

THOMAS JOHN "Tom" ANGLICK - Died Thursday, November 1, 2018 at Mercy Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa at the age of 73, surrounded by his family. He was a resident of Davenport, Iowa. The cause of death was a heart attack. Tom was born on August 19, 1945 in Chicago, Illinois. In 1963 he graduated from De La Salle High School in Chicago. Following graduation, he attended the University of Illinois, Chicago Campus. Tom was drafted to the United States Army in 1967 - 1969. He honorably served in Vietnam in an infantry division from 1968 to 1969. During his service, he was awarded the Purple Heart, National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Service Stars and Vietnam Campaign Medal. After the war, Tom returned to Illinois and married Barbara (Smith), from Urbana, in September 1970. He graduated with a B.A. in American Literature from Calumet College. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776. Tom worked most of his career in sales for steel companies (Jones and Laughlin, J. Rubin and Company and Earl M. Jorgensen Company). He and Barb moved the family to Davenport, Iowa in 1976. He lived there with his family and worked until his retirement in 2015. Tom and Barb moved to Indianola in August of 2018 to spend more time with their children and grandchildren. Tom was close to his faith as many of his hobbies involved activities with Our Lady of Victory in Davenport, Iowa. He enjoyed spending time with family, gardening, and playing cribbage. Even though there hasn't been a movie created he couldn't sleep through, Tom enjoyed movies with stories of the mafia. Tom was a humble man and will always be remembered for his sense of humor, impeccable work ethic, and his kindness to everyone. Tom is survived by his wife of 48 years, Barbara, and children: John Anglick, Laura Anglick, and Andrew (Janel) Anglick, his sister, Helene Crothers, brother, Joe Anglickas and grandchildren: Samantha, Aidan, Emma, Jake and Jack. Tom leaves this world to be united with God and his parents Stanley and Helen Anglickas. Visitation with family was held from 3:00 to 5:00 PM on Saturday, November 10th at the Overton Funeral Home in Indianola; a rosary was recited at 3:00 PM. The inurnment of cremains was held at 11:00 AM. on Tuesday, November 13th in the Iowa Veterans Cemetery at Van Meter with full military honors.

CARL G. AMEY - Died Sunday, October 21, 2018 at home in Lockwood, New York at the age of 76, following an extended illness and surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 15, 1942 in Lockwood. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elmira Chapter #803**. Arrangements were under the direction of The Thomas Cremation and Funeral Service, 1297 Elmira Street, Sayre, Pennsylvania. Those wishing to leave a private sympathy message for Carl's family may do so at www.thomascremationfuneralservice.com.



FRANKIE JOE APPELT, JR. - Died Sunday, November 4, 2018 in Hallettsville, Texas at the age of 75. The cause of death was heart disease, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and diabetes mellitus-type II. He was born in Sublime, Texas on July 15, 1943 to the late Frank J. Appelt, Sr. and Wilhelmina (née Siecko) Appels. He moved to Hallettsville when he was about three years old, to what we call the "Home Place". He went to Hallettsville High School. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Hallettsville. Frankie was drafted in to the United States Army. He served in two tours in the Vietnam War, and was a member of the local VFW and American Legion organizations. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Hallettsville Chapter #854. Frankie came back from Vietnam and went to Houston, working for "Big 3" as a mechanic. He retired and moved back to Hallettsville. He then worked at Walmart as a greeter for many years. He also was a rancher where he raised cattle on the "Home Place". Frankie took sick on March 2016 with diabetes, COPD and heart problems. He spent the last few years in VA Hospital, Lavaca Medical Center, Citizens Medical Center and Hallettsville Rehab and Nursing till his death. Frankie is survived by: three stepchildren, Robin Johnson, Elaine Haskins and Dwayne Prazak; five sisters, Helen Spies, Linda Haas, Dorothy Benoit, Bettye Appelt and Doris A. Kalmus, and; numerous nieces and nephews. We the family would like to thank all of those who had a hand in taking care of Frankie for the past 2 ½ years; nursing home staff, hospice, doctors; and especially Vernon Duty, Michell Drozd, Bobby and T.C. Vanhowten and their boys, and his sister Doris Kalmus for all she has done. Thanks to Pastor Nick for all his visits and prayers, and for the members of First Baptist Church for their prayers and support, and the Fellowship Committee of the First Baptist Church for their work, and church members furnishing all the food. The funeral service was at 1:00 PM on Thursday November 8, 2018 at the First Baptist Church of Hallettsville. Visitation was at 5:00 PM on Wednesday at the Kubena Funeral Home. The pallbearers were Kevin Bright, Vernon Duty, Bobby Vanhowten, Nathan Haas, Nicholas Haas, and Milton Haas III. The officiant was Reverend Nick Ferguson. The memorials (in lieu of flowers) were appreciated to the First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 394, Hallettsville; or the donor's choice. The burial was in the Geiger Cemetery, Sublime, Texas.



DONALD R. ARSENAULT (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Monday, October 17, 2016 in Fairhaven, Massachusetts at the age of 71, at home after a long illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born and raised in New Bedford, Massachusetts on September 18, 1945 to the late Oscar Arsenault, Sr. and Yvonne (née Cormier) Arsenault. He settled in Fairhaven in 1991 and was a communicant of Saint Joseph Church. He was the longtime companion of Joann Lanosa of Tiverton, Rhode Island. Donald served in Vietnam and was the recipient of the National Defense Service Ribbon with a Bronze Star with two Oak Leaf Clusters and the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry. He later was an Army Recruiter for ten years until his retirement in 1990 and received the National Guard Master Recruiter Badge. After the service Donald worked at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars where he was Past Commander - VFW Post #2892 in Fairhaven, the American Legion Poirier Post #492 in New Bedford, the 101st Airborne Association, the First Calvary Division - Vietnam and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freetown Chapter #499** as well as numerous other Vietnam Organizations. He is survived by his companion Joann; his children, Donald O. Arsenault and Mary Ann Pacheco both of Fairhaven; three grandchildren, Ronnie, Andy and Krystal Pacheco; two great grandchildren, Tucker and Madison; two brothers, Oscar Arsenault, Jr. and Robert Arsenault; four sisters, Pauline Parkinson, Diane Whittaker, Rita Sylvia and Jackie Perkins; and many nieces and nephews. Donald was the brother of the late Gerard and Jeannette Arsenault and Yvonne Thompson. Calling hours were on Thursday from 4:00-7:00 PM in the Fairhaven Funeral Home, 117 Main Street, Fairhaven. His funeral was on Friday, October 21, 2016 at 9:00 AM from the funeral home followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM in Saint Joseph Church, Fairhaven. Interment with Full Military Honors were at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne. For memorial register or facility directions go to www.hathawayfunerals.com.



ROBERT NEAL "Bobby" ATKINS - Died Saturday July 8, 2017 in Bozeman, Montana at the age of 67, after a short illness. The cause of death is unknown but it is not serviceconenected. Bobby was raised and educated in Bozeman, graduating from Holy Rosary High School. He lived with his Uncle Bill in Oregon for a brief time before enlisting in the United States Marine Corps. Bobby honorably served his county in Vietnam from 1969 to 1971 with the 1st Marine Airwing. Bobby worked as a custodian in the Bozeman School District 7 for most of his career. He also worked part-time as a secretary for the Eagles Lodge #326. In retirement, he worked for Copper Spring Ranch and the Bozeman Public Library. Robert married his best friend and love of his life, Mary Julian, on May 26, 1995. They made their home south of Bozeman in the shadow of the mountains. Bobby was a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Bozeman Chapter #788, the Marine Corps League, and the American Legion Post #14. Bob was a proud Marine who served his country well. Bob was preceded in death by parents and his sister Linda. Survivors include his wife Mary, numerous families, friends, and especially his brothers-in-arms. A graveside committal service was held at 11:00 AM on July 22, 2017 at Sunset Hills Cemetery with military honors. Family and friends met at the Dahl Funeral and Cremation Service at 10:45 AM for the procession to the cemetery. A gathering to remember Bobby was after the burial at the Dahl Funeral at Cremation Service Tribute Center. All were invited to share a favorite memory or story of Bob. Memorials may be made in Bobby's honor to the Marine Corps League Gallatin Valley Detachment #1050.



DANIEL THOMAS BAILEY - Died Friday, September 28, 2018 in East Norriton, Pennsylvania at the age of 69. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Boston, Massachusetts on July 15, 1949 to the late Olive (née Sullivan) and Clifford Bailey. Daniel honorably served our country in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War and was a retired Norristown Police Officer. He also retired as a security officer from Montgomery County Community College. He loved to golf and bowl, and especially loved spending time with his family. He belonged to and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Valley Forge (***East Norriton***) Chapter #349**, Chapter #25, Catholic War Veterans Post #1182, FOP Lodge 31, and The American Legion Post 901. Daniel is survived by his beloved wife Kathleen McHale Bailey, and their children Annette Mandarano, Dawn (John) McEleney, Stephen (Tabby) Dembowski, and Danielle Bailey. He is also survived by his grandchildren Aviana, Heather, Mikey, Holly, Ryan, Colin, Aidan, Brendan, and Olivia, and great-grandchildren Craig and Temperance. He is also survived by his siblings Clifford (Vivian) Bailey, Paul Bailey, and Susan (William) Flynn. Family and friends were invited to celebrate Daniel's life on Friday, October 5th at Boyd-Horrox-Givnish, 200 West Germantown Pike, Norristown, from 6:00 – 8:00 PM, and again on Saturday, October 6th from 9:00 – 9:50 AM at Saint Paul Catholic Church, 2007 New Hope Street, Norristown, followed by his Funeral Mass at 10:00 AM. The burial was in Saint Ann Cemetery in Phoenixville. In lieu of flowers, donations in Daniel's name may be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America Valley Forge Chapter #349, 795 Sandra Lane, East Norriton, PA 19403, or Chapter #25, P.O. Box 76, Creamery, PA 19430. Family services entrusted to the Boyd-Horrox-Givnish Funeral Home.



DOUGLAS VIKING "Doug" BAKKE - Died Thursday, October 11, 2018 in Alexandria, Minnesota at the age of 73. The cause of death was cancer. Doug was born on October 3, 1945 in Saint Paul, Minnesota, the twin son of the late Pinky (Harold) and Della Bakke. Doug graduated from Wilson High School in 1963. He enlisted in the United States Navy in September of 1964. He was aboard the USS Oriskany from 65-66 and then completed his time with the Air Squadron VP-47. In this time, he had three tours of Vietnam. He was discharged from the Navy February of 1969. Doug and Marty were married May 25, 1973 and were blessed with three children, Kari, Erica and Matt. The summer of 1984 they decided to move to Alexandria and raise their family. Doug spent many years with Juno Plastics till the time he retired. Doug so loved woodworking as that would take up a good part of his days once he retired. He was the wooden toy maker. He also enjoyed fishing and golf with his family and grandkids. Doug belonged to Vietnam Veterans of America – Alexandria Chapter #235, USS Oriskany Group, VFW, American Legion and the Knights of Columbus. Every year, Doug and Marty would travel to the Oriskany Reunion and enjoy that time with his shipmates. Doug passed away peacefully at home. He is preceded in death by his parents and sister Gretchen Domian. He is survived by his wife of 45 years Marty; daughters: Kari (Seth) Knudson of Bemidji, Erica (Corey) Schroeder of Willmar and son: Matthew (Val) of Alexandria; six grandchildren: William, Kyler, Annika, Eland, Drew and Nora. He is survived by his twin brother Steven (Jean) of Minneapolis and Bradley (Renee) of Rosemount; and many nieces and nephews. Visitation was held on Thursday, October 18, 2018 from 5:00 - 7:00 PM at the Anderson Funeral Home with a Prayer service at 5:00 PM and a Knights of Columbus Rosary at 7:00 PM. Visitation continued on Friday from 10:00 - 11:00 AM at Saint Mary Catholic Church. The Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11:00 AM on Friday, October 19, 2018 at Saint Mary Catholic Church. The burial was at the Fort Snelling National Cemetery on Monday. In lieu of flowers Memorials may be made to: Veterans Memorial Park, PO Box 733, Alexandria, MN 56308 or to donor's choice.



WILLIAM A. "Bill" BALLENGER - Died Saturday, October 6, 2018 at his residence in Council Bluffs, Iowa at the age of 80, with his family. The cause of death was cancer. Bill was born on October 17, 1937 in Council Bluffs and graduated from Abraham Lincoln High School in 1955. He married Sharon Tucker on February 14, 1960 and has resided in Council Bluffs, Iowa his entire life. Bill owned with his brother, Ballenger Automotive Service, a family owned business founded in 1926. He received his business administration degree from Hardin-Simmons University, Abilene, Texas. Bill was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army and designated Distinguished Military Graduate. He left active duty and joined the ready reserve. Bill joined the 5049th USAR school and in 1984, he joined the 5043rd USAR School in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. In 1978 he received his Master of Arts in Business Administration from Creighton University. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Glenwood Chapter #798. He is preceded in death by wife, Sharon Ballenger; parents, Harold and Bertha Ballenger; brother, Harold Ballenger; sister, Lillian Walton (Leon); brother-in-law, Melvin Smith; nephew, Peter Smith and infant son. Survivors include daughter, Carrie (Mike) Conley of Denver City, Texas; son, Jeff (Cristy) Ballenger of Council Bluffs; grandchildren, Elizabeth (Clint) White of Lubbock, Texas, Megan Conley of Lincoln, Jonathan Ballenger of Lincoln, Alexis and Nicolas Ballenger of Council Bluffs; great-grandson, Cole Howard White of Lubbock; sister, Lucile Smith of Holdredge, Nebraska; sister-in-law, Bo Ballenger of Leander, Texas; niece, Lucy Forster-Smith (Tom) of Chicago, Illinois; nephews, Dr. Tom Smith (Shirley) of Holdredge, Nebraska, David Smith (Nancy) of Lincoln, and Dan Ballenger (Julie) of Rockwall, Texas, Bob Ballenger (Bruny) of San Antonio, Texas, and Randy Ballenger (Breann) of Leander, Texas; Inlaws, Sonny (Ann) Bounds of Canyon Lake, Texas, and Steve (Darla) Cox of Abilene, Texas, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. The family would like to thank Hospice with Heart and Comfort Keepers for their care and support.

GEORGE WILLIAM BARON III – Died Friday, December 7, 2018 I Greenville, North Carolina at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 22, 1945. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Greenville Chapter #272**. The funeral services were private. Arrangements were made by the Smith Funeral Service and Crematory in Greenville, North Carolina.



MICHAEL WAYNE "Mike" BODENHAMER - Died Thursday, October 25, 2018 at Richmond Healthcare and Rehabilitation at the age of 68. He was a resident of Ottawa, Kansas. The cause of death is unknown. Mike was born on July 11, 1950 in Kansas City, Missouri to the late Richard and Lucy (née Gresham) Bodenhamer. He grew up in Independence, Missouri, living in many locations during his military service. In 2001, Mike moved to Ottawa. He attended Fort Osage High School in Independence. Survivors include three children, Tim Griffin and wife Melissa of Grand Blanc, Michigan, Nicole Young also of Grand Blanc, and Dawn Bodenhamer of Lyndonville, Vermont; four siblings, Carol Chapman of Ottawa, E.C. Morris and wife Donna of Independence, Missouri, Karen and husband Ted of Coffeyville, and Rick Bodenhamer of Independence, Kansas; ten grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Richard Bodenhamer and Lucy Morris and three brothers, Tommy Thomas, Ronnie Theesfeld and John Selleck. Mike was a 20year veteran serving his country in the United States Army. He served from 1967 to 1988 in Vietnam, Korea and Germany attaining the rank of SFC (E7) – a Senior Personnel Sergeant. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Ottawa Chapter #912. He enjoyed his morning coffee with his friends at the Old 56 Family Restaurant, golfing and spending time with his poodle "Beauty". Above all, Mike loved spending time with his family and watching TV, especially football. The funeral service was held at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, October 31, 2018, at the Dengel and Son Mortuary. The family met with friends from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM on Tuesday, October 30th, at the mortuary. The interment was in the Highland Cemetery, Ottawa with the Fort Riley Honor Guard providing the Military Honors. The family suggested memorial contributions be made to Vietnam Veterans of Franklin County c/o Dengel & Son Mortuary, 235 South Hickory, Ottawa, Kansas 66067. Family and friends are encouraged to post their condolences and memories on Mike's Tribute Wall at www.dengelmortuary.com.



WALTER DAVID BOLLINGER - Died Thursday, August 16, 2018 at Truman Gardens in Independence, Missouri at the age of 71. He was a resident of Blue Springs, Missouri. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 2, 1947 in Kansas City, Missouri to the late John and Lucille (née Mays) Bollinger. Walter served his country proudly as a Vietnam Veteran in the United States Army. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Kansas City Chapter #317. He worked as a heavy equipment operator for Lafarge Ready Mix for several years in Blue Springs. Walter enjoyed fishing, hunting, watching movies, riding motorcycles, and play slot machines. He truly cherished spending time with his children and grandchildren. Survivors include his children, Nicole and Raquel Bollinger of Kansas City, MO, Brian Wilkes and Chester Bollinger of Blue Springs, MO; grandchildren, Kayleigh Cox, Christopher Cox, Quinton Wilkes, Scarlett Bollinger, Owen Wilkes, Andrew McCorkendale; siblings, Barbara Bollinger-Julian, Sharon Bollinger-Jennings. He is preceded in death by his parents; infant daughter, Marcia Bollinger; brothers, Johnny, Chester and Kenny Bollinger; sister, LaVaughn "Sis" Poindexter. A memorial service was held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, August 25, 2018 at the Meyers Funeral Chapel, 1600 West Main Street, Blue Springs, MO. Inurnment was at the Palestine Cemetery with full military honors in Kansas City, MO. Memories of Walter and words of comfort for the family may be shared at meyersfuneralchapel.com.



JOHN F. BOTCHIE, JR. - Died Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at the Holy Spirit Hospital, Camp Hill, Pennsylvania at the age of 71. He was a resident of Dillsburg, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 8, 1946 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania to the late John F. Botchie, Sr. and Catherine T. (née Gornik) Botchie. John was a retired Warehouseman for the Navy Depot in Mechanicsburg. He was a graduate of Bishop McDevitt High School, Class of 1964 and served his country in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War and was a Purple Heart Recipient. John was a life member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart and was currently serving as Commander. He was also a member of the South Mountain VFW Post #6771, American Legion Post #26, Marine Corps League Post #1386, all of Dillsburg; Saint Aloysius Club, Steelton; and was a former Honor Guard member at Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Harrisburg Chapter #542. John is survived by his wife Susan E. (née Radel) Botchie; a son, John T. Botchie; a daughter, Natalie Botchie; two granddaughters, Alexis and Chloe; and two brothers, Michael and Stephen Botchie. Services were held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at 11:00 AM in the Cocklin Funeral Home, Inc., 30 North Chestnut Street, Dillsburg. The burial with full military honors was held in the Fort Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. A viewing was held on Tuesday from 10:00-11:00 AM at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Marine Corps League Chapter #1386, P.O. Box 472, Dillsburg, PA 17019 or the Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter #11, 427 Chestnut Way, New Cumberland, PA 17070.

<u>PHIL BOWERS</u> – Died recently in 2018 in Harbor City, California at the age of 64. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 15, 1953. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Redondo Beach Chapter #53**.

JAMES A. BOYD – Died Saturday, September 29, 2018 in Miami, Oklahoma at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 1, 1947. He is survived by his wife, Linda, of the home. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Oklahoma**.

EDWARD A. BULL – Died recently in 2018 in Timonium, Maryland at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 30, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Maryland**.

PAUL THOMAS BRITTON – Died Friday, September 28, 2018 in Sun City Center, Florida at the age of 74. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on April 4, 1944 in Trenton, New Jersey to the late Arthur Joseph Britton and Mary (née Kovash) Britton. He is survived by his wife, Linda (née Ziomek) Britton, of the home. He served in the United States Air Force from September 11, 1963 to January 26, 1967 with a tour in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mooresville (North Carolina)**. The Sun City Center Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. He was cremated.

