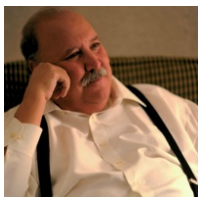




JAMES ALBERT ABERNATHY, SR. – Died Monday, March 6, 2017 in Nashville, Tennessee at the age of 85. He was formerly of Suisun City, California. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 21, 1931 in Pulaski, Tennessee. James, a 40-year resident of Monterey, California has gone home to glory. James was a man who loved God deeply and believed in being a good neighbor to all. He would often stop and talk to people about anything while offering a warm hello or good morning. James was a hard-working man and believed in helping his fellow man. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pulaski Chapter #262**. James had a passion for gardening and was often found in his yard tending his garden. James joins his wife, Lovey and brothers, Robert Lee and Joseph. He is survived by his sons, James Abernathy, Jr., Dwayne Abernathy and Lyndon Abernathy; his grandchildren, Jeneen Abernathy, Jameen Hodges, Latitia Hollins, James Marc Anthony Abernathy, Karissa Abernathy and Christian Abernathy; great-grandchildren, Kalia Hodges, Laila Hodges, Maurice Hodges and Serenity Abernathy; siblings, John Abernathy, Margret Coleman, Edward Abernathy, Thomas Abernathy, Leroy Abernathy, and; many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was loved by all and will be dearly missed. Visitation hours were held from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM on Friday, March 10, 2017 at the Jordan Funeral Home, 327 Mill Street, Pulaski, TN 38478. The funeral service took place on Saturday, March 11, 2017 with visitation from 11:00 AM until 12:00 PM with the service at 12:00PM at the Greater Richland Creek Association, 1033 Bledsoe Road, Pulaski, TN 38478. James was laid to rest at the San Carlos Cemetery in Monterey, California next to his beloved Lovey.

RALPH BERTRAM AMIS – Died Wednesday, April 11, 2018 in Altus, Oklahoma at the age of 77. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Chester, Pennsylvania on September 4, 1940 to the late Bertram Amis and Ida (née Helm) Amis. Ralph served in the United States Air Force from 1958 till 1987, successfully completing three tours of duty in the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**.



MICHAEL ANTHONY “Mike” ARABIA - Died Friday, April 13, 2018 at his home Forks Township, Dushore, Pennsylvania at the age of 69, with his loving family at his side, after a courageous battle with cancer. Mike was born on March 2, 1949, in Coatesville, Pennsylvania to the late Anthony and Jean (née Jackson) Arabia. He graduated from the Henderson High School, West Chester, PA, a member of the class of 1967. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War, stationed in Vietnam as a Military Policeman, with the rank of

Corporal. He married the former Doris Rissinger of West Chester, PA, on June 20, 1980. Mike was retired from the A&P (The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co.) as a Produce Manager. He and Doris retired to Forks Township in 2009. Mike was a member of Saint Agnes Catholic Church in West Chester and a member of the Knights of Columbus, Council # 1333, West Chester; life-time member of VFW Post #106 West Chester and Loyalsock Post #996 American Legion, Dushore; Good Will Fire Co., West Chester and the **Vietnam Veterans of America – Phoenixville Chapter #436**. Mike was an avid hunter and fisherman and greatly enjoyed living in Sullivan County. He is survived by his spouse, Doris, at home; his son, Karl R. “Rob” Nesbitt, of Lancaster, PA; his daughter and son-in-law, Erin A. and Marc Prosser, of Albany, NY; two brothers and a sister-in-law, Patrick and Susan Arabia, of West Chester, PA and David Arabia, of West Chester, PA; one sister and brother-in-law, Lisa and Lex Lauletta, of Woodstock, GA, and; two grandsons, Michael “MJ” and Ethan Prosser. A Funeral Service was held on Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 12:00 Noon at the P. Dean Homer Funeral Home, 206 Water Street, Dushore, PA, with the Reverend Father Richard Rojas, Pastor of Saint Basil Church, presiding. Friends visited on Thursday morning, April 19th from 11:00 AM until the time of the service. The family provided the flowers and asked that memorial contribution in Mike’s memory be directed to the Sullivan County Library, PO Box 309, Dushore, PA 18614. Military Honors were accorded by members of Loyalsock Post #996, American Legion and the US Army Honor’s Detail. Members were asked to assemble and pass in review at 11:45 AM at the funeral home.



EDWARD LEON “Ed” ATKINS - Died Saturday, November 25, 2017 in Santa Fe, Texas at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Alvin, Texas on February 21, 1944 to the late James Clinton Atkins, Jr. and Jennie (née Vee) Atkins. Ed graduated from Ball High School in 1962. He joined the United States Air Force August 31, 1962. During his service he fought in the Vietnam War and was honorably discharged as an Airman First Class E4 Crew Chief on August 3, 1966. He received numerous service awards and medals. Ed returned to Galveston and earned his degree in Applied Science from Galveston College in 1974. He continued his public service as a firefighter in the Galveston Fire Department for 33 years, retiring as a Captain. During this time, Ed became one of the first instructors for the firefighter programs at Galveston College and the College of the Mainland. He then served as a supervisor for TSA with 10 years of service. He was a member of the B66 Flight Crew Club, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dickinson Chapter #685**, Arcadia First Baptist Church, and the Vice President of the Retired Fire Fighters Union. Ed had a passion for fishing, building homes and furniture, bowling, spending time with his family. Anyone who knows him knows his love for Tab and his dog, Daisy Mae. Ed’s life is summarized by being a man of many uniforms with a focus on saving lives. He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife of over 40 years, Rhonda Atkins, and his infant daughter, Judith “Crikett” Atkins. Ed is survived by his wife of 8 years, Janet Atkins; his brother, James “Bubba” Atkins; his sister, Ethel “Nancy” Scott; his children, Charles (Jennifer) Atkins, Kim (Fran) Watson, Tim (Tiffany) Atkins, James (Tara) Atkins,

Judy Estes; his stepchildren, Warren (Michelle) Moore, Dawn (Mathew) Boyette, Robert (Kelley) Coyne, Casey (Wayne) Depenbrock, Asa Ryan, Hannah Johnston, Pepper (Allyssa) Ryan; sixteen grandchildren, and; numerous nieces and nephews. Visitation hours were held on Thursday, November 30, 2017 from 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM at the Arcadia Baptist Church, 14828 Highway 6, Santa Fe, Texas 77517 with a Celebration of Ed's Life beginning at 12:30 PM. Ed was laid to rest in the Forest Park East Cemetery.



GUY "Buck" BARKER - Died Monday, December 25, 2017 at his home in Lompoc, California at the age of 74, after a long battle with cancer, heart attack, dementia and diabetes. He was able to spend time with his son Michael (Debra) and grandson Luke, son John (Michelle) for Christmas morning. His wife, Sharon, John and Michelle were with him when he died. He was born on August 27, 1943 in Merrill, Wisconsin to the late Roy and Elizabeth (née FauFau) Barker in Merrill, Wisconsin. He married Sharon on December 26, 1987. They made their home along with her two sons Michael and John Stamper in Lompoc. At the age of 17, Buck joined the United States Marine Corps. During that time, he spent two tours in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Guadalupe Chapter #982**. Throughout his lifetime, he worked at various jobs such as tow truck driver, truck driver, Federal Bureau of Prisons both in Illinois and Lompoc, where he first retired. He went back to work as a Surveillance Officer at Chumash Indian Casino, Administrator of Loyal Order of Moose, in Lompoc and Santa Barbara and last before retiring for the second time, a mechanic at a golf course. His greatest love was his wife, grandchildren and two stepsons. He enjoyed riding his motorcycle. He was the founder of the American Legion Riders Post #211. He also enjoyed fast gun competition, golf, camping and spending time with family and friends. Buck is survived by his wife of 30 years, Sharon; his sons and daughters-in-law, Michael (Debra) and son, John (Michelle); five grandchildren, Haley Dunavant, Shianne, Chance, Cody, of Texas and Luke Stamper, of Lompoc; his brother and sister-in-law, Roy Barker (Jan) of Florida; his sister and brother-in-law, Carol (Lester) Leavitt, of Wisconsin, and; numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, one sister and two brothers. Arrangements were made by the Starbuck-Lind Mortuary. Services were held at the American Legion Post #211 in Lompoc, 636 North H Street on February 24, 2018 at 1:00 PM. A Benefit BBQ, silent auction, quilt raffle and 50/50 raffle followed.



ROBERT FRANCIS "Bob" BARRY – Died Monday, May 7, 2018 in Inverness, Florida at the age of 77. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related melanoma cancer. He was born in

Brooklyn, New York on April 20, 1941 to the late Elizabeth (née Ludwig) Barry and William James Barry. He was also predeceased by his sisters, Kathleen Spink and Edna Willets and his brother, William James Barry, Jr. He was raised in Pleasantville, New York when Bob joined the United States Army in 1963 serving in both the 82nd and 101st Airborne divisions. After months of training including Leadership School and Jump School (paratrooper) he was assigned to Fort Bragg, North Carolina and the 82nd Airborne Division. He was placed in the S-2 section (Intelligence) of the 1st of the 325th Airborne Infantry Brigade. He was promoted to Sergeant and reassigned to the Division G-2 section. On April 27, 1965 while on Temporary Duty (TDY) to the New York City World's Fair, Bob received an urgent phone message to report to a small Naval Air base on Long Island and bring nothing but toilet articles (ditty bag). He and two other members of the 82nd were flown to Pope Air Force Base at Fort Bragg. Twelve hours later Bob landed on the third plane (C-130) in the Dominican Republic. Communist rebels, allegedly under the command of Che Guevara from Cuba, were attempting to take over the Island nation. Bob would publish a book on the 82nd's first combat since WW2 titled "Power Pack" - the code name for the troop movement. Later in 1965 while some of the 82nd were still on the island, Bob was reassigned to the 101st Airborne Division's 1st Brigade serving as a separate unit in Vietnam. His experience in Vietnam with the Brigade and the Screaming Eagles 13 major moves in 12 months is recorded in his second published book, "Vietnam Odyssey". Bob completed his military service with the 1st and 2nd Battalions of the 509th Airborne Infantry in Mainz, Germany. Bob was hired by the Dade County Florida Sheriff in 1969. At the same time, he attended college at Miami Dade North, and then went on to be in the first graduating class of Florida International University where he was the first editor of the campus newspaper, "Action". In June of 1973 Bob became the Director of Mountainview Development, a residential facility in Clarkesville, Georgia for mentally challenged adults. In 1976 he began his career with the Georgia Department of Corrections. He graduated from the University of Georgia with a Master of Arts Degree in Rehabilitative Counseling in 1979. In 1982 Bob developed and implemented the first Mental Health program for the Georgia Department of Corrections at the new correctional facility, Metro, in Atlanta, Georgia and served as the first Director of Mental Health. He retired from the Georgia Department of Corrections in 2000. Bob then began his advocacy of serving Veterans as Commander with the Veterans of Foreign Wars at the Eatonton, Georgia post. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – The Villages Chapter #1036** and served at a variety of local and state positions to include representing the State of Georgia in the VVA. Bob was elected to the VVA's National Board of Directors serving and representing Vietnam Veterans in Florida, Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands in a tireless effort to insure veterans received the benefits they earned through service to country. Bob is survived by his wife Gabrielle (née Mani) Northington Barry, daughters April Masini of Naples, FL and Trisha Barry of New York City, sons Ollie Strickland and Alan Strickland both of Atlanta Georgia, and sister Eileen (Richard) Bakhart of The Villages, Florida. Bob was interred at Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Florida. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Hospice of Citrus and the Nature Coast. Care is provided by the Neptune Society.



RICHARD L. "Ric" BERNARDY – Died Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at Rosewood on Broadway in Fargo, North Dakota at the age of 66. He was a resident of Moorhead, Minnesota. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 24, 1950 to Esther and the late Otto Bernardy of Fargo, ND. Ric attended school in Fargo and graduated from North High. While in high school, Ric worked for Frank McCone Company delivering candy and snacks to area stores in the Lake country, as well as the F-M area. Ric also worked as an usher at the Fargo Theater. After graduation, Ric signed up with the United States Marine Corps and volunteered to go to Vietnam. He served two years (1970-1972) in the Marines and was promoted to Lance Corporal. Ric was very proud to be a Marine and serving his country. He was an *At-Large Member* for **Vietnam Veterans of America – Minnesota**. After his service, Ric worked for various plumbing outfits in the area. He is survived by his mother, Esther Bernardy, his son, Justin (Mandy) Bernardy and grandson, Carson. He is also survived by his sisters, Renee Buckman of Moorhead, MN, and Rita (John) Kamp of Burleson, Texas. He was preceded in death by his father (Otto), and brothers Rodger and Randy Bernardy. A memorial service was held at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 27, 2017 at the Boulger Funeral Home in Fargo, North Dakota. The burial was in the Riverside Cemetery in Fargo with Military Funeral Honors.



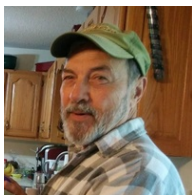
ALAN MICHAEL "Barney" BOESCH - Died Monday, September 10, 2012 at Celebration Health Hospital in Celebration, Florida at the age of 62, after a brief illness. He was a resident of Davenport, Florida and formerly of Lake City, Florida. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Erie, Pennsylvania on September 5, 1950 to the late Donald and Marie (née Bernadowicz) Boesch. Alan was raised and educated in Erie County. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War in the 5th Infantry Division. After his discharge from the military he returned to the Erie area and went to work at Kaiser Aluminum. In 2012 he moved to Florida. He was a member of Disabled American Veterans Chapter (PA) #73, Edinboro/McKean VFW Post #740, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Erie (Pennsylvania) Chapter #435**, Erie PA and the Walnut Creek Gun Club. He enjoyed hunting, had been an original member of the music group, "Black Diamond", a 50/60's tribute band that toured Erie County. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brother, Donald "Donny" Boesch. He will be deeply missed by his wife, Sarah Lynn (née Mitchell) Boesch, whom he married on September 1, 1997; his daughter, Jeanie Rush and her husband Gregory of Davenport, FL; his son, Alan James "A.J." Boesch of Pittsburgh, PA; his stepdaughter, Beth Knoll and her husband, Randy of Erie; sister, Linda Martin and her husband Jim; brother, Kevin Boesch of Tenn.; and grandchildren, Noah, Raven, Anna, Damien and Andrew. Family and

friends were invited to attend a Memorial Service on Friday, September 28th, at 1:00 PM at 9465 Middle Road, Lake City, PA with military honors. Reverend Brock Beveridge officiated. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Paralyzed Veterans of America, National Veterans Wheelchair Games, 801 18th Street, NW Washington, DC 20006-3517.

ROBERT L. BOYD - Died recently in 2018 in Belton, Missouri at the age of 86. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 17, 1931. He is survived by his wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kansas City Chapter #317**.

WILLIAM SHELDON “Bill” BROWN – Died Monday, April 9, 2018 in Kirby, Vermont at the age of 69. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related ALS – Lou Gehrig’s disease. He was born on January 22, 1949 in Saint Johnsbury, Vermont to the late Herbert Irving Brown and Wanda Anita (née Sheldon) Brown- Ellsworth. Between 1969 and 1980, Bill served in the United States Marine Corps with Company H, 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, 3rd Marine Division earning the rank of Staff Sergeant. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bennington Chapter #601**. A Celebration of Life was held at the VFW Post #10038 from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM on April 14, 2018. Donations can be made in Bill's name to Caledonia Home Health Care and Hospice, 161 Sherman Drive, Saint Johnsbury, VT 05819 or the ALS Association, Northern New England Chapter, 10 Ferry Street, Suite #309, Concord, NH 03301.

JIMMIE ELDON BRYANT (USAF, MSGT-Ret.) - Died Friday, January 12, 2018 in Des Arc, Arkansas at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 9, 1950 in Prescott, Arizona to the late Veldon and Helen Bryant. Jimmie proudly served in the United States Air Force and retired as a MSGT. He was an avid bowler and an advocate for veterans. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Sherwood Chapter #184**. Jimmie was also preceded in death by his wife, Rosalina Sally Bryant. He is survived by his daughters, Bobbie Jo Bryant, Cheryl Bryant and Nicky Bryant; three grandchildren, Felicity, Caiden, and Darwin; a brother, John W. Bryant; two sisters, Jorja Kelly- Swain (James) and Vel Donna Troup (Steven), and; a host of nieces and nephews. Cremation arrangements were under the trusted care and direction of A Natural State Funeral Service, 2620 West Main Street, Jacksonville, Arkansas, 72076.



THEODORE E. “Ted” BYRUM – Died Sunday, April 22, 2018 in Kimberling City, Missouri at the age of 71. The cause of death was a stroke. He born on June 30, 1946 in Dodge City, Kansas to the late William and Edna (née Nuss) Byrum. Ted had been a resident of the area for 10 years, moving here from Lewis, Kansas. He was a Postmaster for the U.S. Mail Service. He was a member of the Peace Lutheran Church in Hollister, MO. Ted served his country proudly in the United States Navy. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Branson Chapter #913**. Survivors include: his wife, Carla Byrum of Kimberling City,

MO; his son, Matthew Byrum and wife, Nicole of Plato, MO; his daughter, Angela Metzger and husband, Nathan of Hollister, MO; two brothers, Alvin A. Byrum and wife, Gloria of Columbia, MO and Gary Byrum and wife, Rose of Las Cruces, NM; his sister, Julie Lee and husband, Ben of Wichita, KS; two grandchildren, Glenn Metzger and Maura Metzger, and; a host of other family and friends. A Celebration of Life for Ted was held on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at 2:00 PM at the Stumpff Funeral Chapel Kimberling City, MO with Reverend Emil Bartos officiating. The arrangements were under the direction of the Stumpff Funeral Home Kimberling City, MO.

HOWARD N. CANNON – Died recently in 2018 in Chattanooga, Tennessee at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 21, 1943. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Chattanooga Chapter #203**.

RUBEN CASTILLO – Died recently in 2018 in Columbus, Texas at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 23, 1947. He is survived by his brother, Roque. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Columbus Chapter #1127**.

PETER LESLIE CHRISTENSEN – Died Friday, October 27, 2017 in Harker Heights, Texas at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 21, 1950. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Harker Heights Chapter #1000**.



ROBERT FITZHUGH "Bob" CLEMMONS - Died Thursday, April 5, 2018 in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 17, 1937 in Wilmington, North Carolina to the late jams and Virginia Clemmons-Rigby. Robert was a resident of Fort Oglethorpe for over 50 years and was of the Catholic faith. Robert served in the United States Army and retired after 12 years as a Staff Sergeant. He served in the Vietnam War where he was awarded the Bronze Star, two Purple Hearts and received his CIB. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Chattanooga Chapter #203**. Robert was a Freemason and member of Tompkins Lodge #466. He was preceded in death by his wife of 44 years, Laura Mae Clemmons who was the love of his life; and sister, Dottie Clemmons. Survivors are his son, Robert (Angela) Clemmons, Rossville; daughter, Victoria (Billy) Riddle, Chickamauga; grandchildren, William (Ashley) Mathew, Fort Oglethorpe, Keyoda Hall, Lafayette, Dana Clemmons, Rossville; brothers, Frank Clemmons, Wilmington, N.C., Bobo Clemmons, Louisiana, Joe Clemmons, Fort Oglethorpe, Johnny Rigsby, Chattanooga, Oscar "Bookie" Rigsby, Florida; sister, Deloris, Florida; great-grandchild, Gabe De Leon-Roldan, Lafayette; and several nieces and nephews. The family would like to thank Kristie Hardin of peace for you for her care and compassion taking care of Bob Clemmons. Funeral services were at 2:00 PM on Monday, in the funeral home chapel with Reverend Lamar Walker and Colin Crosen co-officiating. Honorary pallbearers were members of the Vietnam Veterans group of

the Chattanooga Vet Center. Visit www.heritagebattlefield.com to share words of comfort with the family and view the memorial tribute. The family received friends from 12:00 Noon to 7:00 PM on Sunday at the Heritage Funeral Home, Battlefield Parkway.

WILLIAM COLEMAN – Died Friday, January 26, 2018 in Reno, Nevada. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 6, 2018. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War in an Airborne Division. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Sparks Chapter #989**.



DAVID L. COLPETZER - Died Friday, September 15, 2017 at the Mount Nittany Medical Center in State College, Pennsylvania at the age of 67. The cause of death was lung cancer and renal failure. He was born on December 23, 1949 in Howard, Pennsylvania to the late Paul Colpetzer and Margaret (née Meek) Rockey. David was a graduate of Bellefonte Area High School. After graduation, he enlisted in the United States Army, serving in Vietnam as a field medic and orthotic specialist, for his services he received the Army Commendation Medal, Bronze Star Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Combat Medical Badge, Marksman, Qualification Badge, and Army Service Ribbon. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Silver Spring (Maryland) Chapter #641**. David retired from the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority as a driver. He is survived by two daughters; Karin Colpetzer (Jamie), of Bellefonte, Mitzi Miller (John) of Jersey Shore, four grandchildren, Caden Bathurst, Morgan Colpetzer, Elle and Sophia Miller and one great-grandchild, Loreili Colpetzer. Also surviving are two sisters; Dorothy "Dot", Joni, and two brothers, Paul and Timothy. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Ava Bathurst. David enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. His passion was his muscle cars. Dad, you must know that without you in our life anymore our hearts will never be the same, as you take a piece of all of us with you. Rest easy brave soldier, our forever hero. Funeral services were private at the convenience of the family. David was laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia. Arrangements were under the direction of Wetzler Funeral Service, Inc., Bellefonte. Online condolence may be made to the family at www.wetzlerfuneralhome.com.



LARRY JAMES COULURIS – Died Saturday, February 10, 2018 in Port Sainte Lucie, Florida at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 3, 1939. He is survived by his wife, Helen of the home. He was a member of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Sainte Lucie Chapter #566**.

RICHARD S. COX – Died in 2010 in Kansas City, Kansas. The cause of death is unknown. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Arkansas**. He is survived by his wife.

RICHARD A. CRAGER, SR. – Died Saturday, February 17, 2018 at Charlotte Hall Veterans Home in Charlotte Hall, Maryland at the age of 73. The cause of death was Parkinson's disease and Dementia. He was born and raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on August 6, 1944. He was a resident of Saint Mary County, Maryland. Richard was a United States Navy Vietnam Veteran. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Greenville (South Carolina) Chapter #523**. He was the beloved husband of 52 years to Janice (née Burkholder). Crager; loving father of Richard A. Crager, Jr. (Christy), Anthony "Tony" (Jenni), Chris (Tiffany) and Janice Marvel (Brian); Pop to Taylor, Cody, Cameron, Makayla, Jordon, Jonathan and the late Nicholas, and; survived by one sister, Virginia Joyce. Relatives and friends were invited to gather on Friday April 20, 2018 from 10:00-10:45 AM at Christ the King Church, 3252 Chesterfield Road (at Morrell Avenue) Philadelphia, PA 19114 followed by his Funeral Mass at 11:00 AM. Interment was in the Washington Crossing National Cemetery, Newtown, PA. In lieu of flowers donations in his memory to the Leonard Town Volunteer Rescue Department or the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home in Charlotte Hall, MD would be appreciated.



ROGER MELVIN JOSEPH CROCHET - Died Saturday, April 14, 2018 in Alexandria, Louisiana at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 29, 1946 to the late Joe and Lillie (née Bearb) and Melvin Crochet. He proudly served his country during two tours of duty in Vietnam as a member of the United States Navy. He was also a talented musician and vocalist and was the proud owner of VeeLanh's (Ugly's Enterprises, LLC) Seasoning. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Jennings Chapter #1058**. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn (née Breaux) Crochet; one daughter, Trisha Wise and her husband Rick, of New Braunfels, TX; five stepsons, David Hebert and his wife Janet, of Branch, Booger Hebert and his wife Lisa, of Evangeline, Jarrod Breaux and his wife Kim, of Iota, Kade Breaux and his wife Crystal, of Erath, and Turtle Breaux and his wife Amanda, of Iota; one sister, Candy Kidder, of Cypress, TX; one brother, Craig Bearb, of Austin, TX; one granddaughter, sixteen grandsons, one great-granddaughter, and one great-grandson. He is preceded in death by his parents, Joe and Lillie Bearb and Melvin Crochet; one infant daughter, Tammy Crochet; one infant son, Ryan Crochet. Funeral Services were held at 11:00 AM on Monday, April 16, 2018 at the Geesey-Ferguson Funeral Home in Iota. Pastor James Cart of the Iota Baptist Church in Iota officiated over the services. The family requested visiting hours be held on Sunday from 5:00 PM until 11:00 PM and on Monday from 8:00 AM until the time of service. Condolences may be sent to the family by www.geesey-ferguson.com. Arrangements were entrusted to the Geesey-Ferguson Funeral Home, Inc. of Iota.



PHILIP ANDREW CROUSE - Died Wednesday, March 14, 2018 in Columbiana, Ohio at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 28, 1944 in Salem, Ohio.

Philip was a resident of Columbiana, Ohio at the time of passing. Philip was a 1962 graduate of Columbiana High School and served in the United States Army. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Washingtonville Chapter #40*. The funeral service was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, March 17, 2018 at the Warrick-Kummer-Rettig Funeral Home, Columbiana with Pastor Jeffrey Corbett officiating. The burial was in the Columbiana Cemetery where military honors were accorded by the Salem Honor Guard. Material tributes may be made to the York Drexler Post #5532 VFW of Washingtonville. Sign the guest register and send condolences to the family at www.familycareservices.com Donations may be made to: The York Drexler Post #5532 VFW of Washingtonville 575 South County Road, Washingtonville OH 44490. Visitation hours were at the Warrick-Kummer-Rettig Funeral Home from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on March 17, 2018. Material tributes may be made to the York Drexler Post #5532 VFW of Washingtonville. Sign the guest register and send condolences to the family at www.familycareservices.com Donations may be made to: The York Drexler Post #5532 VFW of Washingtonville 575 South County Road, Washingtonville, OH 44490 Visitation at the Warrick-Kummer-Rettig Funeral Home was from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on March 17, 2018.



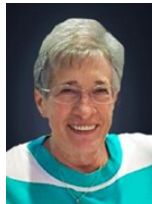
THOMAS A. CROWELL - Died Wednesday, January 10, 2018 in Hobart, Indiana at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 17, 1945 to the late Woodrow and Thelma Crowell. Thomas is survived by his wife, Rita Brennan; his stepchildren, Karen (Raymond) Etchason, of Valparaiso, Shawn (Kristin) Brennan, of Shakopee, MN, Kimberly Brennan, of Beirut, Lebanon and Kristine (Jonah) Besch, of Valparaiso; three grandchildren, Kaylin and Kelley Brennan, and Miles Besch; his sister, Loretta Crowell, of Denver, CO. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Agnes Crowell; parents: Woodrow and Thelma Crowell. Thomas graduated from Crown Point High School and obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Indiana State University. He served as a Medic in Vietnam with the United State Army. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Portage Chapter #905*. Thomas worked at Bearing Headquarters, Indiana State Employment Agency and for the Veteran's Administration. He was a member of Bethel Church in Crown Point. Friends gathered with the family on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 directly at Bethel Church, 10202 Broadway, Crown Point, IN 46307 from 10:00 AM until the time of the Memorial Service at 11:00 AM, with Pastor Gary Butler officiating. Services concluded at the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given in Thomas' name to Bethel Church in Crown Point; Vietnam Veterans of America, 1235 South Clark Street, Suite #910, ATTN: VVA77, Arlington, VA 22202; or Vet Center, 107 East 93rd Avenue, Crown Point, IN 46307. The arrangements were entrusted to the Geisen Funeral and Cremation Services in Merrillville, IN.



JACK H. DeHART (USAF, TSGT-Ret.) - Died Friday, March 30, 2018 at the Siegenthaler Center in New Hartford, New York at the 88. He was a resident of Marcy, New York. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on February 15, 1930 in Danville, Virginia to the late Prentiss and Lillie Rosebud (née Pritchett) DeHart. Jack was raised and educated in Danville, where he attended Schoolfield High School. In September of 1946, Mr. DeHart enlisted in the United States Air Force. He served in WWII, the Korean War and Vietnam. He was wounded in Vietnam in May of 1967 and medically retired with over 22 years of active service in 1968. Jack was awarded many ribbons and medals, including WWII Victory Medal, the Korean Service Medal with a Silver Star and a Bronze Star. His service in Vietnam was in the Dept. of Defense Service Unit. He received the Vietnam Service Medal in 1966-1967 and the Vietnam Presidential Unit Citation and Letter of Appreciation from the Republic of Korean Forces on October 24, 1966. On October 27, 1968, he married the former Norma Jean Tiffany, a union blessed with over 49 years of marriage. Jack and his wife enjoyed researching many family genealogies throughout the years. Both Jack and Norma Jean were life members of the Lewis County Historical Association in Lowville, NY and the Sauquoit United Methodist Church in Sauquoit, NY. Jack held life memberships with the DAV Chapter Wheeler Stars-Stripes #82, Utica, NY, the Malsan Jones VFW 7393, New York Mills, NY, the American Legion-Charles J. Love, DSC, Post 406, Boonville, NY and the Air Force Sergeants Association, Chapter #174, Rome, NY. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Utica Chapter #944**. Surviving are his beloved wife, Norma Jean; several nieces and nephews; great-nieces and great-nephews. He was preceded in death by two sisters-in-law, Nina Margaret (Tiffany) Steet and Joan (Tiffany) Corbin. Visitation hours were held on Wednesday afternoon from 4:00-6:00 PM at the Smith Funeral Home, 3022 Oneida Street, Sauquoit, NY 13456. Jack's funeral service and Celebration of Life took place immediately following visitation on Wednesday evening at 6:00 PM at the funeral home. The family would like to express their gratitude to Dr. Najam Din, Faxton-Saint Luke's Health Care, Sixth Floor Oncology Unit and the nurses and staff of the Siegenthaler Center for the care and compassion shared with Mr. DeHart and his family. Donations, in Jack's memory, may be considered to either the DAV Chapter Wheeler Stars-Stripes #82, 409 Herkimer Road, Utica, NY 13502, the Malsan Jones VFW 7393, 21 Garden Street, New York Mills, NY 13417, the American Legion-Charles J. Love, DSC, Post #406, 124 East Schuyler Street, Boonville, NY 13309, or the Air Force Sergeants Association, Chapter #174, Rome, NY. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Interment, with full Military Honors, was in the Glendale Cemetery in Glenfield, NY in the Spring.

