Kent State he enrolled in Air Force ROTC and received his Commission upon graduation. He served the United States Air Force in New Jersey, Greenland, and Delaware as an Information Officer. He was employed by Liberty Mutual Insurance, Weiss Markets, and most recently by the Commonwealth of PA, Department of Labor and Industry as a Health and

Safety professional. Dennis held several Health and Safety professional certifications. Dennis enjoyed Autocross racing with the Susquehanna Region of Sports Car Club of America and also taught safety related classes for members. Throughout his lifetime, Dennis was very patriotic, especially following his military service. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pennsylvania**. He is survived by brother Darrell and his wife Suzanne (Matchett), nephews Benjamin and Timothy, and cousins Lori, Lisa, Jeanine, and Angela. Donations in lieu of flowers may be sent to the Jersey Shore Honor Guard, care of Frederick B. Welker Funeral Home 125 North Main Street, Jersey Shore, PA 17740. Friends visited the family on Saturday, August 1, 2015 at the Frederick B. Welker Funeral Home from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM. A funeral service was held at 10:30 AM on Saturday. The burial was at the Jersey Shore Cemetery with full military honors accorded by the Jersey Shore Honor Guard. Father Bert Kozen officiated.

THOMAS NELSON “Tom” COLEMAN - Died Monday, December 12, 2016 at the INOVA Hospital in Annandale, Virginia at the age of 65. He was a resident of Mount Jackson, Virginia. The cause of death was cancer. Tom was born September 26, 1951 in New Market, Virginia to the late William L. Coleman, Jr. and Jane (née Phillips) Coleman Virts. He was a retired truck driver. On May 25, 1991, he was united in marriage to Candace (née Dellinger) Coleman, who survives. Tom is also survived by two sons, Harry L. Coleman and wife, Pepsi, of Harrisonburg, and John W. Dellinger and wife, Elizabeth, of Hinton; four granddaughters, Bryce, Abbey, and Molli Coleman, and Kenzi Dellinger, of whom he was very proud; two brothers, William Coleman III of Maryland and Bruce Coleman of Mount Jackson. He is also survived by two nieces, Mazie and Ava Biller, and a nephew, Jakob Biller, whom he adored, and their parents, Kris and Ellen Biller of Mount Jackson. He was preceded in death by a brother, Bobby Lee Coleman. Tom was a United States Army Vietnam veteran, serving tours in Cam Rahn Bay, Hue and Camp Eagle. He was an active *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Woodstock Chapter #936**. A funeral service was held at 10:00 AM on Thursday, December 15, 2016 at the Antioch Church of the Brethren in Woodstock with Pastor George Bowers officiating. The burial was in the Saint Matthew Cemetery in New Market, Virginia. The pallbearers were Kris Biller, William Coleman IV, Jesse Coleman, Kent Burch, Garland Miller and Wade Seekford. The family received friends from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at the Theis Funeral Home in New Market. Memorial contributions may be made to Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, 1235 South Clark Street, Suite #910, Arlington, VA 22202.

MICHAEL W. COLLINS – Died Monday, August 8, 2016 in Shelby Township, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clinton Township Chapter #154**.



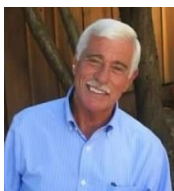
CHARLES J. COTTLE - Died Thursday, November 24, 2016 at Connecticut Hospice, with his children by his side. He was 71 years of age and a resident of East Haven, Connecticut. The cause of death is unknown. He was born September 17, 1945 in Nanticoke, Pennsylvania to the late John and Jennie (née Mech) Cottle. Charles is survived by his four loving sons, Charles

Cottle (Stacy) of Taftville, CT, Erik Cottle (Jasmine) of Branford, Mark Cottle (Chrissy) of East Haven, Greg Cottle of Worcester, MA along with four grandsons, David Cottle, Matthew Cottle, Christopher Cottle and John Cottle and a sibling, Gary Cottle of Kentucky. Charlie was a lifelong East Haven resident and proud of his Polish heritage. After being honorably discharged from the United States Marine Corps, he worked as a private contractor for Sikorsky in Vietnam and later as a computer technician for Burroughs and other companies. For the last decade, Charlie was an employee and friend of Goody's Hardware. He was a dedicated advocate and a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – East Haven Chapter #484** and for the rights and proper treatment of returning veterans as well as POW/MIAs. He enjoyed riding his Harley with the Brothers HOG group, was a Lego enthusiast and loved spending time and money with friends and family. He was a loving son, father, grandfather, friend and Marine and will be sorely missed. The family received friends from 2:00 – 5:00 PM on Sunday, November 27, 2016 at the Clancy-Palumbo Funeral Home, (Clancy Funeral Home), 43 Kirkham Avenue, East Haven. A private graveside service was held at the East Lawn Cemetery with full Military Honors.



JOHN JAY COURTNEY - Died Saturday, November 21, 2015 in Hawthorne, New Jersey at the age of 68. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born in New York City, New York on August 28, 1947. Jay had resided in Hawthorne for the last seventeen years. He was a United States Army Vietnam War veteran who had served during the Tet Offensive. Jay was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rutherford Chapter #800** in Little Ferry, New Jersey. Jay had worked as a safe and vault technician for R.L. Hanson of Allendale. He was the beloved husband of thirty-nine years to Vincentina "Vinni" (nee Affinito) Courtney of Hawthorne; dear brother of the late Barbara Guarino. Jay is survived by many dear brothers and sisters-in-law, as well as many loving nieces, nephews and cousins. There were no visiting hours, and cremation was private. Funeral service and committal of ashes were held at 10:30 AM on Saturday, December 5, 2015 at the mausoleum chapel at the Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, 52 Totowa Road, Totowa, NJ. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America, c/o VFW Post #809, 100 Main Street, Little Ferry, NJ 07643.

PETER G. DALGETY – Died Sunday, July 5, 2009 in Dixons Mills, Alabama at the age of 63. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 29, 1946 in Boston, Massachusetts. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Semmes Chapter #701**.



ERNEST LOUIS "Ernie" DELUCCHI – Died Thursday, June 30, 2016 in Stockton, California at the age of 70. The cause of death was glioblastoma cancer. He was born on September 23, 1945 to the late Ben and Lena Delucchi. He joined older brother, Gene and

later, younger brother Michael completed the Delucchi family. Ernie grew up in the Victory Park neighborhood of Stockton and was active in the Sea Scouts and graduated from Amos Alonzo Stagg High School. After high school he enlisted in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. Upon his safe return to Stockton, Ernie could be seen around town in his brand new, hot GTO where his love of cars began. After a short time he began working for Pacific Gas and Electric Company, a job he eventually had for 32 years, where he was known for his work ethic, knowledge and people skills. His father suggested that he get to know the "cute redhead" that lived down the street. Not only did he follow his father's suggestion, he married the love of his life, Joyce. At the time of his passing, they had been married 47 wonderful years. After a few years, Ernie and Joyce welcomed daughter, Gina and later son, Anthony. Ernie was the best example of what a dad should be. His family was his priority. He loved supporting all of their endeavors such as swimming, basketball, water polo and ice hockey. He was proud of their accomplishments as they became adults and married. He was delighted when his grandchildren (Mia, Olivia, Sophie and Marco) were born and never missed their activities. He was a loving and devoted grandfather. Oak Park Ice Arena and soon was part of the Stockton Colts. As he became older, he played senior hockey for the Stockton Rink Raiders. He also played in the Charles Shultz Snoopy World Senior Hockey Tournament for the Reno Aces. During that time, he and Joyce had the opportunity to travel to Europe three times where Ernie played in many countries with his Raider teammates. He made lifelong friends through hockey. He survived the bumps and bruises of this rough-and-tumble sport and was known as a true gentleman on the ice - quite a feat for a defenseman! After his retirement, he also took up the game of golf. As most golfers do, Ernie had a love/hate relationship with golf but mostly love. He and his buddies played golf almost daily at local courses, but he saved the weekends for Joyce and his family. As a sportsman, Ernie supported our local teams and was a season ticket holder for the Stockton Heat Hockey Team and Stockton Ports. Once a sailor, always a sailor, Ernie loved the water. Whether on a houseboat on the Delta or on a ship at sea Ernie was in his element. He and Joyce had the opportunity to cruise the Caribbean, Hawaii and around the Horn in South America. Their last cruise in November took them to the Amazon. He twice traveled to Lake Charles, Louisiana and proudly helped restore his Navy ship, the USS Orleck. Throughout his life he was always helpful to friends and neighbors in need. He never complained if his day was interrupted or if he had to cancel plans to lend a hand to others. He was a member of Karl Ross Post #16 American Legion and active in the Lunetta Post #52 Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – California**. He will be greatly missed by his family and those who were lucky enough to call him a friend. Yes, it truly was a great ride. Ernie was preceded in death by his parents and sister-in-law, Phyllis Clark. He is survived by his wife, Joyce, his daughter Gina Delucchi-Anderson (Doug) of Folsom, his son, Anthony Delucchi (Shannon) of Burlingame and grandchildren, Mia and Sophie Anderson and Olivia and Marco Delucchi, his brothers Gene Delucchi (Eva) and Mike Delucchi (Christine), plus nieces, nephews and cousins throughout California. As befitting a sailor, the Neptune Society was in charge of arrangements. A celebration of Ernie's life was on Friday, July 8th at Morris Chapel, UOP, at 1:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, the family preferred donations to UCSF Helen Diller Comprehensive Cancer Center (http://cancer.ucsf.edu/_docs/howtohelp/donor_form.pdf) or to the USS Orleck Museum (<http://orleck.org>) in Ernie's name.

TERRENCE TROY “Terry” DUNCAN - Died Wednesday, July 27, 2016 at his home in Whispering Pines, North Carolina, following a lengthy battle with non-alcohol-related cirrhosis of the liver, which in all probability was caused by Agent Orange. He was 75 years of age. He was born on March 3, 1941 in Kalamazoo, Michigan to the late Theda and Troy Duncan. “Terry” went to Parchment Elementary School and graduated high school at University High. He was an outstanding athlete and made the All-State football team in his senior year, among other awards. He attended Western Michigan University and then entered the United States Army to serve for 9½ years. He served in Vietnam, became a Warrant Officer and Chief of Army CID at Fort Meade, and later, Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland. Upon honorable discharge, he returned to Parchment, where his only daughter, Heather, was born. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – West End Chapter #966**. Through a career in sales and golf, Terry moved his family to Denver. He eventually returned to Aberdeen Proving Ground in 1980, where he married his wife of 35 years, Jean (née Auten) Duncan. They moved back to Kalamazoo in 1995, and then to Whispering Pines in 2008. Terry is survived by his wife, “Jeannie,” daughter, Heather Sheldrake (David); brother, Timothy Elwood Duncan (MaryAnn); grandchildren, Dillon, Meagan and Hailey; stepdaughter, Marybeth Froh (Walter); two nieces, Chris and Marce; a special cousin, Darlene Ward, and other cousins. A private service was held at Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery. Online condolences may be made at www.bolesfuneralhome.com. Boles Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements for the family.



LAUREN CAMILLE “Duke” DuPUIS - Died Thursday, July 16, 2015 with the love of his life, Phyllis Dale Burger, and his beloved son, Michael Dale, by his side at St. Vincent Hospital after a long, courageous battle against cancer. He was 73 years of age and a resident of Billings, Montana. He was born March 13, 1942, in Minot, North Dakota to the late Camille and Frances DuPuis. He attended Central High School in Billings, after which, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. During his service, he served two tours in Vietnam. Before his retirement from the Air Force, he received many awards for the flight line tools he designed. He was a *Life Member* and *President* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Billings Chapter #334**. In 2015, Vietnam Veterans of America awarded Lauren the Achievement Medal for his work and care with the veterans. In 2009, he received the Bright n’ Beautiful yard beautification award. Lauren was an avid sports fan. His favorite teams were the Dallas Cowboys, Ohio State Buckeyes, the New York Yankees, and #24 Jeff Gordon NASCAR. He loved people, especially sports fans; but most of all he loved his family and serving his country with pride. He is survived by the love of his life, Phyllis Dale Burger, and her son Michael Dale; daughters Teri, Francis and Julia; sons Lauren and Kevin Dupuis; siblings Pamela Fraser of Stormsville, Ohio, Renee Brethertob of Saint Cloud, Minn., Debra Schaffer of Boise, Idaho, Kandra Biggs-Burton of Kuma, Idaho, Taryn Leikam of Richland, Wash., Rod Schaeffer of Springfield, Mo., and Rock Schaffer of Scottsdale, AZ. Funeral services were at 10:00 AM on July 23rd at the Michelotti-Sawyers Mortuary. Interment with full military honors was in the Mountview Cemetery.



PATRICK JAMES "Pat" ENNIS - Died Thursday, September 15, 2016 in San José, Burgos, Spain, while on a great adventure walking the Camino de Santiago with his friend, Roger. He was 68 years of age and a resident of Denton, Texas. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born in Oswego, New York on July 22, 1948 to the late John and Frances Ennis. He was a United States Army veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Denton Chapter #920**. Pat was a graduate of the Cornell University Farrier Program and worked as a farrier for 50 years in New York, Colorado and Texas. At the age of 66, Pat's career culminated when he became a certified journeyman farrier, the highest level certification available from the American Farrier's Association. Pat had a great love for his family, friends, travel and adventure. He considered his friends as family because he never met a stranger. Pat had a beautiful way of helping everyone and appreciating how important love is in order to live a happy life. Pat was predeceased by his daughter, Megan Ennis. Surviving are his loving wife of 16 years, Kathryn of Denton, TX; son, Steven Ennis of Miami, FL; daughters, Karen (Mark) Czerniel of Marcellus, NY and Melissa (Charles) Frisch of Syracuse, NY; grandsons, Nathan, Brandon and Connor Czerniel; brothers, Jack (Deborah) and Tom (Debra); many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins that he loved sharing time and stories with; Pat's step-family that had come to know and love him, Jim (Elizabeth) Fyffe, Sara (Darren) Hammerle, Tabitha Davies and Kyle (Alex) Davies; and their children, James, Anna, Charles, Sofia, and Blake. Funeral services were in Syracuse, New York. Pat was laid to rest in Saint Francis Xavier Cemetery in Marcellus, New York. A local memorial service was on Saturday, October 29th at Noon in the Denton Senior Center, 509 North Bell Avenue. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Pat's memory may be made to Disabled American Veterans, 130 South Elmwood Avenue, Suite #620, Buffalo, NY 14202.

ELAIA R. ENRIQUEZ - Died in Honolulu, Hawaii on Sunday, January 16, 2011 at the age of 67. He was a resident of Waianae, Hawaii. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Honolulu on December 30, 1943. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kailua Chapter #858**. He is survived by wife, Cynthia L.; his sons, John W.L., Sr. and Robert III; his daughters, Shannon Enriquez and Tabitha Oberley, and; seven grandchildren. Private services were held.



JEFFREY ALAN "Jeff" FALK - Died Thursday, May 15, 2015 at Vassar Brothers Medical Center in Poughkeepsie, New York at the age of 73. He was a resident of Highland, New York. He was born in New York City, New York on June 14, 1941 to the late Morton and the late Harriet (née Volk) Falk. He was a graduate of the University of Vermont, and later in life earned his Master's Degree. At the time of his passing, he was a registered nurse and the owner of Senior Healthcare Solutions, Highland, NY. He served in the United States Army from

1963 to 1966, and obtained the rank of First Lieutenant. He was a member of the VFW, Brannen-van den Berg, Post #8645 for over 30 years, the American Legion, Post #36, Fort Lauderdale, FL, New Paltz B.P.O.E., Lodge #2568, New Paltz, NY, New Paltz Rotary Club, and was on the Board of Directors at the New Paltz Rescue Squad. He was a member of the rescue squad for thirty years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Newburgh Chapter #537**. Anyone who knew Jeffrey knew him as the “*LIFE OF THE PARTY!!*” A cowboy at heart, he enjoyed horseback riding. Jeff was a valued member and leader of the New York State Nurse's Association, District 11, serving as President and also as a legislative representative in Albany for District 11 Nurse's Association. In addition to his life partner, Diane Sterling and his brother, John Henry Falk, Jeffrey is survived by Diane's daughter and her husband, Kelly Maroney and Todd Benjamin, and Diane's son, John Maroney and his wife Holly, and he was Pop Pop to Gia and Cameron Maroney. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by a sister, Helene Falk Liebowitz. Graveside funeral services were held on Friday, May 22, 2015 at 11:00 AM at the Ulster County Veterans Cemetery at the New Paltz Rural Cemetery, with full military honors. Cremation and inurnment took place at the Poughkeepsie Rural Cemetery. Donations may be made to New Paltz Rescue Squad, 74 North Putt Corners Road, New Paltz, NY 12561 or the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675 or online at <http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/>. Arrangements were under the direction of Copeland Funeral Home, Inc., 162 South Putt Corners Road, New Paltz, NY 12561.



DAVID HAROLD FISH - Died Wednesday, January 27, 2016 at the Hunter McGuire Veterans Medical Center in Richmond, Virginia after a long battle with several chronic diseases. He was a resident of North Chesterfield, Virginia and 66 years of age. He was born on April 17, 1949 to the late Harold and Madeline Fish. He was also predeceased by his sister, Carol. David is survived by his wife of 46 years, Carol; son, Brett and daughter-in-law, Margaret; son, David and daughter-in-law, Wendy; five precious grandchildren; Evan, Dayna, Julia, Kevin and Emery; sister, Diane Sanchez and her husband, Juan of Chaplin, Conn. David was a USPS mail carrier until his early retirement in 2006 due to health issues. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. For many years, David suffered from chronic health issues believed to be caused by his exposure to Agent Orange while serving in Vietnam. David was a member of the Chesterfield Senior Softball League, American Legion Post #186, Disabled American Veterans and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Richmond Chapter #78**. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in David's name to any of these organizations. The family received friends from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Tuesday, February 2nd at the Chesterfield Chapel of Bennett Funeral Home, 14301 Ashbrook Parkway. A funeral service followed at 2:00 PM at The Virginia Veterans Cemetery at Amelia, 10300 Pridesville Road, Amelia, VA 23002. Mrs. Fish would like to thank all of the medical staff at Hunter McGuire Veterans Hospital for the exceptional care, respect and compassion given to David and the entire family during this journey.



JOHN EVERETT "Papa Jonn" FORSLIN, SR. – Died Thursday, December 15, 2016 in Gig Harbor, Washington at the age of 70. The cause of death was Alzheimer's disease. He was born in Mora, Minnesota on July 3, 1946 to the late Edward John Forslin and Grace (née Dahlin) Forslin. Together with his older sister, Mary, the family moved to Tacoma, Washington where his family worked in masonry restoration. He enlisted in the United States Marines Corps on March 3, 1966 and honorably discharged on December 23, 1968. He was the recipient of the Purple Heart with Gold Star. He served with the Whisky Battery, 1st Battalion, 12th Marine Division. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lake Havasu City (Arizona) Chapter #975.**



CHARLES E. "Chuck" FRAMBACH, JR. - Died Thursday, September 29, 2016 in Pittsfield, Massachusetts at the age of 73. The cause of death was heart disease. He was born on July 7, 1943 in Pittsfield, to Charles E. Frambach, Sr. and Marjorie (née Sammon) Frambach. He attended local schools, and he was a 1961 graduate of Pittsfield High School. He was awarded the W.L. Pierson track award in 1961. He was co-captain of his high school's track team and he held three Western Massachusetts track records in his senior year. He enlisted in the United States Air Force in August 1961 and he retired as a Senior Master Sergeant (E-8) in August 1989 after 28 years of service. His tours of duty included Washington DC, Vietnam, Germany, Turkey, the US Air Force Academy, Nebraska, Vermont, and New Hampshire. Throughout his military career, he was awarded five Meritorious Service Medals, three Air Force Commendation Medals and nine Good Conduct Medals. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pittsfield Chapter #65.** He was employed as a Letter Carrier for the U.S. Postal Service from September 1993 to August 2009. He enjoyed his family, his grandchildren, life, watching soccer and lacrosse, and staying actively involved in the support of Vietnam veterans. As part of his pursuit of enjoying life, he made his first parachute jump at the age of 69. The discipline and patriotism he learned in the Air Force never left him, as friends and family will attest. He was also a member of the Air Force Sergeants Association (AFSA); Disabled American Veterans (DAV); National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC), Local Branch 286. He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife of 52 years, Waltraud Frambach, of Pittsfield; a son, Michael S. Frambach and wife Janet, of Northbridge, MA; a daughter, Barbara K. Caron and husband Brad, of Hingham, MA; four grandchildren, Drew, Madison, Morgan and Dane Caron, and; a sister, Pamela Rote and her husband, Paul Rote, Jr. Funeral services were on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at 5:00 PM at the Dwyer Funeral Home, 776 North Street, Pittsfield MA with the Rev. Timothy Weisman, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial was at a later date. Calling hours at the funeral home preceded the service on Wednesday from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Heart Association,

in care of the Dwyer Funeral Home, in his memory. Please visit www.dwyerfuneral.com to leave condolences and remembrances.