PAUL H. *"Bumpie"* **BUMP** - Died Thursday evening, September 22, 2016 at his home Sheshequin Township, Pennsylvania at the age of 66, with his family by his side. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 17, 1950 in Towanda, Pennsylvania to the late Clayton and Gladys (née Mansfield) Bump. He was a graduate of Towanda High School class of 1969 and subsequently served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. "Bumpie" retired from E.I. DuPont in Towanda following 32 years of service. He was a member of Fort Sullivan American Legion Post #246 in Athens, PA and VFW Post #8104 in Waverly, NY and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elmira (New York) Chapter #803**. "Bumpie was very active in support-based area veteran events. A private family memorial service was held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, his family requested that contributions be directed to a local Post Traumatic Stress Disorder organization in memory of Paul H. "Bumpie" Bump. The Bowen-Farr Funeral Home of Ulster, PA assisted "Bumpie's" Family with the arrangements. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.



WILLIAM HAROLD BURCHETT, JR. - Died Friday, November 16, 2018 at his home in West Portsmouth, Ohio at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 22, 1953 in Portsmouth, Ohio to the late William Harold and Jean (née Ratliff) Burchett. Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother;

Douglas Burchett and a sister; Loretta Lori Halcomb. He was a 1971 graduate of Portsmouth West High School and attended Shawnee State University. He was the Director of Linen Services at Mount Carmel Medical Center in Columbus. He attended Rehoboth Mission Church and Lombardsville Community Church. He was a United States Air Force and United States Navy Veteran. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – South Shore (Kentucky) Chapter #1006**. William is survived by his wife; Rosemary (née Murphy) Burchett whom he married on November 11, 1971, two daughters, Sandra Elaine (David) Ellis and Stacey Elizabeth (JD) Stevens; five grandchildren, Christian, Emily, Lacey, Anna and Gabe; two brothers, Steven Burchett and Jason (Judy) Burchett, and; his K9 son "King." Funeral services were at 3:00 PM on Monday, November 19, 2018 at the Roger W. Davis Funeral Home in West Portsmouth with Dave Lute and JD Stevens co-officiating. Interment was in Scioto Burial Park with military graveside rites by the James Dickey Post #23 American Legion. Friends visited at the funeral home from 3:00 to 5:00 PM on Sunday and one hour prior to the service on Monday. Condolences may be sent to www.rogerwdavisfuneralhome.com.



JEAN M. CAFFREY - Died Wednesday, July 25, 2018 in Amherst, New York at the age of 77, peacefully after a long, courageous battle with rheumatoid arthritis and a sudden heart complication, surrounded by family. She was born on September 28, 1940 in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania. Jean was a retired United States Air Force Captain and Vietnam War Nurse. She was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77**. Jean was a loving sister, an aunt, great-aunt and beloved friend to many. She'll forever be remembered for

her devotion to the Lord, strength and wit, which enabled her to find humor, despite her pain. Jean graduated from Nardin Academy and the D'Youville College of Nursing and received a Master's in Education from Canisius College. She spent much of her career as a nursing instructor at the former Millard Fillmore Gates Circle Hospital, inspiring hundreds of future nurses. Jean is survived by her sister, Clare M. Schultz; she was the aunt of Robert (Krista) Schultz, Lorey Schultz (Thomas) Garlick, David Schultz, Jennifer (Albert) Russell and the grandaunt of Zac, Grace, Jacob, Hannah and Mari. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:00 AM on Monday, August 6, 2018 at Saint Michael Church, located at 651 Washington Street, in Buffalo, New York. www.dengerrobertspernafuneral.com.



MICHAEL ODELL "Mike" CANFIELD - Died Monday, October 22, 2018 at his home in Bowling Green, Maryland at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 17, 1951 in Elkins, West Virginia to the late Woodrow W. Canfield and Josie E. (née Hendrixson) Canfield. He was also preceded in death by his brothers, Roger Canfield and James Canfield; and his infant sister, Clarabelle Canfield. Mike was a graduate of Ridgeley High School. After high school, he served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He is retired from the Army National Guard. He was also retired from M.S. Carriers, LLC, where he had been a truck driver. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Cumberland Chapter #172 and the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aeries #2883, Cresaptown. Mike never met a stranger. He was loved by everyone that knew him. He especially loved his grandchildren, who knew him as "Pappy." Survivors include his loving wife, Carol Canfield; children, Lisa Jones and husband Brian, Cumberland, Sara Roberts, Cumberland, and Ed Comer, New Castle, PA; grandchildren, Asia and Isaac Jones, Parker and Avery Roberts, Preston and Nova Root, Taylor, Sadi, Mackenzie, Rachael, Tori and Brittany Comer; and 3 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters, Effie Bridges and Rose Clites, both of Youngstown, FL; several nieces and nephews, and special friends, Ron and Darlene Stickley, and Charity Collins. Friends were received at the Upchurch Funeral Home, P.A., 202 Greene Street, Cumberland, on Friday from 5:00-8:00 PM. Services followed in the funeral home at 8:00 PM. Military honors were accorded by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #172 Honor Guard. Private inurnment took place at Maryland State Veteran Cemetery in Rocky Gap, Maryland.



GLENN HOWARD CASH - Died Tuesday October 23, 2018 in Clinton Township, Michigan at the age of 67, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death was lung cancer with metastasis. He was born in Mount Clemens, Michigan on March 30, 1951 to William and the late Lois (née Chinn) Cash. Shortly after High School, he was enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served our country honorably during the Vietnam War. Glenn was united to his beloved wife, Bonnie Marie Collins on November 10, 1984 at Saint John Lutheran Church of Fraser. The couple first resided in Roseville until making their home in Clinton Township in 1995. Their union was blessed with two children of whom he loved and cherished. Glenn worked for Detroit Edison for 35 dedicated years as a power plant supervisor; retiring on August 9, 2012. He was a Life Member and Past President of Vietnam Veterans of America -Clinton Township Chapter #154. He loved classic cars and was a member of the Car Club "Fun Time Cruzers. "He enjoyed his daily crossword puzzles and was an avid Detroit sports fan. Glenn had a wonderful sense of humor; and some would describe him as a "Hard-ass with a big heart." Glenn understood the value of friendship and will always be known for his kind, considerate ways who remained calm and strong under any circumstances. Above all, he loved his family. He was a loving and devoting husband, a supportive and protective father, and a true friend. Glenn will be deeply missed, and his light will continue to glow in our hearts forever. Glenn is the loving husband of 34 years to Bonnie; cherished father of Ryan Cash and Kelsey (Donald) Hiltz; dear son of William and the late Lois; beloved brother of Tisa, William (Carolyn), Brian (Joanne) and Christopher Cash; dearest uncle to many nieces and nephews; and friend to many. Visitation hours were held on Saturday from 1:00 – 8:00 PM. A Military Service was held at 6:00 PM. The burial was in the Great Lakes National Cemetery. Share memories at www.faulmannwalsh.com.

<u>GARY L. CASS</u> – Died Friday, December 21, 2018 in Custar, Ohio at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 28, 2018. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Defiance Chapter #954**.



JANICE ANN CISZEWSKI - Died Thursday, November 10, 2016 at her home in Mora, Minnesota at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. Janice was born on August 17, 1950 in Saginaw, Michigan to the late Robert and Byrile (née Gast) LaLonde. Born the 5th of six children, Janice grew up in Saginaw. While in school, she met Robert Ciszewski and on August 16, 1969 they were united in marriage. Janice and Bob lived on several different Army bases over the next two years until Bob's discharge in 1971 when they returned to Saginaw where they raised two sons. From 1977-1979 the family lived in Buffalo, New York before moving to St. Paul, Minnesota in 1980. In 1983 Janice and Bob made Mora, MN their final home. She was a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America - Mora Chapter #684. In her younger years, Janice loved to garden and raise animals on the farm. She had a talent for crocheting and made many gifts for family and friends. Janice was first diagnosed with breast cancer in 1982 and unfortunately the cancer came back again in 1989. She has been strong and fought until her final days. She will be dearly missed. Janice is preceded in death by her parents, and five siblings. She is survived by her husband Bob; sons, Robert, Jr. "Bob" (Jennifer) and Anthony "Tony" (Shannon); grandchildren, Logan Ciszewski, Shalyn (Chris) Prestidge, Jessica Ehrler, and Quinn Ciszewski; great-grandchildren, Ivy, Caleb, and Hailey; many other relatives and friends.



FRANCIS LEROY CLENDENEN – Died Sunday, August 19, 2018 in Pataskala, Ohio at the age of 74. The cause of death was lung and bone cancer. LeRoy was born on April 19, 1944 in Lancaster, Ohio to the late Francis and Annabelle (née Kuhn) Clendenen. He is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Anna M. (née Shop) Clendenen. He was the father of Kelly Sue (Mont) Hill; loving grandfather of Eden Clendenen-Vizzo, Haley Smith and Hank Hill; greatgrandfather of Mason Clendenen-Casey; brother of Lyndel (Carlos) Taylor; uncle of Lori (James) Bailey, Delana (Shawn Cook) McCarthy, Mark (Leah) Taylor and Scott (Kim) Taylor; great-uncle to eight nieces and nephews, and; many other extended family members and dear friends. He was preceded in death by his son, James Patrick Clendenen; his brother, Thomas Joseph Clendenen and his great-nephew, Thomas Toops. He proudly served the United States Army during the Vietnam War as a Combat Motion Picture Specialist. He retired after 25 years from WBNS 10 TV as the Manager of Building/Properties and was also their Fleet Manager. He attended the Pataskala United Methodist Church. Joined the VFW in 1986 where he held numerous positions including Post #9473 Commander (1996-1998), earning All State status (1997-1998). He served the VFW District #11 also in many capacities including District #11 Commander (2001-2002), District Quartermaster (2005-present) and District Voice of Democracy Chairman (2015-present). Served the VFW Department of Ohio as the Historian/Photographer for the past 13 years. His photos can be seen not only here in the state of Ohio, but his photos have been used by the National VFW. In 2015 received the VFW's James Romanis Award. He was aa member of the Military Order of the Cootie and a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Newark Chapter #55. On August 6, 2013 he was appointed as the VFW V.A.V.S. Representative to the Chillicothe VA Medical Center. He was appointed to the Governor's Office of Veterans Affairs in 2007. In 2008 he was appointed to Ohio Department of Veterans Services Advisory Committee and served as its Chairman (2009 to 2017). He served on the Veterans Hall of Fame selection committee for six years, three of those years as its Chairman. Appointed to the Ohio War Orphans Scholarship Board by Governor Ted Strickland July 24, 2008. Governor Kasich reappointed LeRoy for an additional three consecutive terms including the current term of January 18, 2017. Then this past March 2018, he was appointed as an Associate member of the Military Veterans Educational Foundation. As you can see LeRoy loved this country and was very much a Veteran's Advocate. When thanked for his service to our country by a stranger, he would state "I was proud to do it and I would do it again if I was asked today". Family received friends on Saturday, August 25, 2018 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at the Cotner Funeral Home, 7369 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg OH 43068 where his Celebration of Life Service was held at 6:00 PM with Pastor Angie Sherer and Reverend David co-officiating, followed by the Reynoldsburg VFW Post #9473 service. The inurnment was in the Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens. The family would like to thank all the staff of Mount Carmel East Hospital including its Palliative/Hospice Unit for the loving care of LeRoy during his many stays during the past few months. In Lieu of flowers please send contributions to the VFW District #11 Voice of Democracy Fund, c/o Chuck Keller,

405 South Park Street, Baltimore OH 43105 or to the Licking County Humane Society, 825 Thornwood Drive, Heath, OH 43056 in LeRoy's memory.



RAYMOND LEE CLINEDINST - Died Monday, May 28, 2018 at the Winchester Medical Center at the age of 73. He was a resident of Mount Jackson, Virginia. He was born in New Market, Virginia on May 10, 1945 to the late Theodore and Martha Lee (née Litten) Clinedinst. Raymond served with the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Woodstock Chapter #936**. He was a mechanic and had been employed by the former Aileen Inc., J.E. Morgan Co., Johns Manville and Special Fleet Service. He is survived by his wife, Susan (née Cline) Clinedinst; a son, Greg Clinedinst of Mount Jackson; and six grandchildren. Raymond was a member of the Fairview Church of the Brethren near Endless Caverns, where a memorial service was held on Monday, June 4th, at 2:00 PM. Pastor Archie Webster officiated. Interment was in the Emmanuel Cemetery in New Market. Friends were invited to sign the register book at Theis Funeral Chapel in New Market.



JOSEPH J. COMPTON - Died Thursday, October 18, 2018 at the SouthEastern Veterans Center in Spring City, Pennsylvania at the age of 64, where he received compassionate care. He was a resident of Pottstown, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to the late Patrick C. and Margaret M. (née Finnegan) Compton. He was the loving husband for 40 years to Susan (née O'Connor) Compton, of Pottstown. Joseph graduated from Philadelphia Community College and was employed as a K-9 Police Officer at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard. He retired from the USPS as a Postal Police Officer and also retired from the military as a Law Enforcement Specialist, serving eight years active duty in the United States Air Force and twelve years in the United States Army Reserves. Joseph was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police #112 and Pottstown VFW Post #780. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – East Norriton Chapter #349. He was also an honorary black belt in Tae-Kwando and a CPR/First Aid instructor saving two people's lives. He enjoyed singing, dancing, camping and traveling. Joseph was a devoted father to his daughter, Katherine, wife of John Davis, Royersford and his son Kenneth Compton, husband of Rachel, of West Columbia, SC. He adored his granddaughters Caidence, Isabella, and Grace Compton. He is survived by brothers Patrick F. Compton, John Compton, husband of Anna, Robert Compton, husband of Mary Rae, and James Compton; sisters Teresa Compton, Rosemary, wife of Joseph Bria, and Rita Compton. He was predeceased by sister Margaret Chappell. A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, October 25th, at 11:00 AM at Saint Joseph Roman Catholic Church, 3640 Schuylkill Road, Spring City, PA. The burial was in the Limerick Garden of Memories with

full military honors in the Veteran's Section at the cemetery. Visitation hours were on Thursday from 9:30 AM to 10:45 AM at the church. Memorial donations may be made in Joseph's name to Saint Joseph Church, 3640 Schuylkill Road, Spring City, PA 19475.

WILLIM M. CONNELL – Died recently in 2018 in Carpinteria, California at the age of 64. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 23, 1954. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Carpinteria Chapter #218**.



JEAN P. "Jeannie" COX - Died peacefully on Thursday, November 22, 2018 at home in Macon, Georgia at the age of 92. The cause of death is unknown. She was born in London, England on September 13, 1926 to the late Herbert and Elizabeth Antink, of Bracknell, England. She embarked to America on May 20, 1946 aboard the SS. John Ericcson the Swedish Luxury Liner and arrived May 30, 1946. Jean became an American citizen in 1960. She was an English WWII bride and lived in Tampa, Florida where she raised her two children, Stephen C. Walker and Melanie Walker Wheeler. She was very active in her church, Palma Ceia Methodist. While in Tampa, she was in the Tampa Teapots (British Club), various garden clubs, was a Brownie and Girl Scout leader and volunteer, and volunteered as a Gray Lady in her children's school. Jean volunteered for 35 years in the Red Cross, both in Tampa and Macon. While in the Red Cross, she worked on the Blood Mobile and worked fires. She was a member of the Homemakers Club for 36 years, president 5 years. She was active in Shurlington UMC where she was president of the UMW for 2 years and circle leader for 3 years. Upon relocating to Jones County, she moved her membership to Gray UMC. There she was VP of UMW for 3 years and Program Resource Coordinator and VP for one year. She gave countless hours to the annual yard sale each year and helped with luncheons. She collected tabs for the Ronald McDonald house. Jean was a silent disciple and was honored with the Special Mission Recognition award. Additionally, Jean was in the Red Hat Club. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary Post #3 for 18 years, VP for 3 years. Upon losing her son in Vietnam, she became very active as a Life Member in Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Macon Chapter #443 for 20 years. Her fellow members fondly called her "Mom." Jean also volunteered at Theatre Macon as House Manager and worked reservations for 7 years. She and Sandra Livingston started the Crown Jewels British Club in 1969. As a charter member, she was president for 3 years and treasurer for 21 years. Jean was a member of the Pacesetter Club and volunteered at the Veteran's Hospital in Dublin, GA. She was a world traveler. China was always her favorite place. Her #1 love was for God, her church, family, and friends. We want to fondly thank Ruby Towles and Annie Lois Gay for almost five years of service taking such good care of Jean and loving her. While in Heartland Hospice, she added more caretakers, Ellen Adams and Rosa Slater who were very kind to her. They were all a God send to us. Jean was predeceased by her husband, Harvard Bruce Cox; son, Stephen C. Walker; sister, Sylvia Bowditch (John); and parents, Herbert and Elizabeth Antink. Jean is survived by her devoted daughter, Melanie Walker Wheeler (Len); grandsons Chris Carroll (Chelsea), Bruce Carroll (Hannah), Carl Wheeler (Danielle); granddaughter Carrie Wheeler Thacker (Brandon); great-grandchildren Haydon and

Wyatt Caroll, Watson Carl Wheeler, Emma Grace Fraebel, Berkeley and Banks Thacker; and nephew Wayne Bowditch (Freya). Visitation hours were at the Historic Sanctuary at Gray UMC on Monday, November 26, 2018 from 1:00 to 2:00 PM followed by a memorial service at 2:00 PM. The burial was private. Donations may be made to the Gray UMC, 117 Souh Jefferson Street, Gray, GA 31032 or Heartland Hospice, 3312 Northside Drive, Suite D250, Macon, GA 31210. Please visit www.hartsmort.com to sign the online guest registry. Hart's Mortuary, Jones County Chapel has charge of arrangements.



LARRY LYLE COX (USN, RMCM [SS]-Ret.) - Died Sunday, October 21, 2018 in Goose Creek, South Carolina at the age of 74. The cause of death was Pancreatic cancer and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease. He was born in Cortez, Colorado on February 1, 1944 to the late Robert and Lois Marie Cox. He is survived by his beloved wife of 48 years, Linda and three children: Carol Traynor (Robert), Connie Singletary, and Timothy Cox (Shirley). He is also survived by five grandchildren: Nichole Johnson (Patrick), Melissa Canada (Justin), Kamrin Singletary (Sarah), and Kyla Singletary and seven great-grandchildren: Reagan Johnson, Avery Johnson, Taylor Canada, Patrick Johnson, Leland Singletary, Jack Canada, and Abram Stevens. He was preceded in death by his parents Robert and Lois Marie Cox, his brother Ronald Cox, and his son William Cox. *RMCM (SS) Larry L. Cox enlisted in the United States Navy on December 5, 1961. He attended Recruit Training in San Diego, California followed by five years at the Naval Air Station, Barbers Point, Hawaii. He then attended Radioman "A" School and served on the USS Tutuila during the Vietnam War where he was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation for the crews' competence, diligence and exceptional performance in combat operations in the waters off the Republic of Vietnam. He also served on USS Arlington followed by service at Naval Communication Station Key West, Florida. In October 1971 Larry attended and completed Submarine School. Upon completion he completed tours of duty on the USS John Marshall and the USS Daniel Boone. In April 1975 he transferred to Naval Communications Center Mediterranean located in Naples, Italy where he served for four years. Following this tour of duty, he returned to submarine fleet duty to serve as Chief of the Boat on the USS Kamehameha and the USS James K. Polk. In July 1984 he took over as the Navigation/Operations Department Leading Petty Officer at the Submarine Fleet Ballistic Missile Submarine Training Facility at the Charleston Naval Base. He served in this position until his retirement from Naval Service on July 31, 1986 after over 24 years of honorable service. His military awards include Five Good Conduct Medals, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation Medal (2 Awards), Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation, Navy Achievement Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with Bronze Star, National Defense Service Medal, Enlisted Submarine Insignia, Republic of Vietnam Civil Actions Unit Citation, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon with Two Bronze Stars, and Submarine Deterrent Patrol Pin with Two Silver Stars signifying the completion of eleven successful patrol missions. RMCM (SS) Larry L. Cox has been an active member of the Fleet Reserve Association Branch 269 of Goose Creek, S C where

he served on the Board of Directors for Americanism and Patriotism, Branch Vice President, and Branch President. He also served as The Fleet Reserve Association Regional Vice President and Regional President. He has served as a member of the Charleston Base Submarine Veterans, was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Charleston Chapter #780**, American Legion Post #166, and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #10256. Larry departed this life dearly loved by his family and friends. He leaves a legacy of children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren that have been truly blessed by his guidance, wisdom, and deep caring for their personal success and well-being. The family received friends on October 28, 2018 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the McAlister-Smith Funeral Home, Goose Creek. A funeral service was held at 1:00 PM on October 28, 2018 at the McAlister-Smith Funeral Home, Goose Creek. The burial was at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at the Beaufort National Cemetery, where naval honors were rendered. Expressions of sympathy may be viewed or submitted online at www.mcalister-smith.com. The arrangements were entrusted to the McAlister-Smith Funeral Home, Goose Creek, 869 Saint James Avenue, Goose Creek, SC.