WILLIAM J. "Billy" "Bill" DEVEREAUX - Died Tuesday, October 24, 2017 in Dingmans Ferry, Pennsylvania at the age of 69, surrounded by family. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on June 29, 1948 in Englewood, New Jersey to the late John and Mildred (née Wilkinson) Devereaux and was then raised in Fort Lee, New Jersey. William was a United States Army Vietnam War veteran who proudly served in the 129th Assault Helicopter Company. He then

served for 27 years as a firefighter on Truck #12 for the Newark Fire Department, Newark, NJ before retiring. He was a proud member of the Marsch Kellogg American Legion Post #139, Milford, PA, a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Dingmans Ferry Chapter #623** and the Essex Emerald Society. Bill was a passionate bagpipe player and throughout his retirement, enjoyed hunting, fishing, training his English Setters, watching Yankees baseball and John Wayne movies. He leaves behind his beloved wife, Elizabeth Devereaux; his daughter and son-in-law, Kimberly Maurer and Brian and grandchildren, Caitlyn and Declan. Bill's ability to bring people together was incredible and he will be lovingly remembered and dearly missed by many family and friends. Friends may call on Stroyan's Funeral Home, 405 West Harford Street, Milford, PA 18337 on Sunday, October 29, 2017 to pay respects from 4:00 to 8:00 PM. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated with Reverend Father Alfred Vito officiating on Monday, October 30, 2017 at 11:00 AM at Saint Patrick Church, 111 East High Street, Milford, PA 18337. Memorial donations may be made to Compassionate Care Hospice Foundation, 248 East Chestnut Hill Road, Suite #4, Newark, DE 19713 or Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, 1275 York Avenue, New York, NY 10065. Arrangements were made by the Stroyan Funeral Home, 405 West Harford Street, Milford, PA (stroyanfuneralhome.com).



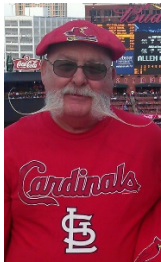
VIRGINIA S. (née Scursatone) DOWNEY - Died Sunday, April 8, 2018 in Chicopee, Massachusetts at the age of 74. The cause of death was sepsis. She passed into Eternal Life at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield surrounded by the care and comfort of her loving husband, Neil. She was born in Calicoon, New York on July 12, 1943 to the late John V. and Blanche A. (née Rotolo) Scursatone. She was raised in Minisink Ford, NY and graduated from Eldred Central School in Eldred, NY. She furthered her education and received a Certificate in Medical Billing and Coding from Holyoke Community College. She moved to Chicopee in 1965 where she resided the remainder of her life. She served her country during the Vietnam War in the United States Air Force and attained the rank of Staff Sergeant. She was employed as a Medical Records Technician and later as an Administrative Assistant at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield. She was an educator at Holyoke Community College. She also worked as a consultant at numerous local nursing homes and hospitals. Active in her Catholic faith, she was a communicant of Saint Anne Church in Chicopee where she also served as a Lector and a Eucharistic Minister. She was a member of the First Battalion Fourth Marines Ladies Auxiliary Association, the East Springfield American Legion Post #420 and a dedicated longtime volunteer along with her husband, Neil, at the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery in Agawam. She was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #111**. Her family would like to extend their deepest thanks to the medical, surgical and nursing staffs of Baystate Medical Center for their professional and compassionate care shown to Virginia. She leaves her beloved husband and best friend, Neil E. Downey. They were married on August 24, 1985 at the Holyoke House in Holyoke and were blessed with over 32 years of happiness together. She also leaves her four dear sisters-in-law, Revelle Scursatone of Liberty, NY, Barbara Downey of Chicopee, Melinda Costello and her husband, Philip Costello, Jr., of Wells, ME and Kathleen

McCann and her husband, Patrick, of Holyoke; her beloved cousin, Martha Dunn and her husband, Frank, of Enfield, CT; and her many dear nephews, nieces, friends and extended family members both here and in Italy. In addition to her beloved parents, she was also predeceased by her dear brother, Peter Scursatone; and her dear brother-in-law, Richard Downey. Her Funeral was held on Friday, April 13, 2018 beginning at the Saint Pierre-Phaneuf Fairview Chapels, 506 Britton Street, Chicopee, MA 01020, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 AM at Saint Anne Church, 30 College Street, Chicopee, MA 01020. Her Committal Service with United States Air Force Military Honors was at 1:00 PM in the Chapel at the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, 1390 Main Street, Agawam, MA 01001. Her family received friends at the funeral home on Thursday, April 12, 2018 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM. For those who prefer, her family requests that memorial donations be made in her memory to Soldier On, 425 North Main Street, Building 6, Leeds, MA 01053.



ROGER THEODORE EASON - Died Sunday evening, May 13, 2018 at his home in Dunn, North Carolina at the age of 75. The cause of death was a heart attack. Roger was born December 19, 1942 in Princeton, North Carolina to the late Theodore and Myde Elizabeth (née Woodard) Eason. Roger was a 1961 graduate of Smithfield High School and attended East Carolina University. He worked as a welder for one year. His father, Ted Eason, owned a furniture store in Clayton and kept insisting that he go to work for him...it lasted about 30 days!! For sure, the furniture business was not for him! This decision produced a need to pursue a new profession. Roger was told that Carolina Telephone and Telegraph was hiring, so off to Tarboro, NC to fill out an application he went. They hired him the same day of the interview and asked where he wanted to work.... he said, "Close to Smithfield, but not in Smithfield!" They told him about an opening in Dunn. Roger asked, "Where is Dunn?" They said, "About 6 miles from Benson." He said, "I'll take it!" Little did he know how making this decision would affect the rest of his life. After working two years with Carolina Telephone, the Vietnam War began. Roger was drafted in the United States Army in November of 1965. He served one year in Vietnam as a combat medic. He came back to Carolina Telephone in 1967. Roger had saved his money and paid cash for a new "1967 Sports Fury Plymouth." This was a very instrumental tool in how he met his lovely wife Joyce. You see, she noticed the car long before she noticed Roger...True. They were married February 11, 1968. This date was chosen because it was his parents, Myde and Ted, wedding date also. Roger worked with Carolina Telephone and Telegraph through three name changes...ending up Sprint. After thirty-Nine years, he retired, only to go back into business for himself as retirement was not for him. He moved forward to opening his own business called Eason Communications. Roger enjoyed attending Gospel Tabernacle Church, especially Sunday School. He loved all sports, especially BASEBALL. He was an avid supporter of NCSU and the Triton High School Baseball program. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Four Oaks Chapter #990**. A funeral service was held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at the Gospel Tabernacle Church with Reverends Randy Hill and Kelly Clark co-officiating. The burial was in the Hills of Neuse Memory Gardens

in Smithfield. Roger is survived by his wife, Joyce (née Dixon) Eason; his sons, Rodney Eason and wife, Shannon, of Dunn and Clay Eason and wife, Holly, of Bloomington, Indiana; his grandchildren, Amanda Johnson and husband, Zack, Ashlynn Byerly and husband, Ben, Audrey and Isaac; his great-grandchild, Mary Scott Johnson, and; his sister, Susan Hill, of Smithfield. The family received friends from 6:00-8:00 PM on Wednesday at the Skinner and Smith Funeral Home in Dunn. Flowers were welcomed; however, memorials may be made to: Triton High School Baseball, 215 Maynard Lake Road, Erwin, North Carolina or Disabled American Veterans Chapter #74, P.O. Box 66, Erwin, NC 28339.



JAMES JOSEPH EDLER - Died Tuesday, January 2, 2018 in O'Fallon, Missouri at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Saint Louis, Missouri in August 8, 1942 to the late Leo Bernard and Anna Rose Edler. He was the beloved husband of 46 years to Olivia Edler; devoted father of Matthew (Jamie Lynn Kopsie) Edler and Kate (Kyle) Koehly; loving grandfather of Braden Kopsie, Joseph Edler, and Augustus Koehly; dear brother of Thomas (Joyce) Edler and the late Robert L. Edler. James is also survived by his mother-in-law Elizabeth Carpenter and many other loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. James proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Wounded Warrior Project, the VFW Supporter Club, as well as an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Missouri**. James was dearly loved and will be missed by all who knew him. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in James' honor to the Wounded Warrior Project. Memorial Gathering was at the Baue Funeral & Memorial Center on Friday, January 5, 2018 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM.



RONALD "R." LEE ERMEY – Died Sunday Monday, April 15, 2018 in Palmdale, California at the age of 74. The cause of death was pneumonia-related complications. He was born in 1944 in Kansas. He was a former United States Marine who made a career in Hollywood playing hard-nosed military men like Gunnery Sgt. Hartman in Stanley Kubrick's "Full Metal Jacket". He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Santa Clarita Chapter #355**. The Kansas native was nominated for a Golden Globe Award for his memorable performance in "Full Metal Jacket," in which he immortalized lines such as: "What is your major malfunction?" His co-stars Matthew Modine and Vincent D'Onofrio tweeted their condolences Sunday evening. "#Semper Fidelis Always faithful. Always loyal. Do not go gentle into that good night. Rage, rage against the dying of the light," Modine wrote, quoting the Dylan Thomas poem. "RIP amigo. PVT. Joker." Vincent D'Onofrio added: "Erme was the real deal. The

knowledge of him passing brings back wonderful memories of our time together." Born Ronald Lee Ermev in 1944, Ermev served 11 years in the Marine Corps and spent 14 months in Vietnam and then in Okinawa, Japan, where he became staff sergeant. His first film credit was as a helicopter pilot in Francis Ford Coppola's "Apocalypse Now," which was quickly followed by a part in "The Boys in Company C" as a drill instructor. He raked in more than 60 credits in film and television across his long career in the industry, often playing authority figures in everything from "Se7en" to "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" remake. The part he would become most well-known for, in "Full Metal Jacket," wasn't even originally his. Ermev had been brought on as a technical consultant for the 1987 film, but he had his eyes on the role of the brutal gunnery sergeant and filmed his own audition tape of him yelling out insults while tennis balls flew at him. An impressed Kubrick gave him the role. Kubrick told Rolling Stone that 50 percent of Ermev's dialogue in the film was his own. "In the course of hiring the marine recruits, we interviewed hundreds of guys. We lined them all up and did an improvisation of the first meeting with the drill instructor. They didn't know what he was going to say, and we could see how they reacted. Lee came up with, I don't know, 150 pages of insults," Kubrick said. According to Kubrick, Ermev also had a terrible car accident one night in the middle of production and was out for four and half months with broken ribs. Ermev would also go on to voice the little green army man Sarge in the "Toy Story" films. He also played track and field coach and Nike co-founder Bill Bowerman in "Prefontaine," General Kramer in "Toy Soldiers" and Mayor Tilman in "Mississippi Burning." Ermev also hosted the History Channel series "Mail Call" and "Lock N' Load with R. Lee Ermev" and was a board member for the National Rifle Association, as well as a spokesman for Glock. "He will be greatly missed by all of us," Rogin said. "It is a terrible loss that nobody was prepared for." Rogin says that while his characters were often hard and principled, the real Ermev was a family man and a kind and gentle soul who supported the men and women who serve.



STEPHEN J. "Steve" FALHAMER, JR. - Died Thursday evening, February 8, 2018 at the Riverside Methodist Hospital in Columbus, Ohio at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 20, 1948 in Sharon, Pennsylvania to the late Stephen and Julia Ann (née Wasilow) Falhamer. He was a 1966 graduate of Brookfield High School. Shortly after high school, he joined the United States Army and served his country until his honorable discharge in 1974. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Athens Chapter #100**. He then continued his education at the Hocking Technical College until 1978. He worked for the United States Postal Service in Albany for 30 years until he retired in 2010. He was a devout Roman Catholic and a past member of Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church. He was a loving and caring brother and uncle. Stephen will be deeply missed by his loving sisters, Mary (Dale) Stoeckel and Tracy (Albert) Betler; his brother, Frank Falhamer; his nephew, Jeffrey Betler; and his niece, Lisa Betler. He was preceded in death by his parents. Funeral services for Stephen were held on Monday, February 12, 2018 at 11:00 AM at the Lane Family Funeral Homes - Madasz Chapel, 6923 Warren-Sharon Road in Brookfield, officiated by The Very Reverend Father Zanni, V.F. The burial took place at Brookfield Township Cemetery.



LESLIE MARCIA FELDSTEIN – Died Tuesday, December 26, 2017 at the Merry Heart Facility in Boonton, New Jersey, where she lived for the last 9 years. She was 72 years of age. He previously lived in Kinnelon, New Jersey and Wellesley, Massachusetts. The cause of death was sepsis from dioxin poisoning. She was born on December 24, 1945 in Providence, Rhode Island to the late Sydney and Lily Feldstein. Leslie enlisted in the United States Army Nurse Corps and was assigned to the Evacuation Hospital in Chu Lai during the Vietnam War. She was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – James Michael Ray Memorial Chapter (Woonsocket) Chapter #818**. She returned to Vietnam with other veterans on a VA sponsored trip in June of 1990 as an experiment of healing by bringing war veterans back to their areas of operation. Leslie was the only woman on that trip of all men Army and Marine Corps veterans. She was very active in the early days of women Vietnam Veterans attempting to gain attention and bringing the topic of Post-Traumatic Stress that afflicted Nurses who cared of dying and severely injured soldiers and Marines. She had a chapter in the book Women in Combat under a false name, i.e., Leslie McCluskey and one other book as well. Leslie is survived by his brother and sister-in-law, Richard and Judy Feldstein and her sister and brother-in-law, Lois and Thomas Hurley. Graveside services were held at a privately funded Northern New Jersey Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Sparta, New Jersey. She had an Honor Guard of ten Vietnam Veterans, Buglar/Taps, Flag Presentation and remarks by the head Vietnam Veteran. The Bergen County Funeral Home in Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey oversaw the arrangements.

EUGENE FIELDS – Died Wednesday, January 4, 2017 in Allen Park, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He is survived by his wife, of the home. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Southgate Chapter #259**.



WILLIAM J. "Billy" FINCH - Died Wednesday, January 31, 2018 in his home in Boston, Massachusetts's North End at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Boston, Massachusetts on January 24, 1951 to Susie (née Florio) and the late George "Tommy" Finch. The was the former husband to Maureen Bruno; loving father of Rosemarie Finch; cherished grandfather of Michael, Mikaela, Thomas and Damian; dear brother of Therese Breen and her husband, Paul, and; also survived by many loving family members and friends. The family received visitors on Monday from 4:00-8:00 PM in the Boston Harborside Home, 580 Commercial Street, Boston. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Tuesday at 10:00 AM in Saint Leonard Church, corner of Hanover and Prince Streets, Boston. To join procession to church, be at funeral home for 9:00 AM. Services concluded with interment in Saint Michael Cemetery, Roslindale. Billy was the late Sergeant-At-Arms of Saint Agrippina Society; a late

United States Marine Corps Veterans who served in Vietnam and received a Purple Heart. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – James Michael Ray Memorial (Woonsocket, Rhode Island) Chapter #818**. In lieu of flowers make donations to the Saint Agrippina Society, in memory of Billy Finch, 459 Hanover Street, Boston, MA.



THOMAS LESTER FISHBAUGHER - Died Sunday, March 11, 2018 at Saint Mary's Hospital in Rochester, Minnesota at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 14, 1946 in Lanesboro, Minnesota to the late Francis "Fuzz" and Alberta (née Lange) Fishbauger. He grew up in rural Harmony, Minnesota on the family farm and graduated with honors from Harmony High School in May 1964. After graduating high school, Tom attended Winona State College in Winona, Minnesota, graduating in May of 1968 with a Bachelor of Science degree (with honors) in Bio-Chemistry. On December 23, 1968, Thomas married Barbara Lee Matson at Greenfield Lutheran Church in Harmony, Minnesota. Shortly after their marriage, Tom and Barb acquired the farmland and home adjacent to Tom's parent's farmland and homestead and raised their family there. Thomas was drafted into the United States Army and served in the Vietnam War from September 1968 until July 1970. He earned the ranking of Staff Sergeant (E-6), was a member of the First Air Cavalry Division and saw heavy combat while serving in the Infantry as a machine gunner. Tom was a sharpshooter while in the Army, becoming an expert with many weapons, including the M-14, M-16 and the M-60. Thomas was a highly decorated veteran and was honorably discharged in 1970, having received a National Defense Medal, a Bronze Star, two Air Medals (For Completion Of 60-Or-More Combat Assaults), a Vietnam Campaign Medal, An Army Commendation Medal, a Purple Heart, a Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, a Decoration of Valor, and three Presidential Citations. His photograph/image as a member of the Army can be seen in or on the cover(s) of many Vietnam War related books, magazines and publications and even can still be seen in today's social media and video games. Upon his return from serving in Vietnam, he resumed the operations of the family farming business alongside his father, Francis. Thomas also was employed for many years at the Granger State Bank of Granger, Minnesota and the First Southeastern Bank of Harmony, Minnesota. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Minnesota**. Thomas is survived by his daughter, Sandra (Kyle) Miller, and two grandchildren, Drew Miller and Paige Miller, all of Kewaskum, Wisconsin; his son, Joseph (Nichole) Fishbauger, and two step-grandchildren, Jaden Olson and Mia Mendel, all of Brookings, South Dakota; his sister, Genny Hanson, of Preston, Minnesota; and a maternal cousin, Carolyn Kuester, of Kalamazoo, Michigan. Thomas is also survived by his two nephews, Keith Hanson of Spring Valley, Minnesota and Kyle Hanson, of Cresco, Iowa. He is also survived by his former wife, Barbara (née Matson) Fishbauger, along with many life-long friends and colleagues (especially Rich Bjortomt and Don Bellingham), and his beloved morbidly obese cat, Earl, who resides in Kewaskum with Sandra's family. Thomas was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Lester and Clara (née Miller) Lange; paternal grandparents, Patrick Devine and

Ella Mae Fishbaugher; parents, Francis “Fuzz” and Alberta (née Lange) Fishbaugher; one maternal uncle, Emery Lange; and one maternal aunt, Estelle Lange. Memorials/Donations can be directed to the Wounded Warrior Project or to Tom’s grandchildren’s and/or stepgrandchildren’s college funds. “His (Thomas’s) life is a testament to the reality that not every name of every serviceman lost in Vietnam appears on the Vietnam Memorial.” “Thomas, too, was a casualty of war.” U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Memorial services were at 11:00 AM on Monday, May 14th at Saint Matthews Lutheran Church, Granger, Minnesota. Friends called from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on Sunday at the Lindstrom Funeral Home in Harmony and from 10:00 AM until service time at the church. Inurnment was at 1:00 PM at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Preston, Minnesota.



EUGENE THOMAS FLANAGAN (USA, LTC-Ret.) - Died Friday, October 05, 2007 at the Park West Medical Center in Knoxville, Tennessee at the age of 90. He was a resident of Oliver Springs, Tennessee. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 3, 1917 in Brooklyn, New York to the late John and Ellen (née O’Sullivan) Flanagan. He lived in New Jersey before moving to Tennessee in 1975. He was a member of Friendly Welcome Baptist Church. He served our country in the United States Army for 26 years, receiving various accommodations, medals and citations. He served both in World War II and Vietnam. He was also a member of the Retired Officers Association, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Tennessee**. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his former wife, Shirley Flanagan; by three brothers, John, George, and Tom Flanagan; and by one sister, Eleanor Myers. He is survived by his wife, Betty (née Carter) Flanagan, of Oliver Springs; his daughter, Sharon Bedard and husband Victor, of Clearwater, Florida; his son, Kevan Flanagan of Eustis, FL; his stepchildren, Lorry Parks and husband Ivan, of Briceville, Mark Seiber and wife Gail, of Oliver Springs, Matthew Seiber and wife Kim, of Oliver Springs; his grandchildren, Paul Flanagan and wife, of Coco Beach, FL, Vicki Jo Ellis, of Clearwater, FL, Randy Bedard and wife Carey, of Knoxville; his step-grandchildren, Michael Parks and wife, Amanda, of Andersonville, Daniel Parks and friend, Tonya, of Briceville, Desirée Parks, of Briceville, Jordan Seiber and girlfriend, Lori, of Oliver Springs, John Seiber, of Oliver Springs, Joel Seiber, of Oliver Springs; his great-grandchildren, Kristina Ellis, Jaden Flanagan, Zoe Bedard, Kaleb Bedard, Noah Parks, and Kahlan Seiber; his sisters-in-law, Marlene Braden, of Knoxville, Pat Flanagan, of Alabaster, AL, Betty Flanagan, of Maryland and Jane Flanagan, of New Jersey; his brother-in-law, Tommy Carter and wife, Jean, of Oliver Springs, and; special friends, Ted Keorner, a lifelong friend, Philip Ellis and friends at Friendly Welcome Baptist Church. The family received friends on Saturday, October 6, 2007 between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 PM at the Sharp Funeral Home. Funeral services were held on Sunday, October 7, 2007 at 2:00 PM at Friendly Welcome Baptist Church with Reverends Glen Leffew and John Bonham co-officiating. Graveside services and burial were held at the Lively/Seiber Cemetery. Sharp Funeral Home oversaw the arrangements.

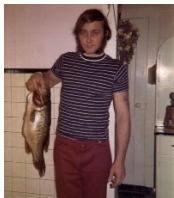


LYNN G. FORD - Died Sunday, April 22, 2018 at the Creighton University - Bergan Mercy Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska at the age of 73, due to complications of prostate cancer. He was a resident of Council Bluffs, Iowa. Lynn was born in Carroll, Iowa on July 28, 1944 to the late Victor and Gertrude (née Headlee) Ford of Coon Rapids, Iowa. He attended Carrollton School and graduated from Coon Rapids High School in 1962. He later attended Iowa Western Community College and UNO. On February 13, 2018 he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice Administration, Magna Cum Laude from Waldorf College, fulfilling a promise he made to his father that he would get a college degree, because in his senior year of high school he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and left for boot camp in San Diego the summer after graduation. Lynn proudly served with the 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines, 3rd Marine Division in California, Okinawa, the Philippines, and then Vietnam in 1964-1965. He is survived by his wife, Patti (née Krolikowski) Ford; his sons, Brett Ford and wife Beth, Rod Ford and wife Sharla; three granddaughters, Emma and Bennett Schwaller, Anna Ford, and Tera and Gage Griffeth; one great-grandson, Kace; other survivors are his siblings, Bob (Carol) Ford, Dick Ford, Donna (Dick) Schneider, Victoria Ford, Loa (Burdette) Christensen and Dan (Sue) Ford; sisters and brothers-in-law, Sharon (Ron) Riskowski, Elaine (Mark) Janulewicz, Don Krolikowski, Dave (Amy) Krolikowski, and; many nieces, nephews, and countless friends. In 1968 Lynn joined the Iowa Department of Public Safety and graduated from the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy. He was assigned to Council Bluffs and for eight years worked as a Driver's License Examiner, State Trooper, and Agent with the Bureau of Criminal Investigation. He was appointed Sheriff of Pottawattamie County in August of 1975, then elected twice before leaving in 1983 to work in the insurance industry. He sold personal lines insurance, commercial truck insurance, and started an insurance fraud department, before establishing his own private investigation company. In 2004 he went to work for a national insurance holding company where he managed the Special Investigations Unit, rising to Vice-President of the Risk Mitigation Unit from which he retired in 2014. In his insurance career he received a Certified Insurance Counselor designation and the Certified Fraud Examiner designation from the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners. Lynn was active at Saint Peter Catholic Church in Council Bluffs, serving in many ministries, was a Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus, and past Grand Knight of Council #1045. He currently served as President of the Council Bluffs Fish and Game Club. He was member of the National Sheriff's Association, the Iowa State Sheriffs' and Deputies Association, the Iowa Peace Officers Association, and a life member of the VFW, American Legion, and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Glenwood Chapter #798**. Anyone who knew him, knew that he loved the Marine Corps, law enforcement and football, especially the Iowa Hawkeyes and Kansas City Chiefs. In the summer you would find him fishing the lakes of western Iowa and in recent years he travelled many times to Canada. Lynn was a friend and mentor to many during his law enforcement and insurance careers, and after retirement. His family and friends are deeply grieved by his passing. Someone who had terminal cancer once said, "don't be sad for me, we all come to this world to be a tourist, enjoy life, do good deeds and I just so happen to leave earlier than others". The vigil service was on

Friday at 5:30 PM with visitation until 8:00 PM at the Hoy Kilnoski Funeral Home. The Mass of the Christian Burial was celebrated on Saturday at 10:30 AM at the Saint Peter Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Whiterock Conservancy, 1436 Highway 141, Coon Rapids, IA 50058, www.whiterockconservancy.org, the Vietnam Veterans of America, 8719 Colesville Road, Suite #100, Silver Spring, MD 20910, www.vva.org, or donor's choice.



DONALD PAUL "Don" FREDERICKSEN - Died Thursday, February 22, 2018 at Ava's Hospice House in Sioux Falls, South Dakota at the age of 71. He was a resident of White Lake, South Dakota. The cause of death was a stroke. He was born on October 12, 1946 in Plankinton, South Dakota to the late Earl and Mildred (née Gales) Fredericksen. He grew up in White Lake and graduated from White Lake High School. He served in the United States Air Force for four years, being stationed in Illinois, Texas, Thailand and Vietnam. While Don was in the Air Force, he learned to be a baker. He was employed at the Aurora-Brule Nursing Home for many years and worked as custodian in recent years at Mitchell Senior High and L.B. Williams School. He was a member of the Mitchell American Legion, Sioux Falls VFW and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Sioux Falls Chapter #959**. He is survived by two sisters, Joan Thiry, of White Lake and Connie Wagner, of Waterville, MN and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death his parents, an infant sister, Cindy and brother, Mike. Private inurnment services will be in Servicemen's Memorial Cemetery in Mitchell. Arrangements were with the Bittner Funeral Chapel in Mitchell.



MICHAEL LEE FRIEND - Died Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at his home in Oakland, Maryland at the age of 69. He was formerly of Frostburg, Maryland. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 18, 1947 in Keyser, West Virginia to the late Arnold B. and Alta G. (née Reckart) Friend. He was a proud veteran of the United States Army having served during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**. Mike had worked as a diesel mechanic for Sisler Lumber Company. He was an avid fisherman and hunter. He liked to relax and enjoy eating pizza and watching movies. He will be remembered as one who was willing to give anyone a hand. He is survived by a daughter, Kalendra "Kellie" Friend, of Frostburg; two sons, Jesse Friend and Jamie Friend and wife Melita, both of Oakland; four grandchildren, Makailly, Ainsley, Lincoln and Quintin; a sister, Annis Friend Colaw; two brothers, Darvin Friend and wife Eleanor and Richard Friend and wife Betty, and; several nieces and nephews. Friends were received at the C and S Fredlock Funeral Home, P.A., 21 N 2nd Street, Oakland on Friday, April 28th from 5:00 to 7:00 PM after which time a funeral service was held with Pastor Carl Fike, officiating. Military honors were accorded by the US Army and the combined honor guard of the American Legion Post #71

and the Deer Park VFW Post #10077. Interment took place in the Rocky Gap Veteran Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of Garrett County, PO Box 271, Oakland, MD 21550 or the Allegany County Animal Shelter, 602 Furnace Street, Cumberland, MD 21502.



ROBERTO GONZALEZ GARZA - Died Wednesday, May 9, 2018 in Conroe, Texas at the age of 74. He was formerly of Houston, Texas. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 30, 1943 in Kingsville, Texas to the late Felix Barrera Garza and Olivia (née Gonzales) Garza. He was also predeceased by his two sisters and three brothers. He is preceded in death by his sister, Amelida G. Olivas, brothers Orlando Garza and Raul Garza. As a young boy, Roberto picked cotton, sold newspapers and began his printing career in Kingsville, Texas. In 1956, he and his family moved to Houston where he attended Waltrip High School. In 1960 he joined the United State Navy – was involved in four campaigns including Cuba and Vietnam. Roberto was one of the 2000 Tejanos interpreters in the Invasion of Cuba. After his military service, he continued his education at Houston Technical Institute, San Jacinto Vocational High School, and Houston Community College with an Associated Applied Science Degree and Honorary Doctorate's Degree. He also attended the following universities and colleges to further his education: Clemson University, Illinois State University, Arizona State University, University of Pennsylvania and Kingwood College. A 35-year resident of Garden Oaks, Section 1 in Houston, TX, Roberto was a life-long civil rights activist, politician in the City of Houston. In 1965 he married Yolanda Cruz and had three children. Shortly after he started his own business, Garza Printing Company. He was a Journeyman in both Letterpress and Offset Printing and a member of the Gulf Coast Printing & Graphic Communication Union 71. Roberto was Department Head and Professor for the Graphic Arts/Printing department for 25 years with Houston Community College System and the Harris County Jail Printing Program, top printing programs in the United States at that time. He taught hundreds of students to be successful in the world of Graphic Arts. He also established a scholarship program for students in the Graphic Arts/Printing field. Roberto served on the Board of the Houston Club of Printing House Craftsman, Houston HISD Board of Directors, LULAC Educational Center and Houston Residents Citizens Participation Committee Development. His awards spanned his lifetime including The National LULAC Aztec Civic Rights Award; LULAC Man of the Year, local, district and state; Houston Citizen of the Week-El Sol Newspaper; The Benjamin Franklin Award (the only Hispanic to receive); the NISOD Teaching Excellent Award by HCC and University of Texas; The James M. Brahney Award; Who's Who Among Hispanic Americans in US; Service Award CASP Conference, Phi Theta Kappa Society; International Scholastic Honoree of HCC; The Jefferson Davis Medal of the UDC, Honorary Member of The Southern Cross 2502 UDC and numerous U.S. Navy medals and awards. Roberto was a member of the International Graphic Arts Educators Association, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Houston Chapter #343** in Houston, Veterans of Foreign War Post #1839 in Cleveland and American Legion Post #212 in Coldspring where he served as Commander. From 1966 to 1991 Roberto was involved in many community,

professional and veterans' affairs. He endorsed a Texas Resolution to hire bilinguals at Election Precincts with 25% or more Hispanics registered. He formed the first LULAC Council 659 in 1976 in North Houston, held many officer positions throughout the years. Additionally, he served as Public Relations Officer for District 8, District 8 Director for the Gulf Coast of LULAC, reporter for The Leader Newspaper, "Hispanic Noticias", El Sol Newspaper, and LULAC News and former member with the Shepherd Texas Library. A Historian and Genealogist, Roberto traced his family tree from Spain, Mexico and Texas. Roberto loved to educate others on the involvement of Tejanos participation during the American Civil War and especially proud of his ancestors serving under Brig. General Santos Benavides Company B & I, Regiment 33rd Texas Cavalry. He will be greatly missed by all who were fortunate enough to have known him. He is survived by daughters, Melissa Garza Fuller and husband Bill, Adelina Cruz Sanchez and husband Antonio, son, Roberto Valentin C. Garza, and granddaughter, Kayla Renee Sanchez, brother Felix Garza, Jr., sister Rosario Reyna and numerous nieces and nephews throughout the U.S. Thursday, May 17, 2018: Visitation and recitation of the Rosary were from 5:00-8:00 PM (Rosary at 7pm) on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at the Pat H. Foley and Company, 1200 West 34th Street, Houston, TX 77018. The Funeral Service was at 11:30 AM at the funeral home. Graveside service with Military Honors was at 1:15 PM at the Houston National Veterans Cemetery, 10410 Veterans Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77038.