MILTON E. "Milt" FRITTS (USA, SFC-Ret.) – Died at home in Lawton, Oklahoma on Monday, November 28, 2016 at the age of 79, surrounded by his son, Jim and wife Mickey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Hot Springs Arkansas on October 4, 1937 to the late Robert Lee Fritts and Jetta (née Mackey) Fritts and was a graduate of Austin High School in El Paso Texas. He was the beloved husband of 61 years to Mickey Fritts. Milton joined the United States Army and quickly moved up the ranks. He was a nuclear weapons expert and a member of the Royal Order of the Free Neutron. His deployments took him all around the world. His nuclear detachment was deployed to Turkey and was placed on the border of Russia during the Cuban Missile Crisis. During his service, He was awarded many service medals and ribbons. He was also a service wounded veteran from the Vietnam War earning him a purple heart. After retiring from the military, Milton was the General Manager of Christopher's Home Furnishings for many years. He was the Manager of New York Life Insurance Company in Lawton for 25 years. He was a member of the Million Dollar Round Table, was a Centurion Award winner and also earned the prestigious National Quality Award for being the best in service. He eventually retired and spent many years traveling all over the world with his Wife, Family and Friends. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**. Milt always felt very fortunate and led an incredibly adventurous life. Milton was happiest traveling, riding his motorcycle and living life to the fullest. Some of his greatest adventures seem like a fairy tale but they really happened. He and Mickey rode a boat down the Nile River and climbed inside King Tut's Tomb. Overheated and exhausted they both peered into the boy kings sarcophagus. Ten people one third their age couldn't make the entire trip due to heat exhaustion and the steep climbing. As a young Man, Milt hitchhiked across Turkey, Germany and much of the United States. At 76, he and his son Bob spent 5 days on an aircraft carrier (tiger cruise) from Hawaii to San Diego. At 77, He and his Son Tom rode their Motorcycles all the way to Maine to eat a lobster. They rode to Seattle Washington and down the coast to Sedona Arizona. He and his son Jim spent 2 weeks riding motorcycles throughout the German countryside. One of his final adventures at the age of 76, he rode his motorcycle from Lawton Oklahoma all the way to the Arctic Circle with two of his motorcycle buddies. He also took his daughter Jackie whitewater rafting down the Colorado River. Time with his Family was the most important thing for Milton and he never hesitated to involve everyone in his adventures. He took his grandchildren on amazing trips with him. They went snowmobiling in Michigan, snow skiing in New Mexico, motorcycle riding through the mountains and a 300 mile bicycle trip from Joplin Missouri to St. Louis Missouri. He is survived by a son, Robert K. Fritts and wife, Christina Fritts of Lawton, a daughter Jackie Fritts Smith and husband Terry Smith of Edmond, OK, a son Tom Fritts and wife Denise Fritts of Chattanooga, OK, and a son Jim Fritts and wife Lanae Fritts of Lawton. Nine Grandchildren, Robert K. Fritts II, Alan Smith, Cameron Smith, Bradley Fritts, Lauren Fritts Stone, Miranda Fritts, Jared Fritts, Mitchell Fritts, Madeline

Fritts along with 7 great grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, extended family members and countless dear friends. He was preceded in death by his Father Robert Fritts, his Mother Jetta Mackey Fritts, two sisters, Cortez Pollard, Wilma Bagley, grandson Troy Duzan-Fritts. The funeral service was at 9:30 AM on Friday, December 2, 2016 at the Bible Baptist Church, 7501 SW Lee Boulevard, Lawton, OK 73505 with Dr. Bob Weger, Pastor officiating. The burial with Full Military Honors was in the Fort Sill National Cemetery, Elgin under the direction of Becker-Rabon Funeral Home. The family greeted friends on Thursday evening from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM at the funeral home.



GARY LEE "Charlie" FULTON – Died Saturday, March 12, 2016 at Heartland of Marion after a 33-year battle with heart failure at the early age of 67. He was a resident of Marion, Ohio. He was born in Marion on March 9, 1949 to the late Findley "Ray" and Melba "Jean" (née Heist) Fulton. Charlie graduated from Pleasant High School in 1967 where he was a well-known football player. After graduation, he went onto follow his passion of wrestling by moving to Michigan to train at the Lou Klein's Gym until he enlisted in the United States Army. Because of his love of wrestling and his physical abilities, Charlie specialized as a Physical Activities Specialist. After serving his tour of duty with an honorable discharge, Charlie wrestled in various organizations including NWA, The World Wrestling Federation and the ASWA. In May of 1990, Charlie married Irene Lynn Simmons and together started a life in Marion. Charlie and Irene opened The Monster Factory and later named the Mid-America Wrestling School where Charlie was a well-respected and cherished coach, passing the torch of his wrestling knowledge down to hopeful students. He instilled on countless wrestlers the values of being humble and generous. Those were traits that Charlie lived by and although a quiet man, he would help anyone in need and not let any stand in harm's way. Later in life, Charlie worked for 13 years at The Mansfield Correctional Institution as an officer, was a member of CPAAA, FOPA, and American Legion Post #584. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ohio**. Charlie will be missed by wife, Irene Fulton of Marion; his daughter, Lisa Shawver of Wyandotte, MI; his grandchildren, Scottie and Samantha Shawver; his dogs, Cori and Brooklyn; and countless friends, students and colleagues. Graveside services were held 1:00 PM on Friday, March 18, 2016 at The Historic Marion Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made in Charlie's honor to the Marion Area Humane Society. Gunder/Hall & Snyder Funeral Home was honored to serve the Fulton Family and online condolences may be expressed by visiting www.SnyderFuneralHomes.com.



ROBERT HOLDER "Bobby" GALLIMORE – Died Saturday, May 7, 2016 in Abilene, Texas at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Max Meadows, Virginia on July 24, 1935 to the late Edith Gallimore. He attended school in Galax, Virginia. He was athletic and received many awards during his school years. He attended Ferrum Junior College in Ferrum, Virginia. With the help of his grandfather, Norman Estel Gallimore, he joined the United States Navy in August of 1951. He served mostly with the Achelous Fleet as a boat coxswain. His last duty assignment was the landing ship, tank and personnel carrier, U.S.S. Minos. During his time in the Navy, he received the Navy Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Service Medal, the Good Conduct Medal for his service in Korea, United Nations Service Medal, Korean Service Medal, and the Korean Presidential Unit Citation. Bobby joined the United States Air Force in May of 1956 and served at many stateside and overseas locations. He retired in 1979 as a Senior Master Sergeant. He received many awards during his career, including the Bronze Star, the Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, the Air Force Commendation Medal with three oak clusters, and the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor Device, the Vietnam Service Award, and many others. After Military Service, Bobby worked in the car business for two years and received recognition as a National Car Salesman. He was an avid bowler, bowling for over 50 years and received many awards from the American Bowling Congress. He also played golf for over 30 years with his "cronies" as he called them, and was a member of the YMCA on State Street for over 40 years and rarely missed a day. He was also a lifelong Washington Redskins fan. In 1980, he went to work for the U.S. Postal Service as a letter carrier. He walked many miles and served his customers with a smile for over 22 years. He received many recognition awards for his service. He was life member for the VFW, serving four years as Commander at the Martin Denson Post #6873. He was also a member of the NCOA, Chapter Chairman, the DAV, Air Force Sergeants' Association, Military Order of the Cooties, and the American Legion. He was an *At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Texas*. Bobby was a great volunteer, doing Meals on Wheels for over 10 years, assisting in Veteran's Day Parades, and working the annual Thanksgiving dinner for over 20 years. He also coached Little League Baseball, helped clean our local highways, and he put together Thanksgiving baskets for needy families. If something needed to be done, he was always there to help. He received a 1000 Hour Volunteer award from the VFW. On May 13, 1960, Bobby married the love of his life, Carol Jean Bailey, in Washington, D.C. They were blessed with three daughters, Debbie, Sherry and Lisa, and two sons, James Robert and Timothy. His son, James Robert "Bobby" Gallimore, preceded him in death in September of 1984. His wife, Carol and all of his kids are nurses and are all very successful. He and Carol have 12 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great grandchild. He is preceded in death by his son Bobby; his mom, Edith Suddith of Virginia; and his brother, Clifton Donald Compton, also of Virginia. Bobby is survived by his beloved wife; his daughters and son; his dear daughter-in-law and caring sons-in-law; his grandchildren; great-grandchildren; and great-great grandchild. He is also survived by his beloved sister, Peggy Keys Ledbetter and her husband,

Marvin of Concord, Virginia; many nieces, nephews, cousins, loving friends, his cats, donkeys and chickens. We Love You Dad! Go Redskins! In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Meal on Wheels or the VFW Post #6873 Charities and Benevolence Division. Online condolences can be made at www.elliott-hamil.com. Visitation hours were at the Elliott-Hamill Funeral Home, 5701 Highway 277 South, on Wednesday, May 11, 2016 from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM. Services were on Thursday, May 12, 2016 at 2:00 PM at the same location, with burial at the Elmwood Memorial Park Cemetery.



DANNIE ELLIS "Dan" GEORGE (USA, LTC-Ret.) - Died Monday, November 14, 2016 in Jacksonville, Texas at the age of 81. The cause of death was heart failure. He was born March 24, 1935 at West Shady Grove community of Jacksonville to the late Fred H. George and Grace Virginia (née Ezell) George. Dan was married to the former Marilyn Singley of Tyler for 59 years. Dan attended New Hope School and graduated from Jacksonville High School in 1953. He was a Distinguished Military Graduate from Texas A&M University in 1957 with a B.S. Degree and completed a Master's Degree from the University of North Dakota in 1972. He also completed extensive Graduate studies in History at the American University in Washington DC and in Business Administration at Northwestern Louisiana University in Natchitoches, LA. Dan received a Regular Army Commission from Texas A&M and served for more than twenty years in the United States Army as an infantryman, reaching the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. While in the Army, Colonel George attended several military schools and had assignments in Germany, Ft. Bragg, NC, Ft. Benning, GA, North Dakota, South Korea, two years in Vietnam, and Ft. Polk, LA. LTC George served numerous staff assignments and commanded infantry units at Platoon and Company levels and served as Acting Battalion Commander and Task Force Commander in combat. LTC George received several awards which included the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, three awards of the Air Medal (one for Valor), and two Army Commendation Medals (one for Valor) and the Combat Infantry Badge. After military retirement, Dan owned Niche-in-Time Antiques in Anacoco, LA. Dan was active in community activities as a member and President of the Tourism Commission of the Vernon Parish Chamber of Commerce. He owned D&E Industrial Supply in Shreveport. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tyler Chapter #932**. After retiring to the Jacksonville area, he was a member and Director of the Jacksonville Kiwanis Club. He served as a Director and as President of the Board for Craft-Turney Water Supply Corporation. He was a member of Pierce's Chapel Methodist Church and served as Lay Leader for several years. Dan was preceded in death by his parents; two sons-in-law, a grandson-in-law, a nephew and an infant grandson. Dan is survived by his wife and four daughters who were the loves of his life. Daughters are Debra Richards of Jacksonville, Denise and husband Chuck Sanders of Plain Dealing, Louisiana, Diane McSwain of Jacksonville and Dina George of Lindale. He is survived by his brother, Freddie, eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Also surviving are his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Merle and Dana Nelson of Wylie, and Ronny and Sara Singley of Tyler; a niece and two nephews, their spouses and children. Serving as pallbearers were

Hank Richards, Joshua McSwain, Ian Anderson, Trevor Higgins, Chuck Sanders, and Rich Bridges. Honorary pallbearers were his 1957 Texas A&M Spider "D" classmates: Jim Thompson, Gene Wismer, Jim Leissner, Don Lenert, Winfred Hogan, Larry Cahill, and Bun McIntosh. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the American Heart Association or the March of Dimes. A funeral service was celebrated for 11:00 AM in the morning of Saturday, November 19, 2016 at Autry Funeral Home Chapel in Jacksonville. He was laid to rest at West Shady Grove Cemetery. Visitation hours were on Friday, November 18, 2016 and friends are cordially invited to visit with Dan's family from 5:00 to 7:00 PM in the evening at the Autry Funeral Home, Jacksonville.

IRWIN LARRY GOLDMAN - Died Thursday, November 24, 2016 in Silver Spring, Maryland at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 29, 1945 to the late Aaron Goldman and Katherine "Kitty" Goldman. He was the beloved brother of the late Gerald J. Goldman and is survived by his sisters, Marlene (David) Goldman Leonard and Linda (Harvey) Goldman Litofsky. He is also survived by five nieces and nephews and 10 grand-nieces and nephews. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War and worked for the Veterans Administration for over 30 years before retiring. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Silver Spring Chapter #641**. Funeral services and interment were held at the Maryland Veterans Cemetery - Garrison Forest Road on Monday, December 12th at 10:45 AM. Contributions in his memory may be sent to American Tinnitus Association, www.ata.org/donate. Arrangements were made by Sol Levinson and Brothers, Inc.

PATRICIA SUSAN (née Pollenz) GOULD - Died Wednesday, June 8, 2016 in Ridgewood, New Jersey at the age of 68. The cause of death was cancer. She was born in Queens, New York on November 21, 1947. Patricia had lived in Ridgewood since 1953. She was a teacher, having taught in the Ridgewood School System, the Ridgewood YMCA and most recently the Gan Iris Nursery School in Fair Lawn. She was a parishioner of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Ridgewood. Patricia was active in many organizations including the VFW Auxiliary, a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rutherford Chapter #800**, the Military Order of the Cootie Auxiliary, the Moose Chapter #941 in Clifton and the Saddle River Power Squadron. Patricia was the beloved wife of Frederick M. Gould; loving mother of Kimberly A. Gould, of Ridgewood, Brian M. Gould and his wife Colleen, of Byram, NJ and Nicholas M. Gould, of New Port Richey, FL, and; dear grandmother of Natasha Riley, of Ridgewood and Tyler and Jameson Gould, of Byram. The funeral processed at 9:00 AM on Monday, June 13, 2016 from the Browning-Forshay Funeral Home, 557 Lafayette Avenue, Hawthorne for a 9:30 AM funeral mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Ridgewood. Interment was at the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Arnetown, New Jersey. Friends visited at the funeral home on Sunday from 2:00-4:00 PM and 7:00-9:00 PM. Memorial donations may be made to the VFW National Home for Children, 3573 South Waverly Road, Eaton Rapids, MI 48827.



JAMES E. GREENE (USA, CSM-Ret.) – Died Thursday, April 7, 2016 in Puyallup, Washington at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was a native of Vernon, Texas born on November 1, 1937. He graduated Vernon High School in 1956 and completed two years of college at Baylor University, Waco, Texas. He entered the United States Army in 1958. His overseas tours included two tours in Vietnam, one tour in Korea, three tours in The Federal Republic of Germany and one tour in Alaska. Jim is survived by Christa, his bride of 38 years; three sons, Russ, Mark, and Steven; his brother, Bill; his sister, Cecelia; and four grandchildren, Adam Ashley, Hailey, and Megan; two nieces in Texas, and three nephews in Germany. Jim proudly served 27 years in the US Army and 10 years working for the State of Washington assisting veterans. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Washington**. The family requests that in lieu of flowers that you would make a donation to the veteran organization of your choice.

ARDEN BRADFORD GREENLEAF – Died Friday, December 25, 2015 in Baltimore, Maryland at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 1, 1949 in Akron, Ohio. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Maryland**. Friends came to visit with the family at the family-owned Bruzdinski Funeral Home P.A. 1407 Old Eastern Avenue, Essex at Route 702 Beltway, Exit 36 on Tuesday from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Funeral services were on Wednesday at 1:00 PM. Entombment was at the Meadowridge Memorial Park Elkridge, Maryland.

CHARLES W. GROSS – Died Wednesday, November 16, 2016 in Bryan, Texas at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born June 8, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bryan Chapter #937**.



EILEEN S. HADBAVNY (USAF, Lt. Col.-Ret.) - Died Tuesday, January 24, after a long battle with cancer in Charleston, South Carolina at the age of 70. She faced this battle as if it was merely a bump in the road and never uttered a discouraging word during this battle commencing in 2008. She was born in Weston, Ohio on August 2, 1946 to the late Walter and Ethel (née Wilcox) Smith. She is survived by her husband, Commander Michael T. Hadbavny, United States Navy (Retired) from Allegany, NY. Eileen is survived by her sisters, Janet (Bob) Myers and Sonja (David) Walsh of Findlay, Ohio; niece, Yeoman Chief Stephanie (Neil) Silliman; great-nephew, Boatswains Mate-3 Jason Myers; great-nephew, Electricians Technician Striker Jordan Terrain; and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nephews and great-nieces. Her brother, Paul Smith died in 2016. Eileen graduated from McComb (Ohio) High School in 1964 and the

Toledo Hospital School of Nursing in 1967. Upon graduation, she was employed as a nurse in Miami, FL. She remained active with the THSN Alumni. After 5 years of nursing experience, Eileen received a direct commission in the Air Force Reserve Nurse Corps. Other schools include: USAF Flight Nurse Course, Brooks AFB, TX 1972 and USAF Nursing Management Course, Sheppard AFB, TX 1988. Upon completion of the USAF Flight Nurse Course, she was assigned to the 31st Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, Charleston AFB, where she served for 21 years, as an Officer in charge of scheduling and a flight nurse instructor 1989-1994, Flight Nurse Examiner and Officer in Charge Standardization and Evaluation, 1980-1994, Special Projects Officer and C-17 Training Coordinator 1989-1994, Medical Crew Director for Operations, Evaluation, and Test Flight of the Civil Air Reserve Fleet (DRAF) for Aeromedical Evacuation concepts resulting in FAA certification, and Aeromedical Evacuation Liaison for the 250-bed Aeromedical Staging Facility at Charleston AFB and Senior Flight Nurse assigned to the Aeromedical Evacuation Control Element prior to Operation Desert Storm. Additionally, she deployed on active duty to Minot North Dakota, as well as many extended training and operational tours to Scott AFB, McGuire AFB, Rhine-Mein Germany, Aviano Italy, Panama, and Ascension Island. She was called to active duty in 1993; she was the commander of Aeromedical Forces for Operation Continue Hope, Somalia, with the 1601 Airlift Support Group (Provisional). She directed intra- and inter-theatre transportation of patients from Mogadishu, Somalia, including wounded United States Army Rangers during the events of Black Hawk Down October 1993. She implemented psychological support for the reserve medical crew members involved in the mass casualty and the hostile conditions they experienced during deployment. In 1994, Eileen transferred to the 89th Aeromedical Staging Facility, Andrews AFB, MD, from which she retired in 2000 after 28 years of military service. Eileen has worked as a nurse in geriatrics, medical-surgical units, occupational health and as a family practice nurse while keeping up with her reserve and Red Cross commitments. She retired from her paid nursing position in 2009 to devote more time serving others through the Red Cross, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, and Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center. She has served in various capacity of nonprofit organizations including: a Fellow in the Aerospace Medical Association; several Chairman Positions for the Palmetto SC Region American Red Cross to include Disaster Services, Veterans Affairs Voluntary Service Program, International Services and the Hero Network; Society of Air Force Nurses; Board of Directors Montgomery County VA American Red Cross; a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Charleston Chapter #780**, and WIMSA (Women in Military Service Association). Eileen has received numerous awards and decorations in Military service and for Red Cross and community involvement. These include the Meritorious Service Medal (2 Oak Leaf Clusters for subsequent awards), Air Force Commendation Medal, AF Expeditionary Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Combat Readiness Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters, Armed forces Reserve Medal with two M devices, National Defense Medal, Outstanding Reserve Flight Nurse - 1978, Mary T. Klinker Award (Aerospace Medical Association Flight Nurse of the Year Award 1995), 2013 Joint Base Charleston Volunteer Excellence Award, Clara Barton Volunteer Award for Meritorious Leadership, 2008 Presidential Call to Service Award, presented by George W. Bush, 2013 and 2014 Outstanding Veteran Volunteer Award by the Rebecca Motte Chapter Daughters of American Revolution. The 2008 Presidential Service Award was presented by the President in Charleston. Eileen at that time had been a Red Cross Volunteer for 20 years in King George, VA

and Montgomery-Floyd Chapter in Blacksburg, VA and had logged more than 7,000 volunteer hours with the Carolina-Low Country Chapter to have been selected by the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation. In 2015, she was recognized by Hendrick Toyota as the person doing the most for Veterans in the Tri-County area. In 2016, the Congressional Medal of Honor Society recognized her in Washington, DC with the Citizen Honors Award for her lifetime of selfless service in support of veterans through her volunteer work with the American Red Cross, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the American Legion. Major projects include the following: Blood Bank Volunteer Coordinator and Disaster Health Nurse for Montgomery County VA Red Cross; registering the Montgomery County VA Chapter of the Red Cross as a Commemorative Partner for the 50th Anniversary of the Korean War and assisting 50 veterans obtaining their Korean War Service Medal; Organizing three annual bus trips to the Korean War Memorial Ceremony on Armistice Day (July 27). She assisted 26 WW-II and Korean War veterans with interviews to document their service for the Virginia War Memorial; assisted with registering the Palmetto South Carolina Red Cross as a Commemorative Partner for the Vietnam 50th Anniversary; assisted with three presentations in North Charleston, Walterboro, and Goose Creek with this program to recognize Vietnam Veterans; assisted with organizing a joint VFW Post #445 (James Island SC) and Post #5311 (Christiansburg VA) bus trip for 50 WW-II veterans to visit the WW-II Memorial and D-Day Memorial. As an instructor, trained numerous Naval Weapons Station Charleston and Charleston Air Force Base classes in International Humanitarian Law- - Humanity in the Midst of War; Conducted many classes in Blacksburg, VA and Charleston, SC on International Service, which includes International Tracing Caseworkers, made Red Cross presentations to community groups including Center for Creative Retirement, Ft. Sullivan, SC, Daughters of the American Revolution, and Good Shepherd Center. She was VFW Post #445 Service Officer 2005-2016; Identified and recruited new volunteers to register with the Charleston Veterans Affairs Medical Center. In lieu of flowers, Eileen has asked donations be made to American Red Cross, 2424A City Hall Lane, North Charleston, SC 29406 (Service to Armed Forces fund) or VFW Post #445, 1639 Camp Road, James Island, SC 29412 (Veterans Relief Fund). A Celebration of Life was held on Saturday, February 4th at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 714 Riverdale Drive, West Ashley (Charleston) at 1:00 PM.