RICHARD RAYMOND "Dick" CROTEAU - Died Sunday, September 18, 2016 at Mercy Hospital at the age of 69, surrounded by his loving family. He was a resident of West Springfield, Massachusetts. The cause of death is unknown. Dick was born in Ludlow, Massachusetts on January 3, 1947 to the late Raymond and Yvette (née Pothier) Croteau. Dick grew up in Indian Orchard and moved to West Springfield, making it his home for over 47 years. Dick proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps during Vietnam. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Springfield Chapter #111. He worked as a meat cutter for George Spencer and Company and was a service technician for Roto-Rooter before he retired. He enjoyed traveling, tending to his gardens and paragliding. Dick also loved a good trade in the stock market. He was a member to the Marine Corps League in Westfield and was a Veteran volunteer at the Mass. Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Agawam for many years. Dick is survived by his beloved wife of 47 years Sheila (née Bond) Croteau, his loving daughters Laurie Carey of Westfield and Marianne Rydell and her husband Kenny of Roanoke, VA. He was the cherished grandfather to Apryl Carey. He was the caring brother to Larry Croteau and his late wife Linda, Paul Croteau and his wife Beth, Bruce Croteau, and Linda Lambert and her husband Allan. Richard was predeceased by his son Richard Croteau Jr, brothers; Bobby Croteau and Donald Croteau. He will be dearly missed by his sister-in-law Sandra Croteau, many nieces, and nephews and to all who knew him. Calling hours for Dick were held on Wednesday from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home, 1043 Westfield Street, West Springfield. The funeral was on Thursday at 9:00 AM at the funeral home, followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM at Saint Thomas the Apostle Church, 47 Pine Street, West Springfield. The burial was in the Saint Thomas Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in Dick's memory to The Fisher House, 1400 VFW Highway, West Roxbury, MA 02132 or Toys for Tots, 570 Patriot Avenue, Bldg. #3505, Box 43, Westover AFB, 01022.



RICHARD L. "Dick" CUMMINS - Died Monday, October 1, 2018 at his home in Bliss, New York at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Warsaw, New York on August 12, 1947 to the late Robert and Amy (née Casper) Cummins. A lifetime resident of Wyoming County and a 1964 graduate of Warsaw High School, Dick was a crop and dairy farmer on his family farm in Wethersfield and worked for Batavia Farm Equipment and at Rochester Tractor as a Branch Manager. He was a longtime member of the New Beginnings Fellowship Church in Gainesville and boarded horses for many years in Hermitage. Dick was active with the American Legion in the Eagle Memorial Post #1720 and served his country honorably from 1970 to 1972 with the United States Army during Vietnam. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Warsaw Chapter #193. He was predeceased by a son, Christopher Cummins; a brother, Frank Cummins; a brother-in-law, David Brown, and a nephew, Douglas Hayes. Survivors include the mother of his children, Renée Wright of Warsaw; three sons, Gary (Kim) Cummins of Bliss, Rod (Lisa) Cummins of Pavilion, and Levi (Kisha) Cummins of Silver Springs; 2 daughters, Alison (Matthew) Cray of LeRoy and Kim Cummins of Plattsburg; two brothers, Robert (Shirley) Cummins of Warsaw and Raymond (Bobby) Cummins of Castile; three sisters, Barbara Brown of Attica, Katherine Cowie of Warsaw, and Edith (James) Hayes of Perry; and eleven grandchildren. Friends of Dick visited from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and from 7:00 to 9:00 PM on Friday, October 5, 2018 at the Weeks Funeral Home, 123 North Main Street, Warsaw where an American Legion Service was held at 6:45 PM. A funeral service took place at the funeral home at 10:00 AM on Saturday, October 6, 2018 where full military honors were rendered. The burial took place at a later date in the Union Park Cemetery, Wethersfield. Memorial contributions may be made to the Eagle Memorial Post #1720 at 3377 Main Street, Bliss, NY 14024 or to the North Java Rescue Squad at 4274 NY-98 North Java, NY 14113.

ROBERT E. DALL - Died Sunday, December 16, 2018 at the Bon Secours Hospital at the age of 73. He was a resident of Middletown, New York. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on October 20, 1945 in the Royal Hospital in the Bronx, New York to the late Edward and Mary T. Dall. He attended P.S. #35 in the Bronx, moved across the street to St. Angelis Marius, then moved to Chester High School from 1955-1960. He graduated from Goshen Central High School in 1964 and attended Orange County Community College in 1965 and from there was drafted into the United States Army on November 29, 1965. He was a member of the 4th Infantry Division, HQ and Company A, part of the 704th Maintenance Tech Supply Unit. He was then shipped out to South Vietnam September 7, 1966 and returned September 11, 1967. Upon returning home, he met and later married his wife of 50 years, Mary Ann Sherer on October 5, 1968. Robert was an active umpire at sporting events in Orange County. He was a longtime member of the Goshen Fire Department and many veteran organizations including the VFW; American Legion and Disabled American Veterans and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Middletown Chapter #140** in Middletown. He was a member of the Middletown Bowling Association and was inducted in the Hall of Fame. Survivors include his

wife of 50 years Mary Ann Dall. His four daughters Deborah Ann Alindogan and her husband Ron; Donna Marie Frank and her husband Chuck; Rebeca Erin Strang and her husband Brian and twin sister Elizabeth Ruth Cruz and her husband Carlos. He is also survived by his 17 grandchildren. His sisters Kathy and her husband Bob Sherer of Warwick and Janice Dall of the State of Florida and his brother Edward Jr. of Goshen. He is also survived by his nieces and nephews. Visitation hours were held on Wednesday December 19, 2018 from 2:00-4:00 and from 7:00-9:00 PM at the Ralston-Lippincott-Hasbrouck-Ingrassia Funeral Home, Inc. 72 West Main Street, Middletown, NY. A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday December 20, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Saint Joseph Church, Cottage Street, Middletown, NY. The burial was in the Orange County Veterans Cemetery Goshen, NY. The arrangements were made by the Ralston-Lippincott-Hasbrouck-Ingrassia Funeral Homes.com.

RONALD L. "Ron" DICKENSHEETS - Died Thursday, October 11, 2018 in New Carlisle, Ohio at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 15, 1943, in Dayton, Ohio to the late Frederick and Dorothy Dickensheets. He served in the United States Army from September 10, 1964 to August 12, 1966 with a tour of duty in Vietnam from December 1964 to December 1965. Ron was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97** and Crossroads Baptist Church. He was an avid motorcyclist, always enjoying a good ride, loved his dogs and all animals. Ron is survived by his wife of 36 years Jennifer; sisters Carol (Floyd) Hatfield and Linda (Vince) McCabe; numerous nieces and nephews; and many friends at VVA. A memorial service to honor Ron was on Monday, November 26, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Sulphur Grove United Methodist Church, 7505 Taylorsville Road, Huber Heights, OH, 45424, with visitation beginning at 10:00 AM in the church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to your favorite charity in Ron's name. Expressions of sympathy may be made at www.trostelchapman.com.

<u>KEVIN DOWD</u> – Died recently in 2018 in Sarasota, Florida at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 8, 1949. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Brunswick (***New Jersey***) Chapter #233.** Funeral arrangements were made by the Florida VFW. He was interred with full military honors in the Florida National Cemetery.



DAVID JOSEPH EHRNSCHWENDER - Died Monday, December 3, 2018 at his home in Brookville, Indiana at the age of 72. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on December 8, 1945 in Weston, West Virginia to the late John and Melba (née Allman) Ehrnschwender. On April 20, 1974 he married Carol Landolt in Findlay, Ohio, and raised three children. David retired after 33 years as the Vice-President of Fairbanks Scale Company. He was a proud United States Navy veteran who served during Vietnam as a submariner. He was a member of the Community Church in Batesville, the VFW, American Legion and the DAV. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Batavia Chapter #649**. David enjoyed playing golf and going boating. He liked woodworking and making various types of chainsaw carvings, as well as drawing and painting. David spent time developing their land at Circle E homestead and volunteering at Community Church and The Springs. Most of all he loved to spend time with his family and friends. He will be dearly missed by his wife, Carol; son, Joe (Celine) Ehrnschwender; daughters, Teresa (Michael) Maher and Jayme (Bill) Harris; grandchildren, Brittany (Brett) Parker, Sean (Amanda) Maher, David (Katie) Ehrnschwender, Steven (Leah) Ehrnschwender, Cory (Montana) Ehrnschwender, Chelsey Oakes (Nick Casbar), Brandon (Jodi) Oakes; 17 great grandchildren; along with his siblings, Margaret (Jack) Seiwert, Jerry (Sandy) Ehrnschwender, Corky Ehrnschwender and Debbie (Mark) Zender. Preceded in death by brothers Ray (Mary) Ehrnschwender and Chris (Mary) Ehrnschwender. A Celebration of Life was celebrated at1:00 PM on Saturday, December 8, 2018 at the Greensburg Community Church with Richard Towner officiating. Memorials may be directed to the Reach Initiative at Batesville Community Church. www.give.icommunitychurch.com. Meyers Funeral Home assisted the family. Online condolences www.meyersfuneralhomes.com.

JOHN RANDELL FAULKNER, SR. - Died Friday, November 30, 2018 in Elkton, Maryland at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Wilmington, Delaware on August 23, 1948 to the late James and Gladys (née Farrell) Faulkner. Mr. Faulkner was a truck driver in the construction industry. He was a United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Deposit Chapter #722**, American Legion Post and VFW Post, all in Elkton. He enjoyed fishing and riding his Harley. Mr. Faulkner loved history, including researching lighthouses. Survivors include his wife of 26 years, Dianne Faulkner; children, John R. "JayJay" Faulkner, Jr., Amy L. Faulkner, Billie-Jean N. Forbes, Brett A. Forbes and Brittney L. Ogle, all of Elkton, MD; sister, Jodie Hartsell, Bowling Green, VA and nine grandchildren. At the request of the family, services were private with interment in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Bear, DE. Contributions in Mr. Faulkner's memory may be made to Forever Paws, in care of Hicks Home for Funerals, 103 W. Stockton Street, Elkton, MD 21921.

JOSEPH PHILLIP FISCHER – Died Saturday, April 28, 2018 in Wall Lake, Iowa at the age of 70. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on July 12, 1947 in Wall Lake. He served in the United States Army from 1968 to 1970 and a tour of duty in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurelia Chapter #888**. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30 AM on Tuesday May 1, 2018 Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Wall Lake, Iowa with Reverend Father Larry McCarty as Main Celebrant assisted by Deacon Butch Stone. The visitation hours were from 4:00-7:00 PM on Monday, April 30, 2018 at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Wall Lake, Iowa with a 4:00 PM Rosary and a 7:00 PM Vigil Service. He was interred in the Wall Lake Cemetery in Wall Lake, Iowa.



PAUL EDWARD FISCHER - Died Sunday, May 27, 2012 in Bastrop, Texas at the age of 61. Paul was born in Austin, Texas on November 19, 1950 the first son born to C.A. and Evelyn

Fischer. Paul grew up quite the feminist as a result of growing up with seven sisters in their small Austin home. He was athletic and fun loving with a sharp mind. His younger days were much like those of his peers; an altar boy at Saint Louis Church; odd jobs at the pizzeria; paper boy; and playful friend and companion to his siblings. He loved family trips to the coast and visits to the Texas countryside near Rockne where he fished, explored, swam, and came to love nature and the outdoors. Paul attended Saint Edwards High School until it closed after which he attended Lanier High School. At 17, he quit school and joined the United States Marines Corps. He served in the Vietnam War from 1969 to 1970, a life changing experience which took him from a naïve young Catholic boy to a sometimes tortured and introspective man. Paul grappled with the demons of Vietnam for many years. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Bastrop Chapter #915. After Nam, he worked for a short time as a nurse's aide at Shoal Creek Hospital, for a while he lived in a tent by the lake and just came in and out of the lives of many people. In 1996, Paul met Jayne Gorup, his soul mate and great love until his death. Paul and Jayne were wed on September 4, 2007 in Bastrop County. In addition to their home near Bastrop, Paul purchased a small acreage of undeveloped land several years ago where he could commune with nature and enjoy solitude from city life. Paul had a great recall. He read countless books and was especially interested in books which recounted war, its artillery and the men who fought them. He listened to and recounted stories of WWII as told to him by his father, a Navy man who served in WWII. Paul wasn't just a storyteller; he was also a writer and an artist. His writings included stories of his life adventures and his time in Vietnam. His intricate art work hangs on the walls of family members and many other households and is a testament to his extraordinary mind and spirit. Paul seemed to defy death over the last few years of his life as his health declined. He goes now to reunite with his father C.A.; sisters, Susan and Melissa; and his brothers who died in Vietnam. He leaves behind his wife Jayne; mother Evelyn; sisters Beverly, Peggy, Gayle, Claudia (Dennis), and Melinda (Lisa); brother Fred (Kim); sister-in-law Marion; nieces Rene' (Marshall), Marki, and Haley; nephews Austin, Kris, Eddy, Trevor, Koda and Blake. A memorial service to celebrate Paul's life will be held at a later date. Semper Fi and God speed Baby Huey.

BILLY K. FLANAGAN (USA, CW4-Ret.) - Died Sunday November 11, 2018 at the Greens of Pinehurst Home at the age of 91. He was a resident of the Southern Pines, North Carolina. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Van Wert, Ohio on February 4, 1927 to the late Jasper and Bernice (née Blank) Flanagan. Billy had graduated from the Marsh Foundation School, in the Van Wert High School system, class of 1945. After graduation he served his country in the United States Army. Billy reenlisted and served for a total of 44 years, 22 as NCO and 22 as a Commissioned Officer before his retirement in the late 1980s as a Chief Warrant Officer (CW4). His honored career earned him a place in the Ordinancy Hall of Fame. He served during World War II, Korea and Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – West End Chapter #966**. Billy is predeceased by his wife, Gloria Margaret Acker Flanagan. He is survived by their children: Bernard Flanagan, his wife the late Marsha, of Barre, VT and Shelly Smith, husband Les, of Celina, OH. He was the brother of Patricia Davis of Van Wert, OH and the late Bernard Flanagan. Billy is also survived by many nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held at the Boles Funeral Home, 425 West Pennsylvania Avenue,

Southern Pines on Thursday at 2:00 PM. The family received friends at the funeral home prior to the service from 1:00 - 2:00 PM. A Graveside service was held at the Woodland Cemetery in Van Wert, OH at 11:30 AM on Monday. The family received friends at the Alspach - Gearheart Funeral Home, 722 South Washington Street in Van Wert prior to the service from 10:00 – 11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church, 330 South May Street, Southern Pines, NC 28387. Services were entrusted to the Boles funeral Home of Southern Pines.



LARRY VERNON "Fletch" FLETCHER – Died Thursday, October 11, 2018 in Morristown, Tennessee at the age of 69, surrounded by his family and friends, after a battle with cancer. He was born on November 9, 1948 in Charlestown, West Virginia to the late Ben and Juanita Fletcher. He was a member of New Antioch Missionary Baptist Church and a veteran of the United States Army and the Army National Guard. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Morristown Chapter #1073 and the VFW Post #5266. He was formerly employed by Lowes. He is survived by his wife, Cindy Fletcher; stepsons, Gregory Scott (Beth) Cline and Charles Ashley (Misty) Cline; grandchildren, Aaron Wilson, Trevor Cline, and Alex Cline; brother, Ronnie Fletcher of Bean Station; sister-in-law, Theona Drinnon; brother-inlaw, Terry (Helen) Ricker; special friends, Tommy and Kim Munsey; fur baby, "Baby"; and many other friends too numerous to mention. The family received friends from 5:00-700 PM on Saturday, October 13th at the Westside Chapel Funeral Home. Funeral services were at 7:00 PM with Reverend Tommy Munsey officiating. Military graveside services were at 1:00 PM on Sunday, October 14th in the Hamblen Memory Gardens. The pallbearers were Terry Bell, Chris Garnsey, Billy James, James Melton, Matt Statham, and Josh Stevenson. Thee alternate pallbearers were Dennis Knight and Billy Wise. In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made to the Westside Chapel Funeral Home for funeral expenses. The arrangements were made by the Westside Chapel Funeral Home in Morristown, Tennessee.



DAVID L. FOERSTER - Died Friday, November 30, 2018 at home in Milan, Michigan at the age of 72, with his loving family by his side. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on May 14, 1946 in Ann Arbor, Michigan to the late Reginald and Colleen (née Tully) Foerster. On August 29, 1970 he married Colleen Magee in Ypsilanti, Michigan and she survives. David served honorably in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ann Arbor Chapter #310**. He was an avid collector of many things. David especially enjoyed time spent with all of his grandchildren. Besides his wife of 48 years, survivors include his children, Scott (Amy) Foerster, Lainie (Eric) Billau, Chad (Jill)

Foerster, Emily (Garett) Cooper, seven grandchildren, one great grandchild, one sister, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, and one sister. Visitation hours were held at the Ochalek-Stark Funeral Home, Milan on Wednesday, December 5th from 2:00-8:00 PM and on Thursday, December 6th from 10:00 AM until time of funeral service at 11:00 AM. The burial was in the Marble Park Cemetery in Milan. Contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.



LEROY G. "Roy" FOSTER - Died Thursday, October 18, 2018 in his home in Westfield, New York at the age of 69 due to Agent Orange exposure while serving during the Vietnam War. He was also a resident of Lakeland, Florida. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 1, 1949 in Jamestown, New York to the late Herbert and Carrol (née Chase) Foster. Roy enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1967. He actively served his country as a fuel specialist for 21 years, during which time he sprayed vegetation control at Anderson Air Base in Guam, and then worked with the Civil Service an additional 17 years before retiring. Following his retirement from the Air Force, Roy attended Fredonia State College, earning his Bachelor of Science degree. For the last several years, Roy worked tirelessly as an Advocate for veterans most recently Toxic Veterans-Operation Stand Together. He was instrumental in getting H.R.809 The Foster Act presented to Congress in 2017 by Governor Ross of Florida. It includes all Veterans who were exposed to Agent Orange in other countries, including Guam. Roy attended Fluvanna Community Church and was a life member of the Herman Kent Post #777 American Legion in Celoron and a member of the Lakewood Rod and Gun Club. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dunkirk (New York) Chapter #459. He enjoyed bowling, fishing, and sports cars. He especially loved his grandchildren and also attending car shows and driving his Corvette in the Memorial Day parade. Surviving are his wife Ruthann (née Bentley) Foster whom he married August 11, 2007; a daughter, Alicia (Jeremy) Foster Jock of NY; three grandchildren, Amelia Thomas, Kenah Yurek, and Axel Roy Jock; a step son, Harold Bentley III (Christine) of Erie, PA; a sister, Katherine (Dan) Holdridge of Jamestown and Florida; two brothers, Robert Foster of Bemus Point, NY, David (Trudy) Foster of Colorado; a brother in law, Wayne Leisure; and many nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Joyce Leisure, and a brother, Paul Foster. The funeral service was held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday in the Lind Funeral Home. The Reverend Dayle F. Keefer, retired pastor officiated. The burial with full Military Honors was in Veterans Grove at the Lake View Cemetery. The family received friends for two hours prior to the service on Tuesday in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Chautaugua Hospice and Palliative Care, 20 West Fairmount Avenue, Lakewood, NY 14750.