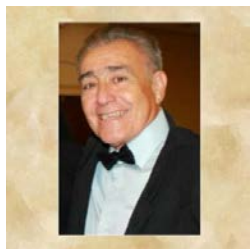
EUGENE CORNELIUS GOLDNER (USA, LTC-Ret.) - Died Thursday, August 24, 2017 at the Belle Reve Living Center at the age of 87. He was a resident of Dingmans Ferry, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was a stroke and cardiac issues. Eugene was born on August 29, 1929 in Jersey City, New Jersey to the late George and Ann (née Kelleher) Goldner. He was married to Norma Harris for 59 years. Eugene's Army career spanned 37 years, including active duty and the New York Army National Guard. He served 19 months in Vietnam where he was awarded a Purple Heart and Soldiers Medal and was decorated for valor. Eugene retired as a Lieutenant Colonel. After his military retirement, Eugene was an Investigator for the New Jersey State Department of Mental Health. Eugene was active in veterans' organizations and served as Commander of VFW Post #8612, Vice-Commander of American Legion Post #139, and Vice-President and *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Dingmans Ferry Chapter #623** and was a Member of the Veterans Corps – 69th Regiment. Eugene was also an active member of the Veterans Memorial Park and Education Center in Matamoras, PA from its inception and served as Committee Vice-President until 2016. Eugene was a Member of the Knights of Columbus Council #9832, and was a communicant of Saint Vincent de Paul Roman Catholic Church in Milford PA. Eugene is survived by his wife, Norma Goldner of Dingmans Ferry, PA; son, Mark Goldner (Col USMCR Ret) and his wife, Maria of Charleston WV; son, Stephen Goldner (U.S. Coast Guard Ret) of Hackettstown, NJ; son, COL Thomas Goldner (USA) and his wife, Julie; daughter, Jean Lorraine Goldner of Boston, MA; daughter-in-law, Margaret Quinn of Bordentown, NJ; former daughter-in-law, Laura Rooney of Lawrence, PA; six grandchildren: Meaghan, Andrew, Maura, Brisly, Seneque, and Timothy; and brother, Michael Goldner of Union City NJ. Eugene was predeceased by his son, Bruce Goldner, and his brothers, George and John and his sister, Ann Zamparelli. Visitation hours were held from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and from 7:00 to 9:00 PM on Tuesday, August 29th at the Stroyan Funeral Home, 405 West Harford Street, Milford, PA 18337. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:00 AM on

Wednesday, August 30th at Saint Vincent de Paul Church, 101 Street Vincent Drive, Milford, PA 18337. The burial was held at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington VA. Memorial donations may be made to the Veterans Memorial Park and Education Center, P.O. Box 303, Matamoras PA 18336. Arrangements were made by the Stroyan Funeral Home, stroyanfuneralhome.com



CASIMIRO G. "Cass" GONZALES (USA, LTC-Ret.) – Died Thursday, May 14, 2015 in Las Cruces, New Mexico at the age of 79, surrounded by his loved ones. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Roy, New Mexico to the late Nicanor and Pablita (née Archuleta) Gonzales. Cass, as he was fondly known to his family and friends, served proudly for 39 years in the United States Army National Guard and was a lifetime member of the American Legion, Knights of Columbus Council #1226 and the VFW and was a former Post Commander of VFW Post #3242. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mesilla Park Chapter #431**. He spent many years coaching his daughters in the Las Cruces Youth Softball Association. Cass often said his coaching years were the happiest time of his life. He was an avid "Redskin" and a die-hard "Yankee" fan. His six grandchildren were the love of his life and he spent much of his time watching their numerous sporting events. His friends were very special to him and one his favorite past times included spending time with his buddies at the "tree". COL Gonzales was highly decorated for his valor and meritorious services during his military career earning three Bronze Star medals, Vietnam Campaign Medal with 3 campaign stars, several Meritorious Service Medals, as well as numerous other commendations. He was a proud member of the "Big Red 1" and was a graduate of Command General Staff College at Leavenworth, Kansas. He shares his passion for the military with his family whom include 39 military veterans with over 500 years of service. After retiring, COL Gonzales worked as a Logistic Analysts Total Package Fielding with Automation Research Systems Limited and provided support in Operation Desert Storm. Cass is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Anna (née Sepulveda) Gonzales of the family home; three daughters, Debra Tellez (Gilbert), of Las Cruces; Elizabeth Gonzales (Kim), of Aliso Viejo, CA; Katherine Angel (Alfred, Jr.), of Las Cruces; six grandchildren Lauren, Dominic and Kristan Tellez, Andrew and Jacob Angel, all of Las Cruces and Sydney C. Gonzales, of Aliso Viejo, CA; two brothers, Ernie Gonzales and wife Pat, of Santa Rosa, NM and Richard Gonzales and wife Irene, of Clayton; five sisters, Juanita Ulmer and husband Bob, Florence Vigil and husband Adolfo, Tina Gonzales, all of Albuquerque, Lucia Sawyer and husband, Donald, of Lowell, MA and Marcella Haime and husband, Harry, of Las Vegas, NV, and; numerous nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Nick and Manuel Gonzales and a sister, Ysidora Armijo. Visitation for COL Gonzales began at 6:00 PM on Monday, May 18, 2015 at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Cathedral, 1240 South Espina where the Rosary was recited at 7:00 PM. Family and friends joined together to celebrate the Holy Mass of Resurrection at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at the same church with Reverend Father Bill McCann, officiating. Interment was in the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens Cemetery,

5140 West Picacho with full military honors. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in Cass's name to Mesilla Valley Hospice, 299 East Montana Avenue, Las Cruces, NM 88005.



JOSÉ MÁRGARO GONZÁLEZ - Died Tuesday, March 6, 2018 in Ciudad Juárez, México at the age of 70. He was a resident of El Paso, Texas. The cause of death was the result of a homicide in Ciudad Juárez, México. He was born on February 22, 1948 in León, Guanajuato, México to the late Miguel and Sarah González. His home church was Sacred Heart in El Paso, Texas since his First Communion. Márgaro served in the United States Army, where he earned the rank of Sergeant E-5 and received a Purple Heart and Bronze Star Medal for heroism during his service in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – El Paso Chapter #574**. Márgaro returned to El Paso after an honorable discharge from the military and graduated from the University of Texas at El Paso. He went on to work as a respected drug and alcohol counselor for over 38 years. Márgaro was also particularly known for his political work as an active Democrat. He was recently inducted into the El Paso County Hall of Fame as a person who exemplified the principles of the Democratic Party and championed civil rights and services for the less fortunate individuals of our society. He also proudly served with the Exes de la Bowie, the Tejano Democrats and as President of the Aoy Alumni Association. He exemplified the ideal of the Good Samaritan. Márgaro is survived by his daughter, Sonia (Aeli) and grandson, Gael Manuel González Gladstein, of Brooklyn, NY; siblings, Gloria Dumitch, Trinidad González, and Frances González, of El Paso, Texas; and nieces and nephews Moises Ramirez, of San Antonio, TX, Michael J. González, of Los Angeles, CA, Erica González, Cristy Parra, Monica González, Christopher Lehman, Miguel A. González and their children, of El Paso, TX. He was also godfather to many in the El Paso - Ciudad Juárez area. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Miguel González III and Antonio González; and niece, Ivonne (Bonnie) González. A Celebration of Life was held at 11:30 AM on 9 April 2018 at the Sacred Heart Church. A rosary was held on Sunday, 8 April 2018 at 6:30 PM at the Sacred Heart Church. The family received friends from 5:00-8:30 PM. Memorials may be given to Sacred Heart or Congressman Beto O'Rourke.



JAMES EARL GOOD - Died unexpectedly on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 in Napoleon, Ohio at the age of 74. The cause of death was an automobile accident, death resulting. He was born on January 2, 1944 in Van Wert, Ohio to the late Kenneth and Jennie (née Foreman) Good. He proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He enlisted in 1962 and was honorably discharged in November of 1968. During his service he earned the

Order of the Silver Rose due to his exposure to Agent Orange. On April 12, 1969 he married the love of his life, Barbara Kaiser, who preceded him in death on August 29, 2015. James worked and retired as a manager for the Division of Liquor Control. James was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Defiance Chapter #954**. He enjoyed going to car shows and collecting miniature hobby cars. He was a strong supporter of mental health care for veterans. He dedicated a lot of his time advocating for veterans on social media. He wanted to ensure that "no veteran was left behind." The one thing James loved the most was his family and he will be dearly missed by all who knew him. James is survived by his daughter, Jennifer (William) Lowinski and granddaughter, Autumn Lowinski. He is also survived by three other grandchildren and his close cousins, Karl and Glen Smith. He is preceded in death by his loving parents, Kenneth and Jennie Good; stepfather, Robert King; beloved wife, Barbara Good; dear son, Jami Good and half-sister, Connie Mercier. It was James' wish to be cremated. There were no services. The family was under the care of the Snyder-Wesche-Hoening Funeral Home of Napoleon. Memorials in James' memory may be made to Flag City Honor Flight (P.O. Box 885 Findlay, Ohio 45840) or to H.O.O.V.E.S., Healing of Our Veterans Equine Services, (23875 West State Route 65, Grand Rapids, Ohio 43522).



JOHN W. GRIFFIN (USA, SGM-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, January 3, 2018 in Indianahoma, Oklahoma at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 6, 1948 to the late Clyde and Imogene Griffin. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Barbara Griffin, of the home; his two children, Matthew and Erin, and; two grandchildren, Caleb and Katelyn. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**. Graveside service for retired Sgt. Maj. John W. Griffin were at 11:00 AM on Monday, January 8, 2018 at the Sunny Lane Cemetery, Del City, under direction of Whinery-Huddleston Funeral Service. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.



MERVIN GARY "Merv" GUNDERSON - Died at 3:00 AM on Saturday, April 1, 2018 in his home in Belgrade, Montana, just outside of Bozeman Montana at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 16, 1947 in Malta, Montana to the late Martin Tilfred Gunderson and Muriel Anne (née Wells) Gunderson. They moved to Great Falls, Montana where Merv attended C.M. Russel high school and was in the first graduating class of the school. Merv attended a year at Great Falls Community College, where he met Patricia Jane Patterson. They were married on August 3, 1968. He was drafted into the United States Army and served in Korea as a crew chief "SP5" on the Bell UH-1B and the UH-1D (Huey) helicopter. After his service, Mervin attended Montana State University and received a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology with a Police Science option. He then spent the next 30 years working for the

Montana State University Police Department, and finally retiring as a Lieutenant. Mervin and Patty moved to Belgrade in 1979. Mervin donated much of his time to improving his community. Mervin coached little league baseball, and umpired little league, as well as Legion baseball, and girls' softball. Mervin was involved with the Youth bowling program (YABA) as a coach and was also the President of the state YABA program. Mervin loved to bowl and helped run the Men's State Tournament multiple times in Bozeman, and around the state. Merv was also President of the Bozeman Bowling Association, and President of the Montana State Bowling Association. He is in the Montana State Hall of Fame for both YABA and Montana State Bowling Association. Mervin was an avid fisherman and enjoyed going camping with his family and friends on the weekends. Mervin joined the American Legion in 1993, and helped to resurrect Belgrade Post #30, also aiding in the creation of the Belgrade Bandits Baseball program. Merv became very involved with the American Legion over the next 24 years, becoming the Belgrade Commander of Post #30, and State of Montana Vice Commander as well as Montana Commander. He was also awarded multiple national level appointments: National Executive Committeeman, and National Vice Commander. Mervin was very proud of his work in the American Legion and was on track to becoming the National Commander. Mervin was on numerous committees to help deal with, and helped to fix, many of the issues that veterans were facing in the VA system. He was very proud of the work he did and was currently doing with Senator Jon Tester. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bozeman Chapter #788**. Mervin was a truly an amazing man who always had a smile on his face. He would help anyone who needed it without hesitation. He was a highly respected police officer and a pillar of his community. He was a strong advocate for veterans' health and veterans' rights. Everyone knew him, and everyone loved him. He was the true embodiment of what it means to be a public servant. He loved his wife and his son very much, and he loved all his pets. He was very excited to tell people this year would be he and Patty's 50th anniversary! Mervin is survived by his wife, Patty; his son, Orin; his brothers, Merle (Leanna) Gunderson and Marty Gunderson; his sisters, Myrna (Lloyd) Moore and Myra Gunderson, and; numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Melvin. A memorial service was held for him on April 10th at 2:00 PM at the Dahl Funeral and Cremation Service Tribute Center in Bozeman MT. His final resting place was in the Fort Harrison Cemetery in Helena MT. Memorials may be made in Mervin's name to the American Legion of Montana. (Memo line Mervin Gunderson) P.O. Box 6075, Helena, MT 59604.



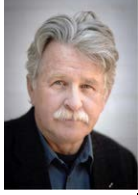
RONALD PAUL "Ron" HALLORAN (USAF, COL-Ret.) - Died Thursday, January 18, 2018 in Chesterfield, Virginia at the age of 76, after a very long struggle with Alzheimer's disease. He is now free from that prison. He was born on June 11, 1941. Left to cherish his memory are his soul mate and wife of 34 years, Chris; his sons, Christopher (LeeAnn) and Shane; his brothers, Michael, Andrew, and George; his sister, Kitty Vondrak. Ron was a navigator with the United States Air Force and proudly served our country for 26+ years after

graduating from the Air Force Academy. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Virginia**. He later was a sales rep for E Force Sports, Gemini Racquetball and AFLAC. He loved photography and racquetball. Ron was a loving, devoted husband and father whose warm smile and positive attitude will be missed by all who knew and loved him. Many thanks to the wonderful staff at Hickory Hill Retirement Community for their care and compassion during Ron's stay. A celebration of life was held at 2:00 PM on January 27, 2018 at Saint Luke United Methodist Church, 4101 Fordham Road, North Chesterfield. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Richmond Fisher House, McGuire VA Medical Center, 1201 Broad Rock Boulevard, Richmond, VA 23249; or Derbyshire Baptist Church (note to the Alzheimers Support Group) 8800 Derbyshire Road, Henrico VA. 23229.



RICKY DAN HAMMER - Died Sunday, March 18, 2018 at his home in Duncan, South Carolina at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in West Palm Beach, Florida on July 11, 1948 to the late Orville Dan and Eva Dorothy (née Hodge) Hammer. He was a correctional officer for the North Carolina State Government, a United States Army Vietnam Veteran and a member of Hillcrest Baptist Church where he was the Chairman of the Deacons and the Church Treasurer. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Landrum Chapter #1049**. Surviving are his wife, Brenda (née Landers) Hammer of the home; one daughter, Amanda N. Crusey, of Newville, PA; three stepsons, Timothy P. Landers, of Lyman, Tracey D. Landers, of Fountain Inn and James E. Landers, of Spartanburg; one brother, Kenneth W. Dees, of Tampa, FL; one sister, Dorothy Marie Hatton, of Steinhatchee, FL; one grandson, Parker Isaiah Crusey, of Newville, PA; one stepgranddaughter, Donna Natasha Landers, of Lyman, and; four stepgrandchildren, David Corey Landers, of Hawaii, Abbigail Gracie Landers, of Fountain Inn, Hayden Landers and James Landers, both of Spartanburg. Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at the Hillcrest Baptist Church conducted by Reverend Paul Manous. Entombment was in the Hillcrest Memory Gardens Mausoleum. Pallbearers were Nate Crusey, Farrell Pierce, James Landers, Corey Landers, Tracey Landers and Tim Landers. Visitation hours were held from 12:30-1:45 PM on Saturday at the Hillcrest Baptist Church. Memorials may be made to Hillcrest Baptist Church, 111 Biblebrook Drive, Greer, SC 29651.

MICHAEL JOHN HANDY - Died Friday, September 8, 2017 in Redmond, Oregon at the age of 69. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on February 3, 1948. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Spokane Chapter #879**.



STIRLIN HARRIS - Died Monday, April 30, 2018 at the Highland Hospital in Rochester, New York at the age of 76, surrounded by his loving family. He was a resident of Geneseo, New York. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related Parkinson's Disease. Stirlin was born on November 12, 1941 in Rochester to the late Edward and Jacqueline (née Stirlin) Harris. He is survived by his wife, Beth Harris; his children, Ned (Stephanie) Harris, of Hingham, MA, Katherine (Nathan) Coe, of Nantucket, MA and Sean (Terumi) Harris, of Geneseo; his grandchildren, Charlie and Blake Harris, Seve and Leo Coe; his sisters, Jacqueline Harris Edwards, of Nantucket, MA, Suzanne Harris, of San Francisco, CA, Marie (Tray) Harris Burk, of Los Angeles, CA, Christine (Robert) Harris Charest, of Arlington, MA and Lilly Marjorie Harris, of Nantucket, MA, and; many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was a United States Vietnam Navy Veteran. Stirlin was a Prep School graduate of Deerfield Academy in Deerfield, MA, earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and his Master of Arts Degree from Rochester Institute of Technology. He worked as a filmmaker and was the owner and Chief Executive Officer for Dreams Come True Productions located in Geneseo. Stirlin was an author, avid sailor and horseman. He was a member of the Genesee Valley Riding and Driving Club, the Genesee Valley Hunt, Genesee Valley Pony Club and the National Warplane Museum. He was a wonderful teacher and a loving husband, father, grandfather and brother. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**. Calling hours were held on Friday, May 4, 2018 from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Rector-Hicks Funeral Home, 111 Main Street in Geneseo. A Celebration of Stirlin's Life was held on Saturday, May 5, 2018 from 4:00-7:00 PM at Hideaway Farm, 4130 Roots Tavern Road in Geneseo where Military Honors were held at 5:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Veterans Outreach Center, 447 South Avenue, Rochester, NY 14620.



JERRY DEAN HARRISON - Died Wednesday, July 5, 2017 in Wilmington, North Carolina at the age of 70. He died from cancer at his Sunset Park home. Jerry was born on August 15, 1946 in Reidsville, North Carolina to the late Vernie (née Walker) Harrison and Kearney Harrison. He was raised in Caswell County, North Carolina. In 1966 Jerry volunteered for the United States Navy and served three tours in Vietnam. He received the National Defense Service Medal and the Vietnam Service Medal. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wilmington Chapter #885**. After earning a degree in electrical engineering from GCTI, Jerry was employed for 40 years with Fluor Daniels Engineering and Construction Company on projects in the Mid-West and throughout the South. The variety of work sites allowed Jerry to pursue his passion, riding his white Harley Davidson, Ghost, through Louisiana bayous, the Shenandoah Valley, the vastness of Kansas and the East coast of Texas. Along the way he hit a lot of bike rallies and rock 'n' roll concerts. In Paradise he's riding the Ghost across

a Rolling Stones stage. Jerry enjoyed building his two geodesic dome homes, gardening, raising chickens and playing chess. At a pool table his laid-back demeanor concealed an inner shark. Few beat him at the game. Jerry was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Royce Harrison. He is survived by his wife, Roberta Penn; her son, Orion Penn, Seattle; their "sorta" daughter, Andrea Sisk, Wilmington; a sister, Judy Harrison; and the family's canine companion, CC Rider. There was a celebration of Jerry's life on Saturday, July 15th from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM in the Halyburton Park Community Center, 4099 South 17th Street, Wilmington, NC, 28412. Jerry's family is grateful to the special friends, neighbors, and caregivers who supported and sustained them during his illness and passing. Memorial donations may be made to Lower Cape Fear Hospice, 1414 Physicians Drive, Wilmington, NC, 28401.

WILLIAM J. HAYES – Died Saturday, March 24, 2018 in Ypsilanti, Michigan at the age of 69. The cause of death was heart failure, diabetes and kidney disease. He was born in Columbia, Tennessee on April 11, 1948. He is survived by his wife, Cheryl. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Plymouth Chapter #528**.



RONALD ROBERT HECK - Died Tuesday, April 10, 2018 in Roseville, Michigan at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 29, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clinton Township Chapter #154**. He was the beloved husband of Carleen for 50 years; loving father Rhonda (Joe) Bresso and the late Jennifer Doetsch and father-in-law of Keith Doetsch; proud grandfather of Denver Coury, Taylor Coury, Blake Doetsch, Dillon Doetsch, Brookelynn Doetsch, Joe Bresso and Casey Bresso and great-grandfather of Jaxon and the late Scarlett; dear brother of Muriel Schoener and Thomas Heck. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Kaul Funeral Home of Roseville. A memorial service was on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Saint Mark Lutheran Church. A memorial luncheon was held at Athena Banquet Hall following the memorial service. Donations may be made to Saint Mark Lutheran Church of Roseville or VVA #154.



RAMON A. "Indio" HERNANDEZ, SR. - Died Saturday, March 17, 2018 in El Paso, Texas at the age of 69. The cause of death was a stroke. He was born on September 15, 1948 in El Paso. He was a proud United States Army Vietnam Veteran and a hard-working member of Phelps Dodge Rod Mill for 28 years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America –**

El Paso Chapter #574. He is survived by his beloved family; his sisters, Gloria Hernandez, of El Paso and Joanna Murillo, of Chicago; his four loving children, Rene (Alma), Rachel (Ric), Rosemarie (Jonathan), and Ramon, Jr.; his six grandchildren, Samantha, Rene, Amber, Diego, Isabelle, and Jonathan, Jr.; his five great-grandchildren, Alea, Xavier, Ivy, Zane, and Nyla, and; his niece and nephew, Liza (Tury), and Charlie and all their children. He was an awesome Dad, Grandpa, and Uncle to us all. He had many friends he loved, and we are forever grateful to them for always being there for him. He will be missed tremendously. Ride in Paradise! Visitation hours were on Thursday, April 5, 2018 from 5:00-9:00pPM at the Hillcrest Funeral Home, 1060 North Carolina Drive, with a vigil service at 7:00 PM. The funeral mass was held on Friday, April 6, 2018 at 12:00 Noon at San Antonio de Padua Catholic Church, 503 Hunter Drive. Graveside service and interment was at the Fort Bliss National Cemetery. The arrangements were under the direction of Hillcrest Funeral Home-East.



GERALD L. HOLLIS (USA, CW4-Ret.)- Died Saturday, January 20, 2018 in Bellaire, Michigan at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. Gerald was born on January 4, 1950 in Dearborn, Michigan to the late George and Althea (née Swayze) Hollis. His military service spanned over 30 years. He was active United States Air Force for 7 years and later reenlisted in the United States Armed Forces with a tour during Desert Storm and special missions to Nicaragua and Panama. As a United States Army Reservist, he was last assigned to the 323rd General Hospital retiring as a Chief Warrant Officer (CW4). He retired from Ford Motor Company as a Tool and Die Maker in 2009. Gerald was a member of the South Torch Lake Fire Department, Alden United Methodist Church and Snowflake Spiritualist Camp, and an active member of the Elk Rapids AMVETS. He joined the Fraternal Order of Free and Accepted Masons in Spokane, Washington Tyrian Lodge #96 in 1975, and was a member of the Bellaire Masonic Lodge #398, Spokane Grand Lodge, Saladin Temple Northwest Shrine Club, Order of Eastern Star Waldo Chapter #180, York Rite Bodies of the Royal Arch Masonry of Michigan Iosco Chapter #83 and Mackinaw Chapter #134, Sunrise Council #93, Cheboygan Commandery #50, as well as a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason Valley of Grand Rapids and Traverse City. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ann Arbor Chapter #310**. He enjoyed spending his free time riding his motorcycles (especially his Harley), spending time with his family and friends and anything outdoors. On October 7, 1988 in Wayne, MI he married Norma Hamelink who survives. He is also survived by his children, Martha (Jeffrey) Baum, of Willis, MI, Benjamin Hollis, of Bellaire, Bradley Hollis, of Gregory, MI, Jonathan Fraser, of Richmond, VA; brother, Gary (Katheryn White) Hollis, of Brooklyn, MI; sister-in-law, Karen Hollis, of Phoenix, AZ; his grandchildren, Mitchell, Jacob, Ian, James; his great-grandson, Lukas Mitchell, and; many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, father and mother-in-law, Peter and Edna Hamelink and brother George Hollis. A memorial service was held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, February 3, 2018 at the Alden United Methodist Church with Reverends Daniel Biteman and Pat Crawford co-officiating. Interment was at the Helena Township Cemetery. Memorial contributions in Gerald's name may be directed to Shriners Hospitals for

Children, 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, Florida 33607. Arrangements were handled by the Bellaire Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Homes.



DAVID GAUNIT HOLMES – Died Wednesday, April 11, 2018 in Runnemede, New Jersey at the age of 69. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on October 23, 1948 in Camden, New Jersey. He was the beloved husband of Andrea (née Grandelli); devoted father of Lynne Kaznica (Joe), Joe Ponzio (Lyndsey Storino), Krista Holmes and David Holmes; dear brother of Bill Holmes (Mary); loving grandfather of Paige, Morgan, and Joseph, and; also survived by his mother-in-law, Dora Grandelli, as well as his nieces, Jennifer and Melissa. David was a 1967 graduate of Audubon H.S. and was later drafted into the United States Army. After training, David served in Vietnam where he became an American Hero earning a Silver Star, two Bronze Stars, and three Purple Hearts. Upon returning home from Vietnam, David went to work and eventually retired from Rastelli Meats in 2017. David had a great passion for drag racing was a long-time member of the National Hot Rod Association, the East Coast Stock Super Stockcar Association, and worked in the Pit Crews of several drivers of the National Hot Rod Association. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Somerdale Chapter #1068**. Although David was devoted to Veterans and Hot Rod racing, his true passion was being with his family. Relatives and friends were invited to his visitation on Monday evening from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the Popiolek Funeral Home, 400 Clements Bridge Road, Barrington, NJ. A Memorial Service followed by Military Honors took place at 8:30 PM. In lieu of flowers memorial donations were requested in his memory to the Wounded Warrior Project.

BARCLAY H. HOWETT – Died recently in Gap, Pennsylvania at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 25, 1948. He is survived by his wife, Dorothy. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dover (Delaware) Chapter #805**.

JAMES L. HUGHES – Died recently in 2018 in Camas, Washington at the age of 91. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 7, 1927. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Vancouver #512**.



RONALD J. "Ron" JANDRIN - Died Monday, December 19, 2016 in Crivitz, Wisconsin at the age of 71, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 6, 1946 in Algoma, Wisconsin to the late Frank and Ida (née Ferron) Jandrin. He was a 1964 graduate of Green Bay East High School. After graduation, Ron enlisted in the United States Air Force and served his country honorable until his discharge in 1968. A month after his service in the military ended, Ron met Gail Holland and they were married February 14, 1970. Together they shared 46 loving years together and raised three children. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – De Pere Chapter #224**. Ron was employed as a welder for

Tosca, Ltd. for 30 years, where he met many close friends. He retired from Tosca and began working at McKeefry Sand and Gravel as a heavy machine operator for 10 years. Ron later worked for Fox Valley Auto auction. Ron was passionate about automobiles, especially hot rods. He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting and fishing. Ron also loved to cheer on his Green Bay Packers. Most of all, Ron was a loving husband, father and very proud grandfather. His sense of humor and all-around caring nature will be dearly missed. Ronald is survived by his wife, Gail; three children, Tracy (Brett) Janus, Joey (Nikki) Jandrin and Cory (Gretchen) Jandrin; his grandchildren, Tyler, Tristan, Lita, Jada, Trent, Hadalee, Rae Lee and Cole; two fur babies, Buddy and Charlie; his brother, Darrell Jandrin; his sisters, Carol Gerrits, Shari (Larry) Wagnitz, and; many other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by a sister, LaVerne; father and mother-in-law, Walter and Doris Holland; brother-in-law, Michael Holland and a nephew, Chad Wagnitz. Visitation hours were held at the Newcomer Funeral Home, 340 South Monroe Avenue, Green Bay, on Thursday, December 22, 2016 from 4:00 to 6:45 PM. A funeral service was 7:00 PM with full military honors. Ron's family would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Massey at Froedtert Hospital and to the staff at Unity Hospice at Bellin Hospital for their care and support.

DENNIS LEE JANSEN - Died Thursday, March 8, 2018 in Pardeeville, Wisconsin at the age of 75 years. The cause of death is unknown. Dennis was born on August 17, 1942 to the late Vincent and MaryAnn (née Kitzinger) Jansen. He married his love on May 16, 1998 in their military uniforms in Pardeeville, WI. Activities and hobbies enjoyed: He was a retired United States Army veteran 1960-1993. He loved riding his motorcycle especially with his wife, Joyce, fishing, building his train set up. After being a Military Policeman, joined the Madison Police Department, Wisconsin Department of Justice. Dennis became Kimberly Police Chief in 1973 and retired in 1992. He was a member of the VFW #1707, Portage, WI; American Legion Post #60, Kimberly, WI; and American Legion Riders, District #9. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Portage Chapter #221**. Dennis was a loving person in every way. He loved his time in the military and to this day, flies 3 flags at home with pride. He was very proud of his all his children. He is survived by his beloved wife, Joyce J Jansen, Pardeeville, WI; proud father of Cheryl Andres, Milwaukee, WI, Brenda (Richard) Haase, Little Chute, WI, Dan Jansen, Menasha, WI, Haley Jansen, Menasha, WI and stepfather of Jean Bailey (Bill Reimer), Vesper, WI; dear brother of Patricia (Ron) Fink, Darboy, WI; cherished grandfather of five and great-grandfather of six. Dennis was preceded in death by his father, Vincent, mother MaryAnn (Kitzinger) Jansen and brother James and grandparents, Raymond Kitzinger and Nettie (Williams) Kitzinger. A Memorial gathering was held on March 18, 2018 from 1:00 – 5:00 PM at Trail's Lounge, 125 Wauona Trail, Portage, WI 53901. In lieu of flowers and plants, memorials will be designated for Veterans' Programs by family.