JAMES ROGERS "Jimmie" HANNAH - Died Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at the Pisgah Manor at the age of 81. He was a resident of Leicester, North Carolina. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Buncombe County, North Carolina to the late Mont Monroe and Margaret (née Duckett) Hannah of Big Sandy Mush, North Carolina. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brothers, George, Max, John, Ray, Gene and Tom. His brother Kenneth Hannah of Dotham, Alabama survives. He graduated from Leicester High School and attended Western Carolina College before joining the military and becoming a career soldier for 26 years. While serving in the United States Army he was stationed at posts all over the world. He was awarded many medals including the Department of Defense Joint Service Commendation for service in Vietnam. Upon retirement from the Army he was

employed with The May Corporation working in Manassas, Virginia at the Hecht Department Store for 10 years. Mr. Hannah returned to Big Sandy Mush in 1993 to start a small farm raising beef cattle and honey bees. He was a member of the North Carolina and Buncombe County Beekeeper Associations, a member of the Erwin Hill Lions Club, a life member of VFW Post #891, the Asheville American Legion Post #2 and a member of Chitose Army Security Agency Association. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Asheville Chapter #124**. He belonged to the Big Sandy Methodist Church. He was married to Mary Ann McCoy Hannah on June 5, 1960. He is survived by two sons, Michael James Hannah and his wife, Lori, of Inman, SC and Steven Gregory Hannah and his wife, Janet, of Conover, NC, and one grandson, Zachary Ryan Hannah of Conover. He is also survived by brother-in-law, Robert McCoy of Petaluma, California, and many nieces and nephews. A full military funeral was at the Big Sandy United Methodist Church on Tuesday January 10, 2017 at 2:00 PM. The Reverend Hugh W. Russell conducted the service. Visitation was one hour before the service. The family would like to extend a special thanks to the kind and caring staff at Pisgah Manor and a very good friend and care giver, Rosie Cannon. Memorials may be made to Big Sandy United Methodist Church Cemetery Fund, c/o Treasurer, Keith Wells, 188 Willow Creek Road, Leicester, NC 28748. Groce Funeral Home on Patton Avenue is assisting the family, and the online register is available at www.grocefuneralhome.com.



ROBERT E. "Robin" HARRINGTON - Died Friday, November 25, 2016 in Borger, Texas at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. Robin was born October 15, 1946 in Borger to the late Merle Floyd Harrington, Sr. and Alice Louise (née Miller) Harrington. He proudly served his country in the United States Army with service as a Staff Sergeant in Vietnam. He married Mary Beth Ray on February 1, 1986 in Borger. Robin was a member of the First Baptist Church. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fritch Chapter #404**. He loved photography, to travel, and woodworking. Robin was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Clyde Lane Harrington, and niece, Shelly Ray. He is survived by his loving wife, Mary; daughters, Lee Ann Nutt of Tomball, TX and Merle Ann Harrington, of Austin; his brother, Merle "Buddy" Floyd Harrington, Jr. of Arlington; sister, Mary Klein of Georgetown, TX; his grandchildren, Michael Nutt, Rachel Nutt, Rowan Niemeyer. Services were at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, November 30, 2016 at the First Baptist Church Chapel, with Pastor Charlie Morgan officiating. The burial was at the Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Minton Chatwell Funeral Directors. The family hosted visitation at the funeral home on Tuesday evening from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, P. O. Box 470 Borger, TX 79008.

THEODORE M. HILL – Died Tuesday, December 15, 2015 in Baltimore, Maryland at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born March 3, 1943. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Baltimore Chapter #451**. He is survived by his wife.

EDWIN JAMES HOLDEN, JR. - Died Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at the VA Medical Center in Ann Arbor, Michigan at the age of 69. He was a resident of Quincy, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was born December 26, 1946 in Quincy to the late Edwin and Virginia (née Clutter) Holden. Edwin was a graduate of Litchfield High School and was a veteran of the United States Army where he received a Purple Heart. He was also a member of the American Legion Quincy Post #157. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek Chapter #730**. Survivors include his daughter, Heather Holden; step-daughters, Deb Chatfield and Carol Wood; two sons, John Holden and James Holden; sisters, Lucretia (Walter) Adams, Rose Huckfeldt and Beverley (Clarence) Hammel; brothers, Doug (Anna) Sweet and James (Carol) Sweet; 14 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, two spouses, stepson, Clay Clark and one grandchild. Visitation is scheduled from 5-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Eagle Funeral Home-George White Chapel in Quincy. Graveside services will be held at 11:30 a.m. Thursday at Fort Custer National Cemetery, Augusta. The family received friends for visitation on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 from 5:00-8:00 PM. at the Eagle Funeral Home-George White Chapel in Quincy. Graveside services were held on Thursday, October 27, 2016 at 11:30 AM at the Fort Custer National Cemetery.



JAMES ARNOLD "Jim" HONL (USA, MAJ-Ret.) - Died peacefully in his sleep on Thursday, June 13, 2013, at the Rainey Hospice House at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was a resident of Anderson, South Carolina. He was surrounded by the love of his devoted wife, Carolyn. He was born February 6, 1939 in Breckenridge, Minnesota to the late Arnold George Honl and the late Avis (née Satre) Honl. Jim was a Vietnam Veteran, who retired with the rank of Major after having served in the United States Army for 23 years. While in service, he was the recipient of the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star medal, and the Meritorious Service Medal among others. He graduated from Southern California College of Optometry, receiving his Doctor of Optometry degree. He earned his B.S. Degree at Saint John University in Minnesota and a Master's degree from the University of Southern California. After retiring from his distinguished military career, he practiced optometry in Spartanburg, SC, and Greenville, SC. Mr. Honl enjoyed reading, doing crossword puzzles, and researching genealogy among many other interests. Most of all he was a kind, patient and patriotic person who loved his country and enjoyed helping others. He volunteered with Project Hope and the American Red Cross, going on numerous missions to help people affected by poverty and disasters. Jim was of the Catholic Faith. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Greenville Chapter #523**. Survivors include his loving wife of 31 years, Carolyn A. (née McNatt) Honl of Anderson; a daughter, Nancy Honl of Clearwater, FL; 2 step-sons, Michael Whitwell and his wife, Leslie, of Dallas, TX, Mark Whitwell and his wife, Lynne, of McDonough, GA; 4 brothers, Paul Honl and his wife, Linda, of LaCenter, WA, Charles Honl and wife, Renae, of Westville, IN, Bob Honl, and wife, Elaine, of Bemidji, MN, and Pete Honl and his wife, Jean of Roseau, MN; a sister, Kathy Jaenicke and her husband, Frank, of Roseau, MN. Also surviving are 7 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild and a number of nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Mr. Honl was preceded in

death by a stepson, Scott Whitwell. A Memorial Service to honor the life of James A. Honl was held on Friday, June 21, 2013, at 7:00 PM at the Chapel of The McDougald Funeral Home. Interment was at the Arlington National Cemetery. Contributions in memory of James Honl may be made to Fisher House Foundation, 111 Rockville Pike, Suite #420, Rockville, MD 20850.



WILLIAM EDGAR "Ed" HUGHES - Died Sunday, December 11, 2016 at the Olathe Hospice and with family present. He was 69 years of age and a resident of Garnett, Kansas. He was born on February 6, 1947 in Ottawa, Kansas to the late Richard D. and Katherine L. (née Clark) Hughes. During high school he met the love of his life Mary Higdon and after graduation from Ottawa High School they married on July 29, 1966. Their union produced two children that were his pride and joy. In 1967 Uncle Sam sent a draft letter and Ed was inducted in the United States Army and sent to Vietnam for one year and twenty-nine days. During his Army Service he was awarded the National Defense Medal. Ed was exposed to Agent Orange while in Vietnam and due to that exposure he suffered many debilitating illnesses which eventually caused his death. With that said Ed would have "done it all over again." After he came home to Ottawa, he held several jobs also to include working at the City of Ottawa Water Treatment Facility and retiring from there after 30 plus years. Ed was a member of Masons, Shriners, Lions Club, American Legion and a *Charter Member* and *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ottawa Chapter #912**. He participated in the rifle squad that performed many salutes for our fallen Veterans. He was active in the fund raisers to help Patients at the VA Hospital in Kansas. He and his best friend Melvin Lucas organized and started "Welcome Home" breakfasts for the Gulf War Veterans to insure that they were not treated like the Vietnam Veterans had been treated as they came home from war. During his lifetime he had a real passion for fish...whether it was just fishing or just eating fish. Ed truly had a servant's heart and loved people which he showed just loving people where they are...He never met a stranger...He is loved by many and will truly be missed by all. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister Donna Neumann. Survivors in addition to his wife, Mary also include two daughters Melinda (Hugh) Ashby and Janette (William) Lute both of Ottawa, Kansas; three siblings Jan (Rod) Mullen, Lewis (Pam) Hughes and Brenda Hughes; three grandchildren William Lute III, Raychele Lute and Maddisen Lute; and nieces and nephews. To celebrate Ed's life a memorial service was held at 10:00 AM on Thursday, December 15, 2016 at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 628 North Cedar, Ottawa, KS 66067. Inurnment was at the Highland Cemetery, Ottawa, KS. The family received friends from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Wednesday at the Church. In lieu of flowers, donations to Wreaths Across America - Franklin County c/o VFW 5901 Ottawa, KS or Hospice House of Olathe Medical Center may be sent c/o Lamb-Roberts Funeral Home, PO Box 14, Ottawa, KS 66067. Condolences to the family may be sent through www.lamb-roberts.com.

ALVIN ISRAEL - Died Thursday, April 9, 2015 in Gurnee, Illinois at the age of 71. The cause of death was heart failure. He was born in 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Illinois**. He was the beloved husband and best friend of the late Andrea, née Torf for 25 years; loving and devoted father of Michelle

(Bill) Golden; proud grandfather of Abigail and Raelynn; cherished brother of Robert (Monica) and Marvin (Lillian); fond uncle of Ian and Rebecca; dear friend of many. The Chapel service was at 3:00 PM on Sunday, April 12th at the Shalom Memorial Funeral Home, 1700 West Rand Road, Arlington Heights. The interment was in Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Heart Failure Society of America.

LEWIS JACKSON, SR. - Died Wednesday, June 1, 2016 in College Park, Georgia at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born February 21, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – College Park Chapter #1118**. He is survived by his wife, Lillie of the home. A "Celebration of Life" service was on Saturday, June 4, 2016 at 11:00 AM at the Flipper Temple A.M.E. Church, 580 Fair Street SW, Atlanta, GA, 30314 with the Reverend Augusta H. Hall, Jr., Pastor officiated. The interment was in the Georgia National Cemetery. The viewing was at the Willie A. Watkins Funeral Home - Riverdale Chapel.

OLIVER JACKSON, JR. – Died in 2014 in Delbarton, West Virginia at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born June 28, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Henlawson Chapter #308**.



CARL J. JENSEN – Died Tuesday, January 17, 2017 in Kentfield, California at the age of 72. The cause of death was upper respiratory lung infection. He was born November 23, 1944 in Pennsylvania. He served in the United States Army and served one year tour of duty in Vietnam as an infantryman with the 196th Light Infantry Brigade. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – San Rafael Chapter #547**.



WANZEL JEROME JESSIE, SR. - Died Friday, January 6, 2017 at his home in Cumberland, Maryland at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born August 25, 1945 in Piedmont, West Virginia to the late John Richard Jessie and Helen Virginia (née Finley) Jessie. He was also preceded in death by a sister, Barbara Jessie; and two brothers, Richard Jessie and Donald Jessie. A graduate of Piedmont High School Class of 1965, Wanzel was a Vietnam Veteran of the United States Army and retired from ABL/Alliant Techsystems with 28 years of service. He was a member of Metropolitan AME Church and participated in the "CUIA" Youth Group. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172** and was also a member of the Fort Cumberland Post #13 American Legion. Wanzel was actively involved in the community, always helping others; he made many friends and was known to have never met a stranger. In high school, he was a standout

basketball player. He also enjoyed playing in the local softball leagues. Wanzel is survived by his wife of 51 years, Virginia (née Younger) Jessie; three sons: Wanzel J. Jessie, Jr., Ashburn, VA; Kevin Jessie and wife Marie, Cumberland, MD; and Travis Jessie and wife Breanna, Cumberland, MD; his brothers and sisters: Shirley Dokes, Martinsburg, WV; Shelby Dokes, Cumberland, MD; Ruby Redmond, Cumberland, MD; Leslie Jessie and wife Debbie, Keyser, WV; Kenzel Jessie, Keyser, WV; Greg Jessie and wife Kay, Keyser, WV; his grandchildren: Briana, Xavier, Trevor, Tayden, Giana, Tyiss, and Luma; his great-grandchildren: Anthony, Atavia, Julian, Dante, and Dominic; a very special aunt: Helen Virginia Cullen, Keyser, WV; as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Friends were received at the Adams Family Funeral Home, P.A., 404 Decatur Street, Cumberland, MD, on Tuesday, January 10, 2017 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM and from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. A funeral service was conducted at the funeral home on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 11:00 AM with Pastor Anthony Josey and Pastor Helen Mency co-officiating. Interment was in the Maryland Veterans Cemetery at Rocky Gap. Military honors were accorded at the cemetery by the Fort Cumberland Post #13 American Legion Veterans Honor Guard.

ALFRED J. JOHNSON - Died recently in 2016 in Martinsburg, West Virginia at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 29, 1951. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kearneysville Chapter #1074**.

JOSÉ CELIZ JUAREZ - Died Thursday, March 17, 2016 in Fairview, Tennessee at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Brownsville, Texas on December 20, 1936 to the late Gregorio and Josefina Juarez. He was also preceded in death by one sister and one brother. Survivors include his loving wife of 59 years, Bethsaida Juarez; children, Joe Juarez, Jr., Robert Juarez, Rolando Juarez, Norma (Jason, Sr.) Steele and Danny Juarez; siblings, Benito Juarez and Mary Donald; eight grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – El Paso Chapter #574**. The family received friends on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM at the Harpeth Hills Funeral Home. The Funeral Mass was at 11:00 AM at Saint Matthew Catholic Church on Wednesday, March 23, 2016. The interment was in the Middle Tennessee Veterans Cemetery with full military honors.



GEORGE R. KAISER - Died Tuesday, September 1, 2015 in Newburgh, New York at the age of 73. He was a resident of Wallkill, New York. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Brooklyn, New York on March 4, 1942 to the late Joseph and Marion (née Haring) Kaiser. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a member of Saint Charles Borromeo Church, Gardiner and AMVETS. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Newburgh Chapter #537**. George had worked at his family business, Kaiser Binding with his father and brother for many years. George also was the owner of the Shutter

Up motorized shutter company. Survivors include his wife, Jean at home; son, Christopher Kaiser and his fiancée, Kim Veneziano of Wallkill; grandson, Caleb Kaiser of Boston; brother, John Kaiser and his wife, Sia of New Windsor; sisters: Joan Kaiser of New Windsor and Judith Kaiser of Indianapolis; and many nieces and nephews. Visitation hours were from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on Sunday, September 6th and from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on Monday, September 7th at Millspaugh Funeral Home, 22 Bank Street, Walden, NY. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at 10:30 AM on Tuesday, September 8th at Saint Charles Borromeo Church, Rt. 44-55, Gardiner, NY. The burial was in the Orange County Veterans Cemetery in Goshen, NY. In lieu of flowers, it is requested that donations be made to Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66657, in George's memory. Arrangements were made by Millspaugh Funeral Directors; for directions or condolences please visit millspaughfuneralhome.com.



JAMES KAZA - Died Monday, September 26, 2016 in Clinton Township, Michigan at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 27, 1947 to the late Joseph and Margaret Kaza. He was the beloved husband of Susan for 48 years; loving father of Stephanie Kaza and Jason (Micahlynn); dearest brother of David (Joni). He was a member of the Saint Clair Shores Optimist Club, Clinton Township Optimist Club, Journeyman's Club of Saint Paul of Tarsus, Right to Life, Knights of Columbus, and a former member of the Nautical Mile Merchants' Association of Saint Clair Shores. He proudly served in the United States Army in the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clinton Township Chapter #154**. Visitation hours were on Thursday from 2:00 to 9:00 PM with a Scripture service at 7:00 PM at Resurrection Funeral Home, 40800 Hayes, Clinton Township. Laying-In-State on Friday from 9:00 AM until the time of Mass at 9:30 AM at Saint Paul of Tarsus Catholic Church, 41300 Romeo Plank, Clinton Township. Interment was at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly, Michigan. Memorial contributions to Saint Paul of Tarsus or Hospice of Michigan would be appreciated. Please share a memory of Jim at www.resurrectionfuneralhome.com.



JOSEPH GLASS KELLER - Died at his home in LaVale, Maryland on Saturday, December 31, 2016 at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 28, 1940 to the late Johanna (née Glass) Keller and Lynn Stonebraker Keller, Jr. He was also preceded in death by his brother, Lynn Stonebraker Keller III. He is survived by his son, Christopher Glass Keller; and two daughters, Mary Lindsey Crowley and Ellison Foreman Keller; as well as his granddaughter, Emilie Morgan Creighton. He graduated Hagerstown High School in 1957 and served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**. He served a 40-year career in the automotive business at Sharrett Volkswagen in Hagerstown, and Cumberland Valley Motors and Thomas Subaru-Hyundai in Cumberland. He was an active member of BPO Elks #470 in

Frostburg, Moose Lodge #271 in Wiley Ford, West Virginia and the American Legion Post #136 in Ridgeley, West Virginia. A celebration of Joe's life was held at the Moose Lodge #271, 81 Cumberland Street, Wiley Ford, on April 29, 2017 from 12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM.

PAUL E. KELLEY (USAF, MAJ—Ret.) – Died Thursday, October 13, 2016 in Springfield, Virginia at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born July 3, 1937. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War and retired at the rank of Major. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Arlington Chapter #227*. The family requested that donations be made to Vietnam Veterans of America, 8719 Colesville Road - Suite #100, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Arrangements were under the direction of Demaine Funeral Home, Springfield, VA.



JOHN JOSEPH KELLY, SR. - Died Monday, April 6, 2015 in Mahwah, New Jersey at the age of 72. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in 1943. He was an educator in Fair Lawn, a United States Army veteran of Vietnam and President of the Mahwah Township Council. John was a highly educated man, receiving two master's degrees from Seton Hall and William Paterson University. He was also an educator in the Fair Lawn school system and dean of guidance at Memorial Middle School. John was a man of service and dedication not only to surrounding communities, but also to his church and country. He served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam, and had a distinguished military service (1969 to 1971); he received a Bronze Star and Army Commendation Medal among numerous other military service awards. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rutherford Chapter #800*. John was a member and officer of many civic and veterans' organizations, including the Mahwah Township Council (member and president); Mahwah Fire Department (assistant chief - 1991); and Bergen County V.F.W. District 2 (Commander - 2010). John was the beloved husband of Helen M. Kelly; loving father of John Joseph Kelly Jr. and wife, Gretchen, and Michael Sean Kelly and wife, Jessica; cherished grandfather of Conner, Aidan, Daniel, and Samuel; dear brother of Daniel Clemont Kelly and wife, Maureen, and the late James Patrick Kelly; brother-in-law of Rev. Edward O'Neill, and the beloved son of the late Daniel and Katherine Kelly. John was also the adored uncle of numerous nieces and nephews. Visitation hours were held on Friday, April 10, 2015, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Van Emburgh-Sneider- Pernice Funeral Home, 109 Darlington Avenue, Ramsey, N.J. A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday, April 11, 2015, at 11:00 AM at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 47 Island Road, Mahwah. Interment was held on Monday, April 13, 2015 at 11:00 AM at the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Memorial Cemetery in Wrightstown, N.J. Please send tributes, memories and condolences to vanemburghsneider.com. In lieu of flowers, please send memorial donations to VFW Post #7124, 201 Franklin Turnpike, P.O. Box 97, Mahwah, N.J.; the American Legion Post #531, 201 Franklin Turnpike, Mahwah, N.J.; Vietnam Veterans of America - Chapter #800, 100 Main Street, Little Ferry, NJ, or Disabled American Veterans - Northern Valley Chapter #32, 8 Veterans Plaza, Bergenfield, NJ.



HARDIE DEAN KENT (USA, SFC-Ret.)- Died Saturday, August 27, 2016 at 6:00 PM at a local nursing home at the age 75. He was a resident of Jeanerette, Louisiana. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 4, 1940 in Marks, Mississippi to the late Louis and Mildred (née Wigg) Kent on September 4, 1940. After graduating from Leland High School in Leland, Mississippi, he joined the United States Army to proudly serve his country. During his 20-year career in the Army, He was a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division and completed three tours of duty as a medic during the Vietnam War and earned a Bronze Star. He also received training as a Licensed Practical Nurse. In 1979, he received an honorable discharge, retiring with the rank of Sergeant First Class. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Louisiana**. After retiring from the military, he worked offshore as a medic in the oil industry until his retirement. He was an active member of the First Baptist Church in Jeanerette. He also sang and was a member at Little Pass Baptist Church in Charenton and enjoyed singing in the choir at First United Methodist Church of Franklin. He became a Master Mason in September of 1984 and was also a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason, a member of the Knights Templar in the York Rite, a past Master of the Jeanerette Masonic Lodge #255, and a member of the Franklin Masonic Lodge #57. He participated in many Masonic charities and was a part of the Franklin Lodge earning the Mark Twain Award in 2011-2012 which was the first time a lodge in Louisiana had earned it in 7 years. In his spare time, he enjoyed cooking and visiting with family and friends and helping others in the community. His kind heart and good nature made him a great husband, father, grandfather, and friend. Left to cherish his memory is his wife of 46 years, Joy (née Jacob) Kent of Jeanerette; daughter, Laura Kent Atkins and husband Sam of Huntsville, Alabama; grandchildren, Jacob Atkins-attending Ole Miss at Oxford, Mississippi, Camille Atkins and Cade Atkins both of Huntsville, Alabama; one sister, Becky Breckenridge and husband George of Amarillo, Texas; and one brother, Frank Kent and wife Brenda of Jonesboro, Georgia. Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Dan Kent. Masonic funeral services were held on Thursday September 1, 2016 at 11:00 AM at the Beau Pre Memorial Park with Brother Bobby Hodnett to serve as the Celebrant. Masonic Rites were conducted by members of the Franklin Masonic Lodge. Full Military Gravesite Honors were conducted by the United States Army. Visitation hours began at 9:00 AM at the Beau Pre Memorial Park and conclude at the time of service. In lieu of flowers, donations in Mr. Kent's honor can be made to Operation Homefront by visiting <https://www.operationhomefront.net/donate> or the Franklin Masonic Lodge, P.O. Box 344 Franklin, LA 70538-0344. Family and friends wishing to express condolences can visit Mr. Kent's memorial page at www.davidfuneralhome.org. David Funeral Home of Jeanerette, 400 Provost Street was in charge of the arrangements.