GERALD MYRON "Jerry" FRENCH (USAF, MAJ-Ret.) - He Died Friday, September 28, 2018 in Lufkin, Texas at the age of 94. The cause of death was cardiopulmonary arrest, medullary failure and cerebrovascular arrest. He was born on July 29, 1924 in Tyrone, Oklahoma to the late Jimmie and Pearl (née Miller) French. He was raised on a cattle ranch in Campo, Colorado and graduated at 16 years old from Liberal Kansas School. He joined the United States Air Force in June of 1941 but could not get his wings until he turned 18. Jerry was the youngest flight commander leading over Europe. He flew his 50th mission on D-Day at Normandy. He and his crew were the only ones to come back from the 450th Bomb Group with all original members. Jerry came home from Europe in 1944. Aside from WWII, he was also active duty during the Korean Conflict flying 35 missions and Vietnam, where he would fly the new troops over and wounded and deceased soldiers back home. He retired from the US Air Force in 1964 with 23 years of service. In later years, he worked as a flight instructor for commercial airlines; he retired from American Airlines at 74 years of age. Mr. French was a faithful member of Heritage Baptist Church and the Lufkin Lions Club. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Nacognoches Chapter #931. Survivors include his wife, Martha (née Wood) French; daughters, Paula Joan French, Jeri Lee French, Barbara Richardson and husband Barry, and Wendy Cartlidge and husband Robert; stepchildren, Sabrina Horn and husband Robert, Laura DeCarlo, Clay Pickard, Beth Pickard, Jody Pickard and wife Tina, & Eric Pickard; sister, Dorothy Knight; fifteen grandchildren; seventeen great-grandchildren; along with numerous other relatives and friends. Mr. French was preceded in death by his parents, Jimmie and Pearl French; brother, Raymond French; sisters, Margie French and Wilma French; wife, Patricia French; and wife, Leara French. The funeral services were on Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 2:00 PM at the Gipson Funeral Home with Brother Jim Housley and Brother David Wood co-officiating. The interment was held in the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery with full military honors. The family received friends on Monday, October 1st, from 6:00-8:00 PM at the Gipson Funeral Home. Condolences may be offered at www.gipsonfuneralhome.com Services were placed in the trust of the Gipson Funeral Home.



THOMAS JAMES "Tim" GALBRAITH - Died Sunday, September 9, 2018 in Crooked River Ranch, Oregon at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 31, 1946 in Igloo, South Dakota. Tim was the only male out of seven children. His family moved to the Willamette Valley in 1950. Being the only boy with six sisters, he never hurt for an audience. He would pretend to be a DJ and thoroughly entertain his sisters and their friends. He graduated from South Salem High in 1964. He enlisted in the United States Coast Guard shortly after and served until 1968. He was stationed at Point Bonita in the San Francisco area and The Aleutian Islands in Alaska. After graduating from Chemeketa Community College, he

enlisted in the United States Air Force and served an additional 8 years active service and reserve service combined. He served in Thailand, the Philippines, Germany, and Hill AFB in Utah. He married his wife Jill in 1973 while in the Air Force. God gave them 45 wonderful years together during which he continued to entertain, but now it was his wife. His sense of humor was infectious as well as his love of life. Most of Tim's career was spent with U.S. West which fed right into his love of wires! TIm and Jill retired to Central Oregon in 2002 from the Willamette Valley after many vacations to the area. He was a charter member of Redmond Band of Brothers and also a member of Redmond Community Church. He was very proud of his military service often participating in parades and activities with his fellow Band of Brothers members. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Bend Chapter #820. Throughout his lifetime he remained passionate about airplanes, Ford Mustangs, photography, hiking and biking. He owned several Mustangs throughout his lifetime and was a member of the Capital Area Mustang Club for several years. Recently he was also a member of the Palm Springs Air Museum and the Erickson Air Museum in Madras. He loved jets in particular. His 2 favorites being the F-4 Phantom and the SR 71 Blackbird. Tim couldn't resist talking to everyone who crossed his path in life. It was not totally uncommon for him to meet someone once and through texting and phone calls build that brief conversation into a strong and lasting friendship. He would encourage and support others faithfully and consistently. As one friend said" Tim knew how to be a friend." We would add, that he also excelled at being the best brother and husband possible. During his illness, he remained positive and encouraging to others. He always believed that God could heal him but accepted that God may also have a better plan for his life. He is survived by wife Jill, sisters Lyn Cokeley and Mary Ketchum and many nieces and nephews. A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, October 6th at 2:00 PM at the Redmond Community Church.

GARY A. GARVER - Died in the early hours of Friday morning, October 12, 2018 in Callahan, Florida at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Millersburg, Ohio on March 12, 1943 to the late Dean and Hazel Garver. Gary volunteered to work the AMVETS booth at the NE Florida Fair on Thursday as he had done for several years. After working all day, he came home with his wife, Betty, and fell asleep on his recliner with the remote in his hand. He passed away peacefully while he slept, after living a fulfilling life of service to his God, his family, his Country, and his community. He was the youngest of Dean and Hazel's five children: Kenny, Laura, Bonnie, and Harold. He is survived by his sister Laura and his beloved wife, Betty, who will celebrate their 51st year of marriage on October 27th. He was an amazing daddy to his daughters, Beffie and Natta-Sue, as well as their husbands Parag and Stephen. He was also a very proud Papa to his six grandchildren: Ashley, Victoria (his Tootie), Suvali, Sarah, Caleb, and Kalan. Gary honorably served his country for 27 years in the United States Navy and the Naval Reserves before retiring as a Senior Chief. After transitioning from active duty to the reserves, he attended Jones College and began working for Sears. Gary spent 24 years with Sears and retired as their Home Improvement manager. All who knew Gary would agree that he was not made for retirement, so it was no surprise that before long he began working as a Building Inspector for Nassau County and later for the city of Fernandina as well as a Code Enforcement Officer for the town of Callahan, which he continued to do until the end. Throughout his life,

Gary was extremely active in the community and was always looking for ways to serve and to help. He was the Commander of AMVETS Post 2007 and he was also a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Hilliard Post 10095, a member of the American Legion of Hilliard Post 401, and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hilliard Chapter #1088**. He served as a Sunday school teacher at First United Methodist Church and he was also a vocalist in the choir. Gary also made countless children happy while being Santa Clause every Christmas. Gary will be missed by many due to being the type of man that never met a stranger and by being someone that was always looking to help. As his Mother-In-Law used to say, "When they made him, they broke the mold." A viewing was held on Monday, October 15, 2018 at Callahan First United Methodist Church from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. The services were held at the same location on Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 11:00 AM. He will also be given full honors at the Jacksonville National Cemetery at a date to be determined. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to either the American Legion of Hilliard Post #401 or Callahan First United Methodist Church. Condolences may be expressed at www.callahanfh.com. Arrangements under the direction and care of Ellis and Charlotte McAninch, Callahan Funeral Home, Inc.

PASTOR DAVID H. GASQUE, JR. - Died Friday, July 6, 2016 in Norway, South Carolina at the age of 83. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in North Carolina on September 24, 1932. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Whiteville Chapter #962**. He is survived by three children, Mark Gasque of North Carolina, Carolyn Brown of Charleston, South Carolina and Lisa Rhodes of South Carolina; and five grandchildren. There were no public services.

EDWARD L. GIBBS – Died Monday, November 5, 2018 in New Philadelphia, Ohio at the age of 71. The cause of death was lung disease. He served in the United States Army from December 5, 1966 to November 23, 1968 during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Philadelphia Chapter 857**.



LARRY KENNETH GILE - Died peacefully Sunday, June 3, 2018 at the Helen Porter Health Hospice and Rehabilitation services at the age of 73, after a 5-year battle with COPD with his family by his side. He was a resident of Bristol, Vermont. He was born in Burlington, Vermont on October 12, 1944, the eldest son of the late Homer and Virginia (née Phelps) Gile. He was raised in Richmond, Vermont with his three brothers and graduated from Richmond High School in 1964. Larry began his apprenticeships in funeral services in Richmond, Rutland and Bristol, VT. He then served four years in the United States Navy including a one-year tour in Vietnam as a hospital Corpsman receiving the Navy Achievement Award for Bravery. After graduating from the New England Institute in 1971, Larry began his long career in funeral service in Saint Johnsbury, Vermont. In 1973, he became associated with the Brown-McClay funeral home and purchased it in 1986 where he remained until retiring in 2007. His profession was far more than a career for Larry; it was his calling to serve as a source of strength, support and comfort for many over the years. Larry served as president of the Vermont Funeral Directors Association. He is the current chairman of the Vermont Funeral Service Board of Professional Regulations and Licensing. As a FEMA employee, he served in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Larry was a 40-year member of the Bristol Federated Church serving on various committees, a member of the Libanus Lodge # 47 F. & A. M., and the Bristol Rotary Club where he received the Paul Harris Award. He was a loyal member of the Old Farts Club until his illness. Larry considered being a co-founder of the Great Bristol Out House Race, along with the late Bill Paine, one of his greatest accomplishments and was its announcer every year until his illness. Larry and four fellow Vietnam servicemen were recently honored at Mt. Abraham High School for their annual presentation to the American Studies History class on their experiences in Vietnam. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Bristol Chapter #926. Larry is survived by his wife of almost 49 years, Donna (née Parent) Gile, his two sons Carl (Theresa) and Neil (Suzanne), four grandchildren Colby, Madison, Ava and Grace. He is also survived by three brothers, Dennis (Sherry), Bradley (Barbara) and Bryant. He is also survived by his sister in law Adelaide Shepard and several nieces. He is predeceased by a sisterin-law Judy Gile and brother-in-law Dr. Harley Shepard. Calling hours were held on Thursday, June 7, 2018 at the Brown-McClay Funeral home in Bristol from 6:00-8:00 PM. Funeral Services were on Friday, June 8, 2018 at The Bristol Federated Church at 11:00 AM with burial to follow the service at Greenwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Bristol Federated Church or Bristol Rescue. To send online condolences to his family please visit www.brownmcclayfuneralhomes.com.



LARRY L. "Digger" GILLESPIE - Died Thursday, November 15, 2018 at his home in Rochester, Illinois at the age of 72 with his family by his side. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Oceanside, California on April 29, 1946 to the late Glenn S. and Dorothy (née Matthews) Jackson. He was adopted by his stepfather Dan Gillespie so that he could enlist in the United States Navy prior to his 18th birthday. He served aboard the USS Iwo Jima and was released from active duty to the U.S. Naval Reserves April 28, 1967. Larry earned the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal (1 star) and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device. His military service was a part of his heritage as his father and stepfather both served. He continued his service to his comrades throughout his life. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Springfield Chapter #534, was a member and past commander of the VFW Post 10302 Northender's, Hall Hagler DAV, Navy Club, served on the Illinois State Council of the Vietnam Veterans of America, was a founder member as officer of A.B.A.T.E, and member of the Patriot Guard. Digger spent countless hours as an advocate for fellow veteran's, assisting them with documentation, policy and procedures to apply for Veteran benefits. He petitioned many legislator's meeting with them in person to discuss awareness of the struggles of veterans after they served and were discharged. Digger never forgot his fellow veterans from Vietnam. Although in poor health, he spent many hours making

phone calls and reaching out to several resources to plan, coordinate and orchestrate the Vietnam Wall Experience hosted by Bisch Funeral Homes in 2003. He married Sharon Hagen on August 12, 1972. As they raised their two sons, Roberto "Robby" and Larry Jr., Digger was very much involved in their lives and was a proud dad, coaching their T-Ball and Mickey Mantle Baseball teams at Fairview Park. Friendships and brotherhood ran deep in his way of life. He was a loyal member of the Bro Rider's Motorcycle Club and was always there to lend a hand to anyone that needed it. He had a passion for playing pool and was quite accomplished. He was a member of the J&J Ventures Pool League. He personally as well as his team acquired a substantial collection of trophies from tournament play across the city, state and Midwest. They were consistently invited to Las Vegas for National and World tournaments as well. Digger retired from the Central Labor's Local 477 in 2001. Surviving are his wife Sharon, his two sons, Robby (Rochelle) Gillespie all of Rochester, IL, and Larry Gillespie Jr, of Springfield, IL. He has five grandchildren, Alanna, Arianna, and Parker, all of Rochester, IL, and Gavin and Justice, both of Pawnee, IL, and a host of friends. He was preceded in death by his dear mother, Dorothy Meade and her husband Chuck, his brother Kenny, and his sister Linda. Visitation and Funeral Services: The family greeted friends on Sunday, November 25, 2018 from 2:00 until 4:00 PM at the Bisch Funeral Home West 2931 South Koke Mill Road, Springfield. The funeral service was held on Monday, November 26, 2018 at 12:30 PM with Father Brian Alford officiating. After a prayer at the monument of the time capsule from the Vietnam Wall Experience located on the grounds of Bisch Funeral Home West, the procession, escorted by the Bro Rider's MC and the Patriot Guard will leave for Camp Butler National Cemetery where graveside services will full military honors conducted by the U.S. Navy and the Inter-Veterans Burial Detail of Sangamon County will be held. In lieu of flowers, those who wish may direct memorial contributions to Digger's family. Please visit the online "Life Remembered Story" at www.bischfuneralhome.com where tributes and condolences may be shared with the family. Arrangements are in the care of Bisch Funeral Homes.



CHARLES W. GRADY III - Died Sunday, October 7, 2018 at the Brandywine Hospital at the age of 74. He was a resident of Downington, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Wilmington, Delaware on March 18, 1944 to the late Charles W. Grady, Jr. and Janice M. (née Patchell) Grady. He was the beloved husband of Rosalie C. (née Tutlo) Grady, with whom he would have shared 50 years of marriage in March. He proudly serviced in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Coatesville Chapter #436**. Charles worked in the Shipping/Receiving Department for National Mail. In addition to his wife, Rosalie, Mr. Grady is survived by his sons, Thomas C. Grady (Donna), Stephen C. Grady (Gwen) and Shawn C. Grady (Jennifer); sisters, Kathleen Batchell and Sheila Gilpin; grandchildren, Brandon Grady, Monica Flynn-Grady, Shawn Grady, and Emily Grady; and three great grandchildren. Services with Military Honors were held privately for the family. James J. Terry Funeral Homes in Downington, Pennsylvania was in charge of the arrangements.

JOHN C. GRENTZINGER, SR. - Died Thursday, December 13, 2018 in Greece, New York at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 12, 1943 in Rochester to the late John J. Grentzinger and Dorothy (née Tolster) Haak. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Linda; children, Maria (Thomas) Burian, John (Susan) and Sean Grentzinger; his grandchildren, Jacob, Samantha, Riley and Dylan; brother, Jimmy Grentzinger; loving family and dear friends. = He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. John owned and operated Grentzinger Locksmith shop, he was a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks Lodge #2110, Brockport, a member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Rochester Chapter #20, American Legion & Color Guard Post #468, Mother of Sorrows Men's Club and executive of the men's club. John enjoyed camping, bowling, golfing and traveling. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him. John's visitation was held on Thursday, December 20th from 3:00-6:00 PM at the Vay-Schleich and Meeson Funeral Home, 1075 Long Pond Road where his Military Honors were held at 6:00 PM in the funeral home. His Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Friday, December 21st, 10:00 AM at Our Mother of Sorrows Church, 5000 Mount Read Boulevard. Private Interment was in the Bath National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Honor Flight Rochester PO Box 23581 Rochester, NY 14692 in his memory. For more information and to sign his online guestbook, visit www.meesonfamily.com.



THOMAS WILLIAM GROZIER - Died Tuesday, November 6, 2018 in Arlington, Texas at the age of 92. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 7, 1926 in Grandfield, Oklahoma to the late Francis and Myrtle (née Taylor) Grozier. He entered the United States Air Force and served his country for over 27 years, retiring in 1974. He served during World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. His chosen profession was as an Air Traffic Controller and he loved it! He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Grand Prairie Chapter #1013**. Mr. Grozier was married for 14 years to Patricia Deitering. They raised three children, two daughters, Louise Rice and Barbara Jo Hamm, and one son, Delbert Grozier. He is survived by his three children, Louise, Barbara, and Delbert: two stepsons: three grandchildren, Wendy Jackson, Ashley Coppick and Gladys Rice: and four great grandchildren, Nathaniel Augustine, Taylor Augustine, Josh Jackson and Lily Bell Coppick. Arrangements were handled by the Bean-Massey-Burge Funeral Home in Grand Prairie, Texas. You may leave memories and condolences for the Grozier Family at www.beanmasseyburge.com. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Mr. Grozier's name to the Woods United Methodist Church in Grand Prairie.

FRANK THOMAS GUNTHER - Died Friday, November 2, 2018 in Santa Barbara, California at the age of 72 after a 15-years battle with Parkinson's disease, while surrounded by his loving family. Frank was born on June 28, 1946 in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Stephen and Catherine Gunther. Frank is survived by his wife Linda of 50 years; three children, Paul Gunther

(Ella), Christine Malengo (Mike) and Randall Gunther (Amy); six grandchildren, Grace Gunther, Anna Gunther, Shelby Malengo, Megan Malengo, Kayla Malengo and Harrison Gunther along with many nieces, nephews and extended family. Frank was a loving father, husband, uncle and especially proud of his grandchildren. He was a big fan of baseball and loved his LA Dodgers. He joined the United States Air Force in June of 1964, serving his country honorably for 4 years and was a proud Vietnam Veteran. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Carpinteria Chapter #218**. He spent his career working for the telephone company as a lineman, engineer and then enjoyed retirement as a Grandfather and travelling with his wife. Frank had a strong work ethic and set a great example to his children. He was a respectful, loyal and humble person who enjoyed life and remained that way even during his years fighting Parkinson's. He enjoyed participating in the Santa Barbara Parkinson's exercise group and Friendship Center and was a long-time member of Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Parkinson's Association of Santa Barbara on his behalf. Memorial services were held at 10:00 AM on Tuesday November 6th at Saint Andrew Presbyterian Church, 4575 Auhay Drive, Santa Barbara, CA.



DUEL LEE "Diesel" HALE - Died Sunday, September 9, 2018 at home in Cleveland, Tennessee at the age of 70, surrounded by his loving family, after a two-year battle with colon cancer. He was born on October 28, 1947 in Soddy-Daisy, Tennessee, the 4th of five children to the late Orin and Ruth Hale. Duel was very well known in the community for his many years of service to our youth and adults by serving as an umpire for the Cleveland/Bradley County Umpires Association. Whether it was umpiring, playing softball, or just cheering on his friends, you could always find him at one of the local ball parks. He was retired from BFI where he spent many years as a truck driver. He also worked for several years as a Corrections Officer for the Bradley County Sheriff's Office. Duel was a decorated Vietnam Veteran having served in the United States Army. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, & Vietnam Campaign Medal W/60 Device. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans** of America – Cleveland Chapter #596. Duel is preceded in death by his parents Orin and Ruth Hale, his Mother-in-law and Father-In-Law Ed and Dorothy Parker, his wife, Sue (née Parker) Hale, and his brother, Robert Hale. He is survived by his twin sons, Ricky Hale and Mickey Hale, of Cleveland, TN, his three grandchildren whom he loved very much, Dylan, Emalee, and Allyson Hale of Sweetwater, TN, his brother, Sam Hale and his wife Carolyn of Hixson, TN, his 2 sisters, Lavera Campbell of Sale Creek, TN, Retha Giles and her husband Dennis of Suck Creek Mountain, TN, sister-in-law, Jo Hale of Ooltewah, TN. He is also survived by his brother/sisterin-law, Eddie and Nina Parker of Cleveland, TN and brother-in-law, Jeff Parker of Cleveland, TN, and Larry Casson of Cleveland, whom he thought of as his son, as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, aunts, and uncles. The Remembrance of Life Service was conducted on Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 11:00 AM at the Jim Rush Funeral and Cremation Services North Ocoee Chapel with Reverend Cliff Howard officiating. Graveside services and Interment was at 1:00 PM at the Chattanooga National Cemetery with Trevor Casson, Junior Morgan, John

Hale, Kenny Hawk, David Ledford, and Joe Parker serving as casket bearers. Military honors were accorded. The family thanked Rebecca Barnes from Hearth Hospice, the entire medical team and front office staff of Tennessee Oncology, Dr. Janet Coombs, and Dr. Eston Wenger for their great care of Duel for the past 2 years. The family received friends from 5:00 until 8:00 PM on Wednesday at the Jim Rush Funeral and Cremation Services North Ocoee Chapel who was in charge of the arrangements. You may share your condolences and your memories with the Hale family at www.jimrushfuneralhomes.com.