CHARLES K. "Charlie" JONES - Died Monday, February 19, 2018 at the Riverside Methodist Hospital at the age of 74. He was a resident of Columbus, Ohio and formerly of Rio Grande, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 6, 1943 in Chillicothe,

Ohio to the late Charles K. and Katheryn Jones. He was also preceded in death by a sister, Virginia Ann (Susie) Martin. Charles retired from Gallia-Jackson- Vinton Joint Vocational School as a math teacher. He was a member of Church of The Good Shephard United Methodist Church. A United States Army veteran, Charles served in Vietnam and was a member of AMVETS Post # 89 and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Gallipolis Chapter #709**. He was a member of Centreville Lodge #371 F&AM, AASR The Aladdin Shrine, Brutal Brothers and Ambassadors Units and Columbus Court #8 Royal Order of Jesters and both Gallipolis Chapter #283 OES and Worthington Chapter #287, OES. He is survived by his wife Mary Jo (née Yoho) Jones; his sons, Todd (Jennifer) Jones and Clay (Jill) Jones; his grandchildren, Michael, Louis, Kent, Christopher, Jessica and Zach. Friends visited on Saturday, February 24, 2018 from 2:00-5:00 PM at The Aladdin Shrine Center, 1801 Gateway Circle, Grove City, Ohio, a Purple Rose Ceremony was held at 5:00 PM conducted by the Jesters. A celebration of his life was held immediately after with Pastor Don Wallick, officiating. An additional celebration of life was held at the Gallipolis Shrine Club, Buliville Road, Gallipolis, Ohio on Sunday, March 11, 2018 from 2:00 till 6:00 PM, with a Masonic Service at 5:00 PM. In lieu of flowers the family requested memorial donations be made to the Aladdin Shrine Tabloid in Charles' memory. Arrangements were completed with the Spence-Miller Funeral Home in Grove City, Ohio where the online guestbook may be signed.

DAVID P. JUSTIN - Died Sunday, July 30, 2017 in Chicago, Illinois at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 3, 1942. He is survived by his wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Island Lake Chapter #242**. Dave was known to his friends as "P. Diddy" or "Prospector Dave" and was a member of the CCYC. He was a loving father, uncle and brother. A memorial service was held on Saturday, August 5, 2017 at 11:00 AM at Saint Benedict Catholic Church, 2215 Irving Park Road, Chicago, IL 60618. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Disabled American Veterans.



RUSSELL JUNIOR KEESECKER - Died unexpectedly at 1:13 PM on Sunday, September 4, 2016 in the United Hospital Center in Bridgeport following a massive heart attack. He was 69 years of age. He was a resident of the Deanville Community of Weston, West Virginia. He was born in Churchville, West Virginia on April 29, 1947 to the late Russell Keesecker and Emogene (née Hurst) Keesecker. On May 31, 1967 he married Evelyn Jane Barker and they celebrated 38 years of marriage before her passing on March 1, 2005. On August 12, 2006, he married Vicki Rose Pratt who will miss him dearly after 10 years of marriage. His soft-spoken, generous nature will be carried on by his two sons, Jeffrey Keesecker and wife, Kellie, of Weston, and Reverend Steven Keesecker and wife, Edith, of Saint Pauls, NC; ten grandchildren, Steven "Joey" Keesecker, Jasmine Keesecker, Emma "Emmy" Keesecker, Catherine Reno, Alex Reno, Bre Farris, Brendon McGlasson, Selena McGlasson, Brody McDaniels, and Hannah Davis; one sister, Virginia Lee Barker and husband, "Reverend Eddie", of Burnsville; three stepchildren, William

Reno and Sarah Farris, both of Olney, IL, and Mary Davis and husband, Kelly, of Buckhannon; and his beloved cat, Boy. Junior was an honored veteran of the United States Army, having served during active combat in Vietnam. He later received an award from the Daughters of the American Revolution in recognition of his valor, service and sacrifice to our country. Junior retired from the West Virginia Department of Highways with many years of service in the sign shop. He was a member of the Lost Creek Church of God and volunteered his time to deliver Meals on Wheels for the Lewis County Senior Center. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Weston Chapter #906**. Friends and family gathered at the Pat Boyle Funeral Home and Cremation Service at 144 Hackers Creek Road, in Jane Lew from 5:00-7:00 PM on Wednesday, September 7, 2016. Funeral Services were held at 11:00 AM on Thursday at the Lost Creek Church of God with Reverend Ronnie Beason, Reverend Steven Keesecker, and Reverend Eddie Barker co-officiating. Interment was in the Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens in Jane Lew. Full military honors were accorded by the United States Army and the Lewis County Honor Guard. The Pat Boyle Funeral Home and Cremation Service was honored and privileged to serve the family of Russell Junior Keesecker.

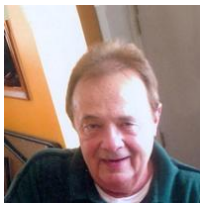
PATRICK V. KENNEDY – Died Monday, January 22, 2018 in The Villages, Florida at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 24, 1940. He is survived by his wife, of the home. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Florida**. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at Saint Timothy Catholic Church on Thursday, February 1, 2018 at 8:30 AM.



CHARLES RAYMOND "Chuck" KERR - Died Saturday, March 31, 2018 at his home in Simpsonville, Kentucky at the age of 68 after a sudden illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 23, 1949 in Waynesburg, Pennsylvania to Floyd "Charlie" Kerr and the late Audrienne (née Fordyce) Kerr. Chuck had made his home in Kentucky since 1997. He proudly served in the United States Army. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Louisville Chapter #454**. Chuck was employed at Ford Motor Company in Lorain and Kentucky for thirty-three years before retiring. He then went on to work at Ford as a Quality Representative through Apex. Chuck had a love for cars, NASCAR, horses, and the Cleveland Browns. He loved his family and was known to be a generous and kind person. Chuck enjoyed supporting local charities including Habitat for Humanity. Chuck was a 1968 graduate of Lorain High School. Survivors include his son, Robert A. Kerr and wife, Tracie, of Woodland Park, Colorado; his grandchildren Zak, Ezekiel, Levi and Luke; and his father, Floyd "Charlie" Kerr and wife, Linda of Berlin Heights, Ohio. He was preceded in death by his mother, Audrienne Fordyce on September 14, 1991 and his sister, Kimberly E. Kerr on February 25, 1982. Friends visited the family on Friday, April 6, 2018 from 6:00-9:00 PM at the Hempel Funeral Home, 373 Cleveland Avenue, Amherst. Funeral services were held on Saturday at 11:00 AM at the funeral home. Burial was in the Ridge Hill Memorial Park, Amherst Township. An additional Memorial service was held on Saturday at 3:30 PM at the Elks Lodge, 904 Ormsby Lane, Louisville, KY 40242. The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to Veterans of Foreign War; Processing Center, P.O. Box 8958, Topeka, KS 66608-8958.

LLOYD A. KING – Died recently in 2018 in Kimberling City, Missouri at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 26, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lafayette Chapter #141**.

JOHN ROBERT KLIMOVICH, JR. - Died Tuesday, May 8, 2018 in Advance, North Carolina at the age of 72, surrounded by family and friends. He was formerly of Freedom, Pennsylvania, and Freeport, New York. The cause of death was Multi-System Organ Failure due to Large B-Cell Lymphoma. He was born on August 25, 1945 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He was the beloved husband of Nancy (née Newitt) Klimovich; the father of Alisha (Eric) Schultze; the brother of William (Judi) Klimovich and Donald (Diana) Klimovich; the uncle of Brianne, Amy, Darci, and Ryan. John was a United States Navy Veteran serving in the Vietnam War. He was a member of the American Legion and VFW Post #8719 in Advance, NC. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. John was a former business owner in the HVAC Industry. Family and friends were received at the Walter J. Zalewski Funeral Home, 216 44th Street, Lawrenceville, on Saturday and Sunday from 2:00-4:00 and from 6:00-8:00 PM. The Funeral Mass at Our Lady of the Angels Parish, Saint Augustine Church was on Monday at 12:00 Noon. The interment was in the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies.



DAVID LEON KLIZA - Died Saturday, May 6, 2017 in Brownstown Township, Michigan at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 1, 1945. He was the beloved husband of Sandi; loving father of Kari (Matthew) Gilbert and Kelly (Ryan) Cook; dear brother of Diane (Dan) Basinger, Gary (Nancy) Kliza and Debbie (Steve) Brown, and; dearest grandfather of Audrey, Oliver, Eleanor, Hannah and Lincoln. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Michigan**. Visitation was on Thursday from 3:00 – 8:00 PM at the Weise Funeral Home, 7210 Park Avenue, Allen Park, MI 48101. He Laid -In-State on Friday 10:30 AM until time of the Mass at 11:00 AM at Our Lady of the Scapular Church, 976 Pope John Paul II, Wyandotte, MI 48192. Interment was in Our Lady of Hope Cemetery.



KENNETH W. "Ken" KLUMB - Died peacefully on Thursday, December 14, 2017 at the Aurora Sheboygan Memorial Medical Center at the age of 71, with his family at his side. He was a resident of Sheboygan, Wisconsin. The cause of death was cancer. Ken was born on May 3, 1946 in Sheboygan to the late Harold and Lorraine (née Kading) Klumb. He was a graduate of South High School Class of 1965. After graduating Ken proudly joined the United States Army serving during Vietnam from 1965 to 1967, receiving the National Defense Service Medal, Good

Conduct Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Sharpshooter Rifle, Combat Infantryman Badge, Purple Heart, and a Bronze Star. He was previously married to Ruth Hilbelink, and on June 30, 2001 he was united in marriage to Kathleen Fenn. Ken worked for the Kohler Company retiring in 2011. Ken had a strong faith and was a member of Our Saviors Lutheran Church. He was a proud *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Sheboygan Chapter #618**, the Sheboygan VFW Post #9156 and the Kohler Quarter Century Club. He enjoyed spending time outdoors fishing and gardening. He was very talented and created many stained-glass bowls, ornaments and other beautiful creations. His family was very important to him, he enjoyed spending time with them watching Packer games and traveling. Ken was also an excellent cook. He is going to be truly missed by all who knew him. Ken is survived by his wife Kathleen; his daughters, Deborah (Robert Jr.) Fenske, Tracy (David) Lisowe, and Tamara (Ryan) Koriath; five grandchildren, Ashley (Brad) Cox, Amanda (Alan) Johnson, Collin Lisowe, Shianna Mehre, Kaitlin and Isaiah Buchholz; one great-grandson on the way; three brothers, Dennis (Denise) Klumb, Ron (Sue) Klumb and Rick (Laura) Klumb, and; is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Ken was preceded in death by his parents, two sons, Eric and Ryan, and a brother, Gary Klumb. A funeral service was held on Wednesday, December 20, 2017 at 6:00 PM at Ballhorn Chapels Funeral and Cremation Care Center, 1201 North 8th Street, Sheboygan, with Reverend Jim Schulz officiating. Burial with Military Honors took place on Thursday, December 21, 2017 at the Greenlawn Memorial Park in Kohler. Relatives and friends visited with the family on Wednesday, December 20, 2017 from 4:00 PM until the time of service at the Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to either the VA, Our Saviors Lutheran Church or American Cancer Society in Ken's name. The family would like to express their sincere gratitude to all the CNA's especially Diane, all the RN's especially; Jodie, Josh and Kathy, all the Paramedics at Sheboygan Fire Department Station 1 and Orange Cross, all the Doctors especially Dr. Johnson, Dr. Phalion, Dr. Ritt, Dr. Rana, and Dr. Kuttickat, and Discharge Planner Angela for all their care, and support.



PETER P. KOZAK - Died Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at the Orange Regional Medical Center, Middletown, New York at the age of 67. He was a resident of Matamoras, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was multiple organ failure due to sepsis. He was born on November 20, 1949 in Newark, New Jersey to the late Charles and Pauline (née Sherry) Kozak, Sr. He was married to Linda (née Ewald) Kozak. Peter graduated from Lackawanna Junior College, Scranton, PA with an Associate of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice. He was a Police Officer for Matamoras and Westfall Township from 1980- 1990 and a Deputy Sheriff for the Pike County Sheriff's Department 1987 - 1999. Peter served in the United States Navy from 1968 to 1974 that included three tours of duty in Vietnam serving as a Navy corpsman attached to the 2nd Marine Division. He was a life member of the Mount Laurel VFW Post #8612, Milford, PA., *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dingmans Ferry Chapter #623**, life member at large of the VFW, a 44-year member of the Marsch-Kellogg American Legion Post #139, Milford, PA, 22-year member of the Deputy Sheriffs' Association of Pennsylvania and a

member of the Matamoras Planning Commission. In 1997 Peter was appointed to serve as Pike County Representative on the Board of Directors of the Monroe/Carbon/Pike Drug and Alcohol Commission. Peter leaves behind his wife, Linda Kozak of Matamoras, PA. He was preceded in death by his brother Charles Kozak, Jr and sister Paulette Kozak. Friends came calling at the Stroyan Funeral Home, 405 West Harford Street, Milford, PA on Sunday, November 12, 2017 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. Funeral services were held at the funeral home on Sunday, November 12, 2017 at 8:00 PM with Reverend Alfred Vito officiating. Interment was in the Moravian Cemetery, Newfoundland, PA. Memorial donations may be made to Humane Society of Port Jervis/Deerpark (www.pjhumane.org). Arrangements were made by Stroyan Funeral Home, 405 West Harford Street, Milford, PA.

ROBERT S. KRIM – Died in February 2018 in Greenville, North Carolina at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 16, 1946. He is survived by his wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Greenville Chapter #272**.



THEODORE J. "Ted" LABERNIK (USAF, Lt.COL-Ret.) – Died Friday, April 7, 2017 in Saint Cloud, Minnesota at the age of 83. The cause of death is unknown. Ted was born on June 8, 1933 in Ely, Minnesota to the late Rose (née Veranth) and John Labernik. He was married to Mary Sue Fay on July 5, 1958 in Saint Anthony's Catholic Church in Ely. Ted is survived by his beloved wife, Mary, of 58 years and five living children and their spouses, Debra (John) Curry (Colorado Springs, CO), Linda (Tom) Himmelberger (Puyallup, WA), Laura Fay (Alexandria, VA), Daniel (Carol) (Fargo, ND) and Steve (Karla) Labernik (Spencer, IA). He is also survived by ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Ted was predeceased by his parents, his brother, Kenneth, and his daughter, Susan North. Ted was a Retired Lieutenant Colonel and decorated combat veteran in the United States Air Force. He graduated from Ely Memorial High School in 1951 and Ely Vermillion Junior College in Engineering in 1953. Ted enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1954, graduated from Aviation Cadet Flying School, and was commissioned as an officer in 1955. Ted proudly served before God and his country as a fighter pilot in the following aircraft: T-33 Shooting Star, F-86 Sabre, F-101 Voodoo, F-106 Delta Dart, A-1E Skyraider, and F-4E Phantom II Ted was a member of the USAF 4-man Bob Sled team that won the 1958 North American Championship at Lake Placid, New York and qualified for the 1960 Olympics in Italy. He served two tours of duty in Southeast Asia, during the Vietnam War, flying search and rescue and air-interceptor missions. He was decorated with the Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross, and Eight Bronze Stars. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Cloud Chapter #290**. Ted traveled the country from base to base and loved to vacation in the family truckster station wagon and 8-pack Holiday Rambler. After 28 years of service, he retired and obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree at Moorhead State University, MN. He cherished his time with family and friends at the cabin on Burntside Lake, outside of his

hometown of Ely, MN. A Celebration of Life was held in the summer of 2017 in Ely, MN. Interment, including full military honors was conducted at the Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA. Funeral arrangements were made by the Benson Funeral Home, Saint Cloud, MN.



TITO C. LABRA (USA, SGM-Ret.) - Died Friday, February 10, 2017 in Wichita, Kansas at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. Tito was born in Mexico City, Mexico on February 6, 1940, and after spending his childhood years in Mexico and south Texas, settled in Wichita, KS. In 1958, Tito met his future wife, Rita Tejeda and they married shortly thereafter. Tito joined the United States Army in 1959 and for the next 20 years he would distinguish himself with his exemplary service to his country. Prior to his overseas combat, and in the middle of their stations at various U.S. Army bases, Tito and Rita welcomed their children, Michelle and Tito. During his two tours in Vietnam ('67 and '70) because of his heroic actions, he was awarded four Bronze Stars (3 for Valor). Tito also earned the following medals/ribbons/achievements: Meritorious Service, Air Medal, Army Commendation (2), Purple Heart (2), Good Conduct medal (1 loop), National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal (2), Vietnam Gallantry Cross Ribbon With Gold Star, Republic of Vietnam Staff Service 2c, Army Non-Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon (4), Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Parachutist Badge, Republic of Vietnam Parachute Jump Wings, Combat Infantry Badge and Drill Instructor Identification Badge. Among the other citations, Tito received: Presidential Unit Citation, Meritorious Unit Commendation (2), Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Vietnam Gallantry Cross Medal with Palm, Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Medal, 1st Class with Palm. Tito graduated from the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy and was also assigned to instruct at the United States Military Academy at West Point. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kansas**. Upon retirement from the U.S. Army, Tito joined the Sedgwick County Sheriff Office where he again displayed outstanding commitment and service for 19 years. He was extremely proud of his two careers and would gladly engage in discussion about them with anyone. The discipline and patriotism he learned in the U.S. Army never left him, as family and friends will attest. With his passion of the military, he was a voracious reader of the topic, often reading several books at a time. If he wasn't reading, chances are he would be watching a military movie. He also loved his Washington Redskins. Survivors include his dear wife, Rita; their two children, Michelle Moore, of Wichita, and Tito A. (Jana) Labra, of Plano, TX; grandchildren, Dennis Moore III (fiancée, Courtney), Joe (Molly) Moore and daughter, Penelope Moore, Matthew Moore, Katie Moore (fiancé, Duncan), Taylor Labra, Stephen Moore, Cassidy Labra, Chrissy Moore and Kimmy Moore. A rosary was recited at 6:30 PM on Monday, February 13, 2017. Funeral services were at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, February 14, 2017, both at Saint Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in Wichita, KS. Final resting place was Calvary Cemetery in Wichita, KS.

WILLIAM McCAIN “Will” LAMPKIN - Died Tuesday, August 29, 2017 in Huntsville, Alabama at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Tuscaloosa, Alabama on August

11, 1941. He also lived in Petersburg, Tennessee for a time. William was a resident of Alabama at the time of passing. Will grew up in Tuscaloosa, graduating from Central High School and earned a bachelor's degree in Metallurgical Engineering in 1964 from the University of Alabama, where he served as President of Tau Beta Pi and a member of Theta Tau, Alpha Sigma Mu, Sigma Pi Sigma, and Pi Mu Epsilon. During his service in the United States Army, he served a tour of duty in South Vietnam where he received several decoration medals for his service to include the Army Commendation Medal while serving as a First Lieutenant Officer. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lynchburg (Tennessee) Chapter #580**. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requested that donations be made to the American Heart Association (<http://www.heart.org>), GLAD House (<https://www.gladhouse.org>) or a charity of your choice.



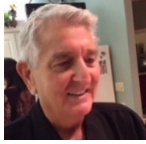
ANTHONY PETER “Tony” LAPADURA – Died Tuesday, March 27, 2018 at the Orange Regional Medical Center at the age of 74, surrounded by his loved ones. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 31, 1943 in Passaic, New Jersey to the late Salvatore and Frances (née Savasta) Lapadura. In 1967, he enlisted in the United States Army and proudly served his country in the Vietnam War. He married Marjory Molinelli on July 8, 1972 and soon after settled in Middletown, NY to raise their family. He was a butcher by trade, working for Grand Union and eventually for Stop and Shop. A hard worker, he was well respected in his field. Until his death, he faithfully served as an usher at the 11:30 AM at Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. He was also a member of the American Legion Post #151 and Disabled American Veterans (DAV). He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Hampton Chapter #140**. An avid walker, he was well known for his fast paced six miles a day walk at both the trail in Goshen and the Galleria at Crystal Run Mall. People marveled at his endurance as much younger folks couldn't keep up with him. He is survived by the loves of his life, his wife Marjory; his daughters, Laurette (Gregg) and Marissa (Craig) and his beloved grandchildren Alex, Drew and Shea who will always remember playing plunger hockey with their Grandpa, Tony. At his death he was eagerly awaiting the birth of his 4th grandchild, a little girl to be named Francesca. He is also survived by his beloved brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Louis and Barbara Molinelli. His easy laugh and sense of humor will be missed. He was dearly loved. Visitation hours were from 7:00 to 9:00 PM on Monday, April 2, 2018 at the Applebee-McPhillips Funeral Home, Inc., 130 Highland Avenue, Middletown, NY 10940. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church at 90 Euclid Avenue, Middletown, NY 10940. Burial with Military honors was in the Orange County Veterans Cemetery in Goshen, NY. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Anthony's name may be made to Saint Jude Children's Hospital, 501 Saint Jude Way, Memphis, TN 38105 or www.stjude.org or the Ronald McDonald House. Arrangements were under the direction of Applebee-McPhillips Funeral Home, Inc.



WILLIAM THEODORE "W.T." "Ted" LATTERY - Died Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at Cambridge Medical Center, Cambridge, Minnesota at the age of 75. He was a resident of Cambridge. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 30, 1943 to the late Dorothy and Robert V. Lattery, Sr. He is survived by his brothers, Terry L. Lattery, Robert V. Lattery, Jr.; his nieces and nephews; his loyal Canine Companion "Bailey", and; countless close friends. He served in United States Navy during Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Stanchfield Chapter #684**. A memorial service was held at 3:00 PM on Saturday on May 19th at the Strike Life Tributes in Cambridge with visiting time one-hour prior. Interment was in the Fort Snelling National Cemetery on June 8th at 12:30 PM in assembly area #5. Memorials to the Isanti VFW Post #2735 are appreciated.

GEORGE HERBERT "Herb" LEITH, JR. - Died Saturday, April 14, 2018 in Cumberland, Maryland at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 12, 1947 in Cumberland to the late George Herbert Leith, Sr. and Annie (née Stevenson) Leith. He was also predeceased by his wife, Ginny Leith. He was a graduate of Fort Hill High School, Class of 1965, Herb also graduated from Frostburg State University, Class of 1975, retiring from the State of Maryland Juvenile Justice Department in 2008 as an instructor. He was a United States Navy Veteran having served on board the USS America during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Fort Hill Scholarship Fund, 500 Greenway Avenue, Cumberland, MD 21502; or, Greenway Avenue Stadium Capital Improvement Fund, c/o: the Allegany County Chamber of Commerce, 24 Frederick Street, Cumberland, MD 21502.

JOSEPH J. "Joe" LIBITZ - Died Saturday, July 22, 2017 Cambridge, Massachusetts at the age of 91. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 13, 1926. He was the beloved husband of the late Catherine F. (née Moore) Libitz; devoted father of Michael J. Libitz and his wife, Marjorie, of Reading, Thomas F. Libitz and his wife, Maryellen, of Waltham, Margaret A. Boudrot and her husband, John, of Waltham, Paul A. Libitz and his wife, Laurie, of Hudson, NH, Robert L. Libitz of Cambridge, Joseph Libitz of Fitchburg and Joan E. Libitz of Cambridge; brother of the late Arthur "Tookie" Libitz, and; also survived by many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Massachusetts**. Funeral services were held in the John C. Burns and Sons Funeral Home, 305 Broadway, Cambridge on Wednesday, July 26th, at 12:00 Noon. Relatives and friends were invited. Visiting hours prior to service, were held on Wednesday from 10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made in Joe's name to New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans, 17 Court Street, Boston, MA 02108. He was a United States Navy Veteran. He was a retired employee of the City of Cambridge, Water Department. Interment was in the Cambridge Cemetery.



LARRY DEAN LIVINGSTON - Died unexpectedly Tuesday, October 24, 2017, at the South Baldwin Regional Medical Center at the age of 80, due to medical complications associated with Myasthenia Gravis disease. He was a resident of Gulf Shores, Alabama. He was born on December 1, 1936, in Fort Scott, Kansas to the late Wilbur and Winifred Livingston. He served his country for 26 years. His military service includes United States Air Force 1954 - 1963 as a gunner for the B-36 and B-52; United States Army 1963 – 1980 as a pilot and flight instructor, fixed wing/rotary wing. He retired from the Army as a Chief Warrant Officer 4. After retirement he was a civilian flight instructor at Fort Rucker, AL for 13 years, and then went on to work part time as a contract pilot for the Department of Defense in the US and Bosnia. Larry continued to work part-time in commercial real estate and was in the process of returning to active flight status just before he died. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Robertsdale Chapter #864**. Larry is survived by his wife, Markeeta Livingston, of Gulf Shores, AL and three children, Anthony R. Livingston, of Daleville, AL, David M. Livingston, of Gainseville, GA and Vicki Livingston, of Orlando, FL. He also leaves behind six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. He is pre-deceased by his parents, Winifred and Wilbur Livingston, of Fort Scott, KS, and grandparents Dorothy and Horace Bruce Marr, of Fort Scott, KS. There was no memorial service. Mr. Livingston was a proud supporter of the Wounded Warrior Project. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the Wounded Warrior Project - Donor Care Center PO Box 75854, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8541. Arrangements were made by the Cason Funeral Service in Foley, Alabama.



MARVIN HAROLD LUDEKER - Died Monday, April 2, 2018 at his residence in Milan, Tennessee at the age of 71. The cause of death was Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease. Marvin was born on Wednesday, September 18, 1946 in Milan to the late Harold and Dolores (née Lattire) Ludeker. Marvin married Patricia Gibson, October 16, 1965 and she survives. He served in the United States Navy for 2 years in Vietnam, was employed by Rayner Oil Company for 30+ years and worked for Aurora Casket. Marvin was a member of Saint Paul Lutheran Church, Eagle Scout with Palms, Milan VFW, Charter member of Milan American Legion Post #235, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora Chapter #71**, served on the Milan Fire Department 20 + years and was their past fire chief. Marvin loved collecting antique fruit jars, buying and selling older baseball cards, enjoyed golfing, baseball and hunting. Marvin is survived by wife Pat; his daughters, Kristen (Bill) Ludeker-Seibert and Kara Dawn Ludeker, both of Indianapolis; his brother, Kendell (Wanda) Ludeker, of Milan, and; his grandson, Zackery Jeremiah Ludeker-Seibert. Funeral services were at 11:00 AM on Thursday, April 5th at Saint Paul Lutheran Church, 7124 North State Road 101, Milan, IN 47031 with Reverend Susan Socha officiating. Burial was in the Saint Paul Lutheran Cemetery with full military rites provided by the Milan American Legion and Milan VFW. Visitation hours were on Wednesday from 4:00-

7:00 PM also at the church. Memorials may be given to Milan Fire Department, Saint Paul Lutheran Church or Milan American Legion. Laws-Carr-Moore Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements, Box 243, Milan 47031. You may go to www.lawscarrmoore.com to leave an online condolence message for the family.



BRYAN V. MAGUIRE, SR. - Died Monday, June 6, 2016 in South Kingstown, Rhode Island at the age of 70, after an inspirational fight against cancer. He was born in Providence, Rhode Island to the late John E. and Concetta (née Ferraro) Maguire. He was a loving, devoted and generous son, husband, father, father-in-law, brother, grandfather, uncle and brother-in-law. He is survived by his devoted wife, Helen M. (née Fitzpatrick) Maguire and his children, John F. Maguire, of Enfield, Ct; Cathleen E. Maguire-Beaulieu and her husband Jonathan, of Asbury Park, NJ and Bryan V. Maguire, Jr and his wife Jackie, of Eatontown, NJ. Bryan is also survived by his sister, Lucia (Maguire) Peek and her husband George S. Peek, of Cape Canaveral, FL, and his brothers-in-law, Edward and Michael Fitzpatrick. He was predeceased by his two brothers-in-law, Arthur and Paul Fitzpatrick. He also leaves behind his dearly loved grandchildren, Bryan and Conor Maguire. Bryan served in the United States Army and held various staff and operational responsibilities including special intelligence, military justice, and administration in both the United States and the Philippines. He was a proud graduate of Saint Pius Grammar School, La Salle Academy, Providence College and earned his Law Degree from Suffolk University School of Law. Bryan was admitted to the Bar of the State of Connecticut in 1977 and was licensed to Practice before the Federal District Court, Northern District of Connecticut in 1977. Bryan worked as counsel with Aetna Life and Casualty Law Department until 1993. And before retiring in 2006, served as Vice-President and Corporate counsel for Prudential Property and Casualty. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and a long-time communicant of Saint Francis of Assisi Church, where he served as a Eucharist Minister. Bryan was also a dedicated member of the Christian Brothers community in Narragansett, RI. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Peace Dale Chapter #325**. “Ar dheis De go raibh a anam”: May his soul be on the right side of God. Visiting hours were on Thursday from 4:00 – 8:00 PM in the Russell J. Boyle and Son Funeral Home, 142 Centerville Road, (Route #117) Warwick. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Friday at 10:00 AM in Saint Francis of Assisi Church, 114 High Street, Wakefield, to which relatives and friends were invited. Burial, with military honors, was in the Saint Francis Cemetery, Wakefield. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to San Miguel School of Providence, 525 Branch Avenue, Providence, RI 02904 or the AstraZeneca Hope Lodge, 125 South Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02130, in his memory will be appreciated. For on-line condolences, visit boyleandsonfuneralhome.com



RICHARD MANDEUR - Died Monday, March 5, 2018 in Shoreham, New York at the age of 71. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related lung cancer. Richard was born on January 29, 1947 in Kew Gardens, New York to the late Joseph and the late Frances (née Byrnes) Mandleur. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War from 1966 to 1968 and received a Purple Heart Medal. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Farmingville Chapter #11**. He was the owner of Elite Claim Service in Hicksville, NY. He is survived by his wife, Maura (née Egan) Mandleur; one daughter, Diane Mandleur, of Wading River, NY and; two sons, Richard Mandleur of Virginia and Michael Mandleur, of Wading River, NY. He also has four grandchildren, Aaron, Shauna, Talen and Callie. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11:00 AM on Friday, March 9th at Saint John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church, 1488 North Country Road, Wading River, NY. The burial was in the Calverton National Cemetery, Calverton, NY. Visiting hours were on Thursday, March 8th from 2:00-4:00 PM and from 7:00-9:00 PM at the Rocky Point Funeral Home, 603 Route 25A, Rocky Point, NY. Memorial donations may be made to Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675. Arrangements were entrusted to the Rocky Point Funeral Home.