JERRY W. KERR - Died peacefully at 6:40 AM on Sunday, October 9, 2016 at the Kobacker House in Columbus, Ohio at the age of 68, as he was surrounded by his wife and children after a long and courageous battle with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. He was a resident of Reynoldsburg, Ohio. He was born on April 17, 1948 in Durham, North Carolina to the late Wallace and Evelyn (née Tunstall) Kerr. Jerry's greatest passion was people and he always tried to see the good in everyone, never having met a stranger. He believed in the power of listening and knew compromise was a powerful tool. He believed in actively serving his community and standing up for his fellow man. Jerry was a leader for many and walked through life with broad shoulders. Jerry lived a distinguished life and was a proud member of several reputable organizations. He was a proud Vietnam Veteran as a Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps. He lived to put family first while maintaining a strong focus on his career. After graduating from The Ohio State University in 1977, he was excited to begin his career as Systems Engineer for IBM which gave him a great foundation for his long career as Chief Information Officer at Schottenstein Stores Corporation and Schottenstein Property Group. He found it satisfying to serve and represent his fellow veterans. As Post Commander, VFW Post #4719 and District #11 Commander, Jerry earned All-American recognition. He was a 50-year American Legion Life Member Post #797. His membership at AMVETS Post #89, 40 et 8 Voiture Locale #15, Disabled American Veterans, Marine Corps League, Veterans of Foreign Wars as a Gold Legacy Life Member and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Worthington Chapter #670** were all gratifying to him. Jerry was honored to be affiliated with Free and Accepted Masons, where he was Head of Masonic Bodies: Past Master, Chandler Lodge #138; Past High Priest, Adoniram Chapter #73; Past Illustrious Master, London Council #41; Past Commander, Willis Commandery #82; Past Sovereign Master, John L. Owlsey Council #217; Past Worthy Patron, London Chapter #386. He earned membership with Knights of the York Cross of Honour, Ohio Priory #18; he held memberships with Aladdin Shrine Temple, Irish Council #67 and Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite where he earned 32nd Degree Mason. As Trustee and Secretary/Treasurer of London Masonic Temple, he enjoyed leading fund raisers to benefit the Lodge and the local community. He worked hard to make every organization in his life grow and prosper. He was recognized as a Lifetime Member after his 16 years of service as a Coach, Umpire, Treasurer and Board of Directors member for London Area Baseball Council. Jerry was a loyal husband, caring father and loving grandfather. His personal time was fulfilled when playing golf or riding his Harley Davidson, in which he was a member of HOG and AMA. Above all, he enjoyed life. Jerry chose to be a part of society and be friendly to everyone. He would extend his hand and tell his life story to a complete stranger in hopes to find common ground. He would tip a fast food worker, anticipating they needed money. Jerry found happiness in his efforts to be charitable to people and organizations in need; giving his time, passion and energy to raise funds. He is survived by wife, Jo Ann; his son, Zachary and daughter-in-law, Lin; his daughter, Angela and son-in-law, Brent Hemmert; grandchildren, Tyler and Mason; his sisters, Kathy Strickland and Linda Berry. Friends came from 2:00-4:00 PM and from 6:00-8:00 PM on Wednesday, October 12th at Schoedinger Northeast Chapel, 1051 East Johnston Road,

Gahanna, OH 43230. The funeral service was held at 2:00 PM on Thursday, October 13th at Schoedinger Northeast Chapel immediately followed by celebration of life at VFW Post #4719, 75 West Johnstown Road, Gahanna, OH 43230. The burial was on Monday, October 17th at 12:00 Noon at Dayton National Cemetery at 4400 West 3rd Street, Dayton, OH 45428. Jerry always enjoyed seeing flowers at the funerals he attended, but for those who would enjoy contributing in another way, the family requests memorial donations be made to Jerry's favorite organization at the end of his life, VFW Post #4719, 75 West Johnstown Road, Gahanna, OH 43230.



ROBERT SAMUEL KEY (USA, MAJ-Ret.) - Died unexpectedly on Sunday, December 29, 2013 at the age of 69, while doing what he loved-hiking-with the son he loved, Patrick. He was a resident of Rancho Santa Margarita, California. He was born June 28, 1944. He was a man of quiet strength, an outrageous humor, deep humility and unswerving loyalty, Robert lived his life loving his family and friends, and serving his country both through his military service in Vietnam and his continued work at the Veteran's Affairs Administration. Robert was a devoted husband of 31 years to Diane Amrhein Key, the world's best dad to Meghan, Patrick and Lauren and grandpa to Peyton Key, and beloved brother to David Key. Robert will be sorely missed by countless relatives, friends, associates, clients and others whose path he crossed. A highly-decorated United States Army Vietnam veteran and Green Beret, Robert retired from the Army as a Major after 23 years during which he served in the 1st Infantry, 82nd Airborne Corps, and 5th Special Forces Group. He was awarded the Silver Star, Bronze Star with "V" and five Oak Leaf Clusters, Bronze Stars for Meritorious Service and Meritorious Achievement, the Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, and Combat Infantryman Badge, as well as others. Robert then joined the Department of Veterans Affairs where he provided Readjustment Counseling and Trauma services to Combat Veterans and their families for over 26 years. Most recently, he was Team Leader at the South Orange County VET Center in Mission Viejo. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Diamond Bar Chapter #785**. A Vigil was held Sunday, January 12th from 4:00-6:00 PM at the O'Connor Mortuary in Laguna Hills. Funeral services were held on Monday, January 13th at 10:00 AM at Saddleback Church in Lake Forest, followed by a 1:30 PM service at Riverside National Cemetery. Should friends desire, in lieu of flowers, his family asked that donations be made to the Wounded Warriors Project or the American Heroes Tribute.

JOHN S. KIZZIA – Died Sunday, October 30, 2016 in Bend, Oregon at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born October 25, 1950. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – San Jose (California) Chapter #201**.



RICHARD P. KOGUT - Died Sunday, July 24, 2016 in Heritage Village Rehab and Skilled Nursing Home at the age of 90. He was a resident of Celoron, New York and formerly of Depew, New York. The cause of death is unknown. A native of Buffalo, he was born September 19, 1925 to the late Peter and Helen (née Malanowski) Kogut. Following graduation from high school, he served in the United States Air Force during WWII, Korea and Vietnam. Prior to his retirement he was employed for nearly 40 years by Westinghouse in Cheektowaga as an inspector. He was a life member of several veteran organizations including Herman Kent Post #777, The American Legion, holding various offices, past commander of AMVETS #45 and Lakewood Memorial Post #1286, Veterans of Foreign Wars #557 Ellery Center and War Vets Recreation. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Jamestown Chapter #865**. He was a Village of Celoron trustee until just recently and was a member of the Chautauqua Lake Fishing Association, Celoron Moose and Lakewood Rod and Gun Club. Surviving are three children Janice (Dan Phillips) Yoder of Depew, Peter (Beth) Kogut of Amherst and Lisa (Chuck) Cwiklinski of Depew; five grandchildren Kelly (Daryl) Hahn, Ben and Larissa Kogut and Cody and Justin Cwiklinski; two great-grandchildren DJ and Kayla Hahn; a sister Dorothy Wiczorek and a nephew Jim (Donna) Wiczorek. Besides his parents he was preceded in death by his wife the former Julia Zorowak in 1992; and a brother, Art Kogut. Friends were received from 3:00-7:00 PM on Friday in the Lind Funeral Home where military honors were conducted at 7:00 PM. No funeral service was observed. Memorials may be made to Chautauqua Region Community Foundation, Veterans Park Memorial Fund, 418 Spring Street, Jamestown, NY 14701 or Chautauqua County Humane Society, 2825 Strunk Road, Jamestown, NY 14701. You may leave words of condolence at www.lindfuneralhome.com.

DONALD E. KURTZ - Died Sunday, December 11, 2016 in Clarksville, Tennessee at the age of 82. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 2, 1932 in Kansas City, Missouri to the late Charles Kurtz and Anna Bell (née Price) Kurtz. He was a veteran, having served 4 years in the United States Army and 18 years in the United States Navy, earning the rank of Yeoman 1st Class. He was a member of the DAV, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clarksville Chapter #396**. He retired from the Montgomery County Highway Department, where he was a Parts Manager. He is preceded in death by his parents and several brothers and sisters. He is survived by his wife Mary Peach Kurtz; sons, Donald Eugene Kurtz, Jr and Timothy Wayne Kurtz; daughter, Teresa Ann McCauley; brother, Charles Kurtz, and sister, Ellen Terrell; seven grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. A Celebration of Life was held at a later date. He was laid to rest at the Kentucky Veterans Cemetery West.

LESTER L. LANGE – Died Wednesday, December 28, 2016 in Kent, Washington at the age of 61. The cause of death is unknown. He was born July 23, 1955. He is survived by his ex-wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Washington**. He was interred in Tahoma National Cemetery in Kent.



EDWIN CAMPBELL "Ned" LARSON - Died Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at his home in Stevensville, Montana at the age of 67, after a long battle with cancer. He was born April 18, 1949 in Riverside, California. He graduated from Poly High School in 1967. The United States Army called him to serve his country in 1969. He was in Vietnam until December of 1970. He was proud to be able to serve the United States of America. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hamilton Chapter #938**. Ned then married Terri (née Black) Larson and shortly after they moved with his family to Nuevo, CA. He worked at Riverside International Raceway until it closed in 1988. That is where his family developed a love for all racing, Nascar, NHRA, Off Road, and Motocross. Ned and his son Gary, enjoyed the times spent riding and racing motorcycles. Then Ned went to work for C&R Systems in Corona and San Marcos, CA. His hobbies changed to include the love of Chuck Wagon competitions after he and friends built one. They competed in areas of California, Scottsdale, Chandler, AZ and Ruidoso, NM. In 2006 Ned went to work for the forest service in Stevensville then retired and stayed in Stevensville with his family. He realized Montana did not have a Chuck Wagon competition and went to the Stevensville Main Street Association and asked to have a Chuck Wagon event connected with the Western Heritage Days. They liked the idea and this year will mark the 7th Annual Chuck Wagon competition with as many as 10 Chuck Wagons to attend. This is something Ned was very passionate and proud to be a part of each and every year since 2010. Ned's other passions included sports with his Grandson's Troy and Trent Larson. He went to every baseball and basketball game, wrestling events, Martial Arts, soccer and any and all other activities Troy and Trent were involved in. Ned was known to love his family like no other. He was always kind, caring, and compassionate to others. Ned is survived by his wife Terri Larson; son, Gary Larson; and his two wonderful grandson's, Troy and Trent Larson, all of Stevensville. He will truly be missed by family and friends. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to, Pantry Partners, P.O. Box 806, Stevensville, MT 59870. A service was held at the Whitesitt Funeral Home on Wednesday, December 21, 2016 at 3:30 PM. A reception was held following the service at Frontier Café on Highway 93 in Stevensville.



ROBERT HOWARD LINDSEY - Died at his residence in Dearborn, Michigan on Tuesday, July 7, 2015 at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 29, 1941 in Kansas City, Kansas to the late Howard Edwin Lindsey and Beryl Irene (née Benthussen) Lindsey. He graduated from Park Hill High School in 1959. He married Carolyn Kay Simpson on August 21, 1959 in San Diego California. Robert proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps. He served fourteen months in Vietnam and continued serving his country for 10 years. Over the 10 years the couple was stationed in many states and for the last nine years have resided in Dearborn, MO. Robert worked as a salesman for Lefebure Banking Company and owned and operated the I-3 Company. He was a member of the Hillsboro Christian Church, a lifelong member of the VFW. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kansas City Chapter #317**. He enjoyed woodworking and made cabinets and later in life he made wooden pens, and he loved

to Barbeque. He is survived by his wife; his sons Ron Lindsey (Wendy) of Mechanicsville, VA, Robert Noel Lindsey (Beth) of Mechanicsville, VA, daughter Rene' White (Tom) of Oviedo, FL, brother Mel Lindsey (Marsha) of Pittsburg, KS, three grandsons Cameron, Aaron & Mitchell Lindsey, and a granddaughter Emerson Lindsey. Funeral Services were held on Friday, July 10th at 2:00 PM at the Rollins Funeral Home, in Platte City. Visitation hours were from 1:00- 2:00 PM at the Rollins Funeral Home. The burial is at the Platte City Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Hillsboro Christian Church, P.O. Box 2568 Platte City, MO 64079, or The VFW post of Platte City. Arrangements were the Rollins Funeral Home—Platte City, MO.

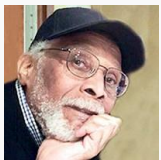


BENJAMIN A. "Ben" LOGERQUIST (USA, COL-Ret.) - Died Saturday evening, November 29, 2014 at Golden Living Center-Dorchester in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin at the age of 82. He was a resident of Jacksonport, Wisconsin. The cause of death is unknown. He was born October 31, 1932, in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin to the late Arnold and Lucietta (née Wagner) Logerquist. Ben graduated from Sturgeon Bay High School in 1950 before graduating with a degree in Mechanical Engineering from UW-Madison in 1954. He participated in ROTC and entered the United States Army after graduation. He received his Master's in Mechanical Engineering in 1963 from VPI & SU, and was studying for his Ph.D. there when called to teach at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY. Ben was an Army aviator, flying fixed wing aircrafts and helicopters. He served in Korea from 1963-1964 at Camp Casey with the Rank of Captain. He was promoted to the Rank of Major upon being assigned to West Point from 1966-1969 as an Instructor of Mechanical Engineering. Ben was promoted to Lt. Colonel while serving in Vietnam at Long Binh from Dec. 1969 - Dec. 1970. Upon returning home, he attended the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, VA, before serving with the Inspector General's Office in Washington, DC, for two years and then four years at the Pentagon. He was promoted to full Colonel in the summer of 1977 and assigned as the Commander of Installation at Jefferson Proving Grounds, Madison, IN, for four years. Ben married the love of his life, Althea M. Hansen of Sturgeon Bay, on August 22, 1953, at the Congregational Church in Sturgeon Bay. They had two daughters. Ben and Althea moved back to Door County in 1981 after Ben retired from service. He began and operated A&B Enterprise in 1984, a heavy equipment operator and machining business. Ben helped create the Jacksonport Fire Department in 1983, serving as its first Chief. He was also a charter member of the NE Wisconsin Antique Power Association. Ben was a member of the United Methodist Church and its Men's Club, the FFA Alumni, Jacksonport First Responders, Jacksonport Historical Society and Advancement Association, Northeast Wisconsin Antique Power Association, VFW Post #3088, and American Legion Post #72. He was a generous *Donor* to **Vietnam Veterans of America**. He loved the outdoors, to work with his hands to hunt, fish, and work the land. Survivors include his wife, Althea; two daughters, Deborah (Paul) Schumacher of Clark Lake, Jacksonport, Cheryl Thomas of San Francisco, CA; two grandchildren, Shonda (Arthur) Moats of Pittsburg, PA, Chaz Thomas of San Francisco, CA; two great-grandchildren, Kaylor and Ava

Moats; one sister, Jane (Jerry) Mead of Lewisburg, PA; and dear nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Ben was preceded in death by his parents, Arnold and Lucietta Logerquist; sister, Marcene Clauson; and his dear nephew, Tom Clauson. A funeral service with full military honors was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, December 6, 2014, at the Sturgeon Bay United Methodist Church, 836 Michigan Street, with the Reverend David Leistra officiating. The burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery in Jacksonport. Friends may call from 4:00 PM until 8:00 PM on Friday, at Huehns Funeral Home in Sturgeon Bay and at the church, Saturday, from 10:00 AM until the time of service at 11:00 AM. Memorials may be given in Ben's memory for the United Methodist Men's Club or the Jacksonport Fire Department.



WILLIAM JOSEPH "Billy" LORUSSO - Died Sunday, December 4, 2016 in Ramsey, New Jersey at the age of 67. He was formerly of Lodi, New Jersey. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Bronx, New York in February 1949 to the late Rocco Lorusso. Before retiring he was the owner of Paci Press in Lodi. He was a United States Army veteran serving in Vietnam, was a member of the Lodi VFW Post #5082 and a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rutherford Chapter #800**. He was a member of the men's softball leagues in Ramsey, Lodi and Lincoln Park, was a past honoree of the Lodi Ambulance Corp. and was always a friend and contributor to the Felician Sisters. He was the beloved husband of Patricia Ellen Lorusso (née Paci); loving father of Kimberly Ellen Lorusso and husband Nick Puccio, and Kristy Frances Lorusso; cherished grandfather of Ava Ellen, Abby Mae, and Alyse Patricia; dear son-in-law of the late Joseph and Eleanor Paci. Relatives and friends were invited to attend a Chapel Service on Wednesday 6:30 PM at the Santangelo Funeral Home, 300 Main Street, Lodi. Visitation hours were on Wednesday from 3:00-7:00 PM. Cremation was private.



MELVIN C. LOVEJOY - Died September 19, 2016 in Apple Valley, Minnesota at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born December 14, 1942. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Apple Valley Chapter #492**. Funeral services were on Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at 11:00 AM. Visitation hours were on the evening prior from 6:00-8:00 PM and 1 hour prior to service at The Cremation Society of Minnesota, 7110 France Avenue South, Edina, MN. Memorials preferred to The Family Place or MPR.



DAVID MAEZ, SR. - Died Friday, January 27, 2017 at the Gila Regional Medical Center at the age of 64. He was a resident of Santa Clara, New Mexico. The cause of death is

unknown. He was born on June 17, 1952 in Silver City, New Mexico to the late Jose Julio Maez and Agneda (née Martinez) Maez. He proudly served his country with the United States Army and the United States Marine Corps. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Bayard Chapter #358*. He is survived by his loving wife, Maria (née Rivera) Maez, of the family home; four sons, Anthony Maez, of Santa Clara; David Maez, Jr. and fiancée Barbara Hernandez, of Tolleson, AZ; Justin Maez, of Albuquerque; Eric Maez and fiancée Elia Rael, of Santa Clara; two daughters, Danyel Rivera, of Silver City; Daviana Maez, of Santa Clara; Desirée Green, of Silver City; three grandchildren, David Anthony, Aujanae, and Sophia; four brothers, Jerry Maez, of Santa Clara; Roy Anthony "Tony" Maez; Joe Maez and wife Irma, of Las Cruces; Paul Maez and wife Vanessa, of Tucson, AZ; one sister, Barbara Saavedra, of Chama, NM. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, Andy Maez; one sister, Rachael Maez. Visitation hours will on Wednesday, February 1st from 9:00-10:00 AM at the Terrazas Funeral Chapels with the holy rosary to begin at 10:00 AM with Dr. Gilbert Arizaga reciting. The funeral liturgy was at 11:00 AM at Santa Clara Catholic Church with Father Robert Becerra, officiating. Concluding service interment with full military honors took place on Thursday, February 2nd at Fort Bayard National Cemetery. The pallbearers were Anthony Maez, David Maez, Jr., Justin Maez, Eric Maez, Joseph Maez, and Danyel Rivera Maez. The honorary pallbearers were other members of his family and friends. Cremation took place at Terrazas Crematory. Arrangements were with Terrazas Funeral Chapels and Crematory.

MICHAEL J. MAHONEY - Died quietly at home in Highland Lakes, New Jersey on Friday, April 25, 2008 at the age of 61. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 11, 1947 in New York City, New York to the late James Aquinas Mahoney and Mae (née Pallante) Mahoney. He lived in New York until age 16, when he relocated to Cedar Grove, New Jersey with his family. He was graduated from Memorial High School in 1965 and later attended Fairleigh Dickinson University. He served with valor in the United States Army from 1967 to 1969. A Specialist 5th Class in the Signal Corps, he was stationed in Can Tho, Vietnam, and was awarded several medals. He was an *At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – New Jersey*. He was employed by the SRA Division of McGraw Hill Incorporated as a senior project manager. His family said, "A more apt description of his position would be problem solver. He had a brilliant mind and there was very little he could not make a computer do." Mr. Mahoney is survived by and mourned deeply by his brothers and sisters: Brian and Carla Mahoney of Lake Hopatcong, Marian and Bruce Acheson of Highland Lakes, and Sandy and Ken Kancylarz of Barry Lakes. He also is survived by nieces and nephews, Jim and Kelly Mahoney, Meggan Mahoney, Chris and Julio Morales, Brandon DeGraw and Kristopher Kancylarz, all from New Jersey, as well as Tim and Allison Acheson of Davenport, Fla., and Katherine Acheson of Orlando, Fla. Mr. Mahoney was beloved great-uncle to John and Caelen Mahoney as well as A. J. Morales, all of New Jersey. His family said, "A man of ironic wit and gruff exterior, he had an enormous heart and great capacity for love. In the greater Atlanta area, he leaves a family of friends, both those he followed and those who followed him. He will be missed more than can be described." The funeral was held Monday at 11:00 AM at the Smith-McCracken Funeral Home, 63 High Street, Newton, New Jersey. Interment was in the Fairview Cemetery in Knowlton, New Jersey.

ROSS EDWARD MANGAN – Died Sunday, January 1, 2017 in Saint Carmenville, Philippines at the age of 74. The cause of death was heart disease. He was born in Australia on September 15, 1942. He was a member of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887**. He served in the Royal Australian Army during the Vietnam War.

RICHARD K. MANLEY – Died recently in 2016 in Kingman, Arizona at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 27, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Arizona**.