SAMMIE LEE HALL - Died Tuesday, December 25, 2018 in Pine Bluff, Arkansas at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Pine Bluff on March 22, 1947 to the late Jimmie Lee Hall and Rosie (née Stewart) McClain of Racine, WI. He leaves to cherish his memories to: his wife, Thelma (née Caldwell) Hall of Pine Bluff; his mother; two daughters, Katrina Hunter of Prosper, TX and Kalisha Price of Dallas, TX.; three brothers, Earl Goldman of White Hall, AR, Namon White II of Racine, WI, and Freddie Hall of Kansas City, MO; five sisters, Annie Dilling of Bartow, FL, Ella Beal of Mt. Pleasant, WI, Alberta Reed and Dorothy Campbell both of Pine Bluff, AR and Cassandra Gathings of Calumet Park, IL; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren. He served in the United States Army from October 1967 to October 1969 with a tour of duty in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pine Bluff Chapter #815**. The funeral service was at 1:00 PM on Monday, December 31, 2018 at the First Missionary Baptist Church, Ladd, AR officiated by Reverend Accie Reynolds, Jr. The interment was in the Mount Lebanon Cemetery, Hooker, AR by Brown Funeral Home of Pine Bluff, AR. Visitation/Family Hour was on Sunday from 5:30 - 6:30 PM at the Brown Funeral Home. His body laid-in-state on Monday from 12:15 PM until the time of the service.



JAMES ROBERT "Jim" HASENOHR - Died Thursday, November 15, 2018 in Rochester, New York at the age of 69. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related small cell lung cancer. He was born in Rochester on February 27, 1948 to the late Francis Robert and Marilyn Hasenohr. He was also predeceased by his cousin, Raymond Ricchueto. He leaves behind his wife of 33 years, Mary; his uncle Jack (Joyce) Kovack, aunt Joan Ricchueto; cousins Karen and Kim Ricchueto, Amy Jo (Steve) Otis and several cousins. Jim was a decorated United States Army Vietnam Veteran, receiving the Bronze Star Medal and Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**. Family and friends visited on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 from 4:00-7:00 PM at the James R. Gray Funeral Home, 1530 Buffalo Road where prayers followed the visitation. The interment was private. In lieu of flowers, kindly consider donating to Compass Care, Lollypop Farm or Vietnam Veterans of America in his memory.



GARY LYNN "Bird" HENDRY, SR. – Died Wednesday, October 17, 2018 in Channelview, Texas at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. Affectionately known as "Bird", he was born on August 8, 1948 in Camden, Texas to the late William L. and Helen M. Hendry in Camden, TX. He was the youngest of three sons. He graduated from Furr High School in Jacinto City, TX. He met the love of his life, Blanca Dalia Juarez at the young age of 16 years old. He went on to join the United States Army where he honorably served his country in the Vietnam War from 1970 to 1971. He was an At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Texas. When he returned, he and Dalia were united in marriage on December 13, 1974. Gary had a love for cars, fishing and the outdoors. He was a very well-respected employee and friend to many at Hendry's Paint and Body Shop in Channelview, TX where he worked for many years. He was preceded in death by his mother and father, as well as his brother, Larry Gene Hendry. He leaves to cherish his memory, his loving wife of 44 years, Blanca Dalia Hendry; brother Ronnie L. and Linda Hendry, his beloved children, Gary, Jr. and Paris Hendry, Andrea and Troy Rogers, Holli and Glen Gilbert, Mandi and David Salazar; eleven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives, friends and military brothers. The family invited friends to join them for a visitation on Saturday, October 20, 2018 from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Carter-Conley Funeral Home. Inurnment with military honors was held at 2:30 PM on October 25, 2018 at the Houston National Cemetery.



GERALD WALTER HOFFMAN - Died Tuesday, December 4, 2018 in Gallitzin, Cambria County, Pennsylvania at the age of 70. He was formerly of Lancaster, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Conewago Township, York County, Pennsylvania to the late George E. and Charlotte W. (née Hirt) Hoffman. He was the husband of Judy A. (née Summers) Hoffman. Gerald was a long-distance truck driver for over forty years, retiring in 2010. Gerald was a member of the Middle Octorara Presbyterian Church, Quarryville. A proud United States Army Veteran, Gerald was a member of the DAV- Chapter #90, American Legion-Post #34, Lancaster and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Lancaster Chapter #1008**, Columbia, PA. Also surviving are four children; Gerald W. (Renée) Hoffman, Steven T. (Kimberly) Hoffman, James R. Hoffman and Diana (Clarence) Conley; six grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and four siblings; Linda L. Brown, Charlotte W. Winters, John R. (Cynthia) Hoffman and Joyce A. (William) Teare. Preceded in death by siblings; Leroy, Dawn, George, Bonnie, Glen and Nancy. The funeral arrangements were private. The Andrew T. Scheid Funeral Home-Sullivan Home, 121 South Prince Street,

Lancaster, PA 17603 was in charge of the arrangements. Traditional Casket Burial with a Graveside Service was held in the Riverview Burial Park, Lancaster, PA, with Military Honors. Memorial Remembrances can be made in Gerald's memory to a Veteran charity of one's choice.

KENNETH L. "Ken" HOGAN - Died Thursday, September 14, 2017 at the Marion General Hospital in Marion, Ohio at the age of 67. He was a resident of Marion. The cause of death is unknown. Ken was born on January 25, 1950 in Marion to the late Robert L. and Geneva (née Peak) Hogan. Ken was a true patriot, serving his country during the Vietnam War in the United States Army. He was awarded a Bronze Star during his time in the armed forces. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Marion Chapter #1117**. He enjoyed watching football and especially following the Cleveland Indians. He collected NASCAR memorabilia and liked to attend car shows. Ken is survived by his brother Robert L. (Juanita) Hogan and sister Nancy Hogan. He is preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Richard Hogan and Patricia Ann Hogan. Visitation hours were on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 at the Snyder Funeral Homes, Gunder/Hall Chapel, 347 West Center Street, Marion from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. The funeral service was at 12:00 Noon. The burial was in the Chapel Heights Memory Gardens. The Snyder Funeral Homes of Marion were honored to be serving the Hogan family. Condolences may be expressed to the family by visiting www.SnyderFuneralHomes.com.



LEVON R. HOLLRAH - Died Thursday, March 12, 2015 in Saint Peters, Missouri at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 29, 1947. He was the loving husband of Penny Beemer; beloved son of Carolyn Hollrah and the late Roger Hollrah; devoted father of Leisa (Kenneth) Heppermann, Jeremey (Kelly) Hollrah and stepfather of Brian Beemer; cherished grandfather of Alex, Alyssa, Blake, Nathan and Brooke. Levon is also survived by his siblings Steven, Richard, Karen and Cheri. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. Levon was a member of the American Legion Post #313 in Saint Peters, Missouri and a member of the Marine Corps League. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Peters Chapter #458**. He will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Saint Charles County Detachment #725 Marine Corps League.

DONNIE LANE HORROCKS - Died Sunday, November 25, 2018 at Plateau Medical Center at the age of 70. He was a resident of Danese, West Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 3, 1948 at Lansing, West Virginia to the late Joseph and Clara (née Pennington) Horrocks. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by a sister, Priscilla and two brothers, Hugh and Ronnie. Donnie was a United States Army veteran and had worked as a mechanic and service manager. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hico Chapter #860**. Survivors include his wife, Charlene Crawford Horrocks of Danese; two sons, Kenneth (Charlene) Horrocks of Nokesville, VA, Timothy (Ann) Horrocks of Cameron, VA; two brothers, Jack Horrocks of Middletown, OH and Elbert Horrocks of Victor, WV; one grandchild, Austin Horrocks of Nokesville, VA. The funeral service was at 2:00 PM on Friday, November 30,

2018 at the Wallace and Wallace Funeral Chapel, Rainelle with Mr. Elbert Horrocks officiating. Friends visited one hour prior to service at the funeral home. Online condolences www.wallaceandwallacefh.com. Wallace and Wallace of Rainelle was in charge of arrangements.



ROBERT FRANK "Bob" HOWLAND, JR. - Died Monday, October 15, 2018 in Elmira, New York at the age of 74. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Elmira on September 5, 1944 to the late Robert Frank and Margaret Anna (née Gray) Howland. Bob is survived by his wife of 50 years, Mary Lou (née Martin) Howland. Graduating from Southside High School in 1962, Bob enlisted in the United States Air Force, active duty 1962-1966, including temporary duty in Vietnam. Stationed at Loring AFB, ME, 42dFMS and assigned to SAC. Bob continued with the Air Force Reserves for 8 years, Dover AFB, DE, working as an airframe repair technician supervisor. Bob was selected as NCO of the Quarter Year of the 512th FMS and NCO of the Quarter Year of the 512 MAW. He retired from Sikorsky in 2012. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elmira Chapter #803**. Arrangements were entrusted to the Olthof Funeral Home. At the convenience of the family, interment was at the Woodlawn National Cemetery with Full Military Honors. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be directed to the Chemung County Humane Society and SPCA, 2435 Route 352, Elmira, NY 14903.



DEBORAH J. "Debbie" HUFFMAN - Died Saturday, September 29, 2018 at the Shepherd of the Hills Living Center in Branson, Missouri at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on May 6, 1952 in Florence, Kansas to the late Lawrence and Joyce (née Staley) Baker. She was a homemaker and had been a resident of the area for the past 8 years. She was a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Kimberling City Chapter #1119. She is survived by her husband of 46 years, Ronney Huffman of Branson, MO., three children: Larry Huffman and wife, Jackie of Edmond, OK., Crystal Arrowsmith and husband, Jeff of Blue Springs, MO., Liesel Ann Huffman of Joplin, MO., seven grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Kerry Baker. A visitation was held from 10:00 to 11:00 AM on Friday, October 5, 2018 at the funeral home. The funeral service was held at 11:00 AM on Friday, October 5, 2018 at the Greenlawn Funeral Home in Branson with Pastor Jeff Wilcox officiating. A private family burial took place at a later date. In lieu of flowers donations in her memory can be made to the Christian Mohn Scholarship Fund at Boys and Girls Country of Houston, 18806 Roberts Road, Hockley, TX 77447. The arrangements were under the direction of the Greenlawn Funeral Home Branson. Please visit our web site at www.greenlawnfuneralhome.com to leave online condolences.



JERRY FRANKLIN IRWIN - Died Thursday morning, June 1, 2017 in the Noland Hospital at the age of 77. He was a resident of Ozark, Alabama. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Cedartown, Georgia on March 28, 1940 to the late Manco and Pauline Irwin. He served two consecutive tours of duty in the United States Army during the Vietnam War as a gun ship helicopter pilot. Following his military service, he worked as a test pilot with Page Aircraft Maintenance at Fort Rucker, Alabama. He also was the Branch Manager of The Bank of Ozark – Midland City and worked in Iran for Bell Helicopter as a TH-55 instructor for eighteen months. When he returned to Ozark, he worked at Fort Rucker as an instructor pilot. He later finished his career as a flight commander. Mr. Irwin was a member and past President of the Professional Helicopter Pilots Association in Daleville. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Ozark. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Daleville Chapter #373. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Lea Ann Irwin Welch. Survivors include his son and daughter-in-law, Ben and Christine Irwin of Dothan. A memorial service with Military Honors for Mr. Irwin was held at 2:00 PM on Sunday, June 4, 2017 in the First United Methodist Church of Ozark with Reverend Meghan Kelley officiating. Holman Funeral Home and Cremations of Ozark was in charge of the arrangements. The family received friends at the funeral home in Ozark on Saturday, June 3, from 3:00 PM until 5:00 PM. Memorials will be accepted in his memory to the First United Methodist Church of Ozark, 167 East Broad Street, Ozark, Alabama 36360.



EDWIN A. JACKSON - Died Friday, September 14, 2018 at the University of Colorado Health Medical Center after a battle with bladder cancer. He was 76 years of age and a resident of Fort Collins, Colorado. "Ed" was born in Blackpool, England on July 5, 1941. As a young man, he enlisted with the Royal British Airforce and served from 1959 to 1962. In 1962, Ed moved to the United States and became a naturalized citizen by enlisting in the Unites States Air Force, where he served as an aircraft mechanic. He went on missions in Turkey, the Congo, and served in the United States Civilian Army in Vietnam. He was an At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Colorado. After his military career, Ed became a police officer and worked for Colorado State University from 1980 to 1992, when he retired. Although he was "officially" retired, Ed continued to work numerous other jobs. He worked as a bus driver for Parkwood Estates and for the Dial-A-Ride program, where he got to interact with elderly folks and people with special needs. He also worked for Securitas as a security guard. When he could no longer work due to his illness, Ed continued to interact with the public. He enjoyed going up to people, asking their names, and discussing what their nationality was. He was very good at imitating foreign accents and his best ones were Pakistani, German, Scottish, and Irish. He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Andrea, and two daughters, Lindsay and Ashley. The family would like to thank all the wonderful health care professionals from UC Health, who cared for

him during these last few years. Graveside service including military honors were held at 1:15 PM on Monday, September 25th at the Fort Logan National Cemetery in Denver, Colorado. Please visit www.goesfuneralcare.com to leave condolences for Ed's family.



HAROLD RICHARD JOLL - Died Sunday, November 4, 2018 in New Bern, North Carolina at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 9, 1939. Harold proudly served 32 years with the United States Army. He was a member of numerous organizations including the Lion's Club, the Shriner's, and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Bern Chapter #886**.

He enjoyed spending time with his family and his morning coffee at Kitchen on the Trent with his friends. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Carol Kay Joll, and a son, Dwight R. Joll. He is survived by his son Sean C. Joll (wife Betsy); grandson Graham R. Joll; and a slew of extended family. A funeral service was held on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 11:00 AM at Bethany Christian Church. The family received friends on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 from 4:00 to 6:00 PM at the Cotten Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make memorial donations to Bethany Christian Church, 3475 NC-55, Cove City, NC 28523; or Gideons International, P.O. Box 140800, Nashville, TN 37214-0800. Arrangements were entrusted to the Cotten Funeral Home and Crematory.



AUGUST GENTRY "Augie" JUDKINS - Died Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at Saint Thomas West Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee at the age of 72, following a sudden illness. He was a resident of McMinnville, Tennessee. The cause of death was a massive stroke. He was born on April 13, 1946 in New York City, New York to the late Gentry Haston and Trudie (née Grawin) Judkins. A retired welder with DeZurik Corporation, a United States Army Veteran of Vietnam, and a member of the Church of Christ at Earlyville. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Morrison Chapter #1112. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Richard "Dickie" Judkins and Donald Judkins; and nephew, Robert Madewell. He was married on July 22, 1966 to Linda (née Young) Judkins of McMinnville. In addition to his wife of fifty-two years, he is survived by two sons and daughter-in-law, Chris and Sabernia Judkins of McMinnville and Kevin Judkins of Morrison, TN; daughter and son-in-law, Amy and Dowie Green of Rock Island, TN; five grandchildren, Chase Judkins and wife Shelby, Gracie Judkins and Tyler Judkins all of McMinnville, and Ethan Green and Emily Green both of Rock Island, TN; great-grandson, Gentry August Judkins; sister and brother-in-law, Kathy and Bob Crittenden of Bone Cave, TN; fishing brother, Philip West; and several nieces, nephews and cousins also survive. The funeral service was held at 2:30 PM on Thursday, December 6, 2018 in High's Chapel with Johnny Lance officiating. The burial was in the DeKalb Memorial Gardens in Smithville, TN with full military honors administered by VFW Post #5064 and American Legion Post #173. Visitation hours were from 10:00 AM until the time of service on Thursday at the High Funeral Home. Online condolences may be made at www.highfuneralhome.com. High Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



JEFFREY A. "Jeff" KAVIAK, SR. - Died Saturday, September 29, 2018 in Indianapolis, Indiana at the age of 63. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Lorain, Ohio on April 17, 1955. He was a parishioner of Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church in Beech Grove, where he was an usher. He was employed for over 20 years with Hill and Griffith in Indianapolis. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Indianapolis Chapter #295 and was an organ donor. Jeff served his country in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a devoted husband, father, brother, pop, and friend. Jeff is survived by his wife of 44 years, Linda R. (née Fraser) Kaviak, of Indianapolis; four sons, Charles J. (Kelly) Benson, of Saint Louis, MO, Robert A. (Anne) Benson, of Greenboro, NC, Jeffrey A. Kaviak Jr., and Steven M. Kaviak both, of Indianapolis; a daughter, Kimberly A. (Luis) Torrres, of Indianapolis; two brothers, John M. (Analida) Kaviak and Joseph E. (Laney) Kaviak; two sisters, Cheryl (Don) Gargus and Karen E. Davis; sixteen beautiful grandchildren and two precious great-grandchildren. A Memorial Mass was held at 10:00 AM on Thursday, October 18, 2018 at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, 89 North 17th Avenue, Beech Grove, IN. The burial took place at 2:00 PM in the Marion National Cemetery with Military Graveside Rites conducted by the United States Marine Corps Funeral Detail.



PAUL JOSEPH KIEFER - Died Thursday, October 11, 2018 at his home in Landrum, South Carolina at the age of 69. The cause of death was a massive heart attack. He was born in Colby, Wisconsin on March 10, 1949 to the late Aaron A. Kiefer and the late Celia Ann (née Jordan) Kiefer. He served as a mechanic in the United States Army during Vietnam and later joined the United States Merchant Marines working on freighters in the Great Lakes of Wisconsin. He was a member of the Polk County VFW, Veterans of Honor, American Legion, Knights of Columbus, and Vets of Valor Motorcycle Club. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Oshkosh Chapter #437**. In addition to his wife, Jan R. Kiefer, he is survived by a son, Ryan Kiefer (Kara); a daughter, Deanna Paulsen (Dan); three brothers, Donald, Michael and Kenneth Kiefer; a sister, Audrey Woodbeck (Roland); four grandchildren, Andrew, Arin, Nikki, and Isaac Paulsen. Memorial services were held at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at The Meeting Place, 75 Carmel Lane, Columbus, NC 28722. The Petty Funeral Home in Landrum, South Carolina was in charge of the arrangements.

BOB KONOPADA – Died recently in 2018 in Califon, New Jersey at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 9, 1945. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Flemington Chapter #452**.