ROBERT P. MARTIN – Died Sunday, April 8, 2018 in Narragansett, Rhode Island at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 20, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Peace Dale Chapter #325**.

JONATHAN L. “Jon” McCARTNEY – Died Saturday, May 6, 2017 in Allentown, Pennsylvania at the age of 71. His death was the result of an accidental death. He was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania on January 18, 1946. He served in the United States Army with a tour of duty in Vietnam from January 1, 1967 to April 11, 1968. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Easton Chapter #415**. Please join us Saturday June 24, 2017 to celebrate the life of Jon who passed away May 6, 2017. Share your memories and stories with all of us who loved him. An informal event was held from 1:00-5:00 PM at the Samuel Owens Restaurant 128 Chestnut Street, Coplay, PA.

THOMAS ANTHONY McLAREN, JR. – Died Monday, April 16, 2018 in Great Cacapan, West Virginia at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 30, 1942. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**.



WILLIAM EDWIM "Bill" MEYERS - Died Sunday, January 28, 2018 in Niagara

Falls, New York at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 13, 1939 Salem, New York. William was a resident of Town of Niagara, New York at the time of passing. William was raised and educated in Salem and at the age of 17, enlisted in the United States Navy. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77**. Bill would go on to serve a 30-year career in the US Navy achieving the rank of Senior Chief Signalman. Bill served aboard several naval vessels during both war and peacetime, including the Cuban Missile Crisis, three tours in Vietnam and Middle Eastern Conflicts. Bill came to the Niagara region after being stationed at the Naval Recruiting District in Buffalo. He rapidly rose above his peers to become a supervisor responsible for recruiting in an area of over 8,000 square miles. The rapidity with which he made this climb was virtually unheard of within the entire Navy Recruiting Command. For this reason, William was awarded the prestigious Admiral Claude V. Rickets Award for Inspirational Leadership, along with numerous other Naval and armed forces awards throughout his career. Bill was also a life member of the Vietnam Veterans of America. Bill took advantage of the GI Bill receiving two degrees from Niagara County Community College. Mr. Meyers was awarded the NYS Medal of Merit by Governor Cuomo and was presented by Senator George Maziarz. Following his retirement from the Navy, Bill worked in automotive sales for several local dealerships, as well as owned and operated his own automotive aftercare company, Executive Detailing. Bill and his wife became extensive world travelers particularly, aboard cruise ships and camping visiting all seven continents between his travels and Naval career. Bill also had a passion for collecting classic cars as well as hunting and fishing. Bill was also involved in the Boy Scouts, serving as Scout Master for St. Joseph's Troop and was extremely proud of watching his soon achieve Eagle Scout. In his leisure time, he also enjoyed, playing poker and euchre, listening to country and Gospel music. William is survived by his beloved wife of 57 years Joan Patricia (Marrazzo) Meyers, his son William David Meyers, granddaughter, Amber Meyers, two sisters Susan Meyers, Betty (Steven) Jones, brother-in-law of Robert A. (Carol) Marrazzo and Linda (John) Silvernail and several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was also predeceased by three brothers, Don, Gary and George Meyers. Visitation hours were held on Wednesday, January 31st from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM at the M.J. Colucci and Son Niagara Funeral Chapel, 2730 Military Road, Niagara Falls. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for family and friends on Thursday, February 1st at 9:30 AM at Saint Mary of the Cataract Roman Catholic Parish, 259 4th Street, Niagara Falls, NY. Entombment with Full Military Honors was in the Gate of Heaven Cemetery, 500 Riverdale Ave. Lewiston, New York 14092. Visit mjcoluccifuneralchapel.com for signing the register.

JAMES R. MILLER – Died Wednesday, April 11, 2011 in Elgin, Oklahoma at the age of 81. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on December 30, 1936 in Big Spring, Texas. He served in the United States Army from 1966 to 1986 with a tour of duty in Vietnam from January 29, 1966 to January 28, 1967. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**.



ANTHONY WAYNE "Tony" MITCHELL – Died Friday, April 13, 2018 in Lebanon, Tennessee at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 14, 1951 in Crossville, Tennessee to the late Houston Mitchell and Mattie Locke. He was a veteran of the United States Army during Vietnam and was a postal worker for 32 years. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lebanon Chapter #1004**. He loved spending time with his grandchildren, fishing, and studying Native American history. He was a proud owner of an '85 Corvette. He is survived by children Kelly (Lucien) Cook, Madalyn (Justin) Marek, and Nick Mitchell; grandchildren Trace Cook, Bridges Cook, Chloe Cook, and Grayson Marek; and sister Bernice Blankenship. He is preceded in death by mother Mattie Locke, father Houston Mitchell, and siblings Dean Agee, Frank Bowen, JoAnne Bowen, L.B. Bennett, Robert Earl Bowen, and Sara Bowen. The family received friends at the Sellars Funeral Home, Lebanon TN on Sunday from 2:00 – 7:00 PM and on Monday from Noon until the time for the service. The Funeral Service, conducted by Brother Danny Sellars, was at 2:00 PM on Monday, April 16, 2018 in the chapel of the Sellars Funeral Home. Interment was in the Wilson County Memorial. The family request Memorial Donations be made in his name to the Wilson County Veterans Service Office and Museum in Lebanon TN. Sellars Funeral Home, Lebanon TN.



IVEY MOODY, JR. - Died Monday, May 7, 2018 in Kinston, North Carolina at the age of 66. The cause of death was ischemic heart disease and congestive heart failure. He was born in Kinston, North Carolina on August 16, 1951 to the late Ivey Moody, Sr. and Geneva (née Dowdy) Moody. He will be missed tremendously by his family and friends. Ivey was a Veteran and proudly served his country in the United States Army. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kinston Chapter #892**, the American Legion Post #43, VFW Post #2771, and the DAV. He is survived by his wife of 48 years Judy Moody; his sons, Ricky Moody and wife, Aimee and David Moody; his daughter, Melissa Moody Guzman and husband, Samuel; his grandchildren, Josh, Zachary, Ariana, Adam, Ava, Adrian, and Jose; a special little fur baby, Maggie, and; also survived by his two sisters, Barbara Edwards and Brenda Heath and husband Bud, of Kinston. Ivey enjoyed camping at White Oak Shores, having big Sunday dinners with all his family, and listening to his favorite music by Gene Watson. Visitation hours were held from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at the Howard-Carter Funeral Home and other times at the home. The funeral service was held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at the Howard- Carter Funeral Home with Pastor Rick Mondell officiating. The burial was in the Oak Ridge Memorial Park in Pink Hill.



JAMES E. "Jim" MOORE, JR. - Died Monday, July 24, 2017 in Easton Hospital at the age of 77. He was a resident of Phillipsburg, New Jersey. The cause of death was

cardiorespiratory arrest and advance chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was born on January 3, 1940 in Phillipsburg to the late James E. Moore, Sr. and Ruth F. (née Bullock) Moore. He was a United States Navy veteran. He was an electrician for Ingersoll-Rand, Phillipsburg until his retirement. He also worked at Frenchtown Porcelain. He was a member of Phillipsburg Fire Co. Number 1, VFW Post 0415, Garden State Chapter NJ - DESA, Navy Nuclear Weapons Association, Destroyer-Escort Sailors Association and was a former member of the Phillipsburg Emergency Squad. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Easton (Pennsylvania) Chapter #415**. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, the former Kay Duckworth; a son, James E. Moore III and a daughter, Carol Anne Moore; a brother, Richard and two sisters, Caroline Maddock and Judith Moore. A sister, Joan Spieles, died earlier. At Jim's request, there were no services. Interment was in Washington Crossing National Cemetery, Newtown, PA. Donations in his name may be sent to the Phillipsburg Emergency Squad, P.O. Box 215, Phillipsburg, NJ 08865. Arrangements were under the direction of the Noto-Wynkoop Funeral Home, 289 South Main Street, Phillipsburg, NJ.

WILLIAM J. MORSE – Died recently in 2018 in Blairstown, New Jersey at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 1, 1947. He is survived by his wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Whitestone (New York) Chapter #32**.



PAUL JOSEPH "Pojo" MORVANT, SR. - Died Tuesday, March 20, 2018 at Saint Martin Hospital after a decades-long battle with multiple sclerosis at the age of 71. He was a resident of Breaux Bridge, Louisiana. He was born in Saint Martinville, Louisiana to the late Claymar "C.J." and Genevieve "Genny" (née Hebert) Morvant. Pojo moved with his family to Breaux Bridge in 1950. He graduated from Saint Bernard High School in 1965 where he excelled in athletics, especially football. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in English at U.S.L. in 1970, and later that year was commissioned a Second Lieutenant upon graduation from United States Air Force Officer Training School at Lackland Air Force Base, TX. He completed Undergraduate Flying Training in January 1972, and after graduation as "Top Gun" of his class at F-4E Phantom Combat Crew Training School, he was assigned to the 4th Tactical Fighter Squadron at Udorn Royal Air Force Base, Thailand. While in Southeast Asia, he completed more than 120 combat missions, including 10 missions over downtown Hanoi, North Vietnam during the decisive 11-day Linebacker II Operation of December 1972. Returning to the United States, he was assigned to Barksdale Air Force Base, LA, and McGee-Tyson Air Force Base, TN, serving as an instructor in the KC-135 Stratotanker aircraft. Pojo returned to Southeast Asia in May 1975 to participate in the rescue attempt of the USS Mayaguez. He then spent the remainder of his career in the F-4E Phantom at New Orleans Naval Air Station, and the C-130 Hercules at Keesler Air Force Base, MS and Little Rock Air Force Base, AR. Although selected for promotion to the

rank of Lieutenant Colonel, Pojo was forced to retire from military service in March 1991 for medical reasons. His numerous awards and decorations include eight Air Medals earned while flying the F-4E Phantom in Southeast Asia. For his outstanding and dedicated service to the United States, Pojo was inducted into the Breaux Bridge Military Hall of Fame in July 2006. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Sunset Chapter #141** and served on the board of directors. In his retirement, Pojo was an avid sports fan and enjoyed following his favorite teams from afar. He is survived by his loving wife of 48 years to Mary Ann (née Goll) Morvant; his children, Paul "Joey" Joseph Morvant and Tara Ann Morvant, all of Breaux Bridge; his brother, Dane Morvant, of Lafayette; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parent, Pojo was also predeceased his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Morvant, of Broussard and Mr. and Mrs. George Hebert, Sr., of Breaux Bridge; his sister, Mattie M. Watson, of Fredericksburg, TX and Carolyn M. Rhodes, of Newton, TX; five uncles and four aunts. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:00 AM on Saturday, March 24, 2018 at Saint Bernard Catholic Church in Breaux Bridge. The family requested that visiting hours be observed at the funeral home from 2:00 PM until 9:00 PM on Friday and continued Saturday from 7:00 AM until 9:30 AM. A rosary was prayed at 7:00 PM on Friday. Reverend Father Austin Leger officiated at the Funeral Mass. Scriptures were read by Preston Boudreaux and Paula Granger. Gift Bearers were his wife and children. Interment was in the Saint Bernard Cemetery No. 2 in Breaux Bridge. The pallbearers were Vietnam Veterans, Sulie Bourque, Nathan Parlsey, Gene Duhon, John Redden, Terry Davis, Charles Norman, and Scott Redden. Pellerin Funeral Home of Breaux Bridge, 211 Berard Street, Breaux Bridge, LA 70517 oversaw the arrangements.



PHILIP W. MROZ - Died Monday, March 26, 2018 in New Baltimore, Michigan at the age of 68. He was also of Chesterfield, Michigan. The cause of death was carcinoma of the lungs. He was born on September 2, 1949 in Detroit, Michigan to the late William and Gertrude Mroz. Philip served in the United States Army and he retired from Great Lakes Beverage. He was a member of Saint Mary Queen of Creation Church, the VFW Post #7573 and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clinton Township Chapter #154**. He was the beloved husband of Karen; dear father of Debra (Matthew) Knutson and a son; loving grandfather of Courtney, Isabel, Scarlett, Adriana, Carter and Alexis; also survived by his stepson, Patrick (Natalie) Grace II and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his first wife, Kathy, his parents William and Gertrude and his brother William. Visitation hours were from 2:30 – 8:00 PM with a 7:00 PM. The recitation of the Rosary was on Monday, April 2, 2018 at the Gendernalik Funeral Home, 35259 23 Mile, New Baltimore. Instate at 10:00 AM until 10:30 AM. The Mass of Christian Burial was on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at Saint Mary Queen of Creation Church, 50931 Maria, New Baltimore.

EDMOND J. MROWCZYNSKI – Died recently in 2018 in Sicklerville, New Jersey at the age of 86. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 6, 1932. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Somerdale Chapter #1068**.

JOSEPH N. “Kepa” “Hawaiian Joe” NAKOA – Died Thursday, March 15, 2018 in Ambridge, Pennsylvania at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 10, 1944 in Makawao, Maui, Hawaii to the late Joseph and Helen Nakoa. He was also predeceased by his daughter, Lonnie Nakoa. He is survived by his ex-wife, Marian; his daughter, Sharnell Nakoa; his son, Shawn Fuller; his nephew, Naune; his grandchildren, and; his best friend, Reuben Fuller and a host of other friends. He served in the United States Army from 1965 to 1967 with a tour of duty in Vietnam 1966 to 1967. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. Per the family’s request, there was no visitation. Arrangements were handled by the Gabauer-Matter Funeral Home and Cremations Services, Inc., 1133 Church Street, Ambridge, Pennsylvania.



FRANK ARNOLD NICHOLS - Died Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at the Lynchburg General Hospital in Lynchburg, Virginia at the age of 68. He was a resident of Forest, Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Lynchburg on August 8, 1943 to the late Albert L. Nichols, Sr. and Beverley (née Bragg) Nichols and was the brother of Albert “Al” L. Nichols, Jr. In addition to his brother, Al, he is survived by a nephew, Dr. Stephen A. Nichols, and his wife, Gerri A., of Towson, MD and their children, Philip, Daniel, and Julia; a niece, Diane N. Reid, and her husband, William J., of Midlothian, VA and their children, Benjamin, Samuel, Elijah, and Lydia. Frank is also survived by his cousins and their families with whom he loved to visit, his friends with whom he worked, his friends at his church, and special friends and neighbors Martha and Claude Tuggle. Frank was a devoted son who was a source of strength for his parents and who cared for them as they aged and faced declining health. Frank was a beloved uncle who took a special interest in the families of his niece and nephew and who regularly attended special events such as Christmas and birthday parties for them. Frank was a member of the Rivermont Avenue Baptist Church and, until his health declined, served in different capacities including deacon and head usher. Frank graduated from E. C. Glass High School and attended Phillip’s Business College where he studied accounting. He then worked at Vaughn’s Chevrolet, Brockman Chevrolet, and Powell’s Truck and Equipment where he managed the accounting and computer work until his retirement. In 1967, Frank entered the United States Army and served in Vietnam. He was recognized for his excellent service and was awarded the Bronze Star. Frank was proud of his military service and was a member of the American Legion Post #16 where he served in the Honor Guard. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lynchburg Chapter #196**. Frank enjoyed the many friendships that he developed by his easygoing manner, his loyalty, and his conscientious efforts on any task. He also enjoyed sports and, as a youth, was a star football and baseball player for Rivermont in the Lynchburg City League. Fishing was always a favorite activity for Frank and his family, especially trout fishing on the Tye River and at Peaks of Otter Lake. He enjoyed attending sports events,

especially Liberty University basketball games and Flames Club activities. A celebration of Frank's life was held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, February 4, 2012, at the Rivermont Avenue Baptist Church, 1301 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, VA with the Reverend Glen Land officiating. Interment was in the Bethesda United Methodist Church Cemetery, 14340 Wyatts Way, Huddleston, VA 24104. The family received friends on Friday, February 3rd, from 6:00 to 8:30 PM at the Diuguid Wiggington Chapel. At other times, the family received friends at the home of Al Nichols, 206 Whitley Way, Lynchburg 24503. Memorial contributions may be made to the Rivermont Avenue Baptist Church, 1301 Rivermont Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24504 or to the Bethesda United Methodist Church Cemetery Fund, 14340 Wyatts Way, Huddleston, VA 24104.

JOHN NIELSON – Died Friday, May 4, 2012 in Delta, Utah at the age of 66. The cause of death was from addictions. He was born in Salt Lake City, Utah on May 11, 1945. He served in United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Utah**.

NORMAN CHARLES “Norm” NILES - Died Sunday, April 29, 2018 at the Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, New York at the age of 69. He was a resident of Horseheads, New York. The cause of death was sepsis, pneumonia, air embolism, pneumocephalus, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, diabetes mellitus type II, atrial fibrillation and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. Norm was born in Johnson City New York on November 6, 1948 to the late Nelson and Eleanor (née Lewis) Niles. He was also predeceased by his sister Wilma, granddaughter Marietta Southard and sister-in-law Patricia Niles. Norm is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Orletta (née Ellsworth) Niles; children Robbin (Eric) Palmer, Nona Niles (with Pepper Austin), Orletta (Al) VanKeuren, Kelly (Robert) Barrows, Norman (Elizabeth) Niles, and Priscilla (David) Southard; siblings, Dennis Niles, Milton (Diane) Niles, Charles Niles, Lydia Niles, Nyomi (James) Rice and Wayne (Robin) Niles; 15 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews. Norm was a United States Marine Corps Veteran who served two tours of duty in Vietnam. He retired from Burns Security with 20 years of service. Norm was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elmira Chapter #803**. He was an avid bowler at Dixie Lanes in Elmira and had bowled a couple of 300 games. Most importantly, Norm was a loving husband, father, grandfather and brother who will be missed by all who knew and loved him. Family and friends were invited to the McInerney Funeral Home, 502 West Water Street, Elmira on Friday, May 4, 2018 from 10:00 AM to 11:45 AM. A funeral service was at 12:00 Noon. Committal prayers, with military honors, took place at Woodlawn Cemetery. Those wishing may remember Norm with a donation to the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 803, 1200 Davis Street, Elmira NY 14901.

THOMAS GERALD “Tom” NORCONK - Died Saturday, April 28, 2018 at home in Ridgebury Township, New York at the age of 69. He was formerly of Sayre, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was lung failure. He was born in Waverly, New York on December 2, 1948 to the late Gerald Norconk and Rosemary (née Chandler) Norconk who survives. He is survived by his wife, Sandra K. (née Ervay) Norconk, with whom he celebrated 42 years of marriage this past December 24th. After graduating from Waverly High School, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served in the Vietnam War. In 1970 Tom became a union laborer and

member of Laborers Local #1358. From 2001 to 2010 when he retired he was the business manager/ business agent for local #1358/#785. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elmira Chapter #803**, the NRA and Unified Sportsmen of Pennsylvania. Tom enjoyed spending time with his family hunting, fishing and racing anything from asphalt mods to karts at local short tracks. Tom is survived by his wife, Sandy; his mother, Rosemary; his son, Jerry; his grandson, Christopher; his sister, Brenda Parish, of Dushore, PA and several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his father, Gerald. A celebration of Tom's life was held at the convenience of the family. Memorials may be made to any local animal shelter or veterans organization. The Roberts Funeral Home, Inc. 279 Main Street, Wellsburg, NY has been trusted with the arrangements.

GUSTAV A. "Gus" NORDSTROM, JR. - Died peacefully at the UVM Medical Center on Monday, September 14, 2015 at the age of 86. He was a resident of Essex Junction, Vermont. He was born on February 5, 1929 in Brooklyn, New York to the late Gustav A. Nordstrom, Sr. and Alice (née Matterson) Nordstrom. He was retired from the United Army Corps Engineers, the US Postal Service and St Michael's College. He was proud of being the oldest graduate of his graduating class at Saint Michael's College in 1975. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Swanton Chapter #829**. He is survived by his daughter; Nancie and her husband Bruce Murdough of Essex Jct., his 3 grandson's Bruce and his wife Cassandra Murdough, and their son's Bennett and Parker, Casey and his wife, Angela and their daughter, Lauren, and Keith Murdough, of Essex Jct.; his brother, John Nordstrom, of PA. and his sister, Annie, of NY, NY; his brother-in-law, Vincent Benevento and his wife, Sara, of Essex Jct., and; his sister, Martha Dimaggio, of Essex Jct., VT and their families. He was predeceased by his wife, Eleanor May (née Benevento) Nordstrom on July 21, 2001 and his son Gus Nordstrom III on March 9, 1987, and by his 4 brothers and sisters. A prayer service was held on September 17th, at 11:00 AM at the Corbin and Palmer Funeral Chapel, 9 Pleasant Street, Essex Jct. The family would like to thank the Staff at Green Mountain Nursing Home for the wonderful care they gave Gustav and his wife Eleanor. Memorial Contributions can be made to the Green Mountain Nursing Home Recreation Fund, 475 Ethan Allen Parkway, Colchester, VT 05446.



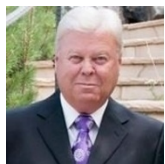
FREDERICK I. "Rick" "Fred" NOWAK - Died Thursday, December 28, 2017 at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan at the age of 71. He was a resident of Essexville, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. Fred was born in Bay City, Michigan on July 23, 1946 to the late Alvin and Wanda (née Budzinski) Nowak. He graduated from Saint Stan's High School, attended Delta College, and proudly served Vietnam as a Specialist 5 in the United States Army from 1966-1968. On June 26, 1971, Fred was united in marriage to the former Dorothy Oblender in Bethel Lutheran Church. Their 46 years were blessed with three children and five grandchildren. After 39 years of service, Fred retired from General Motors - Powertrain, where he was a skilled trade tool and die maker. Fred was a past commander of the P.L.A.V. Post #162 and American Legion Post #18. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bay City Chapter #494**. He loved to play cards with family and friends and was the number one attendee and fan at all his children and grandchildren's games and events. Known for his meticulous attention to

detail, Fred had a love for gardening, landscaping, and maintaining his yard. He also enjoyed traveling, especially on bus trips, which took him coast to coast, creating many memories, and staying a true Lions fan, no matter how many times they let him down. In addition to Dorothy, Fred leaves to cherish his memory, his three children, Jennifer (Max) Westphal, John Nowak (Michelle Wiedyk), and Jeffrey Nowak; grandchildren, Aiden and Tristan Westphal, Collin and Kaitlyn Nowak, and Madden Nowak; siblings, Paul (MaryAnn) Nowak, James Nowak, Sally Galloway, Patricia (Stanley) Taylor; in-laws, Marion (Douglas) Markillie, Kathie Leppek, and Janet Majeske, along with many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Fred was welcomed home to heaven by his father and mother-in-law, Godfrey and Frieda (Voss) Oblender; in-laws, Kristine Nowak, Richard Leppek, and Roy Majeske, and his nephew, Frankie Galloway. Fred's family was present to receive visitors on Monday, January 1, 2018 from 2:00 PM until 8:00 PM at the Skorupski Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 955 North Pine Road, Hampton Township. On Tuesday, January 2, 2018, Fred was taken to the Bethel Lutheran Church, 749 North Pine Road, where visiting continued from 10:00 AM until Fred's 11:00 AM Funeral Ceremony. Pastor Mark Luetzow officiated with military honors. Private interment was held in the Floral Gardens Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be directed to Bethel Lutheran Church or Wounded Warriors.



WILLIAM F. "Bill" OAKES - Died Sunday, April 22, 2018 in Wadsworth, Ohio at the age of 74, after a short illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Mansfield, Ohio on July 10, 1943 to the late Paul and Annie Lou Oakes. He attended Saint Peter High School. He joined the United States Navy and was an electrician and battery man on the submarines USS Sirago and Argonaut. He had a strong work ethic and worked at Garner Brothers Drive-In, Firestone and Rubber Company and eventually retired from Chrysler. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cuyahoga Falls Chapter #717**. Bill will be remembered as being the quiet guy that didn't say too much. He was the type of guy that would go for an afternoon drive to Mansfield and Lucas, Ohio to get a root beer float at the local Wendy's or just to buy a bag of Jones's potato chips. Bill enjoyed being near the water and playing horse shoes on the beach for hours. He could not pass up a good auction just by looking at the inventory in his garage. He collected die-cast antique toy tractors and was a fan of Amish furniture. In the last few years of his life he kept in contact with many lifelong friends and strengthened his relationship with the newer ones. His heart was always in Mansfield. He was predeceased by father, Paul; and mother, Annie Lou; his big brother, Paul, Jr. and sister, Annie Lou. He is survived by his brothers, James (Linda) and Tom (Donna); former spouse and long-time friend, Sheila (Semonin); son, Shawn; daughters, Elizabeth (Ryan) Guise and Shannon (Al) Greene; his grandchildren, Quinton and Amari Greene, Riley and Royce Oakes and Emmet and Amelia Guise. He also had many cousins and friends that loved him. Calling hours were from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at the Ciriello and Carr Funeral Home, 39 South Miller Road, Fairlawn. A Mass

of Christian Burial was celebrated at 9:30 AM on Thursday, April 26th at Saint Hillary Catholic Church. Interment as in the Mansfield Cemetery.



MELVIN DUANE "Dewey" OLSON - Died Saturday morning, February 10, 2018 at home in Mayville, North Dakota at the age of 72, surround by his family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 9, 1945 Grafton, North Dakota to the late Reynard and Edith Olson, the youngest of 4 children. He graduated from Fairdale High School in 1963, later attending the University of North Dakota and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, FL. Dewey served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War from 1966-1967. After arriving back home he married Donna Maye Ormiston on December 22, 1967. He was a pilot for 12 years, then went on to own Northstar Enterprises and lastly, Creative Products and Marketing for 30 years, where he worked with Polaris and Arctic Cat. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mayville Chapter #374**. Dewey enjoyed golfing with friends and spending time with his granddaughters at their lake home. Dewey is survived by his wife of 50 years, Donna; his son, Steven; his daughter, Sarah Dole and son-in-law, Chris Dole, along with three granddaughters, Hope, Ava and Elle, of Colorado Springs, CO; his sisters, Deanna Olson and Sharon Lovercheck, along with numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his son, Scott, his parents and his brother, Rodney Olson. The funeral service was held on Saturday, February 24, 2018 at the Mayville Congregational United Church of Christ at 2:00 PM.



RICHARD D. "Rich" ORSEN - Died Tuesday, April 17, 2018 in Aliquippa, Pennsylvania at the age of 74, after recovering from an extended illness. The cause of death was myocardial infarction. He was born on October 24, 1943 in New Brighton, Pennsylvania to the late Joseph and Alice (née Moch) Orsen. Rich was also preceded in death by his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Attilio and Lillian Ramunno; a sister-in-law, Lorraine (née Ramunno) Rutkowski; a brother-in-law, Thomas Smith, Sr.; a niece, Robin Palko; and two nephews, Ed Palko and Thomas Smith, Jr. Rich was a faithful member of Saint Titus Roman Catholic Church where he served as a Eucharistic minister and volunteered for various jobs around the church. He was honored with the Marcus O'Brien award for his dedication and countless hours of service to the church. He was also a member of the Holy Name Society at Saint Titus and the Saint Anthony Congregation. Rich retired from J&L Steelworks where he worked in the Bi-product department and the Tin Mill. He was a proud veteran of the United States Army having served during the Vietnam War. Rich did not let his duty to other veterans end when he was discharged from the Army. He continued to help those veterans who were less fortunate than him by driving disabled veterans to doctor appointments. He respectfully honored those veterans who had died by serving as a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veteran of America – Freedom**

Chapter #862 Honor Guard where he and fellow comrades performed military honors at cemeteries for funerals. Rich proudly accepted the award of Vietnam Veteran-of-the-Year and the John Namath Award for his service to other veterans. Rich is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years, Elena (née Ramunno) Orsen; a brother and sister-in-law, Joseph and Carol Orsen; a sister and brother-in-law, Portia and Jim Ulinski; his nieces and nephews, Joseph, Jonathan, Jason, Daniel, Amy and Andrew; two sisters-in-law, Annette Smith and Thelma Palko; nieces and nephews, Mark, Bob and Maureen and Deena; and numerous great-nieces and great-nephews. Rich is also survived by special friends, Linda and Paul Cupp. Visitation hours were on Friday from 2:00 to 4:00 and from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the Anthony Mastrofrancesco Funeral Home, Inc., 21st and McMinn Streets, Aliquippa. Departing prayers were at 9:30 AM on Saturday in the funeral home followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM in Saint Titus Church with Reverend Father Paul Householder officiating. Entombment was at the Mount Olivet Cemetery. The Vietnam Veterans Chapter #862 conducted full military honors for Rich at the cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Rich to Saint Titus Parish Share or Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #862. The Orsen family would like to thank the nurses and staff in the CCU department at Heritage Valley Beaver for the kindness extended to Rich and the Orsen family. A special thank you to Rich's godchild, Breoni, for her unending support. Saint Titus Holy Name Society recited the Rosary at 7:30 PM in the funeral home on Friday.



MILLARD SCOTT PARKER (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Thursday, April 13, 2017 in Tyler Texas at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 4, 1936 in Littlefield, Texas to the late Robert Jacob Parker and Hazel Rena (née Bennett) Parker-Webb. Millard grew up in Texas, moving often as things were hard for many families. The depression and the onset of World War II changed many lives. At 17 years old, he joined the United States Army. He would think it was a great adventure for a young man. At age 18, he was at Mercury, Nevada on May 5, 1955, where our government was testing atomic bombs above ground. After almost 60 years, the government recognized these soldiers as atomic veterans. His military career, as were most was widely traveled. His last out of country tour of duty was Vietnam (1971 – 1973). He then came home to Fort Worth, Texas and retired at the rank of Sergeant First Class (E-7) in 1974. Millard loved his family and always tried to stay in touch. He never lost the desire to travel. He loved animals, caring for many. He loved his country, God, and a peace he deserves, a place in the hearts of those he loved and loved him. 2010 Article from KLTU by Joan Hallmark one of many Freedom Fighters: (KLTU) - Millard Parker received a Bronze Star for saving lives in Vietnam. But the lives he saved were through building, not fighting. Parker admits he was shot at during his two years in Vietnam during the Vietnam war. But it is what he and others did for the people of Vietnam that he remembers best. Parker was in an Army Engineering unit that built roads, bridges, infrastructure and water purification plants for the villages of Vietnam. He is especially proud of the water purification plants

because without them the villagers would have had to continue drinking the polluted river water. He wants people to know that Freedom Fighters can be builders as well as fighters. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Longview Chapter #987**. He is interred in the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery.