BOBBY J. McCLAIN (USAF, SMSgt-Ret.) - Died Thursday, July 7, 2016 in Hendersonville, Tennessee at the age of 82, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born December 23, 1933. He served his country proudly for 22 years, and was a decorated United States Air Force veteran of the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam War. He retired at the rank of Senior Master Sergeant (E-8). He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Gallatin Chapter #240**. He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Rachel McClain; Children, Cheryl (Larry) Stone, Michael (Pam) McClain, Barbara (Don) Parriott; grandchildren, Ryan Stone, Rheanne (Cody) Roberts and Lindsey Free. A life celebration service was held on Monday, July 11, 2016 at 11:00 AM in the chapel of Hendersonville Funeral Home with Nathaniel Hill officiating. The burial was in the Hendersonville Memory Gardens. The family received friends on Sunday, July 10, 2016 from 4:00 PM-8:00 PM and on Monday from 10:00 AM-11:00 AM at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to NHC Sumner Place Memory Care Unit in his honor. Hendersonville Funeral Home 353 East Main St. Hendersonville, TN 37075 was in charge of the arrangements.

RICHARD McMAHON – Died in January 2007 in North Bellmore, New York at the age of 60. The cause of death is unknown. He was born February 2, 1946. He is survived by his brother. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hicksville Chapter #82**.



PHILIP ALLEN “Phil” MEADER - Died peacefully at his home in Gonic, New Hampshire on Monday, June 6, 2016 at the age of 66, after a long illness. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on September 23, 1949 in North Conway, New Hampshire to the late Frank H. Meader and Annie O. (née Blanchard) Meader. Phil grew up in Ossipee, New Hampshire. Shortly after graduating from Kingswood Regional High School, Wolfeboro, New Hampshire, he joined the United States Air Force, doing a tour of duty in Vietnam serving as a Sergeant. Later he attended the University of Tennessee in Knoxville and graduated from

Plymouth Teacher's College, earning a degree in Science and later a Master's Degree in the same field. While doing this, he worked on and supported the fire departments of West Ossipee, NH, and Plymouth, NH. Philip dedicated his career to teaching in Plymouth, Rochester, Dover and retiring from Great Bay Community College, where he was a professor from 2000 - 2015. Phil's dedication to his job was appreciated by his students and colleagues alike. In 2013, 4 decades after he served his country, Phil was awarded the Vietnam Service Medal and the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Hampshire**. He lived in Gonic, NH, for many years while following his vocation and enjoying his pets and his perennial gardens. This home also provided ample space for him to cultivate his favorite pastime of building model schooners and collecting antiques, such as a unique collection of clocks. His neighbors such as Jason and Beth were good friends and attentive to his needs as the illness progressed. His very special friend, Betsy Camp of York, Maine with her husband, remained close for many years; always supporting his life style and adventures. Philip was predeceased by his parents and two brothers, Frank III and Douglas. He is survived by his brother, Donald, of Center Ossipee. He leaves behind several nieces and nephews. At his request there were no calling hours. Graveside services were held on Friday, June 17, 2016 at 12:30 PM at the New Hampshire Veterans Cemetery, 110 Daniel Webster Highway-Route 3, Boscawen, NH. Donations in his memory can be made to the Cocheco Valley Humane Society, 262 County Farm Road, Dover, NH 03820.



RAYMOND W. MEYER – Died Saturday, February 6, 2016 in Port Richey, Florida at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born July 3, 1944. 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**.

FRED L. MEYERS, JR. - Died at his residence in Midland, Texas on Friday, August 29, 2014. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Oakland, California on December 9, 1941 to the late Fred L. Meyers, Sr. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and retired at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – California**. He is survived by his wife, Janis “Jan” Meyers; and son, Fred L. Meyers III. A memorial service was scheduled for Saturday, September 13, 2014 at 2:00 PM at American Heritage Chapel with the Reverend Jimmy Braswell officiating. Arrangements were made by the American Heritage Cemetery and Funeral Home of Midland.

NED ALLEN MILLER - Died peacefully at the Hopewell House in Portland, Oregon on Sunday, October 16, 2016 at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born January 10, 1940 in Wyandot County, Ohio to the late Charles and Edith (née Yambert) Miller. Ned was a 1958 graduate from Columbia High School in Tiffin, Ohio and earned degrees from Heidelberg College, Ohio University and East Texas State. Ned married Diane Aronson on February 22, 1969 in Rockford, Illinois. He served 4 years in the United States Air Force with a year in Thailand in 1967-1968. After a career in transportation planning on Portland, Oregon he

reenlisted in the Air Force Reserve. He retired after 23 years of service. Ned was active in many service organizations, with the Boy Scouts of America being his lifetime passion, along with travel and a love for life and history. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Oregon**. He is survived by his wife, Diane; brother, Dennis (Karen) Miller, of Tiffin, Ohio; sister, Cheryl Strausbaugh, of McCutchenville, Ohio; sister-in-law Jan (Ron) Herbert, of Rockford, IL and many nieces, nephews and cousins. A memorial service was held in Ned's honor at 2:00 PM on November 19th at Tigard United Methodist Church, located at 9845 SW Walnut Place, Portland, OR 97223. Scouts are encouraged to wear their uniform. Arrangements were under the direction of Young's Funeral Home, Tigard, OR.



PAUL F. MILLER, JR. - Died Monday, October 13, 2014, at home under hospice care, after a lengthy courageous battle with cancer. He was a resident of Reinholds, Pennsylvania and 65 years of age. He was born in Reading, Pennsylvania in 1949 to the late Paul F. and Emma (née Zieber) Miller, and was the former husband of Tracy (née Beamesderfer) Miller. He was a member of Saint Paul Evangelical Congregational Church in Reamstown, Band of Brothers of the Church, Fraternal Order of Police, and served as a volunteer with the West Lawn F.D., Mohnton F.D., and Governor Mifflin Ambulance Services. Paul was a fan of Dale Earnhardt, Jr. and NASCAR, and the Phillies. He enjoyed classic cars and following his daughters' college teams. Paul was a graduate of the Reading High School class of 1967 and the Reading Police Academy. He served in the United States Army and was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pennsylvania**. Paul worked as a police officer for Cumru Township, retiring in June of 2013. He formerly served with the Mohnton Police Department and earlier worked as a mechanic for Lindgren Chrysler Plymouth for 19 years. Paul is survived by two daughters, Heather L. and Alysha R. Miller, both of Reinholds; two brothers, Michael David, husband of Tammy Miller of Lenhartsville, PA, and David Michael, husband of Holly Miller of Mohnton; and two sisters, Vickie, wife of Charles Lavigna of Sinking Spring, and Diane, wife of Robert Adams of Womelsdorf. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Scott P. Miller, and a sister, Donna Puksar. A visitation was held on Saturday, October 18th, from 10:00 to 11:00 AM at the Saint Paul Evangelical Congregational Church, 46 East Church Street, Reamstown, where funeral services were held at 11:00 AM, with his pastor, Reverend Kirk R. Marks, officiating. Full honors were presented by the Fraternal Order of Police. Interment was private at the convenience of the family. If desired, memorial contributions in Paul's memory may be made to the Kidney Cancer Association, P.O. Box 4668 #38269, New York, NY 10163 or at www.kidneycancer.org. Arrangements were made by the Roseboro Stradling Funeral & Cremation Services, Inc., Denver.



SUZANNE CHARLOTTE MORRIS - Died Sunday morning, January 22, 2017 at UP Health System Marquette, Michigan at the age of 66. The cause of death was post-surgical complications during open-heart surgery. She was born August 28, 1950 in Virginia, Minnesota to the late Francis and Lucille (née Fredrick) Method and graduated from Negaunee High School, Class of 1968. Following graduation she enlisted in the United States Navy and served for three years during the Vietnam War as an aviation maintenance administration man, being honorably discharged in August, 1971. Following her service to her country she worked in Denver, CO where she met her late husband, Jack Morris. They moved to Negaunee and were united in marriage in 1981. Suzanne was employed as a paralegal for Garan-Lucow-Miller P.C. She was a devout member of Saint Paul Catholic Church, Negaunee where she was active in the church choir. She belonged to and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Negaunee Chapter #380** where she was very involved with providing military honors. Suzanne was also a board member for both the Alzheimer's Association and the Negaunee Historical Society. She was a shareholder and avid fan for the Green Bay Packers and loved listening to Elvis Presley. Most of all, Suzanne loved spending time with her family and friends. Surviving are her mother, Lucille Method of Negaunee; two brothers: Fr. Fredrick Anthony 'Tony' Method of Buhl, MN and Michael Method of Indianapolis, IN; three sisters: Christie (Douglas) Kangas of Cedar Falls, IA, Auralee (Arnaud) Baltar of Forteleza, Brazil and Kelly (Rob) Shadowens of East Grand Rapids, MI; step-children: Robert (Colleen 'Kelly') Morris of Alexandria, Virginia and Rebecca (Jeff) Dunlap of Nixa, MO; grandchildren: Kristina (Eben) Montaquila and Karin Morris; a great-grandson, Archer Morris; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and special friends. She was preceded in death by her father in 1990; her loving husband Jack Morris in 2004; and a brother, Francis Jerome Method in 2013. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11:00 AM on Thursday, January 26th at Saint Paul Catholic Church with Father Fredrick Method and Monsignor Peter Oberto officiating. Interment was in Fort Logan National Cemetery in Denver. Visitation was held from 5:00-7:00 PM on Wednesday evening at Koskey Funeral Home with a prayer service at 6:45 PM, and also from 10:00 AM until the time of Mass at 11:00 AM at church on Thursday. A luncheon was held in the Saint Paul Gymnasium immediately following Mass. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed in Suzanne's memory to the Alzheimer's Association, the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #380 and/or the Negaunee Historical Society. Mrs. Morris' memorial page may be viewed at koskeyfuneralhome.com, where memories and condolences may be shared.



VINCENT B. MORRISON - Died Friday, January 20, 2017 in Syracuse, New York at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 13, 1942 in Middletown, Connecticut to the late Arlington and Gretta (née Hemenway) Morrison. He was a Force Recon United States Marine Corps who served two tours in the Vietnam War and fought in Hue during

the TET offensive. Vincent was awarded a Bronze star and two Purple Hearts and attained the rank of Staff Sergeant. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Liverpool Chapter #103**. Vincent is survived by his wife of 55 years Barbara (née Homeyer); his children, Marina Morrison, Marcia Morrison (David Guerreschi) and Marna Boynton; his siblings Vance Morrison and a half-brother Edward Morrison; his grandchildren Taylor and Margretta Feuer, DeVaughna Morrison-Guerreschi, Patrick and Bryce Boynton, and; several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents and half-brother Keith. He was the owner of Veterans Fastener Supply Corp. in Syracuse, NY. Vincent was a Past Master of the Sapphire Lodge #768 FA&M, and a member of the Tigris Shrine and Jesters. He was very active in supporting Veterans rights organizations and the local community. Vincent was instrumental in bringing the Vietnam War Dignity Wall to Syracuse in 2005. Calling hours for family and friends were from 1:00 to 4:30 PM on Saturday, January 28th followed by services celebrating his life at the Butler-Badman Funeral Home, Inc., 4504 West Seneca Turnpike, Syracuse, NY. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Central New York SPCA or the Vietnam Veterans National Foundation Chapter #103.



JAMES RICHARD MOSSBURG - Died peacefully in his sleep on Tuesday, May 10, 2016 in Clearwater, Florida at the age of 76. He was a resident of Liberty Center and Bluffton, Indiana. The cause of death is unknown. He was born to the late Charles Homer Mossburg and Ida Marie (née Wyant) Mossburg on September 26, 1939. Richard was a lifelong resident of Wells County. He graduated from Liberty Center High School in 1957 and then joined the United States Army serving at Fort Knox, Kentucky. He was married for 57 years to Patricia Fryback. Along with his wife Pat they worked the family farm until they retired. Richard is survived by three children Scott (Barb) Mossburg, Michael (Shelley) Mossburg both of Bluffton, Julie (Ervin) Puckett of Smyrna TN; eight grandchildren Thomas, Chelsea, James, Daniel, and Olivia all of Bluffton, IN and Jesse, Adam, and Mathew of Smyrna, TN and one great-grandchild Rylie. He is also survived by one brother, Robert (Shirley) Mossburg of Lebanon, TN. He was a member of many organizations including Waynedale #600 Order of the Eastern Star, Bluffton Masonic Lodge #145, Scottish Rite, White Shrine of Jerusalem, and the Mizpah Shrine. He was a proud *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bluffton Chapter #698** and the Grover Sheets American Legion Post #111. Friends and family were welcomed from 12:00-2:00 PM with a Memorial Service officiated by Mayor Ted Ellis beginning at 2:00 PM on Saturday May 14, 2016 at the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Online condolences may be made at www.thomarich.com.

FRANCISCO MUNOZ – Died Saturday, August 13, 2016 in San Juan, Puerto Rico at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born April 10, 1945 in San Juan. He is survived by his wife. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – San Juan Chapter #398**.



CHARLES H. NOTO - Died Sunday, January 15, 2017 at the VA Medical Center in Bath, New York at the age of 74. He was a resident of Elmira, New York. The cause of death was dementia. He was born July 13, 1942 in Elmira to the late James and Ella Mae (née Kellogg) Noto. He is survived by his loving wife of 53 years, Linda (née Johnson) Noto; children Timothy (Annette) Noto, Anthony (Bridgette Lurz) Noto and Vicki (Jason) Sheridan; grandchildren Breeanna, Giovanni, Alex, Martin, Willow, Meadow and Lily all of FL; brothers and sisters-in-law Jake and Faye Noto of Horseheads, John and Sue Noto of Elmira; sisters-in-law and brother-in-law Jean McDonnell of Elmira, Jacqueline and Bill Kiser of Elmira, Dianne Johnson of Horseheads; dear friends Frank and Linda Derr of Elmira, Shirley Kiefer of Horseheads, Ray and JoAnn Gleason of Horseheads, Betty and Ritchie Scuteri of Watkins Glen along with several nieces and nephews. Charles was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps serving from 1959 to 1963. He retired from the Elmira City Fire Department in 2001 after 34 years and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elmira Chapter #803**. Family and friends were invited to visit the Walter J. Kent Funeral Home, 858 Lake Street at Washington Avenue, Elmira on Saturday, January 21st from 2:00 to 4:00 PM. His funeral service was at 4:00 PM. Committal prayers and Inurnment, with full military honors, took place in the Woodlawn National Cemetery at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, those wishing may remember Charles through donations to the Vietnam Veterans of America, #803, 1200 Davis Street, Elmira, NY 14901.



EDWARD JOHN NOWOCIN (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Friday, March 29, 2013 at his home in Ozark, Alabama at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born October 13, 1937 in Buffalo, New York to the late Joseph and Lucy (née Kukula) Nowocin. He joined the United States Army in December 1955 and retired as a Sergeant First Class (E-7) in May 1979 following 24 years of service. He served two combat tours in Vietnam, and received the Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, Meritorious Service Medal, and Air Medal. Following his military career, Edward worked at the Fort Rucker bowling alley and golf course, retiring after 20 years. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Alabama**. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers: Walter and Joseph; three sisters: Rose, Josephine, and Bernice. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, Emma (Susie) (née Festbaum) Nowocin; son, Walter Nowocin, and his wife Jill, of Minneapolis, Minnesota; daughters: Rose Kjeldahl, and her husband Craig, of Howard Lake, Minnesota; Mary Wood, and her husband Jason, of Dallas, Texas; sister, Mary Nikirk, of Oakland, Oregon; grandchildren: Jennifer Nowocin, Matthew Nowocin, Eric Kjeldahl, and William Wood; niece, Lois Sampson, of Buffalo, New York. Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, April 2, 2013, at Fuqua-Bankston Funeral Home and burial with full military

honors was in the Woodlawn Memory Gardens with Fuqua-Bankston Funeral Home directing. The family received friends at the funeral home one hour prior to the service time on Tuesday. Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to the Alacare Hospice. Fuqua-Bankston Funeral Home in Ozark was in charge of the arrangements.

RICHARD B. "Rich" NURMI - Died Sunday, December 18, 2016 at his home in Middletown, Connecticut at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. Rich was born on April 28, 1946 in New London, Connecticut. He proudly served in the United States Navy during Vietnam from 1963-1968 as an Aviation Ordnance man 3rd Class. Rich was an employee at the CT Department of Veterans Affairs from 1999 until his retirement in May 2016. In 2004 Rich became the Clerical Local Steward of AFSCME Local #318 and in 2013, he was elected as a member of the Local #318 Executive Board. Rich was also a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America Manchester Chapter #120**. Funeral services for Rich were held on Thursday, January 5, 2017 at 10:00 AM at the CT Department of Veterans Affairs Chapel, 287 West Street, Rocky Hill, CT. Immediately following, Rich was laid to rest with military honors at the Middletown State Veterans Cemetery, 317 Bow Lane, Middletown, CT. In Lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the CT DVA Veterans Outreach and Support Services Fund, 287 West Street Rocky Hill, CT 06067.



FRANK E. OLSZEWSKI, JR. - Died Saturday, November 5, 2016 at the Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, New Jersey at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in South Amboy on December 30, 1950 to the late Frank and Laverne Olszewski. He had resided in Sayreville before moving to South Amboy in 1978. Before his retirement 17 years ago he was employed as a material handler for Delco Remy in New Brunswick where he worked for 30 years. Frank proudly served his country during the Vietnam War in the United States Army. He was a member, Past Commander and Honor Guard member of Sayreville VFW Post #4699, a member of South River American Legion Post #214 and a member of Messiah Lutheran Church in Parlin. Frank enjoyed just hopping in the car with his wife taking a road trip. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Brunswick Chapter #233**. In addition to his parents, he is also predeceased by sisters, Christine Olszewski and Karen Doosey. Surviving are his wife of 43 years, Valentina (née Chikildin) Olszewski; his daughter and their spouses Danielle and Philip Metz and JoLynn Ellis and Jason Williams, all of South Amboy; his grandson and sunshine of his life, Logan David Metz; his siblings, and their spouses Linda and Mike Parfianowicz of South Amboy and George and Gail Olszewski of South River; his brother-in-law, Frank Doosey of Sayreville; his devoted companion and pet dog Pandora, and; many nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral services were held on Tuesday at 9:30 AM from the Carmen F. Spezzi Funeral Home 15 Cherry Lane, Parlin, New Jersey, followed by a 10:00 AM service at Messiah Lutheran Church in Parlin with private cremation. Calling hours at the funeral home were held on Monday from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Members of Sayreville VFW stood as an honor guard and held military services on Monday at 7:00 PM at the funeral home. Donations can be made to Logan David Metz College Fund care of

the family. Letters of condolence, directions and completed arrangements can be found at www.spezzifuneralhome.com.

STEPHEN K. OSTRAM – Died Wednesday, April 20, 2016 in Sonoma, California at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born August 9, 1944. He is survived by his wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Santa Rosa Chapter #223**.

BASILLIS “Bill” PAPPAS – Died Friday, January 20, 2017 in Easthampton, Massachusetts at the age of 73. The cause of death was respiratory failure and heart disease. He was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts on November 25, 1943 to the late Arthur and Julia Pappas. He leaves behind his wife of 32 years, Kathy Pappas of Easthampton, a son, William Pappas of Sunderland, and a daughter, Jennifer Pappas of Springfield. Three sisters: Mary Ricco of Longmeadow, Penny Doyle of Holyoke, and Adrian of Iowa. He grew up in Holyoke and attended Holyoke Schools. He served for 8 years in the United States Army and was deployed to both Korea and Vietnam. He served this country with pride and even up to his final years said he would defend this country with his life if ever needed. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #111**. He loved football and baseball, with the Patriots and Red Sox being his favorite teams. Calling hours were at the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church on Wednesday, January 25th from 10:00 AM till 11:00 AM. The funeral service was at 11:00 AM. The committal service took place in Massachusetts State Veteran's Cemetery, Agawam at 1:00 PM. The Barry J. Farrell Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



RALPH JACKSON “Jack” PARK – Died Friday, December 16, 2016 at the Marcus Daly Hospice at the age of 87. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 27, 1929 in Mount Sterling, Kentucky. Jack had lived in 8 different states, but he resided in Hamilton for 27 years where he pastored the First Baptist church and served 7 Interims during his retirement years. Jack had served as a United States Army Chaplain in Vietnam and pastored seven different churches during his active years. He served in the outreach ministries of his church and was an active member of Vietnam Veterans. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hamilton Chapter #938**. Jack leaves behind his wife of 46 years, Mary; sons, David (Tami) of Great Falls, Tom (Karen) of Noblesville, IN, Tim of Great Falls, Jon (Corinne) of Montgomery, TX; 6 grandchildren, and a number of Special Friends. You could find Jack reading, enjoying outdoor activities, especially hunting and fishing, and visiting our National Parks. A Memorial Service was held at 11:00 AM on Friday, Dec. 30th at the River (formerly called First Baptist Church) in Hamilton. A fellowship lunch followed the service. Arrangements were under the care of the Daly-Leach Chapel in Hamilton. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the World Mission Christmas Offering at the River, or Franklin Graham’s Samaritan’s Purse.