HENRY MARTIN KOSKI, JR. - Died Monday, November 12, 2018 at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan at the age of 69. He was a resident of Willis, Michigan. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on January 5, 1949 in Ypsilanti, Michigan to the late Henry and Frances (née Staskiewicz) Koski. On May 13, 1978, he married Toni Marie Caroll in Belleville, Michigan, and she survives. Mr. Koski received an Honorable Discharge from the United States Air Force after serving his country during the Vietnam War; was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ann Arbor Chapter #310**; charter member of the Yankee Air Force and member of the Yankee Air Museum, B17 Flight Operations. He retired as a Commercial Heating and Air Conditioning Specialist from the Pipefitters Local #636 in Detroit; MI. Surviving besides his loving wife Toni included two daughters: Erica (David) Binns and Alicia (Chase) Carpenter and three siblings. He was preceded in death by his parents. A Gathering of Family and Friends was held on Saturday, November 17, 2018 from 2:00 until 7:00 PM at the Janowiak Funeral Home, Sumpter Chapel, 19865 Sumpter Road, Belleville, Michigan and Presentation of the Flag Ceremony was held at 6:30 PM. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the Yankee Air Museum Flyables.



VICTOR L. KRATZKE - Died Thursday morning, October 18, 2018 at his home in Shawano. Wisconsin at the age of 71. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Clintonville, Wisconsin on June 6, 1947 to the late Vernon W. and Sadie (née Werbelow) Kratzke, Sr. Victor graduated from Clintonville High School and was drafted into the United States Army, where he served his country honorably for two years in Vietnam. On October 11, 1980, he was united in marriage to Constance Balke at Saint Peter Lutheran Church, Pella Opening. Together they had two daughters. Victor was very intelligent and loved history, reading every book and watching every show on the topic. He also enjoyed watching old westerns and Monday night wrestling. Victor was an avid hunter and loved being outdoors. He enjoyed riding his Ranger through the woods and his Harley down the roads. He was recently very happy to have had the opportunity to take the Honor Flight to Washington, DC. More than anything else, he loved it when his whole family was around. He was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather, and will be missed. Victor is survived by: his wife of 38 years, Connie; two daughters, Julia (Randy) Klein, Jr. of Shawano and Kathryn Renard of Green Bay; five grandchildren, Sam and Zoey Klein, and Weston, Tristen and Maiya Renard; siblings, Sandra Werth, Bonnie Kratzke, Vernon (Betty) Kratzke, Jr., Vilas (Darla) Kratzke, Vernell (Ella) Kratzke, Van Kratzke, Gary (Debbie) Kratzke, and Glen Kratzke. He is further survived by numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives, and many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents. A funeral service was held at 11:00 AM on Monday, October 22, 2018 at Saint John Lutheran Church, Hermansfort with Reverend Steve Conradt officiating. The burial was in the church cemetery. Visitation was held at the church on Monday from 9:30 AM until the time of the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Honor Flight or the care committee at Saint John Lutheran Church-Hermansfort.

JAY KURTZ – Died recently in 2018 in Des Plaines, Illinois at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 11, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Illinois Chapter #242**.

PAUL A. LaFOUNTAIN, SR. - Died Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at his residence in Arlington, Vermont at the age of 70 following a brief illness. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Milton, Vermont on April 4, 1948 to the late Edward and Gloria LaFountain. He received his education in Milton Schools. Mr. LaFountain, a United States Army Vietnam Veteran served with Recon Platoon, 1st Battalion, 20th Infantry, 11th Americal Division from 1968-1969. He received two Purple Hearts and two Bronze Star Medals one with "V" device, 1st Oak Leaf Cluster for injuries sustained in combat. He married the former Linda Colvin in Milton, VT on December 16, 1967. Paul worked at Johnson Controls in Bennington for twenty-four years. He was Club Manager at American Legion Post #69 for fifteen years. He was an Honorary Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Bennington Chapter #601 and Life Member Military Order of the Purple Heart. Paul also was a Life Member of the DAV. His favorite past time was playing golf at Windy Hills in Greenwich, with his special friends. He enjoyed shooting darts, playing shuffle board with his buddies at the Greenwich Legion and his yearly trip to Santee with his close friends. Paul also enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and especially his wife Linda. He is predeceased by his parents, Edward and Gloria LaFountain and his brother Carl LaFountain. He leaves his wife Linda of 50 years. A daughter Laura Jamieson and husband Dan, his son Paul, Jr. and his wife Amy. He leaves his grandchildren: Ashley and Daniel Jamieson and Alex, Nicole, Joshua LaFountain. Paul is survived by four brothers: Edward, Gordon, Ronald, and his wife Laura, Randall and his wife Lisa, as well as six sisters; Virginia Reid, Paulette Sweetser and her husband Stillman, Joyce, Donna and her husband Richard Bidwell, Marie Hill and her husband Phil, Melanie Porwitzky and her husband Mike, as well as several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. A Memorial Service will be held in the Spring of 2019 at the Vermont Veterans Cemetery in Randolph, VT at a time to be announced.



ROBERT "Big Bob" LANGDON - Died Sunday, September 30, 2018 in Albuquerque, New Mexico at the age of 69, after a short illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 9, 1949. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – El Paso (***Texas***) Chapter #574**. He was a beloved Husband, Father, Brother, and Friend. He is survived by his wife Susan, daughter Jennifer, Brother Daniel Langdon (Carol), Sisters Ramona Rome

and Maureen Boman, many nieces and nephews, and many, many veteran brothers and sisters. An informal Memorial was held at the VFW Post #401 on Sunday, October 14, 2018 between 4:00 and 6:00 PM.



<u>ALBERT QUILLIAM LEWIS</u> - Died Wednesday, October 17, 2018 in Macon, Georgia at the age of 69. He was a resident of Byron, Georgia. The cause of death is unknown. He wa born in Macon on September 30, 1949. Albert attended Ballard Hudson High School and served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of** **America – Macon Chapter #443**. He served as President of the Middle Georgia Chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America, and as President of the Houston County Chapter of the NAACP. He was retired from Warner Robins Air Force Base. Survivors include one daughter, April (Xavier) Sterrett; one sister, Margaret Gilmore; two brothers Robert Lewis, Jerome Lewis; a devoted friend, Carolyn Magsby; and a host of other relatives and friends. The funeral services were held at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 in the Chapel of Jones Brothers Mortuary with Pastor Eddie Smith officiated. Interment services were in the Georgia Veteran Memorial Cemetery in Milledgeville, GA. Jones Brothers Mortuary was charge of the arrangements.

<u>RONALD H. LINDSAY</u> – Died Monday, July 30, 2018 in Lapeer, Michigan at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 5, 1942. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lapeer Chapter #287**.



ROBERT G. LOWERY, SR. – Died Monday, July 30, 2018 in Florissant, Missouri at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 29, 1938. He was the beloved husband of Carole F. (née Zorumski) Lowery: dear father and father-in-law of Robert, Jr. (Heidi) Lowery, Kim (Sean) Burns, Katherine Lowery, Tim (Laurie) Lowery and David (Amy) Lowery; dear grandfather of Robert III, Katharina, Christina, Joseph, Bryan, Maxwell, Samuel and Brendan; dear great-grandfather of four; dear uncle, cousin and friend. He served the City of Florissant for 50 years, best known for his time as Chief of Police and then as Mayor. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America** – **Saint Louis Chapter #794**. The procession from Hutchens Mortuary and Cremation Center, 675 Graham Road, Florissant was on Friday, August 3, 2018 at 9:15 AM to Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 751 North Jefferson Street, Florissant for a 10:00 AM Mass. The interment was in the Sacred Heart Cemetery. Visitation hours were from 2:00-8:00 PM on Thursday. In lieu of flowers, donations to Florissant Police Officers Welfare Association or the Major Case Squad appreciated.

JON M. LYNCH - Died unexpectedly on Saturday, September 8, 2018 at the Holzer Medical Center at the age of 77. He was a resident of Gallipolis, Ohio. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on August 30, 1941 in Cedarville, West Virginia to the late Edward Herman and Monna (née Beckett) Lynch, Sr. He was a retired Union Ironworker, Local #787, Parkersburg, West Virginia. Jon was a 1959 graduate of Southwestern High School. He was a United States Air Force Veteran serving during Vietnam. Jon was a member of the AMVETS and the DAV, and he enjoyed working outside and keeping the Doughboy area of the Gallipolis City Park clean. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Gallipolis Chapter #709**. He attended church at the World Outreach Ministries in Jackson, Ohio. Jon was married to Gaynelle Tope on August 23, 1964 in Rio Grande, Ohio and she survives him, along with their children, daughters, Beth Craddock and Susan Stephenson (Dave Wine) both of Gallipolis; a son Michael (Tina) Lynch of Gallipolis; eight grandchildren, Elisabeth Gardner, Tyler Mullen, Zharrel

Lynch, Shey Lynch, Rhiannon Lynch, Colton Stephenson, Baylie Stephenson, and Colin Wine; four great-grandchildren, Isaiah, Tripp, and Aaryla Gardner, and Levi Burnes, a sister-in-law, Carole Lynch of Alexandria, Virginia; and several nieces and nephews. Jon was preceded in death by his parents; three grandsons, Jordan Mullen, Dalton Stephenson, and Edward Craddock; and two brothers, Edward Herman Lynch, Jr. and William Lynch. The funeral for Jon M. Lynch was at 11:00 AM on Thursday, September 13, 2018 at the Willis Funeral Home with Pastor Rob Ervin officiating. The burial was in the Tyn Rhos Cemetery. Friends visited on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at the Willis Funeral Home from 5:00-8:00 PM. There were military rites given at the graveside by the Gallia County Funeral Detail. Please consider a donation in Jon's name to World Outreach Ministries/Building Fund/ 6533 State Route 327, Jackson, Ohio 45640.



NORMAN "Norm" MACON – Died Tuesday, June 5, 2018 in Angeles City, Philippines. The cause of death is unknown. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Norm is well known for his commitment to the retired community. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887**. He has served as President of the Beagles, DAV, and VVA, 1st Vice of the American Legion, and has held high positions with the Masons. SGT Macon has served as Loadmaster of C-47, C-119, C-130, C-123, and C-54 aircraft worldwide, and is a highly decorated combat air crew member, having served in the Dominican Republic and Vietnam wars. His awards include the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, 5 Air Medals, the Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, and Vietnam Gallantry Cross.

<u>ROBERT MARTINEZ</u> – Died recently in 2018 in Mesilla Park, New Mexico at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 26, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mesilla Park Chapter #431**.

THOMAS LYNN MAUPIN – Died Tuesday, October 30, 2018 in Fulton, Missouri at the age of 75. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related cancer. He was born in Fulton on January 28, 1943. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Peters Chapter #458**.

STANLEY A. MAZIARZ - Died Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at Compassionate Care Hospice at RWJUH at Hamilton, New Jersey. He was a resident of Hopewell, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in 1947 in Trenton, New Jersey to the late Joseph and Florence (née Comfort) Maziarz. He was a graduate of Trenton High School and was a long-time Hopewell resident. Stanley retired as an industrial painter for General Motors. He was a United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Jersey**. He loved restoring his classic cars and could be found at a car show most weekends with his 1936 candy plum Ford Cabriolet during the car show season. Stanley

also loved nature and all animals, particularly his cats. He is survived by a daughter and son-inlaw, Catherine and James O'Connor of Frenchtown; a sister, Carole J. Maccarone of Trenton; a brother and sister-in-law, Howard C. and Ramona Maziarz of Delaware; and, two nephews, Shane and Dillon Maziarz. The family received friends on Wednesday, February 17th from 10:00 AM until the time of service at 11:45 AM. at the M. William Murphy Funeral Home, 935 Parkway Avenue, Ewing, NJ 08618. The burial was in the Washington Crossing Veterans Cemetery, Washington Crossing, PA. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Stanley's name may be made to Tabby's Place, 1100 US Highway 202, Ringoes, NJ 08851.



DANIEL JOSEPH "Dan" MCAULEY - Died Sunday, November 25, 2018 in Pawtucket, Rhode Island at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Pawtucket on May 13, 1948 to Helen (née Burda) McAuley and the late Charles F. McAuley. He was raised in Lincoln and had lived in Pawtucket for many years. Mr. McAuley had been previously employed as a carpenter and in the Dietetics Department at the Providence VA Hospital. He was a United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War. Mr. McAuley was a member and Past Commander of Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Almeida-Hines Chapter #22, Cumberland; Present Commander Eugene T. Lefebvre VFW Post #1271, Central Falls; Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - James Michael Ray Memorial Chapter #818; American Legion Post #14, Cumberland and pas member Cumberland Veterans Council. Besides his mother he is survived by his brothers Charles McAuley (Judy) Chepachet, RI, Timothy McAuley (Marie) Pawtucket, RI, and his sisters Mary Lamoureux (Ric) Columbia Falls, ME, Eileen Matthews Lincoln, RI, and Patricia McAuley Lincoln, RI, several nieces and nephews and grand nieces and nephews. Many friends also survive him. Visitation was held prior to the funeral from 7:30 - 9:15 AM on Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at the Lincoln Funeral Home, 1501 Lonsdale Avenue, Lincoln followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM in Saint Jude Church, 301 Front Street, Lincoln. The burial was in the Rhode Island Veterans Memorial Cemetery 301 South County Trail, Exeter at 12:00 PM. Relatives and friends were invited. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Disabled American Veterans, 1 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. www.dav.org.

PATRICK A. MCAULEY – Died recently in 2018 in Livingston Manor, New York at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 10, 1943. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New York**.



PETER McCLAINE - Died Wednesday, June 6, 2018 of Richmond, Virginia at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 3, 1943. He is preceded in death by one son, Karl Scott McClaine. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Mary McClaine; two sons, Kevin (Marcia) and Kim Michael McClaine; ten grandchildren; four great grandchildren; a host of nieces, nephews and cousins; two sisters-in-law, Helen Johnson Anderson and Corrine McClaine, and; other relatives and friends among them a devoted Alvin

Thompson. He was a Veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans** of **America – Richmond Chapter #78**. The remains were at the Joseph Jenkins, Jr. Funeral Home, 2011 Grayland Avenue. The funeral services were held on Wednesday at 11:00 AM at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 3300 R Street where the remains laid-in-state one hour prior to funeral time. The Reverend Father David J. Stanfill (pastor) was the celebrant. The interment was in Forest Lawn Cemetery.



ALAN EDWARD "Mr. A!" McCLEMENTS, JR. - Died Saturday, October 6, 2018 in Smyrna, Delaware at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. Mr. Al was born in Chester, Pennsylvania on December 19, 1949 to the late Alan Edward McClements, Sr. and Rebecca D. (née Dussell) McClements. Mr. Al was a 1968 graduate of John Bassett Moore High School in Smyrna, DE. He was a life member of Citizens Hose Company of Smyrna, beginning service at the age of 18 and celebrating his 50th year anniversary in January of this year. Mr. Al held many positions during his time in the fire company, including President of the Kent County Fire Chiefs Association from 1984-1985. He was an active member of the Elks Lodge in Dover, DE for 28 years. He was also an active member of the Smyrna Lions Club, where he served as President. In addition, he was a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America -Dover Chapter #850. Mr. Al was the President of the Smyrna/Clayton Little Lass for 12 years, where he helped put in the current t-ball field. He was President of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO). He retired from the state of Delaware after working for 48 years for the Delaware State Police Communications Division and the Delaware Emergency Management Agency. In addition to his parents, Mr. Al was preceded in death by his sister, Rebecca D. (Becky) Boyles of Ocean View, DE. He is survived by his loving wife of 47 years Susan (née Urian) McClements, his daughters Amanda M. Chi of Dover, Crystal M. Reynolds of Clayton, and Beth McClements of Smyrna, his son in-laws Steve Chi of Dover and Brian Reynolds of Clayton, his sister Jenny Fortney of Hartly, DE, his brother in-laws Henry Fortney of Hartly, DE and William (Bill) Boyles of Ocean View, DE, his 4 grandchildren Dylan, Reagan, Justin, and Camryn, his 1 fur grandchild Rocky, and many nieces, nephews, extended family, loving neighbors, and friends. A visitation was held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon in the Faries Funeral Chapel, located at 29 South Main Street in Smyrna. Funeral services were at 12:00 Noon. A private burial was in the Sharon Hills Memorial Park in Dover. In lieu of flowers, the family suggested donations made in Mr. Al's name to the Citizens Hose Company at 103 W. Commerce Street Smyrna, DE 19977. Condolence letters may be sent by visiting www.fariesfuneralhome.com.

JOHN D. McCOLLUM – Died Friday, September 28, 2018 in Cass, West Virginia at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 14, 1952. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Pocahontas County Chapter #1100.



ROBERT P. "Bob" McDUFFIE - Died Tuesday, November 13, 2018 in Cato, New York at the age of 68, after a brief illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Syracuse, New York on October 24, 1950 to the late Sally and Robert McDuffie. Bob was a graduate of Sacred Heart High School. He served our nation in the United States Air Force, achieving the rank of Sergeant. He was deployed to Vietnam where he was an aircraft mechanic and production planner from 1972 to 1973. Upon his discharge he continued his service as a Letter Carrier and Postal Clerk in the United States Postal Service, retiring in 2001. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Auburn Chapter #704. Bob was an avid bowler, participating in leagues and tournaments throughout his life. It was at the bowling lanes where he met his wife of 43 years, Oksanna (Sue). They moved to Cato in 1976, where they raised their two daughters Chrystal and Stacy, and had many beloved pets. Bob was skilled in building and repair, ranging from major home improvement projects to auto maintenance and tinkering with electronics. He enjoyed the outdoors including camping and boating. In recent years his hobbies included visiting casinos and watching the History Channel. Other interests included listening to classic rock, especially The Doors, and watching movies, especially science fiction. Bob was predeceased by his parents and his brother. He is survived by his wife Sue, his daughters Chrystal Cullen and her husband Dan of Albany, Stacy McDuffie and her fiancé, Kyle Getz of Niagara Falls, his mother-in-law Anastasia Schell, two sisters, several in-laws, nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to VVA to help veterans get the health services they need. Donations may be sent to: VVA Chapter #704, PO Box 1484, Auburn, NY 13024 or online at: https://vva.org/donate/. Family and friends were invited to a graveside service on Saturday, November 17th at 10:00 AM at the Onondaga County Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 4069 Howlett Hill Road, Syracuse, NY 13215.

JAMES THOMAS McGRATH – Died Friday, November 30, 2018 in Nottingham, Maryland at the age of 71. The cause of death was Alzheimer's disease. He was born on June 18, 1947 in Somerville, Massachusetts. He served in the United States Marine Corps from February 27, 1968 to February 26, 1971. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ocean City Chapter #1091.



LARRY A. McINTIRE - Died Saturday, November 24, 2018 in Covenant-Cooper Hospital, Saginaw, Michigan at the age of 71. He was a resident of Snover, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 13, 1947 in Deckerville, Michigan to the late Walter and Delores (née Williamson) McIntire. Larry grew up in the Argyle area. He attended Deckerville Community Schools, graduating in the Class of 1965. He joined the United States Marine Corps after high school, and after his training served in Vietnam where he was wounded twice and received two Purple Hearts. He was a member of the Sandusky VFW Post #2945 and Deckerville American Legion Post #516. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Michigan. He owned and operated McIntire Trucking for several years., enjoyed gardening, classic cars and tractors, hunting and being in and around nature. Larry is survived by two sons, Rodney (Jennifer) Brown of Snover, Daniel (Penny) McIntire of TX; one daughter Laura (Jamie) Pobanz of Pigeon; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; one brother Dennis (Luann) McIntire of Croswell, two sisters, Carolyn Milner of Grand Rapids, and Deanna Crissman of Gladwin; several nieces and nephews; the mother of his children, Wendy Harrison of Cass City; and special friend Lori Keller of Snover. He was preceded in death by one sister Lorena King. Funeral services to honor the life of Larry A. McIntire were held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, November 29, 2018 in the Apsey Funeral Home. Reverend Wayne Russell officiated. The burial was in the Hillside Cemetery, Argyle. Visitation hours were from 4:00-7:00 PM on Wednesday and 10:00 AM until the time of services on Thursday in the funeral Home. Memorials may be given to the Sandusky VFW Post #2945. Condolences may be sent on-line to apseyfuneralhome.net.