LUKE P. PATRINO - Died Saturday, January 28, 2017 in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio at the age of 69. He was born in Akron and was life resident of Cuyahoga Falls. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 3, 1947 in Akron, Ohio to the late Vincent and Vivian Patrino. He was a graduate of Cuyahoga Falls High School and served in the United States Army and was a Vietnam combat veteran. He retired from the elevator constructor's union. He was the Chapter Commander 12-3 of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association helping homeless veterans. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his sisters, Carmella Justine, Janet Benjamin; his nephew, Daniel Patrino; aunts, uncles, and cousins. He is survived by his brothers, Vincent (Margaret), Donald (Ellen); his brother-in-law, George Justine; seven nieces and nephews; five great-nieces and great-nephews and special friend, Colleen Billings. Visitation hours were on Thursday, February 2, 2017 from 5:00 until 8:00 PM at the Clifford-Shoemaker Funeral Home, 1930 Front Street, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221. Memorial Services were conducted on Friday at 11:00 AM with Dr. David Baker officiating. Inurnment was at the Ohio Western Reserve Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Combat Vets Motorcycle Association.



ERNEST WILLIAM PAUL, JR. – Died Thursday, February 22, 2018 in The Villages, Florida at the age of 70. The cause of death was Alzheimer's disease. He was born on August 5, 1947 in Illinois. He served in the United States Navy on the USS Repose from May 29, 1967 to May 15, 1969. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rockford (Illinois) Chapter #984**. He was a Firefighter Engineer in Park Ridge, Illinois. Ernest is survived by his wife Mary, daughter Heather and Eric Wano. Visiting hours were held on March 8th from 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM. A Celebration of Life was held on March 8th at 10:00 AM in the Banks/Page-Theus Chapel, 410 Webster Street, Wildwood, Florida.



DONALD A. PELKEY - Died Tuesday evening, October 31, 2017 at a Caribou healthcare facility at the age of 67, following an extended illness. He was a resident of Fort Fairfield, Maine. The cause of death is unknown. He was born November 5, 1949 in Fort

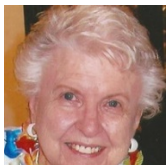
Fairfield to the late Arthur J. "Archie" and Beatrice Agnes (née Blanchard) Pelkey. Donald attended Fort Fairfield schools and proudly served his country with the United States Army from November 6, 1967 to January 26, 1970, completing three tours of duty in Vietnam. Following his discharge from the Army, Mr. Pelkey worked as a carpenter for many years, and was married to Christine Michaud on May 7, 2005. Donald was a member of the American Legion Walter Lovely Post #176, where he was currently serving as commander, was past commander of the VFW Paul Lockhart Post #6187, and was a member of DAV Smart-Ricker Chapter #10. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Maine**. Donald will be remembered as a hardworking, generous man who lived to help his fellow veterans. He enjoyed woodworking, hunting, fishing and being a wonderful "Pappy" to his grandchildren. In addition to his parents, Donald was predeceased by two sisters, Mary Lou Pelkey and Gladys Mae Land; one grandson, Joshua Cunrod. He is survived by his wife, Christine (née Michaud) Pelkey, of Fort Fairfield; two stepdaughters, Jessica Cunrod and her husband Robbie, of Stockholm, Stephanie McIntosh and her fiancé Ryan Michaud, of Caribou; one brother, Graydon Pelkey, of Arizona; seven sisters and their spouses, Darlene and Arthur Philips, of Kincardine, New Brunswick, Diane and Fred Butler, Maxine Johnston, Virginia and Philip McMann, all of Fort Fairfield, Stella Pelkey, of Virginia, Carolyn and Jim Lilly, of New Hampshire, Joanne McMann and her companion Murray Prest, of Fort Fairfield; three grandchildren, Sadie Gendreau of Caribou, Emily Cunrod, of Stockholm, Sophie Michaud, of Caribou, and; numerous nieces and nephews. A graveside service with military honors was conducted on Monday, November 6, 2017 at 11:00 AM at the Northern Maine Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 37 Lombard Road, Caribou with the Reverend Mark Babin officiating. A time of continued fellowship with refreshments followed at the VFW Paul Lockhart Post #6187, Presque Isle Street, Fort Fairfield. Those who wish may contribute in memory of Mr. Pelkey to the Maine Veterans Home, 163 Van Buren Road, Caribou, Maine 04736. Arrangements were entrusted to the Giberson-Dorsey Funeral Home, 144 Main Street, Fort Fairfield.



VERNON BRUCE "Giti Makwa (Old Bear)" QUAGON, SR. - Died Sunday, December 17, 2017 at his home in Stone Lake, Wisconsin at the age of 73. He was a resident of Signor, Wisconsin. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 29, 1944 in Hayward, Wisconsin to the late Henry and Minnie (née Dandy) Quagon. He grew up in Signor then lived in Whitefish. In July 1963 he joined the Army National Guard then enlisted in the United States Army in August 1966 serving until November 1970. Vernon served in Vietnam and was recipient of Bronze Star Medal and Purple Heart in addition to Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal and Sharpshooter award. After the military he moved back to Signor and worked as a paramedic for LCO. He also worked as a game warden for the DNR in Sawyer County. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wisconsin**. He is survived by his sons, Vernon Quagon, Jr. and Bryon Butler; his significant other Faye Ann White; and his niece, Georgia. Vern was preceded in death by his

parent; his daughter, Chlorissa Butler, and; his brothers and sisters. Tribal Funeral Rites were held at 9:00 AM on Thursday, December 21, 2017 at the Pineview Funeral Service in Hayward. Lee "Obizaan" Staples officiated. Burial was in Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Spooner, Wisconsin with military honors accorded by the State of Wisconsin Military Honors Team and LCO AMVETS Post #1998. Visitation hours began at 6:00 PM on Wednesday, December 20th at the funeral home. The honorary pallbearers were Vernon Martin, Leonard Quagon, Stanley Quagon and Lawrence Smith. The pallbearers were Brandon Quagon, Curtis Quagon, Daryl Quagon, Larry Quagon, Roy Quagon, Sr. and Roy Quagon, Jr.

DONALD E. RATZLAFF, JR. – Died peacefully Thursday, March 22, 2018 in Manitowoc, Wisconsin at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 13, 1951 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He was the beloved father of Alexandra; caring brother of Darlene (Jeff) Crandall, David (Bonnie), Denise, Dawn (Jeff) Linski; friend and former husband of Patricia Ratzlaff, and; further survived by other relatives and friends. Donald served his country in Vietnam as a member of the United States Air Force earning a Purple Heart and the Air Medal. Donald coached football at White Lake High School and was an avid sportsman who cherished his time hunting and competing with the Air Force Skeet and Trap International Team. Donald proudly served as past master of the Antigo Lodge #231 F. & A.M. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Manitowoc Chapter #731**. Memorial visitation hours were on Monday, April 2, 2018 from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Funeral Home. A Masonic Service under the auspices of Lake Lodge #189 F. & A.M. and Memorial Service was at 7:00 PM. Inurnment and Military Honors was on Tuesday at 1:00 PM at the Southern Wisconsin Veteran's Memorial Cemetery, 21731 Spring Street, Union Grove, Wisconsin. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the local Veteran's Group of your choice were appreciated. The arrangements were accorded to the Prasser-Klecza Funeral Homes - Bay View Chapel, 32754 South Howell Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.



JEAN JENNIE RAY - Died Saturday, March 24, 2018 in Ocean Springs, Mississippi at the age of 91. The cause of death is unknown. She was born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island on June 25, 1926 to the late Henry and Aniela (née Nellie) Watras-Piatek. She worked at various companies including Alcoa, Bendix, Allied Signal, and others. She had two daughters by her first marriage and gained three stepsons when she married Charlie Ray. She was an active member of innumerable Veterans and POW organizations, including Vietnam Veterans of Ventura County (California); was a member of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – James Michael Ray Memorial Chapter #818**, Woonsocket, RI; Forget-Me-Nots, New Milford, CT; and many more. She worked tirelessly alongside her husband, dedicating much of their time and resources to obtaining an accounting of the POW/MIA of the Vietnam War, including their son/stepson James Michael Ray. She is preceded in death by her husband of 54 years, Charles J. Ray, and her daughter Cathi. She is survived by her daughter, Janice Brown; grandson, Chris Brown; granddaughter, Shonda (Jonas) Burke; stepsons, Dennis (Denice) Ray, Charles (Lynn) Ray, and James Michael Ray, POW, Vietnam/Cambodia, captured March 18, 1968, still not

accounted for; six grandchildren; many great-grandchildren; and innumerable beloved friends. Her lively spirit and energy will be missed by each of us who knew and loved her. Her loving and giving heart led her to do things like make bibs for the residents of a retirement community to protect their clothes while they ate. She was creative and innovative, adjusting to the circumstances at hand, like a special shower chair and shower curtain of her own creation that helped her stay independent longer. Her love for Charlie was visible in her sacrificial care for him until his passing in 2011. Her heart was broken by the loss of her daughter, Cathi, from cancer. Her love for all her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren, was visible and audible throughout her life. Special thanks to her beloved friend Marcia Sheppard, her "communion lady" Christa Hedmark, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Solid Rock Baptist Church, the entire staff at Arborview Apartments, Ocean Springs Health and Rehab, Biloxi Internal Medicine, Joan at Mississippi Social Services, Past and present members of every Veterans and POW/MIA organization, and the many friends who cared for her. Services were held privately by the families. In lieu of flowers, please donate in her name to the Veterans/POW/MIA organization of your choice. Cards may be sent to the family in care of P.O. Box 819, Monroe, WA 98272. The Howard Avenue Chapel of Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home oversaw the arrangements.



E. DAVID REBMANN, JR. - Died Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at home in Orchard Park, New York at the age of 70. He was formerly of Hamburg, New York. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 27, 1945 in Buffalo, New York to the late Edward D. and the late Anne (née Slomka) Rebmann. He is survived by his brother and sister-in-law "T.J." and Emily Rebmann, and; by nieces and nephews. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77**. Calling hours were on Sunday, July 10th from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM at the F. E. Brown Sons Funeral Home, Inc., 6575 East Quaker Street, Orchard Park, NY. A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:00 AM on Monday, July 11, 2016 at Nativity of Our Lord Church, 26 Thorn Avenue, Orchard Park, NY.



HARRY G. REEDER - Died suddenly on Monday, May 14, 2018, at UnityPoint Health – Trinity in Rock Island, Illinois at the age of 70. He was a resident of Moline, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 23, 1947 in Davenport, Iowa. He served in the United States Army in Vietnam and earned a Bronze Star medal and several other decorations. He served with the Moline Police Department for 39 years, retiring in 2010. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Quad Cities (Rock Island) Chapter #299**. Harry is survived by his wife, Cindy; a son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Crystal Davis; his mother-in-law, Pat Koch; his brothers-in-law, Rick Zeroth, Russ Zeroth and his wife, Connie, and

Mark Zeroth; his sister-in-law, Lori Stark; a niece and nephews. His two dogs, Gunner and Teena will miss him, as will his family and many friends. Cremation took place at the Trimble Crematory under the direction of Trimble Funeral Home, Moline. Private entombment was in the Rock Island National Cemetery, and no public services was held.

WILLIAM T. REESE – Died Tuesday, October 21, 2014 in Fayetteville, Tennessee at the age of 73. The cause of death was Myelodysplasia, chronic kidney disease, chronic thrombocytosis and benign prostatic hypertrophy. He was born in Lamar County, Alabama on November 29, 1940. He is survived by his wife, Edith C. Reese, of the home. He served in the United States Army from 1968 to 1970 with a tour of duty in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pulaski Chapter #262**.

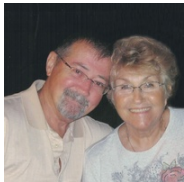


GARY BERLE RIESE, SR. - Died Monday, January 15, 2018 in Spokane Valley, Washington at the age of 68. The cause of death occurred after a long and hard fight with kidney dialysis, heart disease, recent left leg amputation, influenza B and blood infection. Gary left this world peacefully. He was born on July 8, 1949 in Chewelah, Washington to the late Berle and Mollie Riese. Gary Riese and Carol Helt were married June 21, 1969. He is survived by his wife, Carol; his daughters, Rachael Riese and Garylene Riese and son Gary Berle Riese, Jr.; a grandson, Arthur Riese-Freeman; sisters, Marcy Jacobs and Karen Kjolseth; uncle, Lee Evenson and wife, Cheryl, nephews, Michael Reed and William Reed and nieces, Desaray Kjolseth, Bree Kjolseth and Jeane Snyder; and many other close relatives. He served in the United States Army from 1968 to 1971 with a tour of duty in Vietnam in 1968. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Spokane Chapter #879**. Gary enjoyed spending time with family and going to family reunions, watching his Minnesota Vikings, westerns especially with John Wayne among many other things. Gary retired from Kaiser Aluminum in 2002. The Celebration of life was a potluck at 1:00 PM on May 6th at the Valley Eagles in Spokane Valley.



RAY EDWARD ROBERTS (USA, MAJ-Ret.) - Died Sunday, April 22, 2018 in Morristown, Tennessee at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 11, 1946 in Morristown to the late Robert “Bob” Newton Roberts and Sallie (née Buell) Roberts. Ray was a member of Panther Springs United Methodist Church for 36 years, where he served as trustee. Ray served in the United States Air Force from 1965-1969, spending part of his tour of duty in Danang, Vietnam. After graduating with a degree in Engineering from ETSU in 1976 he entered the United States Army. He retired in 1998 from the Army Reserves. Ray spent 23 years at Berkline, retiring in 2003. In retirement he continued to serve the community by volunteering with Appalachian Outreach and the America Red Cross. He was the Lakeway Volunteer of the Year. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Morristown Chapter #1073**. He was a loving husband, father, “Bapa”, brother, and friend. He was an avid dirt track fan and a lover of classic cars. Ray loved spending time at the Deer Camp and any opportunity to spend

time with his family. He was preceded in death by his parents, and his brother, Robert "Mac" Roberts. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Patricia (née Carmack) Roberts; children, Judith (Chris) Lykens, and Lisa Rae Roberts all of Morristown; grandchildren, Brayden Lykens, Raylie Lykens, Macey Carter and Alli Davis; siblings, Rachel (Doug) Smith of Oliver Springs, Charles (Nancy) Roberts of Knoxville; sisters-in-law, Sue Roberts, Anne Foley, and Nancy Carmack, and; many nieces and nephews. The family received friends on Thursday, April 26th from 4:00-7:00 pm at the Panther Springs United Methodist Church. Funeral Services were at 7:00 PM with the Reverends Kristen Burkhart and Rick Spell co-officiating. Military graveside services were on Friday, April 27th at 1:00 PM in the Hamblen Memory Gardens. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Panther Springs United Methodist Church in Morristown, or to the Northeast TN American Red Cross. Arrangements were made by the Westside Chapel Funeral Home in Morristown.



RONALD DEAN ROBES – Died Thursday, April 26, 2018 in Sebastian, Florida at the age of 74. The cause of death was CLL – Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia. He was born in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania on June 14, 1943 to the late Victor Robes and Marion Robes-Allen. He is survived by his children - Ronald (Cheri), Essie (Jeff), and Deborah (Jay), his grandchildren - Mathew, Joshua, Christina, Ashley, Devin, Audrey, Amanda, Jayson, and Nathaniel, and great grandchildren - Erick, Addison, Liora, Logan, Alanna, Rachelle, and Piper. Ronald is preceded in death by his father Victor Robes, mother Marion Allen, brother Thomas Robes, and wife Jacqueline (née Bueno) Robes. He retired from the United States Air Force after 20 years of service. He was dedicated to his family. He enjoyed motorcycles, boating, fishing, and golfing. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. Ronald was an active and devoted member of his church, "Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission." In lieu of flowers, Ronald would ask you donate in his name to the Humane Society of Indian River County. A memorial/mass service was held at "Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission" on Friday, May 4, 2018 at 11:00 AM. For directions and online guestbook please visit www.seawindsfh.com. Seawinds Funeral Home was honored to serve the Robes family.



GARY LINWOOD ROBINETTE - Died Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at the Western Maryland Regional Medical Center after a courageous battle with cancer. He was a resident of Lavale, Maryland and 68 years of age. He was born on February 6, 1949 in Cumberland, Maryland to the late Linwood Lester Robinette and Lois Maxine (née Snyder) Robinette. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family. A graduate of Allegany High School, Class of 1967, Gary was a United States Coast Guard Veteran during the Vietnam War. He retired from CSX Railroad with 33 years of service as a conductor and served as a mentor to new hires for several years. Gary was referred to as "Iron Man" at work because he never missed a day. He

was Methodist by faith. Gary was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veteran of America - Cumberland Chapter #172** and a member of the Rocky Gap Golf Course. He was an avid golfer. Gary was incredibly loyal and devoted to his family and friends and brought much laughter into their lives. Gary never met a stranger and had many "Peeps." Gary is survived by his wife of 48 years, Carolyn (née Bridges) Robinette; his daughter, Raegan (Robinette) Hawk, LaVale, MD; and his son: Adam Robinette and wife, Kristin, Cumberland, MD. He also leaves behind his grandchildren, Liam, Duncan, and Cyrus Robinette; his cousins, Russell and Jeffrey Snyder; his aunt, Billie Jean Snyder; his canine companions, Stella and Bodhi; as well as numerous close friends. A Celebration of Gary's Life was held at the LaVale United Methodist Church on Saturday, November 11, 2017, at Noon with Reverend Frankie Revell officiating. The family would like to give a special thank you to all the staff at 7-South for the care and compassion given to everyone. They were wonderful. In lieu of flowers, the family requested that memorial contributions be made to the Rosenbaum Family House, 30 Family House Drive, Post Office Box #8228, Morgantown, WV 26501; or, Ark of Hope Animal Rescue, 13400 Arctic Ridge Lane, Oldtown, MD 21555.



GEORGE WILLIAM "Bill" ROBINSON (USAF, MSGT-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, March 7, 2018 in Yorktown, Texas at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 19, 1943 in Meadville, Pennsylvania to Bernice (née Waid) Williams and the late George F. Robinson. He was a retired United States Air Force Master Sergeant and a Vietnam Veteran. Bill owned a service station in Yorktown for many years, volunteered with the Yorktown EMS since its inception in 1989, and served as Justice of Peace PCT 2 in DeWitt County since 1994. He was an active member of VFW Post #8136, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Yorktown Chapter #1029**, and the American Legion. He was also an active member of Open Bible Baptist Church. Bill is survived by his mother Bernice Williams; his wife, Rachel Robinson; his son, Daniel Robinson and wife, Jacquelyn Robinson; his daughter, Karen Robinson and husband, Richard Cole, and; his brother, John Paul Robinson. He is also survived by his grandsons, Kaleb Ryan Cole and William Andrew Robinson. He was preceded in death by his father George Frederick Robinson; brothers Fred, Ralph, Timothy, James, Richard and Frank; and sisters Ruth Hartzell and Barbara Potts. There was a Celebration of Life luncheon for Bill on Sunday, March 11, 2018 at 12:30 PM at the Yorktown Community Hall. Visitation hours were from 5:00-7:00 PM on Sunday, March 11, 2018 at the Massey Funeral Home. Funeral services were at 10:00 AM on Monday, March 12, 2018 at the Massey Funeral Home. Graveside services were at 2:00 PM on Monday, March 12, 2018 in the Coastal Bend State Veteran Cemetery in Corpus Christi, Texas with full military honors. Pallbearers were John Green, Frank Blair, Bobby Strieber, Bobby Hranicky, John Oliver, and Bill Menn. Memorials can be given to the Yorktown E.M.S., Open Bible Baptist Church, or donor's choice. Arrangements by Massey Funeral Home, Yorktown, Texas.



DANNY D. ROMEO - Died unexpectedly on Thursday, March 9, 2017 at his home in Girard, Ohio at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 8, 1950 in Hillsville, Pennsylvania to the late Dominic and Lucille (née Creatore) Romeo. Danny was a proud veteran of the United States Army, having served three tours in the Vietnam War, where he served in the Black Horse Battalion of the 11th Armored Cavalry and the 101st Airborne Division. He not only received two Purple Hearts, but he also received the Army Commendation Medal. He attended the former Christ Our King Catholic Church. He was a member of the Mahoning Valley **Vietnam Veterans of America – Poland Chapter #135**, as well as the American Legion Post #15. Survivors include his children, Nycole and Dominic Romeo; a brother, Teddy; and a sister, Joanna Seat-Romeo. He was preceded in death by his parents; and sisters Darlene, Jeannie, and Mary Romeo, and Kathy Simboli. A memorial service was held at the Lane Family Funeral Homes, Mineral Ridge Chapel, on Friday, March 17, 2017 at 7:00 PM, where friends were received beginning at 5:00 PM until the service. Private burial took place at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery in Rittman, Ohio. Memorials may be made to the family. Please visit www.lanefuneralhomes.com to share a memory or to send a condolence.



EDWARD J. "Ed" ROSENBERG - Died Friday, December 29, 2017 at ThedaCare Medical Center, Shawano, Wisconsin at the age of 68. He was a resident of Shawano. The cause of death was a stroke. He was born on September 15, 1949 in Appleton, Wisconsin to the late Clifford and Florence (née Huebner) Rosenberg. Ed graduated from Appleton West High School in 1967. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, having served in Vietnam. Following his discharge, he married Susan Stumpf on April 16, 1971 at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – De Pere Chapter #224**. Ed had a successful career in financial services before retiring to his summer home on Shawano Lake. He loved going to the shack for deer season and spending time outdoors. More than anything else in the world, Ed loved his family; especially his grandchildren. Ed is survived by his wife, Susan; two daughters, Nicolle (Nicholas Maddix) Hack and Amy (Shawn) Belleau; his grandsons, Edward Hackl and Charles Belleau; his brother, Reverend Robert (Toby) Rosenberg; his sister, Judy Blint; and; also survived by members of the Stumpf family. He was preceded in death by his sisters, Barbara and Mary. Friends visited the family at the Muehl-Boettcher Funeral Home, Seymour on Wednesday, January 3, 2018 from 4:00 PM until the funeral service at 6:30 PM with his brother, Reverend Robert Rosenberg officiating. The burial was in Oak Hill Cemetery, Town of Maine.

HOWARD LEE RUSSELL – Died in November 2017 two weeks before Thanksgiving in Elberta, Alabama at the age of 72. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related cancer. He was Born in Frankfort, Kentucky on September 7, 1945. He served in the United States Air Force from

October 26, 1966 to October 3, 1971 with a tour of duty in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Robertsdale Chapter #864**.



ROBERT SCOTT “Scotty” RYAN - Died Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at his home in East Liverpool, Ohio at the age of 71, after a courageously fought battle with cancer. He was born in East Liverpool on September 16, 1945 to the late Robert and Olive (née Scott) Ryan. Scott attended and was a member of the Beaver Local High School Class of 1963. For many years he was a truck driver, most recently working for Indalex in Girard. He was a Vietnam Veteran having served in the United States Navy. Scott was a member of the American Legion Post #374 and the **Vietnam Veterans of America – East Liverpool Chapter #1064**. He was also a member of the East Liverpool Lodge #681 of the Free and Accepted Masons, a 32nd Degree member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Steubenville, and the East Liverpool Commandery. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church. “Scotty” enjoyed summers at Guilford Lake, reading a good Western book, woodworking, gardening, driving his red Corvette and his beloved dog and best buddy Shelby. He is survived by his wife, Kay Eaton Ryan at home. The couple married May 10, 1986. He also leaves behind his children, Juli Tice and her husband, Mark, of East Liverpool, Dan Ryan of Salem, and Shannon Sullivan and her husband, Bill, of East Liverpool, along with his stepchildren, Kristen Bickel Nightingale and her husband, Stephen, of Columbia, South Carolina, and Aaron Bickel and his wife, Michelle, of Bonaire, Georgia. There are twelve grandchildren, Mark Tice and his wife, Grace, Olivia Tice, Reid Tice, Ryan Tice, Isabella Sullivan, Danielle Ryan, Megan Ryan, Austin Nightingale, Anabel Nightingale, Sydney Bickel, Deven Bickel and Reece Bickel. In addition, he is survived by a sister, Cynthia Millhorn and her husband, Ron, of Calcutta, an uncle who helped raise him, Charles Scott of Calcutta, and his former wife, Lora Ryan of East Liverpool. Friends came to visit on Thursday afternoon and evening at the Dawson Funeral Home where the family was present from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Pastor Mike DiRenzo of the Everyday Church conducted the funeral service on Friday at 11:00 AM at the funeral home. A Masonic service was conducted at 7:00 PM on Thursday. The Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #1064 conducted a service at 7:30 PM on Thursday. The burial was in the Columbiana County Memorial Park. Following the service, friends and family gathered at Olivia’s Banquet Facility, 1506 Pennsylvania Avenue (the former St. Ann’s Church) for fellowship.



THOMAS J. “Tom” SANBORN, SR. - Died Saturday, April 15, 2017 at the VA Medical Center, Syracuse at the age of 71, following a brief illness. He was a resident of Canastota, New York. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 25, 1946 in Oneida, New York to the late John T. Sanborn and Catherine (née Kampf) Sanborn. Tom

graduated from Oneida High School. He married Sandra Kay Murray on Aug. 28, 1965, in Canastota. Tom was a veteran of the United States Army. He loved camping and spending time with his family and especially his grandchildren. Tom worked for Marion Manor Estates in Verona for several years prior to his retirement. He was a member of the Fyler Community Church in Kirkville, the Verona VFW Post #6811 and the Canastota American Legion Post #140. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New York**. Surviving besides his wife, Sandra, are: one daughter, Shelley S. Sanborn and her companion Rich Matt of Kirkville; he was predeceased by a son Thomas J. Sanborn, Jr. on Nov. 20, 2005. Tom is, also, survived by a daughter-in-law, Jennifer A. and her husband Neil Robinson of Liverpool; two beloved grandchildren, Zachary T. Sanborn and Alexander T. Sanborn both of Liverpool; four brothers and three sisters-in-law, Edward and Laurie Sanborn of Munnsville, Donald Sanborn of Chittenango, Jerry and Lorraine Sanborn of Munnsville, Gary and Laurie Snyder of Arizona; two sisters and a brother-in-law, Sandra and James Zeller of Oneida, and Colleen Marshall of Verona; also surviving are many nieces, nephews and cousins especially acknowledging Jeanette (Doug) Loucks of Canastota and a sister-in-law, Marlene Poppleton of Canastota. Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, April 22, 2017 at the J. Homer Ball Funeral Home, Inc., 201 James Street, Canastota. The Reverend William M. Wilcox of the Fyler Community Church officiated. Calling hours were held on Saturday, prior to the service from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the funeral home. The burial was in the Lenox Rural Cemetery with Military Honors. J. Homer Ball Funeral Home, Inc. in Canastota oversaw the arrangements.

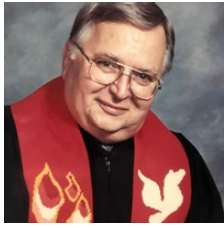


WILLIAM C. SAUNDERS (USA, MSG-Ret.) - Died Monday, December 4, 2017 in Conway, Arkansas at the age of 89. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Norman, Arkansas on June 6, 1928 to the late Alford and Nell (née Jetter) Saunders. He was preceded in death by his grandparents Olivia and Burt Jeter, parents William and Nell, and three grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife Etta M. Saunders of Conway; his daughters, Sandra Collins, of Conway, AR, Terri Millsap, of Dyer AR; his sons, Robert Saunders, of Saint Paul, AR, Curtis Nickel, of San Antonio, TX and Dennis Nickel, of Uvalde, TX; seven grandchildren, and; six great-grandchildren.

MSG Saunders was a 30-year veteran of the United States Army, where he served in Germany at the end of WWII, during the Korean conflict, and completed two tours in Vietnam. While home, he proudly served as a Sergeant in ROTC at The University of Houston, The State College of Arkansas (UCA) and Nickel State University in Louisiana. He was a life member of the National Rifle Association, DAV Chapter #10 and VFW Post #2259. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Arkansas**. He was also a member of the Faulkner-County Armature Radio Club. We would like to thank Dr. MaryJo Shaver and Dr. Brad Tilley for their support and comfort near the end of his life and Davita and Kindred Hospice for their support. Roller-McNutt Funeral Home took care of the arrangements. There was a visitation on

Friday, December 8th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM and a graveside service on Saturday, December 9th at 10:00 AM. In lieu of flowers please give to organizations that support our veterans.



REVEREND JOHN F. SAVILLE, SR. - Died Thursday, March 15, 2018 in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 22, 1939 in Grinnell, Iowa to the late Donovan and Kathleen Nevada (née Fleming) Saville. He married Penny Fitzsimmons on September 26, 1959 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. John enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1958 and served until his discharge in 1970. While in the Air Force he served as a flight engineer on a C141 Starlifter. Following his discharge, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from North Central Bible College in Minneapolis, Minnesota and received his Master of Arts degree from United Theological Seminary. He was ordained by the Presbytery and his first Pastorate was a three-point charge consisting of two Methodist and one Presbyterian Church in Belgrade, Minnesota. In 1977 John returned to Iowa to pastor a church in Schaller. He accepted the Pastorate of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Lawton and moved to Lawton in February of 1983. He retired from Westminster where he was honored as Pastor Emeritus. John continued his pastoral ministry at an Indian Presbyterian Church in Wewoka, Oklahoma as well as the Community Presbyterian Church in Chattanooga, Oklahoma. John was heavily involved in the Presbytery and held many leadership positions. He was a past member of the Lion's Club, a member of the VFW and a member of the DAV. He enjoyed traveling. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**. He is survived by his wife, Penny of the home; two sons and daughters-in-law, John F. Saville, Jr. and Piper, Lawton and Steve Saville and Anita, Paullina, Iowa; granddaughters, Jennifer Hall and husband Cameron and Becky Saville; stepgrandchildren, Jennifer and Michael, step-great-grandchildren, Katelyn, Savannah and Jacob; his brother, Donovan Saville, Iowa and his sister, Mary Saville, Lawrence, Kansas; and his niece Mary Kay Argo, her husband Tom and their son Liam. The memorial service was at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 in the Westminster Presbyterian Church with the Reverend Mark Henslee, Pastor officiating. A private family committal with military honors was held at the Fort Sill National Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of Becker-Rabon Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675 or to the Fisher House Foundation, 111 Rockville Pike #420, Rockville, Maryland 20850-5168.