BERNARD ANDREW “Bernie” PARR (USA, MAJ-Ret.) - Died Thursday, January 26, 2017 in Huntsville, Alabama at the age of 70. The cause of death was end-stage heart disease and emphysema. He was born in Catonsville, Maryland on August 28, 1946 to the late Dr. William Andrew Parr and Mildred Agnes (née Pohlhaus) Parr. Bernard, or Bernie as he was affectionately called by friends and family, is survived by his wife, Clair Frances Schaefer, and his three children; Gary Andrew Parr and wife Lisa; Justin Mathew Parr and Whitney Hanna; and Kathryn Marie Thompson and husband Benjamin. He also leaves behind his grandsons Andrew James Zurinsky and Aiden Matthew Thompson, as well as his granddaughters Aubrey Elizabeth Parr and Chase Harper Parr. Additionally, he leaves countless nieces and nephews, his former daughter-in-law Mary Zurinsky and husband Nathan, and best friend Stephen Chapman. His siblings Mary Angelita Maisel, Francis Xavier Parr, William Charles Parr, and Joseph Damian Parr are saddened by the loss of their brother while also feeling the joy of knowing he has reunited with their parents in heaven. Bernie grew up in Catonsville, MD, attended Saint Mark Parochial School, Calvert Hall College High School and then graduated from Catonsville High School in 1964. He was a Certified VW Mechanic. He started dating his soon-to-be-wife Clair before enlisting with the United States Army in 1966. Bernie went to basic training at Fort Polk, LA, Primary Helicopter School at Fort Wolters, TX, and then Advanced Helicopter School at Fort Rucker, AL. Bernie and Clair married at the Church of the Ascension Catholic church on December 26, 1966. Upon graduating from flight school, Bernie attended Aviation Maintenance Officer's Course at Fort Eustis, VA, followed by his first tour of duty in Vietnam, 1967-1968, as a Warrant Officer assigned to the 162nd Assault Helicopter Company. He was next stationed at Hunter Army Airfield in Georgia before returning to Vietnam for his second tour, 1970 - 1971, with Charlie Troop, 1st Squadron, 9th Cavalry, 1st Air Cavalry Division (Airmobile) as the maintenance officer. While in Vietnam, Bernie earned several medals including three Bronze Stars and the Distinguished Flying Cross. He was then assigned to Fort Eustis for the Transportation Officer Advanced Course, then the Readiness Group at Fort Lewis, WA. Bernie graduated Summa Cum Laude in 1975 from Saint Martin's College in Olympia, WA. He then transferred to Fort Wainwright, AK. After four years fishing and canoeing the Alaskan wilderness, Bernie was transferred to Redstone Arsenal, AL, where he worked R&D on the MLRS system before taking command of Special Troops Battalion. His final assignment was Ballistic Missile Defense Systems Command before retiring from the Army in 1986. Bernie was a charter member of the Tennessee Valley Fly Fishers and turned his love of fishing into his own business, The Fisherman's Choice, later changing the name to North Alabama Outdoors. Bernie shared his love of the outdoors with everyone he could, sponsoring events for the National Wild Turkey Foundation and getting heavily involved in Scouting. He introduced many to canoeing, fishing, archery, black powder, and a healthy respect for cast iron cooking and a morning cup of fresh brewed coffee. His knowledge of wood working may have influenced the outcome of more than a few pine wood derbies. Bernie started his own custom rod building business, joined the Knights of Columbus, and in 2006 joined Yulista Aviation, Inc. where he later became the Director of Aviation Quality Management, a position he maintained until the end. In 2009, Bernie found a way to express his love for his military brothers by becoming a founding member of Save Our Flying Heritage and helping found the North Alabama Chapter of the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Decatur Chapter #1067**. Bernie was diagnosed with emphysema in 2006, and later

with congestive heart failure in 2009. This did not stop him. In complete defiance of every diagnosis, Bernie continued to push through life with dedication, tenacity, and passion until reaching a goal he was determined to make. On December 26, 2016, Bernie and Clair celebrated their 50th anniversary. One month later, to the day, Bernie decided it was time to go Home. He enjoyed one final bowl of his favorite ice cream and then passed peacefully in the loving arms of his family. Visitation hours were from 4:00 to 9:00 PM on Wednesday, February 1st at Holy Spirit Catholic Church. The Funeral Mass with military honors was celebrated at 10:00 AM on Thursday, February 2nd with additional visitation preceding. (www.laughlinservice.com) In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Bernie's honor to North Alabama Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association or Still Serving Veterans.



GORDON RAY PAVY – Died Thursday, January 26, 2017 in Silver Spring, Maryland at the age of 67, from complications arising from cancer. He was born in Dayton, Ohio on April 10, 1949 to the late Ray and Ruby (née Ryle) Pavy. He is survived by his wife, Laura (née Siegelbaum) Pavy; his sister, Madonna Rothwell (Gary); his brother, Thomas Pavy (Judy); his sons, Aaron Pavy (Pamela) and Bryan Pavy; his stepdaughters, Jill Siegelbaum (Ryan Cunningham) and Kate Siegel (Mike Flanagan); his granddaughters, Ashley, Heather, Mallory and Allison Pavy and Maddie Cunningham; and his grandsons, Zackary Pavy, Max Cunningham, and Cody Flanagan. He enlisted in the United States Navy in 1969, returned to the US in 1973 and earned a B.A. and M.A. from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Silver Spring Chapter #641**. Gordon spent more than 30 years serving America's unions, including as Director of the AFL-CIO Collective Bargaining Department and as national president of the Labor and Employment Relations Association. Gordon was a dedicated youth baseball coach for over 20 years, both in the Silver Spring/Takoma Park neighborhood and as a JV Baseball Coach at Blair High School. Memorial contributions may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America, Planned Parenthood or Montgomery Hospice. Funeral services will be private.



ROBERT MELVILLE "Bob" PHILLIPS, SR. – Died Saturday, September 10, 2016 in Rougemont, North Carolina at the age of 68, surrounded by his entire family. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born July 17, 1948 in Durham, North Carolina to the late Paul and Nina Phillips. He is survived by his Stepmother, Josephine Tuck Phillips, of Roxboro and wife, Anna R. Phillips, of the home; his sons, Robert Melville Phillips, Jr. (Caterina) and Brian Joshua Phillips (Kelly), of Durham, NC; his brothers, Paul B. Phillips, Jr. and Mark T. Phillips (Diane), of Roxboro, NC; his sisters, Elizabeth Beasley (Guy), of Ladson, SC and Amy Green, of Bahama, NC; his stepson, Thomas Osborne (Karen) of Rougemont, NC; his stepdaughters, Shelley Lee (John), of Meadow, NC and Traci Manzulich (Craig), of Rougemont, NC; his

grandchildren, Chris Phillips, Will Phillips, Nina Phillips, Sophia Phillips, Jacob Johnson Phillips, Kevin Renuart, Nathan Lee, Tony Manzulich (Amy) and Jake Manzulich, and; his six great-grandchildren. Bob moved to Wilson, NC in 1955 with his mother and attended school there until joining the Navy in 1965. While in the Navy, he served aboard the destroyer USS Fletcher DD445, out of Pearl Harbor, from 1965 to 1967. He visited the Philippines, Fiji, Taiwan, Vietnam, Bikini Island, Sidney and Brisbane in Australia, Okinawa and several other places throughout Japan. In 1967 he received orders to Danang, Vietnam for a year. Afterwards, he served on the USS Colonial LSD18. He left the Navy in 1969 and returned to Wilson to work for Edwards Electric until 1972. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – North Carolina**. He moved to Durham in 1973, obtained his NC Unlimited Electrical License and started Phillips Electric Company of Durham, Inc. He and his sons built it into a multilevel company, including Product Recovery Management and Triangle Stainless, Inc. He retired in 2012 and consulted with his sons during the subsequent years, helping their business to grow. Bob loved drag racing, fishing, old cars, new Mopar muscle cars and camping with his wife, Anna; friends Billy and Carolyn Sparks (both deceased); Dave and Becky Ladd and all the other wonderful friends he made along the way. More than anything – he loved his family. He was of the Methodist faith and believed in treating everyone the way he wanted to be treated. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The American Lung Association —Stop Smoking (lung.org/stop-smoking), Duke Home Care & Hospice. A memorial service was held at the Hall-Wynne Funeral Chapel in Durham, NC on Saturday, September 17, 2016 at 12:30 PM. Family received friends and family in the chapel from 11:00-12:30 AM.

JOHN WALTER PLITZ - Died Saturday, August 14, 2010 in Richmond, Michigan at the age of 66. The cause of death was myelodysplastic syndrome and congestive heart failure. He was born in Detroit, Michigan on November 30, 1943. He is survived by his wife, Diane. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clinton Township Chapter #154**. Visitation hours were on Tuesday from 2:00 to 8:00 PM at the Kaatz Funeral Directors, Richmond. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11:00 AM on Wednesday at Saint Augustine Catholic Church, Richmond with a 10:00 AM visitation.

SAMMIE GENE POWELL, SR. (USA, CSM-Ret.) - Died Friday, December 16, 2016 at the Lawton/Fort Sill Veterans Center at the age of 82. He was a resident of Lawton. The cause of death is unknown. He was born October 10, 1934 in Dyersburg, Tennessee to the Sammy and Mary Powell. After the death of his parents at an early age, he was raised by his grandmother, Minerva Powell. He was a graduate of Bruce High School in Dyersburg High School in Dyersburg, Tennessee, and played football at Tennessee State University. After that, he enlisted in the United States Army where he proudly served his country for 30 years. He was a graduate of several military Noncommissioned Officers leadership schools to include the U.S. Army Sergeant's Major Academy. He served multiple tours in Vietnam and earned numerous decorations and medals, including the Legion of Merit. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**. After his retirement, he enjoyed serving the community and volunteered at Comanche County Memorial Hospital. He also went on to earn his associate of business degree in accounting from Cameron University. He was married to his

wife, Mary Alice Powell of Des Moines, Iowa, for 36 years, and had two sons born of this union. He was a loving father and husband who enjoyed fishing and spending time with his family. He is survived by his two sons: Sammie G. Powell Jr., of Lawton, and Brian Powell and wife LaTonya Powell, of Madison, Ala.; grandchildren: Ava Powell and Chloe Powell, of Madison, Ala.; and brother, Clifford Powell, of Washington, DC. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Alice Powell, former principal at Eisenhower Junior High School, in Lawton. The funeral was at 2:00 PM on Thursday, December 22, 2016 at the Howard-Harris Funeral Home Chapel, Lawton. The burial was in the Sunset Memorial Gardens.

MICHAEL ROY PRICKETT - Died Saturday, January 1, 2015 in Columbus, Ohio at the age of 62. He was formerly of Alliance, Ohio and Lebanon, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. He was born January 14, 1952, in Alliance, Ohio to Kenneth and Clara (née Leech) Prickett, Sr. and was a lifelong area resident. A 1970 graduate of Marlinton High School, Michael was formerly employed at Advanced Poly Packaging, and was a United States Air Force Veteran. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lebanon Chapter #592**. Survivors include his wife, Joyce (née Ray) Prickett, whom he married in 1970; daughter, Mindy Sinclair of Bellevue, MI; son, Michael Scott of Akron, OH; six grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and siblings, Kenneth Prickett Jr., of Salem, Shirley Prickett of Alliance, Nancy Prickett of Alliance, Larry Prickett of Ohio, and Barbara Moore of Alliance. A memorial service was held at 2:00 PM on Friday, January 9, 2015 at the Cassaday-Turkle-Christian Funeral Home with the Reverend Timothy Muse officiating. Arrangements were made by the Cassaday-Turkle-Christian Funeral Home, 75 South Union Avenue, Alliance, OH 44601.

DONALD A. RANDOLPH – Died Thursday, December 22, 2016 in San Antonio Zambales, Philippines at the age of 72. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on November 26, 1944. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887**.

FREDERICK JOSEPH REED - Died Wednesday, October 12, 2016 in Ypsilanti, Michigan at the age of 67. The cause of death is cancer. He was born September 6, 1949 in Ypsilanti. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ann Arbor Chapter #310**. A public viewing was on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the C and H Community Home for Funerals, Lucille's Memorial Chapel, 411 South Adams Street, Ypsilanti. The funeral service was on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 with the family hour at 10:00 AM, followed by the service at 11:00 AM at Abundant Life Ministries, 855 East Clark Road, Ypsilanti. Burial was in the United Memorial Gardens, Plymouth, Michigan.



WILLIAM "Bill" REPELLA - Died Monday, January 30, 2017 at the age of 88. The cause of death was Leukemia. He was born on May 19, 1928 in Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania.

Bill served in the United States Navy in WWII and then served on the Oahu, HI police force until post-war cut-backs. He worked building airplane propellers and then in construction until the Korean War, when he joined the United States Army. He was stationed in Germany and then in Korea at the Pusan Perimeter. After leaving the Army, he worked in construction in New Jersey and was sent to Plant City, FL as foreman building the court house. He then moved to Orlando where he met his future wife, Billie Ruth Spurrier. He then rejoined the Army, went to Airborne school and Special Forces training. Bill did two tours in Vietnam, one in Thailand, and spent seven months in the hospital after being wounded. He was then stationed at Fort Devens, Massachusetts, and at the Georgia Military College as R.O.T.C. instructor before retiring to Florida where he worked for a time at Disney World as a security guard. He moved to Georgia in 1991 and Dawsonville became his home of choice. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dawsonville Chapter #970**. He is survived by his wife, Billie, four siblings, two in-laws, and many nieces and nephews who loved him dearly. He loved his God, his family, and the many wonderful friends made over the years. Memorial services were held on Saturday February 11, 2017 at 11:00 AM at the Bearden Funeral Home Chapel. Randy M. Smith officiated. The family received friends on Saturday, February 11th from 10:00 AM until 11:00 AM at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675, or, Grace Baptist Church, 3775 Spot Road, Cumming, GA 30040. Condolences may be expressed at www.beardenfuneralhome.com. Bearden Funeral Home, Dawsonville, GA was in charge of the arrangements.



BILLY MARSHALL RICHARDS - Died Monday, January 27, 2014 in Baytown, Texas at the age of 81. The cause of death is unknown. He was born April 1, 1932 in Pelly, Texas to the late James Richards, Sr. and Jewel Richards. He was a member of Memorial Baptist Church of Baytown. Billy was born and raised in Pelly, TX, and graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in Baytown, TX. He attended Lee College and married his high school sweetheart, Jo Ann Watkins. Billy never met a stranger and was one of those few people that you could not help but like. He always found time to talk knowledgeably on just about any subject. He had the uncanny ability to remember things with great detail from long ago that most folks would have forgotten. He made this world a better place by just knowing him. He was a member of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Baytown Chapter #922**. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his brother and sister-in-law, James M. Richards, Jr. and Ruth Richards; his sister and brother-in-law, Claudia Ellis and R.C. Ellis, and; his wife, JoAnn Richards. He is survived by his daughters, Sharon Davis and husband Jim, and Susan Todd and husband Keith; grandchildren, Trey Davis and wife Stacy, Kyle Davis and wife Tara, Amy Davis, Lisa Stuart and husband Justin, Kay Lynn Henley and husband Jon, and JoAnn Todd; nephews, Jim Richards and wife Cynda, and Gary Richards and wife Janet; and eight great grandchildren. Serving as pallbearers were Trey Davis, Kyle Davis, Tyler Davis, Justin Stuart, Jon Henley, and Gary Richards. The family received friends on Friday, January 31, 2014 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Earthman Funeral Home, 3919 Garth Road, Baytown, TX 77521. Funeral Services were

held on Saturday, February 1, 2014 at 10:00 AM in the pavilion at Memory Gardens Cemetery, 8624 Garth Road, Baytown, TX 77521.

RONALD C. RUSSELL – Died Saturday, March 26, 2011 in Kitzmiller, Maryland at the age of 64. The cause of death is unknown. He was born September 10, 1946. He is survived by his wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**.

FRANK J. SASS – Died Sunday, June 26, 2016 in Angeles City, Philippines at the age of 71. The cause of death was heart disease. He was born August 3, 1944. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887**.



TERENCE P. SAUNDERS - Died Tuesday, June 9, 2015 in Lake Villa, Illinois at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born October 5, 1942 in Chicago, Illinois to the late John and Ellen Saunders and was raised in a large extended family. Terry served in the United States Coast Guard and the Army, serving two tours of duty in Vietnam where he earned numerous Purple Hearts. He spent his career as a heavy equipment operator and was a staunch member of IUOE Local #150. In his later years he was generous with his time and money, contributing both to the prison ministry and the local food pantry. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Illinois**. Terry was an avid fisherman and golfer and he loved to laugh. Humor sustained him through his illness. Above all, he loved his family and was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He is survived by his wife of 42 years Connie; his children, Carrie (Andrew) Cherney and Brendan (Heather) Saunders; his grandson, Caleb, and; his brother, Tom (late Mary) Saunders. He was preceded in death by his brother Jack (Midge) Saunders. Visitation hours were from 1:00-5:00 PM on Sunday, June 14, 2015 at the Ringa Funeral Home, 122 South Milwaukee Avenue (Route 83) Lake Villa, IL 60046. A funeral mass was at 10:00 AM on Monday, June 15th at Prince of Peace Catholic Church, 135 South Milwaukee Avenue, Lake Villa, IL 60046. Family and friends were asked to gather directly at the church on Monday. Cremation rites took place privately. Please consider a contribution in Terry's memory to the Disabled American Veterans Charity, www.dav.org.



EARL BERNARD SCHONBERG, SR. (USA, CSM-RET.) - Died after a short battle with metastatic small cell carcinoma on Thursday, July 21, 2016, at the William R. Courtney Texas State Veterans Home in Temple, Texas at the age of 74. He was born on November 22, 1941 in Donaldsonville, Louisiana to the late Allen and Ida Mae Schonberg. He is the younger brother of Mrs. Eleanor (née Schonberg) Sherman. Earl graduated from St. Catherine of Siena High School in Donaldsonville, Louisiana in 1960. Yearning to see the world, he enlisted in the United States Army upon graduation from high school. He rose through the ranks to retire with over 30 years of service as a Command Sergeant Major. As part of his military service, Earl had a combat tour of duty in Vietnam and

was stationed all over the world. Earl graduated from several military Non-Commissioned Officers leadership schools to include the U.S. Army Sergeant's Major Academy. He concluded his military career in 1991, as the 2nd Armored Division DISCOM Command Sergeant Major in Fort Hood, Texas. Among his many others, he was awarded the Legion of Merit, Vietnam Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. Earl's success in the military can be directly attributed to his meticulous work ethic and his love for the uniform. Earl's attention to details was legendary. He took pride in the fact that soldiers under his command respected one another and were committed to the Army's values. The discipline and patriotism he learned in the Army never left him, as friends and family will attest. He was a life-long soldier and his passion was passed on to his sons who are currently serving in the military. Earl was an incredibly intelligent man who enjoyed technology. He was always researching and buying the latest techs and gadgets. Earl loved to cook and was excellent at it. He taught family how to "properly" create creole dishes as his mother taught him to pass down the family legacy. In his spare time, he enjoyed debating, telling you what was on his mind - loud and clear and taking drives with his devoted wife who he cared for when she became ill. Earl was actively involved in the Catholic Church and the Knights of Columbus. He was a faithful and dedicated member of Saint Paul Chong Hasang in Harker Heights, Texas. The Catholic Church was a big part of Earl's life. He was a quiet philanthropist faithfully donating to Catholic missions and the less fortunate. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Harker Heights Chapter #1000**. Earl met his wife Elsie Marva Rankin when he was stationed in Panama. They were united in holy matrimony on December 2, 1967. To this union, two children were born, Earl B. Schonberg, Jr. and Allen B. Schonberg II. Earl lovingly extended his family to include two beautiful stepdaughters, Lincoya Brown and Haydee "Bunny" Collins. Earl leaves behind to cherish in his memory his wife of 48 years, Elsie Schonberg; two sons, Earl B. Schonberg Jr, (Bridgette) and Allen B. Schonberg II (Bianca); stepdaughters, Lincoya Brown, and Haydee "Bunny" Collins; his sister, Mrs. Eleanor Schonberg Sherman; his grandchildren, McKenzie Schonberg, Ariel Simone Hill, Johnny Bryan, Tony Bryan, Edward Bryan, Magnolia Collins; his nephew, Leo Sherman; his niece Marcia Taylor, and; a host of other family members and dear friends who will miss him dearly. The viewing and Rosary was held Thursday, July 28, 2016 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM, at the Chisolm Funeral Chapel, 3100 South Old FM 440 Road, Killeen, Texas 76549. A Celebration of Life was held on Friday, July 29, 2016 at 11:00 AM, at Saint Paul Chong Hasang Catholic Church, 1000 East Fm 2410 Road, Harker Heights, TX with Father Richard O'Rourke officiating. The burial was in the Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery, Killeen, Texas. Branford/Dawson Funeral Home of Temple, Texas was in charge of the arrangements.



JIMMY IRVIN SCHUTTE (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Monday, January 16, 2017 in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 81. The cause of death is unknown. He was born December 31, 1935 in Batesville, Indiana to the late John Irvin and Evelyn (née Moody) Schutte. He spent his early years in Indianapolis before graduating from Deland-Weldon High School in Deland, Illinois. During his summers he worked on various local farms as well as for the Collier Players

Tent Theater. He met Linda Belle Smith at the movie theater in Monticello, Illinois in 1955. They married August 31, 1956 and he joined the United States Army in February 1957. He served tours in Korea and Vietnam and was stationed in numerous locations around the United States and Europe. Jimmy received the Bronze Star and many other citations while serving his country. He retired from the Army in November 1978. Jimmy, Linda and their four children made Lawton their home beginning in October 1975, where they lived until his death. Jimmy was a *Life Member* and served as President of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**, as a board member of the Korean War Veterans Association, AMBUCS Ramp Administrator, a member of VFW, as well as numerous other organizations. He was appointed to the Governor's Council of Veterans Affairs under Governor George Nigh. He was a faithful member of Faith Bible Church, Lawton. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Linda Schutte; his children, Jeffry Schutte (Cheri) of Lawton, Beth Traina of Bonham, Texas, Janelle Jones (Terry) of Lawton, and Jeryldine Schutte-Pogue (Pamela) of Elgin; his son-in-law, Ronald Edgar of Fletcher; grandchildren, Robin Moore of Lawton, Tiffany Atchley (Brian) of Bonham, Texas, Rachel Edgar and Jacob Edgar of Elgin; his great-grandchildren, Dustin and Kaylee Moore of Lawton, Camryn and Kadyn McCarley, of Bonham, Texas, and Kaylen and Holden Atchley, of Bonham; and sisters, Sue Stewart, of Indianapolis, and Janelle Reid, of Murfreesboro, Tenn. Jimmy was preceded in death by his parents; grandson, Dustin; granddaughter, Kelly; and son-in-law, Ross Traina. Jimmy overcame a difficult childhood as well as various trials and tribulations to live a life of service. He had a deep love for his family, his God, his Country and selling pancake days tickets for AMBUCS. His never-ending optimism was contagious and his "just-great" attitude was infectious. His sparkle will truly be missed! His funeral was at 1:00 PM on Friday, January 20, 2017, at Faith Bible Church with the Reverend Leonard Reimer, pastor, officiating. Burial with full military honors was in the Fort Sill National Cemetery, Elgin. An online guest book and sympathy cards are available at www.beckerfuneral.com. Arrangements were under direction of Becker-Rabon Funeral Home.