JAMES JOSEPH "Mac" "Jim" McMAHON, JR. (USN, SCPO-Ret.) – Died Tuesday, November 27, 2018 in Easthampton, Massachusetts at the age of 94, with his family at his side wishing him safe passage on his last deployment. The cause of death was sepsis Mac was born on January 21, 1924 in Northampton, Massachusetts. He grew up in Easthampton, attending local schools. He worked at

the Springfield Armory for a number of years. He had a 35-year career in the United States Navy, serving in WW II, Korea, and 3 tours in Vietnam as commander of 3 minesweepers. Chief McMahon received many ribbons, medals, awards and citations during his enlistment; in our eyes, they are too numerous to list and too heavy to be worn all at one time. Upon retiring from the Navy, he worked at the VA hospital in Leeds until retiring from there, then began another career working at Manchester Hardware in Easthampton, where for 20+ years he was known as "Mac in the Back", finally permanently retiring at the age of 93. He was a man of few words but many talents - wood carving, painting, carpentry, and leather work, to name a few. At 89, he had an exhibit of some of his many pieces at the former Nash Gallery. He was a Life member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Springfield Chapter #111, Disabled Veterans of America and the American Legion Post #224, and in 2018 received the Veteran-of-the-Year Award. He was on the board of directors of the Emily Williston Memorial Library, serving several terms as president. "Mac" is survived by his children and their spouses - Patrick and Jean McMahon, Marcia Dushane, Colleen and Kevin McCartney, Diana and William Wigham, and James and Celina McMahon; 4 grandsons, 5 great grandchildren, his beloved cat Josie, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife of 68 years, Verna, his brother William, sister Helen Bogue, and great granddaughter Emily Dushane. He will be greatly missed by his many friends and former customers. Thank you to the staff at Cooley Dickinson Hospital North 3 for their compassionate care of our father during his preparation for this last journey. A committal with military honors was held at the Brookside Cemetery on December 5, at 11:00 AM. There was a memorial service at the Mitchell's Funeral Home in Easthampton on December 8th. The family received condolences from 1:30 to 2:30 PM with the service immediately following. All were welcome to attend to celebrate Mac's life; we would love for you to come and share your remembrances and stories of him. He was a very unique individual, and his exploits need to be shared. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mac's name to the Easthampton Community Center.



ROBERT J. "Jerry" MELLODY (USAF, COL-Ret) - Died Tuesday, August 14, 2018 in Scottsville, New York at the age of 83. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 17, 1935 in Scottsville to the late Paul and Annamae Mellody. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Mary T. "Terry"; daughter, Kathleen A. Mellody, son, Gregory P. (Trisha) Mellody. COL Mellody was a graduate of Scottsville High School, and College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, MA. Upon graduation in 1956, he was commissioned in the USAF. After completing pilottraining he served as a fighter pilot at bases in Niagara Falls, Omaha, Alaska, the Philippines, Thailand, and Vietnam. He then transitioned into the Strategic Air Command (SAC) and became a B52 instructor pilot and commanding officer of the 20th Bombardment Squadron at Carswell AFB, Texas. He completed two tours of duty in Vietnam with 300 combat flying hours. He then served as Air Attaché at the US Embassy in The Hague, Netherlands, and finally as Assistant Commandant of the Defense Language Institute at the Presidio of Monterey, California. After retiring, he returned to Scottsville and served as Director of the Monroe County Veterans Service Agency until 1992. He spent the next 25 years in volunteer work for St. Peter's Soup Kitchen, The VA Hospital in Batavia and with his wife, Terry at the SWEM Food Pantry, and Meals on Wheels. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20. There were no prior calling hours. His Funeral Mass was held on Friday, August 17, 2018 at 10:00 AM at Saint Martin de Porres Parish, Saint Mary Church, 99 Main Street, Scottsville. Interment was at Arlington National Cemetery. Please consider donations in Jerry's memory to Saint Peter Soup Kitchen, 681 Brown Street, Rochester, NY 14611 or SWEM Food Pantry, 350 Chili Ave., Rochester, NY 14611.

DAVID F. MOCKLER - Died Sunday, November 25, 2018 in Cedar Grove, New Jersey at the age of 82. Th e cause of death in unknown. He was born in Glen Ridge, New Jersey on October 20, 1936 to the late Richard and Ann Mockler. He attended Lincoln College in Lincoln, Illinois, and graduated in 1957. David proudly served our country in the United States Air Force from 1959 to 1978, rising to the rank of major. He was a strategic bomber pilot flying the B-52 and the B-47 aircrafts. He was a member of the B-52 Stratofortress Association, B-47 Stratojet Association, American Legion, The Military Officers Assoc., a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cedar Grove Chapter #510** and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #6255, Cedar Grove. Predeceased by his parents and his brother, Carl R. Mockler, David is survived by his niece, Sarah E. Mockler, and many friends. Visitation was on Thursday, November from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon at Shook's Cedar Grove Funeral Home, 486 Pompton Avenue, Cedar Grove. Interment was in the Glendale Cemetery, Bloomfield, NJ. Memories and condolences may be shared at shookscedargrove.com.



EDMOND C. MODUGNO - Died Wednesday, March 7, 2018 in Wappingers Falls at the age of 70 just two weeks shy of his 71st birthday at the Vassar Brothers Medical Center. An area resident for 25 years, he previously lived in Cortlandt Manor. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in New York City, New York on March 26, 1947 to the late Edmond and Esther (née DeVito) Modugno. Edmond proudly served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a member of Disabled American Veterans Chapter #144 at Castle Point VA Medical Center and a member of the American Legion Manny Bacon Post #1758. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #49. He retired as a police officer from the New York Police Department in 1989. He then worked as a court officer for Judge Fox at the US District Court for the Southern District of New York for 15 years. On August 23, 1969 in the Bronx, he married Patricia (née Dowd) Modugno who survives at home. He is also survived by his sons, Christopher Modugno, Sr. and his wife Trisha of Wappingers Falls and Michael Modugno and his partner Marilyn Perez of Fishkill; his grandsons, to whom he was a devoted and loving grandfather to, Christopher Modugno, Jr. and Patrick J. Modugno; his siblings, Lee Modugno and husband Paris Vacaloupoulas, Camela Sholders, and Rita Rega; and many cousins, nieces, and nephews. He was also predeceased by his sister, Theresa Rodriguez. Calling hours were held on Tuesday from 2:00-4:00 and from 7:00-9:00 PM at the McHoul Funeral Home of Fishkill, Inc., 1089 Man Street, Fishkill. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday at 11:30 AM at Saint Mary, Mother of the Church in Fishkill followed by burial at Rose Hills Memorial Park in Putnam Valley. Donations may be made in Edmond's memory to DAV #144 Castle Point VAMC. Please visit Edmond's Book of Memories at www.mchoulfuneralhome.com.



ALAN JOHN MONSON - Died Sunday, November 11, 2018 at Mercy Medical Center – North Iowa at the age of 74, surrounded by his family. He was a resident of Clear Lake, Iowa. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 4, 1944 at the family home in Ventura, Iowa to the late Alfred J. and Evelyn A. (née Welsh) Monson. Alan grew up in Ventura attending and graduating from Ventura High School in 1964. In 1965 Alan enlisted into the United States Army, where he served his country until his honorable discharge in 1967. In 1968 Alan married Naomi Scheive, to this union two children were born, Jay and Jill. On August 18, 1978 Alan married the love of his life, Donna L. Godfredsen at the United Methodist Church in Ventura. Together, Jay, Jill, Alan and Donna became a family. Alan and Donna raised their children in Clear Lake, while he began working as a self-employed HVAC tech. For 33 years, Alan helped his community with their plumbing problems, owning and operating Monson Plumbing and Heating until his retirement in 2001. He and Donna spent their retirement in Clear Lake, traveling around the country together with their dogs. Alan was a lifetime member of the VFW, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Island – Lake Mills Chapter #790**, and the American Legion. He was proud of his service to his country and looked for any opportunity to

help his fellow veterans. He had a passion for outdoors and enjoyed time spent hunting and fishing. Alan loved to can, growing a garden and using what grew. If he planted, hunted, trapped or fished it, he cooked it and he ate it. His greatest love in life was his family, especially his granddaughter, Alanna. To Alan, no one was a stranger – they were only a friend he hadn't met vet. He had love and compassion for all, was known for his giving spirit, and his care for his family, biological and friends who had become family. He was a devoted father, wonderful grandfather, and was loved as "Papa" by many. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife of 40 years, Donna; their children, Jay A. Monson and Jill L. Monson and fiancé John Sherman, of Clear Lake; granddaughter, Alanna Nicholle Monson; siblings, LaVonne "Bonnie" Holmgaard of Illinois, Rita Lee of Clear Lake, Shirley (Jim) Knapp of Iowa City, and Gloria (Mike) Kline of Bendendorf; sisters-in-law, Pat Monson, Marsha Monson, Janet Monson, and Karen Monson; as well as many nieces, nephews, and extended family members. Also known for his sparkly eyes, smile, giving heart and his famous "bear hugs". Those preceding him in death are his parents Alfred and Evelyn; brothers, Eugene, Mark, Dean, Arlan "Peep", and Jerry "Mike"; brothers-in-law, Dale Holmgaard, and David Lee; sisters-in-law, Sandy Monson and Joan Monson; as well as Jay and Jill's brother, Jimmy. A Memorial Service was held at 12:00 PM on Friday, November 16, 2018 at the Ward-Van Slyke Colonial Chapel, 101 North 4th Street, Clear Lake with Reverend Scott Kozisek officiating. Military Honors were presented by the Clear Lake VFW - Post #4868. Visitation hours were held from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM on Friday prior to the memorial service. Per Alan's wishes, his body was cremated. Following the services, a gathering was held at the VFW in Clear Lake in Alan's honor. In lieu of customary remembrances, memorials may be directed in care of Alan's family to be given in his honor to support local veteran's organizations. Ward-Van Slyke Colonial Chapel, 101 North 4th Street. Clear Lake, IA 50428 was in charge of the arrangements.



KENNETH EUGENE MOOMAW - Died Thursday, June 7, 2018 at the Selma Markowitz Hospice Center at the age of 74. He was a resident of Newark, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 1, 1944 in Newark to the late Thomas Everett and Margaret Ethel (née Warman) Moomaw. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War, serving in country, as a Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Newark Chapter #55**. For 31 years, he worked at Owens Corning Fiberglas in Newark. He had been a member of the Madison Township Fire Department, Licking County Civil Defense and the American Red Cross. Surviving are his wife of 46 years, Susan (née Redman) Moomaw; children, Patricia R. Moomaw (Michael S. Moran); Thomas L. Moomaw, Teresa (Moomaw) Lamb; grandchildren, Laci D. Moomaw, Austin M. Moran (Emily M. Puckett) Moran, Kayla Moran, Deziree M. Wickliff and Hailey D. Wickliff; one great-grandchild, Kyra Moran; two sisters, Kate Adams and Doris Moore and his brother Thomas E. Moomaw, II and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by five sisters, Mildred Moomaw, Edna Trimble, Nellie Seigler, Dorothy Euman and Margaret Neighbarger and his brother Donald L. Moomaw. A graveside funeral service was held at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at the Cedar Hill Cemetery, Veterans Section in Newark. The Licking County Veterans Alliance conducted Military Funeral Honors. Family and friends visited from 11:00 AM until 12:30 PM on Tuesday at the Brucker-Kishler Funeral Home, 985 North 21st Street. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Red Cross or Catholic Social Services. To sign an online guestbook, please visit, www.brucker-kishlerfuneralhome.com.



ALFRED F. "AI" MORRIS, JR., Ph.D. - Died suddenly on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2015 at the George Washington University Hospital at the age of 73. He was a resident of Washington, DC. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 20, 1942 in Fall River, Massachusetts to the late Alfred and Beatrice (née Pontes) Morris. His Alma Maters were Somerset High School (1960), University of Massachusetts (B.S. 1964 and Ph.D. 1975) and University of Maryland (M.A. 1966). Dr. Morris began his lifelong career in Health and Physical Fitness as Head Coach of Track and Field and Cross Country at Ballou Senior High School in Washington, DC in the mid 60"s. From 1968-1971 he served in the United States Marine Corps in Vietnam as a Marine officer. He was an At-Large Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Washington DC. In 1975, he earned Ph.D. in Exercise Science from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Assistant, Associate, and Full Professor jobs followed at Emory University, University of Maryland and University of Illinois where he was appointed Director of US Olympic Research Site. After the academic work, Dr. Morris was employed as Military Nutritionist at National Defense University in Norfolk, VA. In 2008 he retired after 15 years as Director of Health Improvement and Physical Fitness program at the DHS US Border Patrol HQ in Washington DC. He practiced what he preached by running 36 marathons (personal best 2:44 in 1978), by staying involved as master level Track and Field official with the USATF Potomac Valley Track Club, and finally, by making a noble and altruistic anatomical gift to the Howard University College of Medicine. Al will be missed by his spouse of 21 years Gita, sons Vincent, Daniel and Brian, their mother Linda French, sister Beatrice Biello, brothers Gerald and Roger, grandchildren Caitlin, Emma, Jamie, Ashlyn, Cate, and Gavin, goddaughter Lisa; members of extended family; friends, neighbors, former colleagues, fellow Vietnam veterans and his fourlegged buddy, Luxor. A Month's Mind Memorial Mass was celebrated on December 26, 2015 at 11:00 AM at Saint Dominic Catholic Church, 630 E Street, SW, Washington DC 20024. The inurnment at Arlington National Cemetery was at a later date.

JAMES DONALD MUIR, JR. – Died recently in 2018 in Saint Petersburg, Florida at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 19, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Florida**.



WILLIAM J. MULLINS, JR. (USA, BG-Ret.) - Died Sunday, December 29, 2013 in Overland Park, Kansas at the age of 93. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma on August 24, 1920 to the late William J. Mullins, Sr. and Sallie Mullins. The family then moved to Cabool, MO where he finished high school in 1938. General Mullins started college at Springfield Missouri Teachers College. He began his military career by enlisting in the United States Army on 27 June 1942 and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant, Infantry on 9 March 1943. He served in the European Theater of Operations during World War II as a Platoon Leader and later Company Commander of Company K, 318th Infantry, 80th Infantry Division, one of General George S. Patton's "Iron Divisions." During World War II, he was awarded the Silver Star, the Bronze Star with "V" Device for Valor and the Combat Infantry Badge. After release from active duty, he was commissioned a Captain in the Kansas Army National Guard and assigned on 1 March 1949 as S4, 3rd Battalion, 137th Infantry, 35th Infantry Division. He was promoted to Major on 4 March 1952, serving as S2 of the 137th Infantry Regiment. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel in 1962 and assigned as Executive Officer, Brigade Section, Headquarters, 35th Infantry Division. Upon reorganization of the Kansas Army National Guard in 1963, he was assigned as Civil Affairs Officer and later as S3, 69th Infantry Brigade (Sep). Mullins assumed command of the 2nd Battalion, 137th Infantry on 6 October 1967 and served in that capacity until ordered to active duty in April 1968 as a result of the Pueblo Crisis. He continued to serve in that position at Fort Carson, Colorado until ordered to service in the Republic of Vietnam in 1969. From May 1969 until November 1969, he served as Deputy Chief, Revolutionary Development Cadre Division, Military Assistance Command, Vietnam. This assignment took him into all four Corps Tactical Zones of that country. As a result of his exemplary performance in the Republic of Vietnam, General Mullins was awarded the Legion of Merit. General Mullins was released from active duty, 12 December 1969 and returned to state status. He was appointed on 10 February 1971 as Deputy Brigade Commander, 69th Infantry Brigade (Sep). He was subsequently assigned as Assistant Chief of Staff, State Headquarters, Kansas Army National Guard, effective 1 August 1973 and promoted to Brigadier General on 27 June 1974. He was assigned as Deputy Commander (Army) upon reorganization of State Headquarters, Kansas Army National Guard, effective 1 December 1976 and served in that capacity until his retirement on 27 June 1979. In recognition of his accomplishments, General Mullins received his second Legion of Merit for meritorious service between the period of 1970 and his retirement in 1979. After retirement, his name was placed on the Honor Roll of the Infantry Officer Candidate Hall of Fame at Fort Benning, Georgia on 7 December 1979. In addition to his outstanding military career, Brigadier General Mullins was a dedicated public servant, educator, attorney and community leader. He holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the Southwest Missouri State University in Springfield, a Master of Arts Degree from the University of Missouri at Columbia and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Missouri at Kansas City. After Law School he became partner in the firm of Wagner, Leek and Mullins and also was a member of the Roeland Park United Methodist Church. He is also a

graduate of the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Brigadier General Mullins' long and dedicated service as soldier and public servant truly embodies the meaning of Citizen Soldier. He was inducted into the Kansas National Guard Hall of Fame on 5 November 1989. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Leavenworth Chapter #75**. General Mullins was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Margaret Hendricks. He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Marilyn Mullins; his son, William J. Mullins III "Billy"; and a nephew, William Hughes. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, January 2, 2014 at the D.W. Newcomer's Sons Overland Park Chapel, 8201 Metcalf, Overland Park, KS 66204. Visitation was at 10:00 AM before the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Museum of the Kansas National Guard, 6700 SW Topeka Boulevard, Topeka, KS 66619.

JOHN BENJAMINE NAPPER - Died Friday, August 31, 2018 at his home in Jacksonville, North Carolina at the age of 71. The cause of death was hypertension, dementia and end-stage renal disease. He was born in Wilkesville, Vinton County, Ohio on June 17, 1947. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War with a tour of duty in Vietnam from June 17, 1966 to November 1967. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America** – **Jacksonville Chapter #654**. He was preceded in death by a sister, Nancy L. Clemente and a brother, Dale A. Napper. He is survived by his wife, Sharon (née Elder) Napper of the home; his children, Shane Allen Napper and his wife, Dawn of Brandon, FL, Deserie Shawn Rogers of Holly Ridge, Joe (Napper) Kizer of Jacksonville; a sister, Loretta June McCarty of Raymond, OH; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held at 1:00 PM on Wednesday in the chapel of Jones Funeral Home, Jacksonville with Reverend Steve Allen officiating. The burial with military honors was in the Coastal Carolina State Veterans Cemetery. The family received friends on Tuesday evening from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House, 529 Moye Boulevard, Greenville, NC 27834.

<u>GARY L. NICHOLES</u> – Died recently in 2018 in Sparks, Nevada at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 7, 1947. He is survived by his sister. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Sparks Chapter #989**.

<u>PHILIP J. NOCE, SR.</u> – Died recently in 2018 in Piscataway, New Jersey at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 27, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a member of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Flemington Chapter #452**.



EARL RICHARD OESTREICH – Died Tuesday, November 27, 2018 in Eastern Niagara Hospital at the age of 74. He was a resident of Lockport, New York. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related non-Hodgkins lymphoma and cardiorespiratory arrest. He was born on April 16, 1944 in Olean, New York to the late Earl Leo and Ethelyn (née Edmunds) Oestreich. Earl attended Erie County Tech and the University of Buffalo and earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Communications from Medaille. He served in the United States Air Force from 1963 to 1967 being awarded several medals. Earl worked for Harrison Radiator for 35 years where he was an engineer technician, was the owner of the Lockport Beverage Mart which was located on Washburn and South Streets, and also was a real estate broker. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, the VFW, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lockport Chapter #268**, the American Legion, Hooligans Car Club, served on the Boy Scouts of America Eagle Board of Review, supported Policeman's Picnic supported through the D.A.R.E. Program. Earl coached Lockport Little Loop Football, was a statistician and football coach at DeSales High School, worked as a sound tech for Wallace School of Dance, member of the Dance Educators of America, Star Power Dance Competition, member of the folk group, and served as a eucharistic minister, and was a mobile DJ. Earl is survived by his wife, Jean (Heenan) Oestreich; children, Shawn (Odette Rubio) Oestreich, Inga M. (Joel) Gerson and late Zane F. Oestreich; grandchildren, Christopher, Kyle (Anna) Oestreich, Celina Wardlow, and Zane P. Gerson; great-grandfather of two; brother, Alan Oestreich and late Terry Oestreich. Relatives and friends visited on Saturday, December 1st from 1:00-4:00 PM with services following at 4:00 PM in the Prudden and Kandt Funeral Home, 242 Genesee Street, Lockport. Visit pruddenandkandt.com.