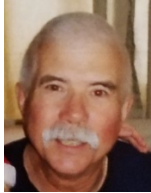
DONALD LEON SCARBOROUGH - Died Sunday, February 18, 2018 in Dimmitt, Texas at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 9, 1944 in Lubbock, Texas to the late J.S. "Sam" Scarborough and Naomi (née Young) Scarborough. He grew up in

Plainview and moved to Dimmitt in 1959. He served in the United States Army from 1967 – 1968 while serving one year in Tuy Hoa, Vietnam during the TET Offensive. He served as crew chief on V01 Mohawk. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Amarillo Chapter #297**. He married Ginger Gibbs on March 17, 1979 and farmed with his dad in the Easter community before working for the Cargill Plant for many years until his retirement in 2003. Donald enjoyed riding motorcycles, shooting guns, going to the mountains and visiting Lincoln County, New Mexico. Donald is survived by his wife, Ginger Scarborough of Dimmitt; his sisters, Ann Ho-Gland and husband Bill and Carolyn McDonald, all of Amarillo; his nieces and nephews, Renea Ho-Gland Taylor and husband Robert, of Ft. Worth, Dustin Ho-Gland and wife Kate, of Canyon, Jerry McDonald and wife Becky, of Colorado Springs, Lauri McDonald, of Amarillo, Troy Gross and wife Paula, of Dumas, Greg Gross, of Spearman and Jason Gross and wife Sara, of Amarillo along with a host of grand nieces and nephews, cousins and many loving friends. Donald is preceded in death by his parents, Sam and Naomi Scarborough, his grandparents, aunts and uncles and many cousins. A Celebration of Life Memorial service was held on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 2:00 PM in the Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ with Wayne Proffitt officiating. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Colonial Funeral Home of Dimmitt.



DAVID P. SCHNEIDER (USA, COL-Ret.) - Died Thursday, April 19, 2018 at Baptist Hospital East at the age of 74. He was a resident of Louisville, Kentucky. The cause of death was double pneumonia. He was born on November 2, 1943. He was a career United States Army veteran. He retired from Eastern High School as a JROTC instructor. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Niagara University and a Master of Arts degree from Central Michigan University and was a member of Saint Patrick Catholic Church. He was a career Field Artillery Officer and his military schooling included Airborne, Ranger, Command and General Staff College, Defense Language School, and Army War College. His active service included posts in Vietnam 1969-1970, Italy 1967-1969, Germany 1972-1975, Japan 1985-1988, and Hawaii 1980-1991. His Military awards and achievements included Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, three Air Medals, Parachute Badge, Ranger TAB, Meritorious Service Medal (with three Oak Leaf Clusters), Army Commendation Medal (one Oak Leaf Cluster). He also received VFW National Citizenship Education District Recognition Award in 2017 and 2018, Middletown Pioneer Award, presented by the Middletown Chamber of Commerce, December 2005, Melvin Jones Fellow Award, Lion Club May 2016, VFW #1170 State Teacher-of-the-Year Award in 2018, and in 2015 was inducted into the Niagara University ROTC Hall of Fame. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Louisville Chapter #454**. David is survived by his wife, Sylvia C. Schneider; son Colonel Christopher D. Schneider (Colonel Maria D. Schneider); daughter, Andrea Schneider Legg (Colonel Phillip Legg); grandchildren, Michelle R. Werner, Jacob C. Schneider, Luke P. Schneider, Matthew P. Legg, Grace E. Legg; brothers, Robert G. and Paul C. Schneider; and sister, Maureen E. Schneider. A Funeral Service was celebrated at 5:00 PM on

Monday, April 23, 2018 at the Ratterman Funeral Home East Louisville, 12900 Shelbyville Road. Visitation hours were from 6:00-8:0 PM on Sunday, April 22, 2018 at the funeral home. A private burial was at Arlington National Cemetery. Donations in lieu of flowers be made to The Fisher House Foundation, Vietnam Veterans of America, or the Disabled American Veterans.

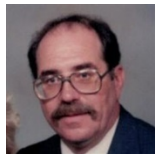


ALVIN E. SCHULTZ, JR. - Died Friday, December 22, 2017 at Saint Michael's Hospital in Stevens Point, Wisconsin at the age of 71. He was a resident of Hancock, Wisconsin. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 6, 1946 in Juneau County, Wisconsin to the late Alvin and Mary (née Hajek) Schultz, Sr. He graduated from Brighton Area High School. He served his country with distinction in the United States Army, beginning with two tours in Vietnam, earning the Bronze Star and being honorably discharged as SFC. He was married in Pinckney, Michigan on May 7, 1973 to Cynthia Black. Mickey worked as a Federal Protective Service Officer and a Semi Truck Driver for many years. His hobbies included: hunting, reading, discussing politics, helping others and practicing Taekwondo, in which he earned his Black Belt. He belonged to the NRA, American Legion and Disabled American Veterans. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wisconsin**. He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Cyndie Schultz; two children, Daniel Schultz and Elizabeth (Joseph) Schmidt; his grandchildren, Alexander, Grace, and Emily Schmidt; his mother, Mary Schultz; his brother, Paul Schultz; his brothers-in-law, John (Terri) Black, George Trohanowsky and Robert Black; numerous beloved nephews and nieces and close friends, and; beloved pets, Cooper (dog) and Boo (cat). Funeral services were held at December 28, 2017 at 11:00 AM at the Skinner Funeral Home in Shell Lake. The burial was in the Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery. A visitation was held on Wednesday, December 27, 2017 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM and for one hour prior to the service on Thursday at the Skinner Funeral Home.



OWEDIA MARIE "Tweedie" SEARCY (USN, CDR-Ret.) – Died Friday, June 16, 2017 in Pasadena, Maryland. At the age of 94. The cause of death is unknown. Tweedie was born on June 6, 1923, in Venus, Texas to the late Charles A. and Ora (née Curry) Searcy. After spending her childhood years in Johnson County, she graduated from Arlington Heights High School in Fort Worth, then attended Texas Christian University before graduating from Saint Joseph Hospital's School of Nursing in Fort Worth. She then was certified as a nurse anesthetist at Barnes-Jewish College Goldfarb School of Nursing in Saint Louis. Tweedie was drawn to military service by her father's service as a Marine in World War I and joined the United States Navy in 1947. She worked as an anesthetist at the Houston Naval Hospital with Dr. Michael DeBakey, and at Naval Hospitals in Bethesda and Patuxent River, Maryland; Oakland, Mare Island, San

Diego and Quantico. She also served in Guantanamo, Cuba and Adak, Alaska. She was one of five Navy nurses who established Station Hospital Saigon early in the Vietnam conflict where she was responsible for setting up an emergency room and operating room. She was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Maryland**. Later, she taught from November 1964 through October 1968 in the Navy's nurse anesthetist program at Portsmouth Naval Hospital. In retirement, Tweedie's life centered around the Naval Academy, where she was famous for her cookbook and her attendance at Navy sporting events in Annapolis and far beyond. Tweedie was preceded in death by her parents and a sister, Jimmie Lee Searcy Bodiford. She is survived by her nieces, Cynthia Bodiford Turney and Jamie Leigh Bodiford Brinkley and husband Michael Brinkley, nephew James Gregory Bodiford, and best friend, Bobbi Hovis, Lt. Commander, USN (Ret.). A Memorial Service was held at 12:00 PM on Friday, July 28, 2017 at the US Naval Academy Main Chapel. The family asked that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made to the Navy Nurse Corps Association, P. O. Box 3289, Newport, RI 02840.



LENROY JAMES "Jim" SELLERS - Died Friday, April 27, 2018 at Vibrant Life Senior Living in Temperance, Michigan at the age of 69. He was a resident of Monroe, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 21, 1949 in Monroe to the late Edwin J. and Shirley H. (née Brock) Sellers. He was a 1967 graduate of Monroe High School and received an Associate of Arts Degree from Wayne State University. Jim served his country honorably and proudly in the United States Army in Vietnam. Jim served from September 6, 1967 to April 10, 1969. He received the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal and the Vietnam Campaign Medal. On September 25, 1970, Jim married his beloved wife, the former Yvonne F. Wall at Zion Lutheran Church in Monroe. Jim went through the four-year apprenticeship program to become a journeyman pipefitter and was employed by Local #671 in Monroe until his retirement in December of 2010. Jim was a member of Zion Lutheran Church where he served as a board member, was an usher, and enjoyed helping with the spring cleanup for the church grounds. He was a life member of VFW Post #1138, volunteered for Toys for Tots and Paula's House. He was also instrumental with the installation of the Vietnam Memorial at Heck Park and the WWII Memorial at Veterans Park. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Monroe Chapter #142**. He enjoyed reading. Most of all Jim enjoyed time spent with family and friends. Jim is survived by his beloved wife of 47 years, Yvonne; two loving daughters, Renee N. (Jason) Bullard, of Ottawa Lake, MI and Amanda K. (Aaron) Winslow, of Lambertville, MI; two cherished grandsons, Evan Bullard and Parker Winslow, and; two sisters, Sandy (Eugene) Howerton, of Harrison, MI and Sue (Ned) Gatchell, of Fort Wayne, IN. Visitation hours were held on Monday from 2:00-7:00 PM in the Bacarella Funeral Home, 1201 South Telegraph Road, Monroe, MI 48161. On Tuesday, May 1, 2018, he laid-in-state at the Zion Lutheran Church from 10:00 AM until funeral services celebrating his life at 11:00 AM. The Reverend Ross Ulrich, Pastor of the church officiated. In keeping with Jim's wishes cremation was done. Memorial contributions were suggested to Zion Lutheran Church or Paula's House.

CLIFFORD W. SHAFFER – Died recently in 2018 in Wilton Manors, Florida at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 1, 1938. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Murdock Chapter #1037**.



GREY MICHAEL "Mike" SHAVER - Died at 6:54 AM on Thursday, June 30, 2016 at the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Hospital in Weston, West Virginia at the age of 66. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related cancer. He was born in Weston on April 4, 1950 to the late Ralph Shaver, Jr. and Mary Josephine (née Marsh) Shaver. His legacy as a fun prankster, storyteller, and gifted pool shark will be passed down to his family: two children, Ronald Shaver, of Morgantown, and Leslie Shaver Andersen and husband, Jeremy, of Naperville, IL; four grandchildren, Kylie and Amelia Shaver, and Jocelyn and Scarlett Andersen; two stepchildren, Rob Stamper and companion, Ashley West, and Stephanie Farley and husband, Bill, all of Weston; eight stepgrandchildren, Caleb and Aden Stamper, Makenna West, Raeonna and Kason Stamper, Jase Farley, and Dylan and Morgan Lawson; one brother, William "Bill" Shaver; several nieces and nephews; best friend, Ron Simmons, of Weston, and his daughters, Kara Simmons, of Alexandria, VA and Rachel Soale, of Phoenix, AZ, whom Mike loved like his own nieces; and his beloved cat, Lily. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by one brother, R. Steven Shaver; and stepdaughter, Kelly Stamper Lawson. Mike was an honored veteran of the United States Air Force having served during Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Weston Chapter #906**. He spent the rest of his life advocating for various veteran causes, like the Wounded Warrior Project. He became a wickedly-talented professional pool player who traveled and competed in tournaments up and down the East Coast for years. He was the Miller Lite World Series of Tavern Pool Champion of 1984, and a member of the Valley National 8-Ball League Association Championship Team of 1994. During that time, most people considered him to be the best player in the state. He was a young athlete who became an avid baseball fan and passionate volunteer for local youth athletics. Mike's request for cremation was honored and friends and family gathered at the Pat Boyle Funeral Home and Cremation Service at 144 Hackers Creek Road in Jane Lew to share memories and celebrate Mike's life from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM on Saturday, July 9, 2016. In lieu of flowers, please bring a written memory of an experience you had with Mike. His family would like to collect and save all the stories to commemorate his life. You may also donate to the Mountaineer Military Museum, 345 Center Avenue, Weston, WV 26452. The Pat Boyle Funeral Home and Cremation Service was honored and privileged to serve the family of Grey Michael "Mike" Shaver.



RICHARD ALLEN "Rick" SIMPSON - Died Sunday, April 29, 2018 in Ringgold, Georgia, at the age of 73. The cause of death was renal failure. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio on October 1, 1944 to the late Eugene Haynes and Mary Haynes-Crawford. He lived most of his life in the Rossville and Ringgold area. Rick was born to Eugene Haynes and Mary Haynes-Crawford; however, due to the untimely death of his father, family members Robert and Georgie Simpson adopted Rick and his sister, Mary Jane. Rick was a United States Army Veteran serving in Vietnam from 1968-1970 in the 82nd Airborne receiving two Bronze Stars, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal. He also served in Operation Desert Storm from 1990-1991. He retired in 1998 from the Tennessee Army National Guard. After his retirement from the military, he worked as an over the road truck driver for F.M. Russell for over 20 years, retiring in 2001. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Chattanooga (Tennessee) Chapter #203**. Rick spent the last 17 years volunteering alongside his best friend Charlie Hobbs serving veterans and the community in VVA Chapter 203 of Chattanooga. He was First Vice President of the Chapter, leader of the Honor Guard and a member of the Hat Ceremony team. Rick received Soldier-of-the-Year in the Chattanooga National Guard and was recognized as Veteran-of-the Year in Walker County and was recently presented the Quilt of Valor. Rick was an avid Atlanta Braves fan and TN Vols fan, and loved drag racing and watching NASCAR. He played Adult Softball for many years and was known to be a switch hitter. Rick also enjoyed playing sports and attending his children's and grandchildren's athletic events. He was preceded in death by his parents, Eugene and Mary Crawford and Robert and Georgie Simpson. Survivors include his wife of 47 years, Joyce Wallin-Simpson; son, Robert "Bob" (Billie) Simpson; daughters, Kristy (Javier) Simpson Alvarez and Misty (Carlos) Simpson Graves; brother, Gene Garmany; four sisters, Patty Hokkanen, Mary Jane Cotter, Shirlee Schwarz, and Towana Hodges; five grandchildren, Eric, Kristen, Jordan, Felipe, and Heisman; and four great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held on Thursday at 1:00 PM in the South Crest Chapel officiated by Randy Lynn. Interment was in the Chattanooga National Cemetery with full Military Honors provided by the VVA Chapter #203. The family received friends on Wednesday from 3:00-8:00 PM at the South Crest Chapel of Lane Funeral Home and Crematory located at the end of historic Missionary Ridge, Rossville.



THOMAS P. "Tom" SKAUG - Died Thursday, April 26, 2018 in Oshkosh. Wisconsin at the age of 75, after a courageous battle with COPD. He was born on July 22, 1942 in Oshkosh to the late Phillip and Elsie (née Meixl) Skaug. Tom married the former Pamela Jean Voelkel on January 23, 1971 in Oshkosh. Tom served his country in the United States Army and was a

member of the VFW Post #1908, AMVETS Post #7, DAV, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Oshkosh Chapter #437**, MVA, USDR, Oshkosh Elks, American Legion Post #234 of Omro, SOA, VVMF, MVM, UVHG, 32nd Old Timers, TREA, Eangus, WNGEA, USAF Rotarheads. He was a helicopter crew chief in the United States Air Force 1961-1972, Army Reserves 1972-1974, Wisconsin National Guard 1157th Transportation 1984-1997. Tom did three tours in Vietnam and was also in Desert Storm. He had worked for 23 years at the Oshkosh Truck Corp. and for 4 years at Smith Security. He greatly enjoyed deer hunting and going to Camp 8 cabin and going to and participating in the Iola Car Show. Tom was also an avid Packer and Badger fan. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him. He is survived by and his memory will be cherished by his wife, Pam of Oshkosh; two brothers, Timothy (Mary) Skaug and Terry (Annette) Skaug, both of Oshkosh; sisters-in-law, Deborah Murphy, of Indiana and Cynthia Voelkel, of Oshkosh; two god children, Sherry Skaug and Brandi Thompson. He is further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends. Funeral services for Tom were held on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 11:00 AM in First English Lutheran Church, 1013 Minnesota Street, in Oshkosh with the Reverend Timothy Greenwald officiating. A time of visitation was held at the church on Tuesday from 9:00 AM until the time of service. Burial with full military honors by the United Veterans Honor Guard (of which he was a member) was in the Lake View Memorial Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund will be established.



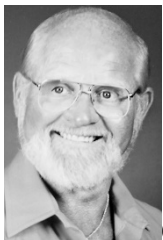
JOHN DEVON SKILES - Naples, FL Died Tuesday, April 3, 2018 in Naples, Florida at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 11, 1940. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Naples Chapter #706**. He was a hard-working and wonderful man. John will be missed by his many friends and loved ones throughout the area. A memorial visitation was held at the Fuller Funeral Home North, 1625 Pine Ridge Road, Naples on Thursday, April 19th from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM with a Funeral Service at 2:00 PM followed by Military Honors.

WILLIAM PAUL SKILLMAN (USA, SGM-Ret.) - Died Saturday, February 24, 2018 in Fayetteville, North Carolina at the age of 76, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 21, 1941 in Fort Jay, New York to LT William Vernon and Elizabeth (née Rodish) Skillman. He spent much of his youth in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, graduating from Windber High School in Windber, PA. SGM Skillman enlisted in the United States Army as a Military Police Officer in 1959. SGM Skillman served with distinction in both peace time and war. In 1963, SGM Skillman graduated from the Airborne Course at Fort Benning, GA, earning the jump wings of a US Paratrooper. SGM Skillman embraced being a paratrooper and the airborne motto of "All the Way" defined everything he did. SGM Skillman served in both the Vietnam War and the Dominican Republic. His courage, valor, and commitment were recognized when he was awarded the Bronze Star for his actions while assigned to the 101st Airborne Division in Vietnam. SGM Skillman continued to serve with the 82nd Airborne Division until his retirement in 1982. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – North Carolina**. SGM Skillman was also a generous and loving

husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Doris (née Nazarchyk) Skillman, of Fayetteville, NC; his daughter Doris Hasler (Carl), of Charlestown, IN; his son, William P. Skillman II (Shannon), of Sanford, NC; his grandchildren, Matthew Hasler (Lauren), Megan Rivera (Angel), Jeremiah Hasler, Scarlett Skillman and Vincent Skillman; and his great-grandchildren, Caden and Ryker Rivera. He is preceded in death by his father, William Vernon Skillman, his mother, Elizabeth Skillman, and his brother, Robert Skillman. A celebration of life took place at 11:00 AM on Friday, March 2, 2018 at the Jernigan-Warren Funeral Home, 545 Ramsey Street, Fayetteville, NC, with visitation immediately following. A funeral with full military honors was held at Arlington National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made to Vietnam Veterans of America.



DWIGHT WILFORD SMITH - Died Monday, March 16, 2015 at the Southern Tennessee Regional Health System in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee at the age of 68. He was a resident of Leoma, Tennessee. The cause of death is unknown. He was a native of Lawrence County, Tennessee born on June 17, 1946 to the late Clarence and Beatrice (née Marable) Smith. He was retired from Garland Wholesale, a member of VFW Post #1618, American Legion, Elks Lodge and Leoma Baptist Church. Mr. Smith served his country honorably in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pulaski Chapter #262**. He is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Kevin Smith (Heather), of Lawrenceburg, TN and Keith Smith (Tammy), of Lawrenceburg, TN; devoted friend and Mother of his children, Ruth Smith, of Lawrenceburg, TN; three brothers, Stanley Smith, of Oklahoma City, OK, Ralph Smith, of Columbia, TN and Clarence Smith, Jr., of Lawrenceburg, TN; three sisters, Okie Johnson, of Lawrenceburg, TN, Gwynn Ware, of Lawrenceburg, TN and Dean Mashburn, of Nashville, TN, and; three granddaughters, Samantha Smith, Peyton Smith and Cecilia Jane Smith. Arrangements were handled by the Neal Funeral Home, 231 North Military Avenue, Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. The family received friends from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 at the Neal Funeral Home. Funeral services were conducted at the Neal Funeral Home at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, March 18, 2015, with Wayne Martin officiating. Interment was in the Lawrence County Memorial Gardens in Lawrenceburg, TN with full military honors.



GARY LOUIS SMITH - Died quietly on Monday, April 23, 2018 at the Maine Veterans Home in Scarborough, Maine at the age of 71, after a long battle from Agent Orange-related

Parkinson's disease, with his devoted, loving wife, Jean (née Davis) Smith, and family at his side. He was a resident of Gray, Maine. Gary was born on December 17, 1946, in Newburgh, New York, the second son of the late Leslie and Margaret Smith. He is survived by his wife, Jean (née Davis) Smith, of Gray; one "best friend," big brother, Allan and his wife, Yuri Smith, of Milton, N.H.; special nieces and husbands, Carol Boyer and husband, Paul, of Milton, N.H.; and Brenda Ruhe and husband, Jerry, of Mystic, Conn. Gary spent his youth days in Newburgh. After high school graduation, he joined the United States Army (1966-1968) and proudly served in Vietnam (1967-68). He graduated from a journeyman apprentice school as a journeyman ironworker and was a self-employed welder, Maine DOT, a carpenter, and joined his wife Jean's electrologist practice until he retired. His *Lifetime Memberships* included: (American Legion, DAV, **Vietnam Veterans of America – At-Large (Maine)**, VFW, NRA), Royal River Gun Club, Maine Association of Electrolysis, and Bible Believing Baptist Church of Gray. Gary and Jean spent many enjoyable hours in the outdoors at their Rockwood Campsite, Greenville/Moosehead Lake property and Eustis, Flagstaff Lake camp: fishing, hunting and boating, in addition to motorcycling. Gary was a true handyman and great fix-it person and found time to RV travel through the United States. A special 25th anniversary trip to Hawaii topped their travel list. They met many wonderful, lifelong friends on their journeys. Gary loved his many companion rescue dogs. Gary will be mostly missed for his wonderful smile and mischievous grin and great sense of humor and the twinkle in his big blue eyes! He was grateful and so very appreciative of the loving and wonderful care he received while he was a resident at the Maine Veterans Home, from both the staff and his fellow veterans and their family members, who blessed him with their loving care. Gary's been to war and fought the battle and is finally at peace! A heartfelt thanks to the loving staff at Beacon Hospice. A memorial service was held at 1:00 PM on April 28th, at the Bible Believing Baptist Church of Gray, 92 Center Road, Gray. A memorial donation, in lieu of flowers, in Gary's honor was suggested to be made to the Bible Believing Baptist Church of Gray, P.O. Box 648, Gray, ME 04039, or the Coastal Humane Society, 30 Range Road, Brunswick, ME 04011.

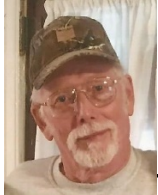


HARRY AVERY SMITH – Died Tuesday, December 19, 1947 in Spokane, Washington at the age of 70. The cause of death was heart disease. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on March 5, 1947. His family moved to Tampa, Florida. He served his country in Vietnam with the United States Marine Corps then moved to Spokane, Washington in 1974. He is survived by his wife, Linda in Spokane; two brothers,

Howard (Ruth) Smith and David (Juanita) Smith in Florida; two sisters, June Cannon and Melodie (Chuck) DiPierro in Florida; plus, numerous nieces and nephews. He loved his family dearly. He was a member of Concord Baptist Church in Tampa, Florida. As a member of the Marine Corps, he served two combat tours in Vietnam. He held life memberships in Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post #51; a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Spokane Chapter #879**; and Disabled American Veterans. He was also a member of American Legion and Inland Empire Veterans United. His interests included gold prospecting, fishing and photography, as well as collecting banks, old tools and hot sauce. In lieu of flowers, the family suggested donations to Inland Empire Veterans United, c/o Charles Bourg, PO Box 849, Chewelah, WA

99109. A service was held at the State Veterans Cemetery, 21702 West Espanola Road, Medical Lake, WA 99022 on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 1:30 PM.

WAYNE G. SMITH – Died Wednesday, April 18, 2018 in Cleveland, Tennessee at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 31, 1945. He is survived by his wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cleveland Chapter #596**.



TERRY WAYNE SNYDER - Died at 4:30 PM, on Saturday, March 31, 2018 at his residence in Rising Sun, Indiana at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. Terry was born in Milan, Indiana on April 21, 1944 to the late Dorothy F. (née Davies) and Clarence Snyder. He was a graduate of Dillsboro High School - Class of 1962. Terry proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He worked as Chief Engineer for Grand Victoria Casino in Rising Sun. He was a member of the Rising Sun American Legion Post #59 and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora Chapter #71**. He was the husband of Kathleen Cheryl (née Hall) Snyder. On March 1, 1969, they were married at the Hamilton County Courthouse in Cincinnati, OH. Terry and KC were married over 49 years. Terry enjoyed riding motorcycles and collecting guns. He was also a mechanic and liked working on his cars and tractors. Terry and his wife KC also loved raising their horses. Terry is survived by his wife, Kathleen Snyder, of Rising Sun, IN; by a daughter, Barbara Ann Klopp (Mike), of Middletown, OH; by grandchildren, Daisy, Michael and Matthew Klopp; by great-granddaughter, Aurora Pernell; by two brothers, Gary Snyder (Debbie), of East Enterprise, IN and Roger Snyder, of Milford, OH. Funeral services were at 11:00 AM on Thursday, April 5th at the Markland Funeral Home in Rising Sun, IN. Friends were invited to visit on Wednesday from 5:00-8:00 PM at the Markland Funeral Home. Burial with military honors was in the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Madison, IN. Memorial donations may be made to Rising Sun American Legion Post #59 or Vietnam Veterans of America #71. Cards were available at the funeral home. marklandfuneralhome.com.



LARRY SONSTEIN (USA, MAJ-Ret.) - Died unexpectedly, Friday, July 21, 2017 in Geneva, Ohio at the age of 72. The cause of death was congestive heart failure, coronary artery disease, diabetes mellitus – type II and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was born on September 4, 1944 in Cincinnati, Ohio to the late Jack and Liberty (née Klein) Sonstein. An Army Brat, Larry spent his high school years at Staunton Military Academy and graduated from Virginia Military Institute where he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in 1966. He retired as a Major in 1975. Larry served on active duty for nine years in the United States Army

with the Field Artillery and Adjutant General Corps including two tours in Pleiku, Vietnam, plus V Corps in Frankfurt, Germany. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Akron Chapter #900** and a Life Member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, plus membership with the American Legion Post #124. Larry enjoyed many years of community service to include serving on Jefferson Village Council and Geneva City Council, a member of the Jefferson Jaycees he served as a District 1-D and Region 1 Director. Larry was a 28-year member of the Ashtabula Elks Lodge #208 where he served as a Trustee, Officer, and Past Exalted Ruler. He also served as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of the Ohio Elks. Larry was made a life member of the Elks organization. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Margaret "Peggie" (née Douglass) Sonstein; two sons, Michael Robert (Jodi Peterson) Sonstein and Mark Douglass (Sharon Hajek) Sonstein; plus, five grandchildren, Michelle Renee, Michael Joseph, Benjamin David, Andrew Thomas, and Cassandra Ann; and brother, Jeffrey Sonstein (Batya Billinkoff). He was preceded in death by his parents. A Celebration of Larry's Life was held on Wednesday, July 26, 2017 from 6:00-8:00 PM at the Ashtabula Elks Lodge #208, 3115 Lake Road West, Ashtabula, Ohio 44004. An Elk's Service along with military honors was provided by the American Legion Post #103 began at 7:15 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his name to the Elk's National Foundation, 2750 North Lakeview Avenue, Chicago, IL 60614-2256. The Ducro Funeral Services and Crematory, 4524 Elm Avenue, Ashtabula assisted the family.



ERNEST C. SOUZA, JR. - Died Monday November 25, 2013 at Our Lady's Haven in New Bedford, Massachusetts at the age of 75, after a long battle with Parkinson's Disease. He was born in New Bedford on March 1, 1938 to the late Mary (née Devalles) Souza and the late Ernest C. Souza, Sr. He was the loving husband of 57 years this January to Mary (née Nunes) Souza. He spent all his life in New Bedford excluding his time in the military and worked as a Letter Carrier for the United States Postal Service until his retirement. Ernest proudly served his country in the United States Air Force for 20 years including a tour in the Vietnam War and held the rank of Technical Sergeant. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Bedford Chapter #499**. He graduated Fisher College with an Associate of Arts Degree in Business, was an avid Dallas Cowboys fan and enjoyed fishing, hunting, country music and bowling. His family includes his wife, Mary, of New Bedford; three children, Joanne Braga and her husband, Kevin, of Dartmouth, Katherine Lemmert and her husband, Louis, of New Bedford, and David Souza and his wife, Audria, of West Greenwich, Rhode Island; four grandchildren, Melissa Amaral, Jennifer Mattos, Stephanie Oliveira and Samantha Oliveira; five great-grandchildren, Quinn deMelo, Layla Amaral, Elizabeth Mattos, Aiva Perry and Victoria Almeida; four siblings, Ronald Souza, Paul Souza, the late Richard Souza and the late Carol Richard, and; several nieces and nephews. Visiting hours were held in the Perry Funeral Home in New Bedford on Sunday, December 1st from 4:00 – 8:00 PM. Relatives and friends were invited to attend. A private funeral service and burial with full military honors took place at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne, Massachusetts. The arrangements were placed in

the care of the Perry Funeral Home, 111 Dartmouth Street, New Bedford. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his name to a charity of your choice.

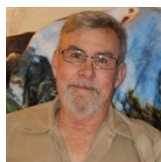


MARK S. SPANGLER, Esq. – Died unexpectedly on Friday, May 25, 2018 at his home in Wakefield, Rhode Island at the age of 71. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on Veterans' Day, November 11, 1946 in Long Beach California to William S. Spangler, of Santa Barbara, CA and the late Thalia J. (née Harmany) Spangler. Mark was the beloved husband of Mary A. Donnelly for 25 years. Mark graduated from Rogers High School and attended the University of Rhode Island graduating in 1968. He was a member of the URI Debate Team which was ranked nationally. He received his law degree from the University of California Hastings College of the Law in 1973. After graduation, Mark returned to RI where he resided and practice law until his death. Mark was a member of the Rhode Island and California State Bar. Mark served honorably with the United States Army Rangers as a Sergeant in Vietnam (1968-1970). He founded the legal clinic at Sympatico, formerly of Wakefield, and served as Town Solicitor of South Kingstown, Rhode Island. He was a proud *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Peace Dale Chapter #325** for over 40 years, serving as Secretary and Treasurer. He also served as Secretary/Treasurer of the Rhode Island State VVA Council. Mark was compassionate to those in need and gave of himself freely. He was an architect behind the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Garden at Dale Carlia Corner and for years spent his weekend mornings gardening and maintaining it for the benefit of all. Most recently he volunteered to help prepare and file taxes at the Johnnycake Center in Wakefield and truly enjoyed being of service to others. Mark took great pride and pleasure in his yard and garden, where he would frequently be found in the company of LB his cat. He was an avid stamp collector and even occasionally managed to get them catalogued. What he most loved was time spent with his grandchildren, his greatest joy. He will be remembered as a loving son, husband, father, brother, grandpa, friend and counselor. Besides his wife and father, Mark is survived by his daughter, Christine Hoerning and her husband, Rainer and their three children, Anna Sophia, Lucas and Eric of Cham, Switzerland; his daughter, Mary Eileen Taylor and her husband, Daniel and their two children, Daniel James and Abby Mae Thalia, of Wakefield, Rhode Island; his brother, Reed Spangler and his wife Yvonne, of Santa Barbara, CA; as well as many brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, loving nieces, nephews and extended family members and friends. Mark was predeceased by his youngest brother, Neal Spangler. Visiting hours were at the Avery-Storti Funeral Home, 88 Columbia Street, Wakefield, RI on Sunday, June 3rd from 3:00-7:00 PM. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at Christ The King Roman Catholic Church, 180 Old North Road, Kingston, RI on Monday, June 4th at 10:00 AM. The burial with full military honors were at the Rhode Island Veterans Cemetery, Exeter RI on Monday, June 4th at 11:30 AM. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the South County Veterans Council, PO Box 5551, Wakefield, RI 02880 or to Autism Speaks, 1 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016 or a charity of your choice.