WARREN H. SCOTT – Died in October 2016 in Whitefish, Montana at the age of 93. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 21, 1923. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Carpinteria (California) Chapter #218**.



ROGER ALAN SEIBER - Died on Friday, November 18, 2016 unexpectedly at his residence in Dover, Ohio at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 21, 1951 in Dennison, Ohio to the late Herbert "Sonny" Seiber and Ann B. (née Campbell) Kreinbihl. Roger graduated from New Philadelphia High School and enlisted in the United States Navy. He was employed as a heavy machine operator and welder. Roger was a lifelong resident of the area, a member of the Dover Moose, Dover Fraternal Order of the Eagles, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Philadelphia Chapter #857** and the Area Honor Guard Group. Roger enjoyed fishing, shooting pool and carpentry work. Roger is survived by his sons Doug (Malissa) Seiber of Tallmage, and Chad Seiber of Columbus; his siblings Randy (Marie) Seiber of Gnadenhutten, Billie Joann (Alex) Raducz of Horsehead, NY, Ray Dean Mise and Robert Jay Seiber; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Roger was preceded in death by his brother Rick Seiber and his wife Debra (née Hall) Seiber. Funeral services for Roger were held at

7:00 PM on Tuesday, November 22, 2016 at the Uhrich-Hostettler English Funeral Home, Inc. at Uhrichsville with the Pastor Alex Raducz officiating. Calling hours were from 5:00 to 7:00 PM, (two hours prior to services) on Tuesday, November 22, 2016, at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Veteran's organization of one's choice.



CLYDE MARION "Mike" SELLERS - Died Thursday morning January 26, 2017 at the Johnson City VA Medical Center at the age of 86, after a lengthy illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was a resident of Johnson City, Tennessee. He was born on December 18, 1950 in Johnson City to the late Reverend Hobert and Fay (née Bishop) Sellers. He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Sara Whitehead Sellers. He is also survived by a sister Judy Sellers Danish and brother Tony Sellers both of Rockingham, NC and brother Stan Sellers, of Wallace, SC. Services were held at the Sinking Creek Baptist Church at 4:00 PM on Sunday, January 29, 2017 with Pastor Jason Hoagland, officiating. Visitation hours were from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Masonic Honors were given by the Dashiell Lodge #238. Music for the service was provided by the gospel solo artist, Wesley Grey. Mike was an active member of Sinking Creek Baptist Church where he served as a deacon. He served as Vice-president of Carter County Gideons International, Vice-president of the Carter County Republican Party, former Chief Deputy Carter County Sheriff's Department, member of Dashiell Masonic Lodge #238, R.D. Keller Chapter #214 Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Tennessee, B.E. Wooton - Council #119 Cryptic Masons, Carter Commander No. 37 Knights Templar, Jericho Shriners, and The American Legion. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elizabethton Chapter #824**. Numerous medals were bestowed upon Mike during his 32 years of service in the United States Army Air Corps and the United States Air Force. He retired as a Chief Master Sergeant. A special thank you goes to Jan Mullins Harper, his nieces - Vanessa Whitehead McKinney, Kim Whitehead McWherter Johanna Stewart McNair and various staff at the Mountain Home Veterans Affairs Medical Center and the Johnson City Medical Center Hospital. The graveside services were on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at 10:45 AM at the Mountain Home National Cemetery with Pastor Jason Hoagland of Sinking Creek Baptist Church presiding and Military Honors by Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter, SC. Family and Friends assembled at the funeral home at 10:00 AM on Tuesday to go to the cemetery. The pallbearers were Vincent Whitehead, Tim McKinney, Alan Taylor, William Horton, Tony Young and Tommy Whitehead. The honorary Pallbearers were Bud Whitehead, Paul Whitehead, Edward "Poage" Whitehead, Sinking Creek Deacons, Members of the Carter County Gideon's International, Dashiell Masonic Lodge #238. In lieu of flowers, make donations in memory of Mike Sellers to the Sinking Creek Baptist Church Food Pantry for the needy, mailing address 2313 Elizabethton Highway, Johnson City TN 37601.



DAVID A. SENCHESAK - Died early Saturday morning, April 30, 2016, at his home in Youngstown, Ohio with his family by his side, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 66 years of age. David was born May 20, 1949 in Youngstown to the late Metro and Ann Marie

(née Lasko) Senchesak, and was a lifelong area resident. Dave graduated from Chaney High School in 1967. He subsequently served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and was awarded three Purple Hearts. Mr. Senchesak worked for 37 years with the U.S. Postal Service, retiring in 2010. David was a member of Saint Christine Church in Youngstown. He was a member of Catholic War Veterans, John J. Buckley Post #1292, in Youngstown, and he was a life member since 1971 of the Youngstown DAV, Chapter #2. Dave was also an *At-Large Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ohio*, and he was a proud fan of The Ohio State Buckeyes. Dave is survived by his wife of nearly 40 years, Margaret (née Gorman) Senchesak, whom he married May 15, 1976; three sons, Daniel Senchesak of Aurora, Timothy (Christa Franklin) Senchesak of Youngstown, and Thomas Senchesak of Youngstown; a granddaughter, Gabryella Senchesak; two brothers, Dennis (Betty) Senchesak of Garfield Heights and Daniel Senchesak of Youngstown; and several nieces and nephews. Family and friends visited from 5:00 to 8:00 PM on Tuesday, May 3rd, at the Kinnick Funeral Home, 477 North Meridian Road, Youngstown. Funeral services began at 9:15 AM on Wednesday, May 4th, at the funeral home, and continued with a Mass of Christian Burial celebrated at 10:00 AM at Saint Christine Church on South Schenley Avenue in Youngstown. Committal services with military honors took place on Thursday, May 5th, at 12:30 PM at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery in Rittman. Please visit kinnickfuneralhome.com to view and share this obituary, and to send condolences online to Dave's family.

KENNETH DALE SHELBOURN - Died Sunday, January 1, 2017 in Litchfield, Michigan at the age of 73. The cause of death was Extra-Mammary Pagets Disease. He was born July 26, 1943 in Valentine, Nebraska to the late Arthur and Chole (née Swearingen) Shelbourn. He married Sandra (née VanWert) Benjamin on July 31, 1993 and she survives. He had been employed at Simpson Industries and Metaldyne in Litchfield. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Michigan City Chapter #109**. Besides his wife Sandra, Kenneth is survived by four children and four step children and several grandchildren. Cremation took place with services held. Arrangements were entrusted to the Eagle Funeral Home-George White Chapel, Litchfield.



JAMES ARTHUR "Jim" SMITH - Died Sunday, January 8, 2017 in the Reno VA Hospice Centre in Reno, Nevada, of cancer at the age of 69. He was born in Ely, Nevada on March 20, 1947 to the late Bonnie (née McEuen) and James Harrison Smith. He has one sister, Faye Lucille Meyers (Kenneth) of Yakima, WA. He graduated from Reno High School in 1966. He served in the United States Army Corps of Engineers and served overseas in Vietnam and Germany. Jim met Martha Smolinski while he was stationed at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. They married at Saint Benedict Church in Highland Park, Michigan on July 12, 1969. They had three children: Robin Amy Armstrong (Keith), George Vincent Smith and Karen Rose Smith, all of Winnemucca, NV. He had four grandchildren: Cherice Rose Armstrong, Caden Vincent Smith, Hope Rose Smith, and Lindsey Ann Smith. Jim and Martha lived in Reno, Ely and Winnemucca, NV. Jim was

employed by T.G. Sheppard Construction Co. & Humboldt County Road Dept. where he was the Road Dept. Supervisor. Jim worked as a Heavy Equipment Operator for Gold Fields. The mine changed hands and became Twin Creeks Mine, where he worked as a Grader Operator & Back-up Shift Supervisor. He also worked for the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Winnemucca Field Office in the Division of Support Services as an Engineering Equipment Operator for 10 years. Jim was a member of the Mount Wheeler Four Wheelers in Ely, Winnemucca Sage Gamblers 4WD Club, Winnemucca Trap Club, Lions Club, Humboldt County Men's Bowling Assn, Koyote Kruisers Car Club, and Northern Nevada Racing Assn. He helped the Girl Scouts of the U.S.A. in many activities for 15 years. He was a life member of the National Rifle Assn and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Winnemucca Chapter #744**. He helped collect "Coats for Kids". A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, January 21, 2017 at 10:00 AM at the Sonoma Funeral Home, 47 West First Street, Winnemucca, NV. Graveside services and burial was in the Winnemucca Cemetery. A reception was held in the Veterans Hall in Sage Heights. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Veterans Guest House, 880 Locust Street, Reno NV 89502.

MICHAEL JAMES SMITH – Died Wednesday, February 3, 2016 in Palmdale, California at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born February 6, 1948. He served and retired from the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – California**.



RONNIE L. SMITH, SR. - Died Saturday, June 8, 2013 in Fort Worth, Texas at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Utica, Oklahoma on November 12, 1943 to the late Raymond L. "Cooter" and Lillie Mae Smith. He honorably served his country in the United States Army. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Texas**. Ronnie was preceded in death by his parents and daughters, Dora Ann Wright Thompson and Teresa Sage. He is survived by his wife, Dorothea (née Nell) Smith; sons, Ronnie L. Smith, Jr., Robert Thompson and Kenneth Stanley, all of the Azle area; sisters, Gwen Stanford and husband, Paul, of Durant, Okla., and Janice Putnam and husband, Bobby, of Lubbock; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nephews, nieces, friends and loving nurses. The funeral service was at 10:00 AM on Tuesday at the Walnut Creek Baptist Church, 220 West Reno Road, Reno, Texas. The interment was in the Nelson Cemetery, 509 Nelson Road, Reno. Visitation hours were from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Monday at White's Azle Funeral Home, 105 Denver Trail, Azle. Pastor Glen Wade officiated. The pallbearers were Charles Thomas, Keith Thomas, Johnny Thomas, Gary Flint, Phillip Freeman, Rick Stewart and Banty Blair.



MAGDALEN M. SOBOL - Died Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at McClaren Hospital in Bay City, Michigan at the age of 89. She was a resident of Beaverton, Michigan. The cause of death was lung cancer. She was born in Standish, Michigan on February 1,

1927 to the late William Byron and Genevieve (née Angers) Cardinal. She joined Louis Sobol in marriage on May 17, 1947 at Saint John the Baptist Church, Standish. After her marriage she worked for and retired from, The Saginaw News, in Saginaw. For many years she volunteered at Saint Mary's Standish Hospital where many people benefited from her kindness, care and generosity. She will be missed by each life she touched. Mrs. Sobol was pre-deceased by her spouse, Louis Sobol; her parents, William Byron and Genevieve Cardinal; her brothers William and spouse Marion, Eugene and spouse Ardith, James, Robert and spouse Jane, John and Richard Cardinal, sister Yvonne Kutchuk and brother-in-law, Edward Dembowski, those surviving her is her sister, Mary Anne Dembowski; sisters-in-law, Elaine Cardinal and Gay Lynn Cardinal and brother-in-law, Richard Kutchuk along with many well-loved Cardinal and Sobol nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews and also many wonderful extended family members and friends. She was a **Donor to Vietnam Veterans of America**. Visitation with the family was at the Resurrection of the Lord Church in Standish on Tuesday, July 5, 2016 from 9:00 AM-11:00 AM with the Funeral Mass at 11:00 AM. A luncheon was served immediately after. Burial took place at Saint Andrews Cemetery in Saginaw. Arrangements were provided by the Lee-Ramsay Funeral Home, Standish. For those wishing to provide a memorial in Magdalen's honor are asked to consider, The Resurrection of the Lord Church, Standish MI. American Lung Association or Sisters of Mercy Retirement Home, McAuley Center 28750 North 11 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI 48336-1400. The Family would like to send a special thank you for all of their loving care, to Dr. Mirza and the staff of Saint Mary's of Standish and skilled Nursing and also to McLaren Hospital, Bay City.



HENRY A. SONAK, JR. - Died at 3:44 PM on Tuesday, November 1, 2016 at the ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital Emergency Room in Monroe, Michigan at the age of 88. He was a resident of Monroe. The cause of death is unknown. He was born January 11, 1928 in Dott, West Virginia to the late Henry A. Sonak, Sr. and Goldie (née Shrewsbury) Sonak, Sr. He married Selma M. Maurus on December 24, 1971 in Monroe. She preceded him in death January 19, 2006. He served his country in the United States Army from August 15, 1948 until his retirement August 30, 1968. While in service he earned a Bronze Star, Combat Infantry Badge and Good Conduct Medal. Henry then was employed for 24 years at Ford Motor Company Monroe Stamping Plant; retiring in 1992. He was a member of Grace Lutheran Church, a life member of VFW Post #1138, Monroe and a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Monroe Chapter #142**. Henry is survived by three sons, Terry (Beth) Sonak of Dallas, Texas, David (Sandy) Sonak of Westland and Edward (Jane) Sonak of Evans, Georgia; three daughters, Brenda S. Jones of Monroe, Debra Roopani of Crystal River, Florida and Audrey (Tom) Rose of Dallas, Texas; a brother, Wilbert (Patty) Sonak of Front Royal, Virginia, seventeen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his two brothers, Arnold and Russell Sonak. Friends came to visit from 2:00 to 8:00 PM on Thursday at the Rupp Funeral Home, where funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Friday. The Reverend Mark Witte, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church officiated. The burial was at

the Roselawn Memorial Park, LaSalle, with full military honors rendered by VFW Post #1138, Monroe. Memorial contributions may be made to Monroe County Humane Society or Grace Lutheran Church.

OLIVER WENDELL SPAULDING - Died Sunday, July 19, 2015 at the High Smith Rainey Hospital in Fayetteville, North Carolina at the age of 86. He was a resident of Whiteville, North Carolina. The cause of death is unknown. He was born February 12, 1929. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Durham Chapter #530**. The funeral service was on Saturday, July 25th, at 11:00 AM at the Christian Plain AME Zion Church in Whiteville. The burial was in the Mitchell Field Cemetery in Clarkton, North Carolina with full military honors. Visitation hours were on Friday, July 24th, from 1:00 until 7:00 PM in the Union Funeral Home Chapel and one hour prior to the service at the church.

FRANKLIN L. STERLING - Died Tuesday, September 6, 2016 in Port Sainte Lucie, Florida at the age of 66. The cause of death was heart disease. He was born July 7, 1950 in Binghamton, New York. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Endicott (New York) Chapter #896**. He is survived by his daughter, Camille Lane, of Whitney Point, New York. All County Funeral Home and Crematory, Lake Worth, FL was in charge of the arrangements.



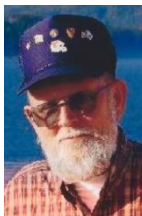
THOMAS G. "Tom" SUPROCK - Died peacefully in Rhode Island Hospital in Providence, Rhode Island, surrounded by loved ones on Thursday, February 9, 2017 at the age of 66. He was a resident of North Kingstown, Rhode Island. The cause of death was a stroke. He was born in Baden, Pennsylvania on June 18, 1950 to the late George and Louise Suprock and brother to the late David Suprock and John Suprock. He was the beloved husband of Susanne Suprock. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a dedicated family man and friend, with a deep passion for the Veteran community. A decorated Purple Heart recipient, Tom received numerous accolades during his life including the Rhode Island Cross and Distinguished Flying Cross. He traveled the world as a soldier and a civilian, working everywhere from the oil fields of Nigeria to the tarmac of TF Green. He loved sharing his stories, and took every opportunity to speak to students, veterans, and friends. Tom was indestructible, intelligent, and full of wit, but those who knew him know that his main passion was helping others. He was a true American hero. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wakefield Chapter #325**. He is survived by his wife Susanne Suprock; daughter Ingrid Suprock; son Jeremy Martini (husband Daryl Martini), and; his stepsons John and Brandon Daley and a sister, Patricia Suprock. Visiting hours were in the Avery-Storti Funeral Home, 88 Columbia Street, Wakefield on Thursday from 5:00-7:00 PM. A service with full military honors was on Friday at 9:30 AM in the Rhode Island Veterans Memorial Cemetery with Reverend Father Philip G. Salois, M.S. officiating. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter #325 Scholarship Program: PO Box 3637, Peace Dale, RI 02883.



MICHAEL DEAN "Mike" TARTER - Died Tuesday, March 8, 2016 in Goshen, Ohio at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 28, 1949 in Cincinnati, Ohio to the late Arlie and Laurah Jane (née Jasper) Tarter. He was the beloved husband of Geraldine B. (née Moore) Tarter; loving father of Michelle Tarter, Melissa Twine, Bridget Williams, Michael Tarter, Pauline Chandler, Cassandra (Tim) Brown; step-father of Bob Fischer, Kirk Fischer, Teresa Caudill, Tina Owens and Kimberly (Jimmy Godby) Davis; proud grandfather of numerous grandchildren and step-grandchildren and many great-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren, and; dear brother of Bruce (Carol) Tarter. Mike proudly served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and later joined the United States Air Force where he served 19 years. Mike was a life member of the Batavia VFW Post #3539, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Batavia Chapter #649*, member of the SW Ohio VFW Memorial Team, a life member of the Vietnam Veterans of Bernard County, Melbourne, Florida and a life member of Rolling Thunder. Friends were received from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM on Monday, March 14th, at the Tufts Schildmeyer Funeral Home, 1668 State Route 28, Goshen, where services were on Tuesday, March 15th, at 11:00 AM. Jim Turner was the minister for Mike's services. Interment with full military honors was at the Goshen Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Disabled American Veterans, 3725 Alexandria Pike, Cold Spring, KY 41076 or to the Wounded Warriors Project, 1120 G Street NW, Suite #700, Washington, DC 20005.

ROBERT JAY "Bob" TESSIER - Died unexpectedly on Wednesday, April 8, 2015 in Fircrest, Washington at the age of 76. The cause of death was bladder cancer. He was born in Tacoma, Washington on May 2, 1938. Bob grew up in Lakewood, Washington, graduating from Clover Park High School. Bob served in the United States Army as a Helicopter Pilot while serving in Vietnam. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Everett Chapter #102**. He loved the Pacific Northwest and had a passion for the outdoors. He was the happiest on the water be it on the ocean, the bay or with his friends trading fishing stories. He will be dearly missed by his wife, Donna; daughter, Diahn; son, Ron; grandchildren, Tafton and Avery; and his sister, Lynn. There was no service per his request. In lieu of flowers, donations were requested to be made to the Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network or a charity of your choice.



WILLIAM CECIL THOMASON - Died Sunday, July 31, 2016 at his home in Lexington, South Carolina at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Bluefield,

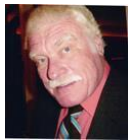
Virginia to the late William E. and Nora V. (née Mayberry) Thomason. Mr. Thomason retired from the United States Army and was a Vietnam Veteran. He was a member of the DAV and was a Master Mason and member of Cayce Masonic Lodge No. 384. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Princeton (West Virginia) Chapter #628**. He is survived by his wife Janet E. Thomason; his children, Shari L. (Steve) Solesbee; Michael D. Thomason, William C. (Tamara) Thomason; his brother, James Thomason; his grandchildren, Kimberly Thomason, Chelsa Clay and Emile Harshbarger, and; his great-grandchildren, Noah, Zao, Elizabeth, Mikaela and Freya. A graveside service to celebrate his life was held at 10:00 AM on August 5, 2016 in Fort Jackson National Cemetery with full military honors and Masonic Rites. The family received friends from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Thursday, August 4, 2016 at the Moseley Funeral & Cremation Service. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to SC Shriners Hospital or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

EDWARD EUGENE TRAVIS – Died tragically on Friday, January 20, 2017 in a motor vehicle accident at the age of 71. He was a resident of Sparks, Nevada. He was born July 11, 1945. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Reno Chapter #989**. Nevada Highway Patrol says they have identified the man who was pronounced dead after a two-vehicle crash on Interstate 80 near Lockwood. NHP says at approximately 6:15 pm on Friday, January 20, Troopers were dispatched to a serious injury crash on I-80 eastbound near Lockwood. Officers say a preliminary crash investigation showed that a black 2006 Cadillac STS-V was stopped in the right lane of I-80 eastbound for an unknown reason. Officers say a blue 2002 Ford Excursion was approaching the Cadillac in the right lane and was unable to see the black Cadillac that was stopped in front of him. They say the driver of the Ford Excursion braked in an attempt to avoid the stopped car but was unsuccessful and struck the rear of the Cadillac. Officials say the driver of the black Cadillac, identified as Edward Eugene Travis, a 71-year-old Sparks, Nevada resident, was not wearing his seat belt and succumbed to injuries sustained in the crash. They say the driver of the Ford Excursion was wearing a seat belt and did not claim any injuries from the crash. Impairment is unknown at this time. Nevada Highway Patrol Sergeant Scott Farmer is conducting the crash investigation.



RODOLFO “Rudy” TRUJILLO (USA, 1SG-Ret.) - Died Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at his residence in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 83. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Chicago, Illinois on November 22, 1933. His family moved to Wichita, Kansas in 1950 and he joined the United States Army in 1952. He was a veteran of both the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He received many awards and decorations and retired from the Army at Fort Sill with over 20 years of service. Following his retirement he attended Barber College in Lawton and worked as a barber for twelve years. During that time he attended Cameron University and earned an Associate’s Degree in Law Enforcement. He ended his barber career and began a career in security work. He worked for Lawton-Fort Sill Security for three years, Fort Sill Federal Credit Union for four years and Citizen’s Bank for nine years. He later worked

with both Lawton Wal-Marts as a greeter for several years and for Enterprise Rent-a-Car for a short time. Rudy had served as a volunteer with Hospice of Southwest Oklahoma, volunteered as a greeter for Reynolds Army Community Hospital and served as a volunteer van driver with the Armed Services YMCA. He was a member of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church where he served as a religious education instructor for nine years and was a lector and Eucharistic minister for several years. He was a life member of the Knights of Columbus 3rd and 4th degrees, a life member of VFW Post #5263 and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**. He is survived by seven children, Rudy Trujillo, Phoenix, Arizona, Cynthia Perkins, Fayetteville, North Carolina, Brenda Eisenman, Oklahoma City, Francito Trujillo, Phoenix, Arizona, Christina Anthony, Hinesville, Georgia, Homero Perez, Jr., Garland, Texas and Diana Corona, Denton, Texas; his siblings, Raymond Perez, Topeka, Kansas, Peter P. Perez, Banning, California, Frank Perez, Jr., Richard Perez, Billy Perez and Juanita Perez, all of Wichita, Kansas and Esperanza Benhusen, Vancouver, Washington; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His parents, a daughter, Deloris Perez, a son, David Perez, a sister, Gloria Granada, and brothers, Cornelius, Arthur and William Granada, preceded him in death. The Funeral Mass was at 10:00 AM on Saturday, January 7, 2017 in Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church with the Reverend Father Rayanna Narisetti, Associate Pastor officiating. Burial with full military honors was in the Sunset Memorial Gardens under the direction of Becker-Rabon Funeral Home. A rosary was held at 6:00 PM on Friday in the Becker-Rabon Funeral Home Chapel.



JOHN "Jack" TURLEY, JR. - Died Sunday February 21, 2016 at his home at the Bryce Resort in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia with his beloved wife by his side. He was 75 years of age and a resident of Basye, Virginia. The cause of death was a massive heart attack. He was born on May 28, 1940 in Cumberland, Maryland to the late John Turley, Sr. and Vivian L. (née Weimer) Turley. He married Patricia Ann Linaburg on September 12, 1964. He is survived by his wife, Patricia; daughter, Debra L. Turley; son, Brian Keith Turley; and a granddaughter, Denise Ashley Johnson. He graduated from Frostburg State University in 1962 with a BS in Mathematics and Teaching with minors in Physics and Chemistry. He retired in 1990 as a Commander in the United States Navy after 28 years (1963-1990) of service. His last tour of duty was on the Battle Staff, President of the United States, President George Bush (Dad - Bush). Key assignments included Operations Officer Military Sealift Command (MSC) controlling over 300 ships, Engineering officer of a USN aircraft carrier, CINCPACFLT Logistic Command where he developed and implemented operational and maintenance plans for the Navy's Rapid Deployment Force, four tours in Vietnam, and Operations, Weapons and Maintenance advisor to the South Korean Navy. He spent most of his time at sea on destroyers (Tincans). He spent eight years (1990-1998) as Deputy Director of Security with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) planning and coordinating the security for VIP visits for Heads of State and other Ministers. He spent two years (1999-2000) as deputy Director of Security at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing revamping the security system and installing over 500 cameras and establishing a Security Operations Command and Monitoring Center. Jack was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Woodstock Chapter #936**, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #2447 and American Legion Post #199. He was a member of the Basye/Bryce Mountain Lions Club, SAHMSU board, was President of the Sky Bryce Home

Owners Association, and a member of Bryce Resort. He volunteered and served as Disaster Chairman of the Shenandoah Chapter of the American Red Cross serving Shenandoah and Page Counties. He loved living at Bryce Resort and being part of such a close community and enjoyed volunteering for everything and anything. He loved coordinating golf, bowling, and Virginia football games. A funeral service was held on Thursday, February 25, 2016 at 10:00 AM at the Dellinger Funeral Home in Mount Jackson. Friends were received on Wednesday from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the funeral home in Mount Jackson. The family received friends on Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Adams Family Funeral Home in Cumberland, Maryland. The committal was held on Friday at 11:00 AM at the Rocky Gap Veterans Cemetery in Flintstone, Maryland with Chaplain Bob Lloyd officiating. Military Honors were accorded at the Cemetery by Post #13 Veterans Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Basye Bryce Mountain Lion's Club.



JOHN R. "Jack" TYNAN - Died Wednesday, November 25, 2015 in Burlington Vermont at the age of 83, following a brief illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Des Moines, Iowa on February 14, 1932 to the late H.A. Tynan and Theresa Marie (née Schrack) Tynan. He served in the United States Air Force from April 1948 - January 1978. During that time he served in Korea and four tours in Vietnam. He was extremely proud of his service to his country, being decorated many times, including the Air Force Bronze Star. After retiring in 1978, he worked with Brock Security, Allied Security, and South Burlington Police Department. He was a member of the American Legion and Eagles club both in Vergennes. He was an *At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Vermont*. Jack was predeceased by his wife Shirley J. (née Hagan) Tynan on July 3 2004; a daughter Kelly Lee March 6, 1959, and a granddaughter, Brandie Lee Tynan, March 1, 2001. Jack is survived by three children, Jack Tynan, of Gulf Breeze, Florida, Patrick Tynan, of Bristol, Kelly and her husband Stephen Hofmann, of Shelburne; his brother Butch Tynan, of Sarasota, Florida; a sister, Pat and her husband Bob Jamison, of Tabernash, Colorado; two grandchildren, Jesse Tynan, of Hinesburg, and Lynsey Bilodeau, of Port Henry NY; two great-grandchildren, Jaydin and Gavin Hughes, of Port Henry NY, and; many nieces and nephews. Visiting hours were held on Monday, November 30th, at the Brown-McClay Funeral Home in Vergennes from 5:00-8:00 PM. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30 AM on Tuesday, December 1st, at Saint Peter Catholic Church in Vergennes. Interment was in the Vermont Memorial Cemetery in Randolph Vermont. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, 2200 Space Park Drive, Suite #100, Houston, TX 77058.

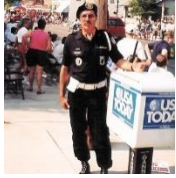


GERARD G. "Jerry" VANDERHOOF - Died peacefully at home in The Villages, Florida on Thursday, December 29, 2016 at the age of 68, surrounded by his loving wife, Kathy and

their son, Timothy after a courageous four and a half month battle with cancer. Jerry was born in Rockville Centre, New York, and lived in Massapequa, New York before moving to Port Sainte Lucie, Florida in 1986. He retired to The Villages in 2007. Jerry proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Oxford Chapter #1036**. Jerry was a man of great character and a kind heart, a loving husband, father, brother and friend, always putting others' needs before his own. He is survived by his wife, Kathy of 46 years, son and daughter-in-law, Timothy and Nadia Vanderhoof of Orlando, FL, their children, Logan, age 8 and Lauren, age 6 and his sister, Joyce Veneruso of the Villages. Marrying into Kathy's large family of nine siblings, he often joked that he hit the jackpot, all the brothers and sisters a guy could possibly want. He loved life in The Villages, particularly golf, yoga, Tai chi and volunteering at the Villages Hospital. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 11:00 AM at Saint Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. The burial was in the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Florida. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital. The arrangements were entrusted to the Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Lady Lake, Florida.



DONALD ROBERT "Don" VANDEVER - Died suddenly on Sunday December 25, 2016 at his home in Marshall, Michigan at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 26, 1948 in Quincy, Michigan to the late Arthur and Pansy (née Colvin) Vandever. He attended Marshall High Schools. He served in the United States Army from 1967 serving in Vietnam. He was honorably discharged in 1973. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek Chapter #313**. Donald retired from Schuler's Restaurant in Marshall, after working for over 30 years. He was a member of the Marshall Veterans of Foreign Wars. When Donald was younger, he enjoyed hunting and fishing. He enjoyed going to and watching movies. Donald was a hard worker and especially enjoyed his work and took lots of pride in what he has done. He is survived by his siblings, Cloyce (Karen) Vandever and Ruth (David) Organek all of Marshall; several nieces and nephews; and his significant other Sharon Horn of Marshall. He was preceded in death by his parents; and a sister Patsy Vandever. Family greeted friends from 9:00-11:00 AM on Friday December 30, 2016 at the Kempf Family Funeral Home, Marshall Chapel 723 US 27 North with a funeral service taking place at 11:00 AM with the Reverend James Codde, officiating. Interment with full military honors took place at the Fort Custer National Cemetery in Augusta. Memorial contributions were requested to the Marshall VFW.



ROBERT J. L. VAUTOUR - Died Sunday, April 25, 2016 at the Mount Carmel East Hospital in Columbus, Ohio at the age of 73. He was a resident of Columbus. He was born on July 2, 1942. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Worthington Chapter #670** and the Motts Military Museum. He had retired from Abbott Labs after 26 years of service. He was a member of Christ the King Parish for 50 years. He is survived by wife of 50 years, Judith Vautour; his daughter, Elizabeth (John) Clear; his son, Albert (Mary) Vautour; his grandsons, Evan and Luke Vautour; his sister, Louise (Tom) O'Malley; his sister-in-law, Betty Ayres, and; his nieces, nephews and friends. Friends came on Wednesday from 4:00-7:00 PM to the Egan-Ryan Funeral Home, 403 East Broad Street. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Thursday at 9:30 AM at Christ the King Church, 2770 East Livingston Avenue. The burial was at the Saint Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, friends who wish may contribute in his memory to Christ the King Parish. Visit www.egan-ryan.com for condolences.

WILLIAM WALDON, JR. – Died recently in 2016 in Lansing, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Michigan**.

GREGORY D. “Greg” WANAT - Died Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at the RWJ Hospital in Hamilton, New Jersey at the age of 67, surrounded by family. He was a resident of Neshanic, New Jersey and formerly of Bordentown, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born January 13, 1948 to the late Anastazia and Harry Wanat. He was also predeceased by his brother, Wesley. He is survived by his brother, Kenneth Wanat; his sister, Laurel Wanat and her husband, Ronald Simmons; his brother, Wesley's wife, Donna Wanat; and children, Melissa Armstrong and Daniel Wanat, and other family and friends. Greg was born on January 13, 1948, and was a decorated Vietnam veteran. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Jersey**. He worked as an electronics technician for companies such as Johnson & Johnson, Exxon, and Weyerhaeuser. He was an animal lover who enjoyed cooking, hunting, and fishing. He was endlessly fascinated by the world, and spent a great deal of time studying anything that caught his interest. Services and burial services were private. Donations can be made to America's Vet Dogs (<http://www.vetdogs.org>) or Fisher House Foundation (<https://www.fisherhouse.org>).

LARRY L. WARD – Died Friday, December 2, 2016 in Indianapolis, Indiana at the age of 70. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related prostate cancer and lung cancer. He was born in Indianapolis, Indiana on August 8, 1946. He is survived by his life partner, June Miles; four sisters and brothers-in-law and their children, and; two daughters and sons-in-law, Darlene and Jim Wynn and children and Julia and Chris Capps and their child. He served in the United States Army in Vietnam with the 9th Infantry Division “*Old Reliable*” in the Mekong Delta. He attained the rank of Staff Sergeant (E-6). He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America –**

Lawrence Chapter #295 and was a Board Member and Veteran Service Officer. He was also a life member of VFW Post #261 and Past-Commander. He was also a member of the Marion County Veteran Burial Team.



WILLIAM JOSEPH WELCH, JR. - Died Sunday, December 25, 2016 at the Hospice House of Mid-Michigan in Lansing, Michigan after an extended illness. He was 70 years of age and a resident of Charlotte, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 21, 1946 in Corpus Christi, Texas to the late William Joseph Welch, Sr. and Dorris E. (née Carlson) Welch. He was a proud member of the United States Marine Corps having served in the Vietnam War. "Semper Fi!" He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek Chapter #313**. He retired from the Government of the United States of America following 38 years of loyal service for the Defense Logistics Information Service, Hart-Doyle-Inouye Federal Center. He loved computers, electronic gadgets, road trips to New York and playing ice hockey. He loved his wife, Joyce, dearly. She preceded him in death June 27, 2014. Surviving are: three daughters, Cara Marie Welch, of Argentina, Sherri Lynn (Tim) Chambers, of Traverse City and Tammy Ann Niedzielski, of Battle Creek; a stepson, C.J. (Julie) VanSyckle, of Charlotte; 6 grandchildren; his sister, Lorraine Smith; his sister-in-law, Marilyn Haun; two nieces, Leslie McNeil and Diane Smith; one nephew, Billie Sacco, and; three great-nieces and two great-nephews. In accordance with William's prior wishes, private services were held. Arrangements were made by the Burkhead-Green Funeral Home, Charlotte.



MARION WELLS - Died Thursday October 6, 2016 at MedStar Washington Hospital Center in Annapolis, Maryland at the age of 76. He was a resident of Annapolis. The cause of death was ventricular tachycardia, acute on chronic biventricular heart failure and coronary artery disease. He was born in Plum Branch, South Carolina on July 14, 1940. He served in the United States Army with one year tour of duty in Vietnam. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Maryland**. Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Arlene Wells; son Brett Wells (Diane); granddaughter Taylor Wells; grandson Conner Wells; stepdaughters Michele and Vanessa Randall. Visitation hours were on Sunday, October 16, 2016 from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the Mount Zion United Methodist Church, 612 Second Street, Annapolis, Maryland 21403. A celebration of life service was held on Monday, October 17, 2016 with a Christian Wake at 10:00 AM with the funeral at 10:30 AM at Mount Zion. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Mount Zion United Methodist Church, ATTN: Furnace Fund.



JOHN RUSSELL "Jack" WHITMAN - Died Thursday, July 2, 2015 in Trenton, New Jersey at the age of 71. He along with his wife former Governor Christie Whitman resided in Oldwick, New Jersey. Whitman suffered a catastrophic brain injury on June 19, Christie Whitman announced in a statement. He was born June 8, 1944 in Albany, New York. He was

the husband of former Governor Christie Todd-Whitman who also had a successful career in finance and was a decorated Vietnam veteran having served in the United States Army. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rutherford Chapter #800**. "He passed away peacefully today, surrounded by his family," Gov. Whitman, said. "He was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather, and we are heartbroken to lose his presence in our lives. I am so grateful for the thoughts and prayers of so many who have showered our family with their love over these past two weeks." The two were married for 41 years. While Christie Whitman served as the state's Republican governor from 1994 to 2001, John Whitman was the state's first and thus far only first gentleman. Whitman pledged to take a low-key role in his wife's administration and purposefully shunned the media spotlight. "I am not Hillary Clinton," he said in a Star-Ledger interview when asked about the then-first lady. "I won't even tell you my middle name," he joked, referring to Clinton's use at the time of her maiden name Rodham. But Whitman, who lived with his wife on a farm in Oldwick, was a key player in his her first campaign. He helped her devise a tax cut plan that was crucial to her victory over Democrat Jim Florio. And during her administration, he played a behind-the-scenes role, offering advice to his wife and her top staff. "He was a wonderful guy. He had strongly-held opinions that he wasn't afraid to express, but they always had the best interests of the governor at heart," said Pete McDonough, who was the Whitman administration's communications director. "He was a very clear thinker. He understood that she was the governor and he wasn't. And he could always be counted on for good advice without being intrusive or demanding." John Whitman also acknowledged working as an unofficial ambassador to businesses and others on behalf of the Whitman administration. In one case, an employee of Donald Trump accused him of threatening "ramifications" if Trump did not drop a lawsuit he had filed against the state. John Whitman denied the allegation in an interview with the New York Times. In 1995, Whitman mediated negotiations to keep the New Jersey Devils from moving out of state. He headed the fundraising committee to restore the Statehouse's gold dome and raised money to build the Vietnam Veterans memorial in Holmdel. He was awarded Bronze Stars in that war, one after preventing an explosion while his base was under attack by helping drain a burning diesel fuel tank, according to his wife's biography. Like his wife, the Albany, N.Y.-born Whitman was from an old and wealthy political family. His grandfather, Charles Whitman, was the governor of New York from 1915 to 1919 and was a character in the 1975 novel *Ragtime*. But he never tried for elected office himself. "I couldn't get elected dogcatcher," he told The Star-Ledger. "I have never learned to be a very political person." Whitman worked as an investment banker and financial consultant-- most recently as managing partner of the venture capital firm Sycamore Management Corporation. In addition to the former governor, Whitman is survived by his daughter, Kate, his son, Taylor, and six grandchildren. While campaigning for president in New Hampshire, Gov. Chris Christie discussed John Whitman's death, saying he had been texting with Gov. Whitman about his health for the last 10 days. "This is an incredibly close couple who have been together for most of their lives, and so I really feel extraordinarily sad for Gov. Whitman today," Christie said. "Because I know she's going to miss her partner -- and John was her partner in everything that she did -- both in her professional life and in their personal life raising Kate and Taylor and their grandchildren."



JIMMIE R. WHITTEN - Died Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at the UnityPoint Health-Care Trinity in Rock Island, Illinois at the age of 74. He was a resident of Moline, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. Jimmie was born in Indianapolis, Indiana on July 23, 1942 to the late Jimmie and Jane (née Talbot) Whitten. He married Linda Newingham who preceded him in death. He later married Betty Baraks in June of 1988 in Nashua, Iowa. Jimmie was a United States Army veteran. He was a member of the Homewood Evangelical Free Church, Moline, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Moline Chapter #669**, M.A.V.A., Hero Street Chapter #4 and a 32nd Degree Mason at the Trio Lodge No. 47 AF & AM, Milan. Jimmie enjoyed volunteering at the VA Clinic in Bettendorf and at Genesis Medical Center, Illini Campus, Silvis. Survivors include his wife, Betty Whitten, Moline; children (and spouses), Jeanine (Walter) McIntosh, Indianapolis, John (Rebecca) Whitten, Benton, La., Curt (Rose) Whitten, Moline and Sherry (Lyle) Leftwich, Moline; grandchildren, Lindsey, Lilly and Levi McIntosh, Talia Spiker, Toria Leftwich, Maradyth Richey, Kayce Bison, Julie Whitten, Curtis Whitten and Steaphanie Smith; and several great-grandchildren. Services were at 10:00 AM on Monday at Wheelan-Pressly Funeral Home and Crematory, Rock Island, Illinois. Visitation hours were on Sunday from 2:00-4:30 PM followed by a Masonic service at 4:30 PM at the funeral home. The burial was at the Rock Island National Cemetery, Arsenal Island, where military honors were presented. Memorials may be made in care of the Homewood Evangelical Free Church, Moline or to the Mexican-American Veterans Association, Hero Street Chapter #4 (M.A.V.A.).



MICHAEL F. WIEBE, JR. - Died unexpectedly on Sunday January 1, 2017 in Wakefield, Rhode Island at the age of 69. The cause of death was a massive heart attack, asystolic cardiac arrest, myocardial infarction and coronary artery disease. He was born in Brooklyn, New York to the late Michael F. Wiebe, Sr. and Katherine (née Long) Wiebe. He was the beloved husband of Diana (née Rash) Wiebe. Mr. Wiebe served honorably in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and served on the front lines during the Tet Offensive in 1968. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wakefield Chapter #325**. He will be remembered as a loving, funny, kind, and generous person, who was adored by his family. Surviving besides his wife are, a daughter, Lindsay Wiebe of Sunnyside, NY; 3 sisters, Irene Koster of North Carolina, Katherine Haack of East Islip, NY, and Deborah Anson of Narragansett; and a brother, LTC John Wiebe of Ft. Bragg, NC. Visiting hours were at the Avery-Storti Funeral Home, 88 Columbia Street on Thursday from 4:00-7:00 PM. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Friday at 11:00 AM in Christ the King Church, 180 Old North Road, Kingston. Burial with full military honors was in the Rhode Island States Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Exeter. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to The Wounded Warrior Project PO Box 75851, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8517, www.woundedwarriorproject.org.

OLAN RUDOLPH “Rich” WILLIAMS - Died Thursday, June 27, 2013 at his home in Galax, Virginia at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 11, 1946 in Carroll County, Virginia to the late Elmer Lee Williams, Sr. and Dorothy (née Manuel) Williams. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Galax**

Chapter #710. Survivors include his wife, Wanda Marlene Williams; daughter and son-in-law, Tracy and Jeff Easter, all of Galax; a grandson; sister and brother-in-law, Sharon and Terry Walls of North Carolina; brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Williams of Lawton, Okla.; and several nieces and nephews. A funeral was held Saturday at 4:00 PM in the Vaughan-Guynn Funeral Home Chapel with Sam Heflin officiating. The burial was in the McKenzie Cemetery with full military rites by the Hillsville VFW Post #1115. A guestbook is available online at www.vaughanguynn.com.

RICHARD S. WRIGHT – Died in 2014 in Upper Marlboro, Maryland at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born May 31, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Silver Spring Chapter #641**.



ROGER JACOB YOUNG - Died peacefully on Sunday, February 5, 2017 in Egg Harbor, Wisconsin at the age of 71. He was formerly of Chicago, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 18, 1945 in Chicago to the late Clarence and Marie Anne Young. He is survived by his wife Norma Young; his son, Roger Young; his stepson, David Beall and his stepdaughter Marissa Albarran. He was an active member of Community Church of Fish Creek and a member of VFW Post # 8337 in Ellison Bay. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Island Park (Illinois) Chapter #242**. He had been in the United States Marine Corps and bravely fought in Vietnam. His infectious smile and laughter and ability to make people feel at ease will be missed. Memorial services were held on February 25, 2017 at 10:00 AM at the Armitage Baptist Church - 2451 North Kedzie, Chicago, IL 60647 and on March 4, 2017 at 11:00AM at the Community Church of Fish Creek - 9420 Cottage Row, Fish Creek, WI 54212. Simply Cremation is assisting the family. Please visit www.simplycremationgb.com to send the family a condolence.

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

FATHER PHILIP G. SALOIS, M.S.

National Chaplain