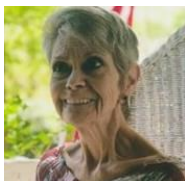
THADDEUS JOSEPH "Ted" SPEVACK - Died Sunday, March 5, 2018 in the West Hanover Township, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania at the age of 73. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on October 4, 1944 in Providence, Rhode Island to the late Joseph and Catherine Spevack, Thaddeus (Ted) grew up in Queens Village, New York and was a proud lifelong 'New Yorker'. He served in the United States Army and was a Vietnam Veteran. During his tour of duty, he met his future wife, Suzanne, by whom he is survived. He is also survived by his son, Richard, his daughter, Rebecca, her husband, Timothy College, and grandchildren, Calliope, Linus, and Rupert, as well as his brothers, Joseph and Martin and his sister, MaryAnn Brackx. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Harrisburg Chapter #542**. Ted was retired from the U.S. Postal Service and loved history and gardening. A memorial service was held at Saint Catherine Labouré Catholic Church, 4000 Derry Street, Harrisburg, on Thursday, March 22nd at 11:00 AM. He was interred in the Indiantown Gap National Cemetery at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA.org).

ROBERT SPORER - Died Friday, April 27, 2018 in Matawan, New Jersey at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 15, 1949 in Elizabeth, New Jersey to the late John and Jenny Sporer. After High School Robert enlisted and served his country in the United States Army in Vietnam. Robert then worked as a Forklift Operator for National Starch and Chemical Company in Plainfield, NJ before retirement. On February 22, 1985 Robert married the former Kathleen Ashe. Robert and Kathleen have lived in Matawan, NJ for the past 31 years. Robert and his family are communicants of Saint Clement Church in Matawan, NJ. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Allenhurst Chapter #12** in Oakhurst, NJ. Robert is survived by his loving spouse of 33 years, Kathleen (née Ashe) Sporer; two sons and a daughter in law, Robert John and Casey and Michael Thomas Sporer; two brothers, James and, Frank Sporer; two sisters, Rose Demarest, and Eleanor Solyts; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers, John and Richard Sporer, three sisters, Joyce, Josephine Bennett, and Ann Makeley. Visitation hours were held on Wednesday, May 2, 2018 from 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM at the Waitt Funeral Home and Cremation Service, 501 Highway 79, Morganville, NJ. A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, May 3, 2018 at 10:00 AM at Saint Clement Church, Matawan, NJ. The burial was in the Brigadier General W. C. Doyle New Jersey Veterans Cemetery, Arneytown, NJ. Memorials were suggested to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8517.



JOE STEPHENS - Died Monday, June 12, 2017 at his home in Marshall, Michigan at the age of 68, surrounded by his wife and loving family. The cause of death is unknown. Joe was born on May 11, 1949 in Prestonsburg, Kentucky to the late Dempsey and Ethel (née

Halbert) Stephens. He graduated from Marshall High School with the class of 1969. Joe was drafted into the United States Army on February 17, 1970. He served in Vietnam with C Battery, 2nd Battalion, 2nd Platoon of the Fifth U.S. Army beginning on July 8, 1970. During period of service he earned the NDSM, VSM, RVNMC with 60 Device, and an SPS Qualification Badge with 2 Side Bars. His Vietnam service ended on July 5, 1971 when he returned to the United States. He was honorably discharged on October 18, 1971 with the rank of Specialist 4th Class. Joe was a patriot who was always proud of his service to his country, family and friends. He married Marcella "Marcy" Cole in Marshall on June 2, 1979. They had 2 children and spent 38 loving years together. After his military career, Joe worked at C & S Carton as a Press Operator for 30 years. Joe was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, and woodworking. He also enjoyed bowling, golfing, and playing with his grandchildren. Joe was a member of the Union United Church of Christ in Tekonsha, as well as a member of the VFW Post #4073 in Marshall. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek Chapter #313**. In his younger years, Joe liked playing Horse Shoes with the family, and in his later years, he did quite a bit of reading. Joe is survived by his wife, Marcy Stephens of Marshall; his children, Jennifer (Dave) Owens, of Tekonsha, and Justin (Christina) Stephens, of Marshall; six grandchildren, Madison, Hailey, and Dakota Owens, all Tekonsha, and Aiden, Brianne, and Joseph Stephens of Marshall; his sister, Thelma Stephens, of Homer, and; his brother, Sam (Barb) Stephens, of Marshall. He was preceded in death by his parents, Dempsey and Ethel Stephens; and his sister, Shirley Stephens. Visitation hours were held at the Craig Kempf Family Funeral Homes, Marshall Chapel, 723 US 27 North, in Marshall on Thursday, June 15, 2017 from 2:00-4:00 PM and from 6:00-8:00 PM with family present to greet friends at that time. A funeral service took place at the Kempf Family Funeral Home, Marshall Chapel on Friday, June 16, 2017 at 11:00 AM with Pastor Jennifer Fair, of the Union United Church of Christ of Tekonsha, officiating. Interment was in the Oakridge Cemetery in Marshall with military honors conducted by his brothers-in-arms of the Claude E. Hale VFW Post #4073. A luncheon was held at the Fredonia Township Hall following the committal service. Memorial contributions were requested to the Hospice of South West Michigan, or to the VFW Post #4073 Marshall. Assistance with memorials is available at the Kempf Funeral Home, Marshall Chapel.



SHARON MICHELLE SUMMERS - Died Saturday, May 19, 2018 in Morrow, Georgia at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 5, 1947 in Atlanta, Georgia to the late Kenneth and Mary Davis. She graduated from Forest Park High School in 1965 and went on to study nursing at Georgia Baptist School of Nursing, graduating with honors in 1968. Following graduation, she shipped off to Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, TX for basic medical officer training and then completed two tours of duty in Vietnam. After Vietnam, she met the man she would spend the next 47 ½ years happily married to, Mr. Tim Summers. She was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Georgia**. She was an

exceptional nurse, as well as an outstanding artist, quilter, knitter, gardener, cook and all-around tinkerer. Her heart was as big as the world and she loved all creatures big and small. She was a wonderful wife, mother, sister, and grandmother. She left an indelible mark of love on everyone's life she touched. Sharon was preceded in death by her parents: Kenneth and Mary Davis. She is survived by her husband: Tim Summers; her son, Scott Summers; her grandson, Cullen Shooter Summers, and; her sister, Dr. Kathy Davis. The family received friends at Forest Lawn Funeral Home, 5755 Mallory Road, College Park, GA 30349 on Wednesday, May 23, 2018 from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM.



MICHAEL R. "Mike" SWARTWOOD – Died Thursday, February 22, 2018 in Norristown, Pennsylvania at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Erie, Pennsylvania on July 18, 1950 to the late Rosemary (née Crowley) and Robert W. Swartwood. Michael lost his parents at the young age of 17 and was lovingly raised by his grandmother, Mildred Crowley. After proudly serving during the Vietnam War in the 25th Infantry Division of the United States Army, an Airborne Ranger, and earning a Purple Heart, Michael returned to East Norriton where he and his beloved wife of 44 years Susan (née Gryga) Swartwood began their life. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Norristown Chapter #349**. A man of unbound energy, Mike was a proud business owner of M & W Painting, a member of the Philadelphia painters' union, mentor, and coach to his children and many friends, someone who could offer valued advice, or a sensitive ear for listening, and served as an active member of Holy Savior Parish as a Eucharistic Minister. In his free time Mike was able to find time for a multitude of passions including spending time in the outdoors, singing, running, cycling and competing as a black belt in Tai Kwon Do. Mike's universe revolved around Susan, his children and grandchildren whom he loved dearly, he was the loving father of six; Christi Clarke (Damon), Michael Swartwood (Kelly), Patrick Swartwood (Shantell), Kelly Wagner (Marc), Kevin Swartwood, and Brian Swartwood, and was the cherished grandfather (Pop Pop) of Ryan and Evan Clarke and Madi and Matthew Swartwood. Survived by many nieces, nephews and friends, Mike will be missed by all. Relatives and friends were invited to Michael's Life Celebration at the Boyd-Horrox-Givnish of East Norriton, 200 West Germantown Pike on Friday, March 2nd from 7:30-9:45 AM. Michael's Funeral Mass was held at 10:30 AM at Holy Saviour Church, 407 East Main Street, Norristown. In lieu of flowers, donations in Michael's memory may be made to Southeastern Veterans Center, 1 Veterans Drive, Spring City, PA 19475.

JOHN B. THOMAS – Died Thursday, October 19, 2017 in Schenectady, New York at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 17, 1946. 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 – New York**.

STEPHEN EDWARD "Hush" TENNANT - Died Wednesday, April 5, 2017 in Nashville, Tennessee at the age of 71, after a long illness. He was formerly of Oakland, California and Amboy,

Washington. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related congestive heart failure and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was born on August 3, 1945 to the late Cecil Ward Tennant and Patricia Joy (née Menelaus) Tennant. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Oakland Chapter #400*. He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Lorna J. Tennant and his sisters, Penny Paley, Jo Newman and Cecile Tennant. A Memorial service was held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, April 15, 2017 at the Donelson Presbyterian Church. The Crawford Mortuary and Crematory oversaw the arrangements.



JOHN RAYMOND TRASK - Died Tuesday, March 01, 2016 in New Smyrna Beach, Florida at the age of 66, surrounded by his family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Bradley Maine on January 23, 1950. He grew up in an area where most people knew each other and called each other by name. He was the oldest boy of ten children. At a young age John and his sister Connie spent a lot of time on their grandparents Millie and Grampie John's farm, with their Aunts (who were close to their age) and built memories, learned important life lessons from the farm animals, and surrounding acres. John went to high school with a class of about one hundred classmates and many of them still stay in touch today. John loved his high school years and the unforgettable memories he created there. He was a member of a leadership club at the YMCA and played football and soccer. In 1968, John enlisted in the United States Army to avoid the draft and was recruited for the Army Security Agency, an unknown entity at the time. Soon after he went off to Vietnam. His time in Vietnam created lasting friendships and presented some difficult challenges that stayed with him throughout his life. In Vietnam John worked as an Intercept Operator, was a member of the 335th Radio Research Company and when he returned to the states was a member of the 82nd Airborne Division. John was very proud to be a Veteran. John learned that helping other vets helped him to heal from his time in Vietnam and this became his passion. He could often be seen stopping to engage other veterans of all ages, thank them for their service, offer them his support and rally the troops for their causes. John also attended POW/MIA luncheons frequently with a local group of mostly WWII Veterans and was honored to call them his friends. He was an *At-Large Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Florida*. When John was young he dreamed of traveling the world and it is hard to know all the things John experienced in his life. Although John loved to tell a good story, and maybe to embellish a little bit, he was often humble about the things he had accomplished and experienced in his life. John earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree at the University of Maryland and Master of Arts Degree in Business Administration at Husson University. His time at Husson was among his most cherished memories. At Husson he made good friends, created lots of lasting memories, and worked to help GIs to use their veteran's benefits to go to college. Throughout John's life John enjoyed many outdoor activities such as: skiing, camping, fishing, hunting and four wheeling. John loved the Abol Bridge campground area and the great state of Maine and spent a lot of time there. John was married several times, had two children of his own, helped to raise seven other children and was a proud godfather for his niece, Julia. John especially treasured being a Godfather. John's strong self and booming personality will surely have a great impact on these children for the rest of their lives. John loved fully and was never shy about expressing what was on his mind. He loved to tell stories,

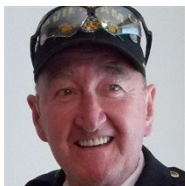
to share adventures with others, and to help others. In John's work life he managed Power Plants, worked for the National Security Agency (NSA), sold Real Estate as a broker, built hotels, and traveled. John lived in both England and Morocco during his time with NSA. After retiring, John joined Rolling Thunder, an organization that is passionate in educating the public and increasing awareness about the Prisoner of War/Missing in Action (POW/MIA) issue and other injustices suffered by veterans. John thrived in this organization and eventually became their president. John's service to other veterans was recently recognize when he earned the President's Volunteer Service Award by the President of the United States in recognition and appreciation for his commitment to strengthen our nation through volunteer service. John was a Yankee fan in a state that was known for supporting the Red Sox, a Giants fan, he loved NASCAR racing, Rolex Racing, watching the Tampa Bay Lightning, Golf, NCAA Baseball among other sports. John loved racing and while living in England himself drove in Road Races. Attending supporting events was a favorite pastime for John and sharing these events with family and friends added to his joy. Lastly, John was a lifelong motorcycle enthusiast. His motorcycle was like a trusted friend and provided him great solace through "Wind Therapy" as he called it. John loved to attend Bike Week and Biketoberfest in Daytona Beach and recently was able to take a trip to Sturgis which was a bucket list item for John and he reveled in that trip. He leaves to cherish his memory his mother Joyce Trask, wife Diane, children Julie (John) MacLelland and Jennifer (Terry) Kunz, step-children Cassandra Bumgarner, Ryan Bumgarner, siblings Connie Albanese, Byron Trask, Tim Trask, Keith "Skip" Trask, Bruce Trask, Robert Trask, Eric Trask, Betsy Brooks, Tracy Thompson, and four grandchildren Rylee Smith, Morgan Trask, Duncan Kunz and Carter Kunz and many other family members and friends. To join us in remembering his life and the many blessings he shared in this world. A Memorial Service was on Friday, March 4th at 11:00 AM at the Baldwin Brothers Heritage Place 1 North Causeway, New Smyrna Beach FL 32169. Reception after the funeral was at the New Smyrna Beach Women's Club, 403 Magnolia Street, New Smyrna Beach, FL. Memorial donations are requested to FLoridaHostpialHospice.org or (Dreams for Veterans) at DreamFoundation.org.

JONAS CRAIG TROXEL - Died Thursday, October 26, 2017 in Souderton, Pennsylvania at the age of 68. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on August 1, 1949 in Lansdale, Pennsylvania to the late Jonas and Leona (née White) Troxel. He was the beloved husband of Suzanne (née Breen) Troxel, his wife of 24 years. He was employed as an HVAC mechanic with Merck for over 30 years, retiring in 2007. He was a proud veteran of the United States Marine Corps having served his country honorably during the Vietnam War. Craig was a dedicated volunteer with many local organizations, including Keystone Opportunity Center, North Montco Technical Career Center, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Norristown Chapter #349**, and the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 25 (Collegeville). He enjoyed making two trips to Vietnam with Habitat for Humanity, and he also volunteered his time to help rebuild Zwingli UCC (Souderton) after its fire in 2008. In addition to his volunteer efforts, Craig was an avid golfer and a member of Perkiomen Lodge #595 F&AM. Craig is survived by his wife, Sue; children, Kelly Pulcini (Camillo) of Reading, Brad Hamilton (Kelly) of Gwynedd, Bryan Sohoski of Horsham, and Jennifer Sypeck (Frank "Buddy") of Marietta, GA; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; brother, Willard Troxel (Anita) of Lansdale; and sister, Sharon Manzo of

Boyertown. He was preceded in death by a grandson, Ryan; and sister. Relatives and friends came calling after 10:00 AM on Friday, November 3, 2017 at the Huff and Lakjer Funeral Home, 701 Derstine Avenue, Lansdale, followed by the Funeral Service at 11:00 AM. The burial was in the Greenlawn Cemetery, North Wales. In lieu of flowers, the family requested that contributions be made in Craig's memory to the Disabled American Veterans - Chapter #25, PO Box 76, Creamery, PA 19430.



DEAN A. TRIFFITT - Died on Thursday, April 12, 2018 at his home in Lynnfield, Massachusetts at the age of 71. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Lynn, Massachusetts on December 30, 1946 to the late Eugene C. and Edith L. (née Pecker) Triffitt. He graduated from Dearborn High School in Cambridge. He grew up in Lynn and lived in Lynnfield since 1976. A United States Army Vietnam veteran, Dean served in Vietnam from 1967 to 1968, and rose to the rank of Sergeant. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lynn Chapter #908**. He was a member of Golden Fleece Lodge AF & AM and was a call firefighter for the Town of Lynnfield. Dean worked as a Parts Technician for Honda Gallery in North Reading and, retired from there in 2009. Dean and Sue were members of Saint Paul Episcopal Church, Lynnfield. They also loved to travel. He is survived by his wife, Susan (née Runnalls) Triffitt; his beloved son, Mark C. Triffitt, of South Boston; a brother, Dana E. Triffitt and his wife Irene, of Georgetown, and; several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was also the brother of the late Dale L. Hathaway. A Memorial Funeral Service was held on Saturday, April 21, 2018 at 11:00 AM in Saint Paul Episcopal Church, 127 Summer Street, Lynnfield, followed by burial of ashes with Military Honors in the Forest Hill Cemetery, Lynnfield, with a reception which followed in Saint Paul Church Hall. Donations in his memory may be made to Saint Paul Episcopal Church, 127 Summer Street, Lynnfield, MA 01940 or to Dana Farber Cancer Institute, 450 Brookline Avenue, Boston, MA 02215. Arrangements were made by the Cuffe-McGinn Funeral Home, 157 Maple Street, Lynn.

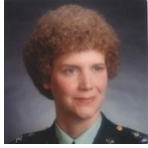


DONNIE EDWARD VANZANT – Died Friday, February 24, 2017 in Gate City, Virginia at the age of 71, two months after being diagnosed with cancer as a result of Agent Orange. Donnie, the son of the late Lynton and Lelia Vanzant, was born on June 19, 1945 in Gate City. He graduated from Gate City High School and retired from Eastman Chemical Company after 34 years of service. Donnie loved life, being outdoors, enjoying nature, and spending time with his "baby girl", Jenny Lind. He always had a smile, never met a stranger, and had a positive attitude until the very end. Donnie was a United States Army Vietnam War Veteran serving in the Military Police. Donnie was a member of the American Legion Post #265 and previously served as Post Commander. He honored his fallen comrades as a member of the

American Legion Post #3/265 Honor Guard. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kingsport (Tennessee) Chapter #979**. In addition to his parents, Donnie was preceded in death by his sister, Connie Morris; brothers, George and Danny Vanzant; and his beloved, Jenny Lind. Donnie is survived by his wife of almost 50 years, Linda (née Woods) Vanzant, who was his wonderful caregiver that never left his side; his son, John Travis Vanzant and wife Kelly, of Gray; his granddaughter, Emily Helton, of Gray; his brothers, Lynton (Bud) Vanzant, Jr. and wife, Jewell, of Kingsport and Garry Vanzant and wife, Linda, of Gate City; his sisters, Margaret Ann Bradshaw, of Gate City, Anita Taylor and husband, Mike, of Gate City, Deborah Vanzant, of Gate City and Donna Eads and husband, Mike, of Kingsport; his brothers-in-law, Tommy Woods and Rex Mallory, and; several nieces, nephews and adopted niece, Regina (Tinkerbelle) Carter. "To my dear friends whom I loved dearly: Thank you for respecting my privacy during my illness. I wanted you to remember me as I was." The family received friends from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Monday, February 27, 2017 at the Scott County Funeral Home. A memorial service followed at 7:00 PM in the funeral home chapel with Pastors Joe Hill and Pete Barber co-officiating. The family requested casual dress. A military graveside service was held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, February 28, 2017 at the Holston View Cemetery with American Legion Post #3/265 conducting the rites. Those wishing to attend the graveside service were asked to meet at the cemetery at 10:55 AM. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions be made to American Legion Post #265, P.O. Box 2079, Gate City, VA 24251. The Carter-Trent/Scott County Funeral Home oversaw the arrangements.



DAVID J. VILLELLA - Died Thursday, April 19, 2018 at the Geisinger Community Medical Center after a lengthy illness. He was 71 years of age and a resident of Scranton, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 24, 1946 in Sewickley, Pennsylvania to the late Bruno and Theresa Villella. His wife is the former Kathleen Fisher. David was a United States Navy veteran and received the Vietnam Service medal. Before his retirement, David was employed by the state Department of Transportation as an engineer. David had previously worked in the steel industry. He was a member of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Scranton. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. Surviving in addition to his wife, are his children, Anthony Villella, of Clarksville, Tenn.; Rebecca Haberman and husband, David, of Sewickley; and Cassandra Darroch and husband, Patrick, of New Brighton; eight grandchildren, Danielle, Maria, Zachary, Ezra, Evan, Sean, Natalie and Matthew; four great-grandchildren, Athena, DeAngelo, Killian and Elias; nieces and nephews. He was also preceded in death by three sisters, Concetta, Carmella and Carolann; and his brother, Guy. Funeral services were on Monday at 10:00 AM in the Immanuel Lutheran Church, 238 Reese Street, Scranton with the Reverend John Zimmerman as the officiating clergy. Military honors were conducted after the service at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church, 238 Reese Street, Scranton, PA 18508. Arrangements were handled by the Duffy and Snowdon Funeral Homes.



MONDA SUSAN WADE (USA, COL-Ret.) - Died Tuesday, July 28, 2015 in Toledo, Ohio at the age of 75. The cause of death was cancer. She was born in Kansas City, Missouri on May 17, 1940 to the late Clifford and Adaline Wade. Monda attended both Emory University in Atlanta and later graduated from Wittenberg. Monda proudly served her country in the United States Army as a nurse, earning several medals of honor for service in the Vietnam War. She was in the Army Reserves for more than 28 years, retiring as a Colonel. She continued her nursing work at Toledo Hospital until retirement to care for her Mother. She was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Toledo Chapter #35**. She is survived by her cousins John (Ann) Benson of Littleton, CO and Tom (Kathie) Benson of Charlotte, NC and her five nephews Clifford, Jr., Christopher, Charles, Carl and Curtis Wade. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, Clifford. The Coyle Funeral Home assisted the family with the arrangements. Monda wishes to thank “Friends of the Family” Home Health Care, especially her angel caregivers, Jill Pelleteri, Betty Hernandez and Solomon Lafontaine for their loving care and kindness. Monda would also like to thank the caregivers of Southern Care Hospice. There were no services. The burial was in the Highland Park Cemetery in Kansas City, KS. Please view our online registry at CoyleFuneralHome.com. Memorial donations may be given to support the Veterans of Hero’s in Action, P.O. Box 352046, Toledo, OH 43635-2046.

JOHN F. WEEKES - Died Monday, April 30, 2018 at his residence in Eddyville, Kentucky at the age of 80. Mr. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 6, 1937 in Saint Louis, Missouri to the late Robert L. Weekes and Evelyn (née Herzog) Weekes. He received a college technical degree in Management Engineering. Mr. Weekes served his country in the United States Navy during which he served three tours of duty in Vietnam and retired after serving twenty years. After retiring from the Navy, he additionally served and retired with the Civil Service. He was a member of the Ogden Memorial United Methodist Church, Princeton, KY.

He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Paducah Chapter #337**. He is survived by his wife, Linda Pauline (née Burris) Weekes, of Eddyville, KY; three daughters, Diane Weekes, of Wyoming, Lisa McIntyre, of Eddyville, KY, Pamela Hill, of Atkins, AR; two sons, Dusty Weekes, of Portland, OR and David Endicott, of Memphis, TN; one brother, Robert Weekes, of Saint Louis, MO; eighteen grandchildren, Danielle, Jonathon, Jeremy, Amanda, Chris, John, Jr., Brian, Benjamin, Athena, Caitlin, Tessa, Brandon, Brittini, Searra, Jay, Hailey, Hayden, and Hannah; multiple great-grandchildren, and; multiple great-great grandchildren. Preceding him in death were his parents; two daughters, Terri Weekes and Marie Weekes; two sons, Danny Weekes and Mike Crawford, and; two sisters, Patricia Lehman and Mary Jo Dowdy. Visitation hours were on Thursday, May 3, 2018 from 12:00 PM until the funeral hour at 2:00 PM at the Ogden Memorial United Methodist Church in Princeton, KY with Reverend Shannon Blosser and Brother Dean Ray co-officiating. The burial was in the Cedar Hill Cemetery, Princeton, KY where the U. S. Navy presented Military Honors. Expressions of Sympathy may take the form of donations to be made to: Le Bonheur Children’s Hospital, 848 Adams Avenue, Memphis, TN

38103 and/or Ogden Memorial United Methodist Church, 305 West Main Street, Princeton, KY 42445.



BENJAMIN S. "Ben" WEISBROTH – Died Friday, May 18, 2018 in New York City, New York at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 24, 1946. He is survived by his wife, Connie. He served in the United States Coast Guard during the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New York**. He was a VVA Service Officer and worked out of the VA Regional Office in lower Manhattan, New York. The funeral was held at the Greenwich Village Funeral Home May 22nd from 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM. The Rabbi spoke at 11:30 AM.

WALTER D. WERTH, JR. - Died Monday, April 9, 2018 in Golden Valley, Arizona at the age of 67. The cause of death was multiple organ failure. He was born on April 19, 1950 in Pittsburg, California. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kingman Chapter #975**.

LARRY D. WILLIAMS – Died recently in 2018 in McMillan, Michigan at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 20, 1945. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Flint Chapter 175**.

CARL L. WINCHESTER – Died recently in 2018 in Chicago, Illinois at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. He was born January 21, 1949. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Illinois**.



VICTOR ROBERT "Bob" WOLTER (USA, SSG-Ret.– Died Friday, March 16, 2018 at Villa Maria in Fargo, North Dakota at the age of 83. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 17, 1935 in Glencoe, Minnesota to the late Paul and Katherine (née Rademaker) Wolter. He received his formal education in Colfax, ND. He attended and graduated from Valley City State College. In 1960 he married Carolyn King and they had one child. Carolyn passed away in 1966. In 1968 he married Mary Corcoran. Bob was very proud to serve in the United States Army for over 24 years, retiring as a Staff Sergeant. After retiring from the US Army, he taught school and worked in the maintenance department at NDSU. Bob was a member of Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Knights of Columbus, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, and a *Life Member* **Vietnam Veterans of America - Fargo Chapter #941**. Bob is survived by his wife Mary; his children, Joseph (Lynda), Sarah (Jamie) Fraase, Matthew (Liz), and Adam (Katie); ten grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. He is also survived by three brothers, Paul "Gene" (Marjorie), Virgil (Barbara), and Tom (Marlene) along with a sister

Carol McCoy. Bob was preceded in death by his parents, first wife Carolyn, and brother Louis. In lieu of flowers, the family would prefer a donation made to Hospice of the Red River Valley. Visitation hours were on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM at the West Funeral Home, West Fargo with a prayer service at 7:00 PM. The funeral was on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Fargo, ND with visitation one hour prior to the service. The burial was in Saint Leo's Catholic Cemetery, Casselton at 1:30 PM along with military rites.

WILLIAM M. "Bill" WOODSON III - Died Saturday, April 29, 2017 in Amherst, Virginia at the age of 66, after a brief illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 1, 1950 to the late William and Cornelia Woodson. He was in the United States Air Force and a Vietnam Veteran. He was a member of Amherst Baptist Church, The American Legion Post #17, DAV and VFW. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lynchburg Chapter #196**. He was also a member of Clinton Lodge #73. Bill is survived by his wife, Jerry Darden Woodson; his sons, Billy Woodson, Brian Pleasants and wife Lesley Pleasants and Chad Pleasants; his grandchildren, Seth, Cori, Alec, Austen and Arik Pleasants. Brothers, Donald Woodson(Chris) and Jerry Woodson (Peggy) and sister Betty Bryant and husband Lee, and; nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held on Wednesday May 3rd at 1:00 PM at River Church, 151 Seminole Drive, Madison Heights, Virginia 24572. Family met and greeted he guests following the service.

PAUL ZDUNEK - Died Friday, March 2, 2018 in Sandbridge, Virginia Beach, Virginia at the age of 73. He was formerly of Shepherdstown, West Virginia and Ashburn, Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Germany on March 6, 1945 to the late Jan and Katarzyna Zdunek. He was a United States Navy SeaBee veteran of the Vietnam War serving three tours. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pasadena (California) Chapter #446**. He was a retired International Tax Examiner. He was an avid soccer and softball player his whole life and was inducted into Washington Metropolitan Slowpitch Softball Hall of Fame. Left to cherish his memory: his wife, Jane; sister, Kathy Kolarick of Berlin, MD; a son, Paul Jan Zdunek, of Pasadena, CA; a daughter and three grandchildren of Ellicott City, MD. The services were private. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Sandbridge Fire and Rescue, 305 Sandbridge Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23456. Arrangements were by the Hollomon-Brown Funeral Home, Princess Anne Chapel.



JOSEPH E. "Joe" ZISS - Died Monday, September 16, 2013 in Willard, Ohio at the age of 67. He was formerly from Broadview Heights, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. Joe was born on September 14, 1946 in Kassel, Germany to the late Edward and Irene Ziss. He was a 1965 graduate of Brecksville High School. Joe proudly served in the United States Army in Vietnam from 1966-1968. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ohio**. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Marlene (née Chryn) Ziss; his children, Benjamin (Melissa), of Langley, WA, Bradley (Leslie), of Worthington and Angela, of Akron; his grandchildren, Archer, Sofia, Korey, Kailey, Stephen and Amanda; his brother, Edward (Joy), of

Green. Joe was a Richfield business owner of Ziss Hydraulics for 40 years, and a lifelong community volunteer. A Celebration of Joe's Life was held at the Community Room at Greenwood Village, 830 Village Club Drive, Sagamore Hills, OH 44067 on Sunday, September 29, 2013 with family receiving guests from 3:00-4:00 PM and eulogies beginning at 4:00 PM.

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