JOHN R. O'HEARN - Died Thursday, December 13, 2018 at the Genesis Senior Living in Aledo, Illinois at the age of 75. He was a resident of Aledo. The cause of death is unknown. John was born November 29,1943 in Davenport, Iowa to the late Russell and Cecille (née Harrison) O'Hearn. He graduated from the first graduating class of Westmer High School in 1961. John married Karen K. Potter on March 7, 1964 at Saint Mary Catholic Church in Keithsburg, Illinois. John was a United States Army Veteran serving in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970. He was employed at Mer-Roc FS in Aledo for over 40 years retiring in 2005. His memberships include the Mercer County Farm Bureau, Mercer County VFW Post #1571 and was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rock Island Chapter #299. For several years, he served as a Mercer Township Trustee and was a former member of the Mercer County Fair Board. He enjoyed spending time at his farm watching the crops grow and wintering to Mexico, Florida, Mississippi and Georgia. In his early days he enjoyed boating on the Mississippi and Lake of the Ozarks. Survivors include his wife, Karen, three nieces, Gwen (Bob) Leonard of Marion, IA, Heidi (T.J.) Bower of Boynton Beach, FL., Jennifer (Tim) Walthall of Viola, II, two nephews, Henry (Carrie) Meyers of Olivia, MN, Jason (Shelley) Potter of Reynolds, IL. and special friends the Hugh Brown family of Aledo. His parents and a sister Shirley Hawn preceded him in death. Cremation has been accorded. Funeral services were at 11:00 AM on Monday December 17, 2018 at the Fippinger Funeral Home in Aledo. Burial was in the National Cemetery, Rock Island Arsenal where military rites were conducted. Visitation was from 9:00 AM until time of services on Monday at Fippingers where memorials may be left to Saint Jude's Children's Research Hospital or FurEver Friends. Online condolences can be made at www.fippingerfuneralhome.com.

<u>CLYDE SUEO OSHIRO</u> - Died Sunday, September 23, 2018 in Honolulu, Hawaii at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Honolulu on February 18, 1949. He served in the United States Army with a tour of duty in Vietnam from 1968 to 1970. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pearl City Chapter #858**. Private services were held.

ALBERT DOUGLAS OWENS - Died Thursday, May 31, 2018 at Community Hospice at the age of 72, surrounded by loved ones. He was a resident of Hilliard, Florida. The cause of death is unknown. Albert was born on January 1, 1946 in Cullman, Alabama to the late Ruth and Gus Flynt. He was also predeceased by his grandson Keven and his brother Bobby. He is survived by his devoted wife of 52 years Evelyn "Midgie"; his children, Punkin (Vance), Donna, Cassie (Will); seven grandchildren, Coty (Chris), Chris (Holly), Shawn, Corey, Brandon (Sabrina), Jordy and Ethan; ten great-grandchildren, Jordan, Evan, Shane, Katelyn, Wyatt, Ari, Marissa, Axel, Elijah, Noah, and; one great-great-grandchild, Hazel. Mr. Owens is also survived by a sister, Freda Hall, sister and brother in laws Betty (Jack), Buddy (Cleo), Flake, and many nieces and nephews. He served in the United States Army and was a Vietnam Veteran, and was a member of various Veteran's organizations of which he held various positions that he was very proud of. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Hilliard Chapter **#1088.** His favorite things in life, other than spending time with his family, was fishing and watching John Wayne Movies. Funeral Services were held in the Chapel of Callahan Funeral Home on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 11:00 AM. Visitation was held in the Chapel one hour prior to service. Interment with Military Honors was held at 12:30 PM on Tuesday in Jacksonville National Cemetery (Gate #1). Condolences may be expressed at www.callahanfh.com. Arrangements under the Direction and care of Ellis & Charlotte McAninch, Callahan Funeral Home, Inc.

CARL THOMAS "Tom" PACK - Died at 1:28 PM on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at the Van Wert Inpatient Hospice, Van Wert, Ohio at the age of 74. He was a resident of Ohio City, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 4, 1944 in Tomahawk, Kentucky to the late Bill and Edith (née Daniels) Pack. Surviving are his wife Kay (née Brown) Pack of Ohio City, OH; his sons Kevin (Patrina) Floss, Middletown, OH, Randy (Clara) Pack, Ohio City, OH and Todd (Alan) Pack of Diamond, OH; his brothers Willie (Kitty) Pack and Garry (Janice) Pack both of Paulding, OH; his grandchildren Shaunte, Christin, Brian, Emily, Alesha, Russell, Joe and Marie; his great grandchildren Chase, Kyle, Maddie, Haylee, Cash, Jax and Hadley. Carl retired from Zellers Inc., Defiance, OH. He was a Veteran of the United States Army and was in Korea and Vietnam. He was a member of: Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Mendon, OH where he also served as a trustee, Celina VFW and Chained Eagles of Ohio. Carl was an avid motorcycle rider and he enjoyed Blue Grass Music and Western movies. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Celina Chapter #783. Calling hours were from 1:00-3:00 and from 5:00-7:00 PM on Thursday, August 30, 2018 at the Alspach-Gearehart Funeral Home and Crematory, Van Wert, OH. Funeral services were at 11:00 AM on Friday, August 31, 2018 at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Mendon, OH. The burial was at the Woodlawn Cemetery, Ohio City, OH. Preferred memorials are to the Church. Military graveside services were by the Celina VFW Post. Arrangements were handled by the Alspach-Gearhart Funeral Home and Crematory in Van Wert. Online condolences may be expressed at: www.alspachgearhart.com.

<u>RICHARD Z. PAGE</u> – Died recently in 2018 in Norlina, North Carolina at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 25, 1952. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ahoskie Chapter #1094**.



<u>ELTON G. PARKS, JR.</u> - Died Sunday, September 30, 2018 at 8:30 PM in Haven Hospice in Palatka, Florida at the age of 76. He was a resident of Elkton, Florida. The cause of death is unknown. Elton was in Essex Junction, Vermont on born November 2, 1941 to the late Adelene M. Parks and Elton G. Parks, Sr. Elton was educated in Essex Junction, Vermont. After High School, he joined the United States Army,

following family tradition. After returning home from Vietnam in 1968, Elton got his honorable discharge paper and returned to civilian life. He loved the outdoors. Enjoyed fishing and hunting and camping with the family and friends. Elton worked for McEwing Oil Company in Essex Junction, Vermont installing and repairing heating systems to keep the people on those cold winter nights warm in Vermont. Elton was a man of great character was well liked and respected by all. After retiring from his job, Elton became a Life Member to different organizations; DAY, VA, Vietnam Veterans of America – Swanton (Vermont) Chapter #829, American Legion Volunteering his time. Elton was also a life member of the Masonic Lodge in Jericho Vt. Elton is survived by his wife Gisela Lina (née Hensel) Parks of 53 years, one son Frank Parks and his wife Janet Parks Kansas City, KS, one grandson Daniel Lee Parks, Kansas City, MO, one sister Jane Parot and her son David Parot both of Daytona, his sister Nancy Musselwhite predeceased him in death. Surviving is her lovely daughter Jamie Musselwhite and her brother Edward Musselwhite and a dear cousin Jeanie LaGrange and her husband Art LaGrange and their daughter Susan Sasso and husband Chris Sasso and children Sawyer and Cole. A memorial for Elton G Parks, Jr. was held on October 29th from 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM at Haven Hospice, Saint Augustine, Lewis Point Speedway.



BRENT DAVID PAULSON – Died Sunday, October 1, 2017 in Orange Park, Florida at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 4, 1947 in Silverdale, Washington to the late Barney and Kathleen Paulson. Brent carried the title of veteran with great pride. He was an outstanding bodyman. He loved cars! Always with a smile on his face and easy to talk to. He enjoyed assisting fellow veterans. Brent served in the United States Army from 1965-1968 in the 147th ASHC Hillclimbers 1st Aviation Brigade out of Vung Tau Army Airfield and was a TET Survivor. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America** – **Orange Park Chapter #1059**. Brent was preceded in death by his parents, Barney and Kathleen Paulson; brothers-in-arms and lifelong friends, Pat Whitlock and Dennis Moss. He is survived by his wife and partner-in-crime, Shirley Paulson; daughter, Alissa Fulton; son, Jimmy Epoch; four stepchildren, 15 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and a great-great-grandchild; sisters, Pamela Bray, and Buzzy Lowrey; multiple nieces and nephews; and brothers-in-arms, Jerry Prouty and Barn Tom.

<u>GEORGE A. PEEPLES, SR.</u> – Died Sunday, July 1, 2018 in Kirkwood, Missouri at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 4, 1947. He served in the United States

Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Louis Chapter #1028**.

BENJAMIN N. PENNELL – Died Saturday, March 11, 2017 in Angeles City, Philippines at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 25, 1936. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887**.



LARRY G. PHELPS, SR. - Died Monday, October 15, 2018 at Mount Carmel East Hospital in Columbus, Ohio at the age of 71. He was a resident of Newark, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. Larry was born on December 29, 1946 in Coshocton, Ohio to the late Joseph S. and Oneita Mildred (née Baker) Phelps. A veteran of the United States Army, Larry served from 1964-67 during the Vietnam War. Larry retired from Owens Corning Fiberglas in 2006. He loved Harley Davidson Motorcycles and riding. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Newark Chapter #55**. He is survived by his wife, Brenda Kay (née Maynard) Phelps, whom he married October 6, 2012; son, Larry Phelps, Jr.; daughters, Kelly Phelps and Jamie Phelps; step-daughter, Bobbie Bentley; step-son, Jeff Myers; grandchildren, Trey Phelps, Morgan and Madison Bentley, Cayden Sharp, Kolton, Leland and Garrett Myers, as well as several other grandchildren; and a brother, Norman Phelps. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Marie Phelps; a daughter, Shelly Phelps; and a brother, Ronnie Phelps. At Larry's request, there was be no visitation hours nor services observed. The Criss Wagner Hoskinson Funeral Home was honored to care for Larry and his family.



JOSEPH "Joe" PIZZIMENTI - Died Sunday, December 30, 2018 at his home in Ormond Beach, Florida at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 8, 1944 in Brooklyn, New York to the late Joseph J. and Mary (née Mairano) Pizzimenti. Joe was a retired Daytona Beach Police Officer and served his country during the Vietnam War in the United States Army and the United States Air Force. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Daytona Beach Chapter #1048**. A Service of Remembrance was celebrated on Saturday, January 5th at 4:00 PM at the VFW Post #3282; 5810 South Williamson Boulevard, Port Orange, FL 32128. Inurnment with Military Honors was held on Friday, January 11th at 2:30 PM at Cape Canaveral National Cemetery, 5525 US-1 Mims, FL. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the local VVA Chapter #1048 with information at the following link: http://www.vval048.com/. Arrangements were under the care of Lohman Funeral Home Ormond Beach. Condolences for the family may be shared at www.lohmanfuneralhomes.com.



JEREMIAH POWERS, SR. (USA, CSM-Ret.) – Died Sunday, November 4, 2018 at his home in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 89, surrounded by his family. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on May 8, 1929 in Evergreen, Alabama to the late Charlie and Velma (née Ingram) Powers. He enlisted in the United States Army and served our country for over 30 years. Jeremiah married Myrtle McCray in Pascagoula, Mississippi and they celebrated 69 years of marriage. He retired CSM, Command Sergeant Major, in Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He was a longtime member of the Masonic Lodge. He held many positions in the Prince Hall Masonry including; Worshipful Master and past Master Mistletoe Lodge #31, District Deputy Grand Master 3rd Masonic District Prince Hall Affiliation; Grand Senior Warden and Honorary Past Grand Master Oklahoma Jurisdiction (PHA), Deputy of Orient 33rd Southern Jurisdiction (PHA), and Sovereign Grand Inspector General 33rd United Supreme Council Southern Jurisdiction. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751. Jeremiah loved gardening and loved to go fishing. He was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Tommy Powers and his sister, Wilcie Powers Nash. Jeremiah is survived by his wife, Myrtle Powers of Lawton; his sons Clyde Powers of Buffton, NC and Jeremiah Powers, Jr of Lawton; his daughters Velma Powers, Allie Powers, Valerie Powers all of Lawton, and Angela and Richard McPherson of Edmond, Ok; his daughter in law, Lydia Powers; 7 grandchildren; 9 greatgrandchildren and various nephews, nieces and cousins. The funeral service was on Friday, November 9, 2018 at 9:00 AM at the Galilee Missionary Baptist Church with Pastor Michael Logan, officiating. The burial was at the Fort Sill National Cemetery with full military honors.

The services were under the direction of Whinery-Huddleston Funeral Service.



MARVIN ELLIS PRESGRAVES - Died Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at his home in Dickson, Tennessee at the age of 80. The cause of death was Alzheimer's disease. He was born in White Post, Virginia on March 7, 1938 to the late William Franklin and Mary Elizabeth (née Foster) Presgraves. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brothers, Kenneth Elwood, infant brother Winton, and Winston Presgraves; as well as his sister Verna Mae Presgraves Tomblin. He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years Mona N. Presgraves of Dickson, TN; his son, Ted Presgraves and wife Patricia, Dickson, TN; daughter Melissa and husband Harold Ferrell of Dickson TN; sister Margaret Self of Lebanon Church, VA; sisters-in-law Reba Presgraves of Berryville, VA and Doris Anderson of Madison TN; as well as grandchildren Nikita Deberry, Brian Presgraves, and Gene Ferrell; great grandchildren Michael Presgraves, Andrew Deberry, and Harper Deberry. Mr. Presgraves proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dixson Chapter #950. Visitation hours were on Sunday, November 18, 2018 from 3:00 PM -8:00 PM; and continued on Monday, November 19, 2018 from 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM at the Dickson Funeral Home. Visitation continued on Tuesday from 10:45 AM until the time of services at Freedom Baptist Church in Colesburg, TN. The funeral service for Mr. Presgraves was at 12:00 Noon at Freedom Baptist Church in Colesburg, Tennessee. The burial with full military honors was at 2:00 PM at the Middle Tennessee Veterans Cemetery on McCory Lane. Arrangements were made by the Dickson Funeral Home and Cremation Center – 209 East College Street – Dickson, TN. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer"s Association or Freedom Baptist Church in Colesburg, TN. Online condolences may be left at www.dicksonfuneralhome.com.



GENE ARTHUR RAY, O.D. (USA, SGM-Ret.) - Died Saturday, November 10, 2018 at his residence in Lompoc, California at the age of 75. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on November 24, 1942 in Binger, Oklahoma to the late Lige and Grace (née Powell) Ray. He married Monika Schwarzkopf in January 1964. Gene joined the United States Army in 1959 and held his military career for 22 years. He graduated from NSU in 1989 with a Doctorate in Optometry. Gene coached his sons' football and baseball teams for many years. He loved flying, skiing and his beloved horses. He loved playing games with all his grandchildren and enjoyed hiking, jogging and traveling. SGM Gene Arthur Ray, USA-Retired served his country in the United States Army for twenty-three years and retired in 1982. He received multiple commendations including, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with Four Service Stars, Bronze Star Medal with V Device, Combat Infantryman Badge, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal with V Device, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Two Overseas Service Bars, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation with Palm, Bronze Star Medal with First Oak Leaf Cluster, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with

Silver Star, Sharpshooter (pistol), Army Commendation Medal with Second Oak Leaf Cluster, Good Conduct Medal Fifth Award, Meritorious Service Medal, and Staff Service Medal. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**. Preceded in death by his two sons, Willy Ray and David Ray; his daughter, Lily White; his brother, Floyd Ray and his parents, Lige and Grace Ray, Gene is survived by his wife, Monika Ray of Lawton; his son, Tommy Ray of Houston, Tx; his grandchildren, Johnny White of Waycross, Ga., Austin Ray of Tahlequah, Ok., Maria White of Waycross, Ga., Vincent Ray of Austin, Tx., and Sarah Ray of Houston, Tx.; his siblings, Margie Gray of Midwest City, OK., Tom T. Ray of Houston, Tx., Dorothy Smith of Anadarko, Ok., Wanda Gragg of Yukon, Ok., and Delsie King of Shawnee, Ok. and his six great- grandchildren.



ROBERT F. RICHEY - Died at 1:54 AM on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at the Colonial Nursing Center in Rockford, Ohio at the age of 72. He was a resident of Rockford and formerly of Venedocia, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 9, 1946 in Payne, Ohio to the late George R. and Virginia M. (née Kemerly) Richey. Family survivors include his three children, Cassandra K. (Mike) Baker of Venedocia, Robert Lee (Julie) Richey of Washington State, and Trevor (Emily) Sill of Willshire; a brother, Dave (Brenda) Richey of Van Wert; a sister, Gwen Woods of Payne; six grandchildren Ryan Richey, Cole Richey, Zackary Lamb, Gabryelle Sill, Oliver Sill, and Hayzell Sill; special daughters, Liza Shroyer, Hannah Beougher, Sadie Wreede and Tiffany (Mozingo) Schnipke; and several nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, Robert was preceded in death by two brothers, Joseph Carlton Richey and Gerald E. Richey; a granddaughter; and special friend Stan Mozingo. He was a graduate of Lincolnview High School and had attended Wesley United Methodist Church. He retired from the United States Army having served in Vietnam. Robert also retired from Goodyear in Saint Marys. He was a member of American Legion Post #346, Ohio City, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #5713, Celina, Disabled American Veterans Chapter #54 of Van Wert, and Rockford Eagle Aerie #1292. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Celina Chapter #783. He sang in the Glory Gospel Group and was an avid hunter, enjoying many turkey shoots. Services were at 2:00 PM on Saturday, November 10, 2018 at the Cowan and Son Funeral Home with Pastor Tony Perry officiating. The interment was in the Ohio City Woodlawn Cemetery with military rites conducted by American Legion Post #346, Ohio City. Calling hours were on Friday from 2:00 – 7:00 PM.



DAVID KENITH ROSENBAUM - Died Wednesday, March 21, 2018 in Wirtz, Virginia at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 30, 1941 in Cripple Creek, Wythe County, Virginia to the late Robert and Ethel Rosenbaum. He was also predeceased by his brothers, Harry Rosenbaum, James Rosenbaum, Alan Rosenbaum, Larry Rosenbaum; his sister, Ruby Groseclose and his brother, Dwight "Ike" Rosenbaum. David was a

United States Army Veteran. He retired after 20 years of service having served 18 months in Vietnam, and also served many years in Germany and in the United States. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lynchburg Chapter #196. While he was living in Martinsville, VA, he worked as Director of Safety and Security for Martinsville and Henry County Memorial Hospital, and as Lieutenant for the Martinsville Sheriff's Department. He is survived by his beloved wife, Brigitte Schneider Rosenbaum (married since 04/25/1970); son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Kim Rosenbaum; daughter and son-in-law, Monica and Alan Hurd; brothers and sisters-in-law, Howard and JoAnn Rosenbaum, Fred and Daphne Rosenbaum, Eugene "Blue" Rosenbaum; sister and brother-in-law, Roger and Phylliss Rutherford; brothers and sister-in-law, Gerhardt and Jutta Schneider and Peter Schneider; five grandchildren, Trace Hurd, Gracie Hurd, Ashleigh Boisseau, Jenna Rosenbaum and Jeremy Rosenbaum; along with several nephews, nieces, great-nephews and great-nieces. Funeral services were conducted at the Flora Funeral Chapel at 1:00 PM on Friday, March 23, 2018. The interment was in Mountain View Memorial Park with Military Honors. His family received friends one hour prior to the service at the Flora Funeral Service and Cremation Center, Rocky Mount. In lieu of flowers the family suggested donations be sent to Disabled Veterans, 116 North Jefferson Street, Roanoke, VA 24016 or Medi Hospice, 5369 Peters Creek Road NW, Roanoke, VA. 24019.



JEROME ANTHONY ROUCHKA (USA, LTC-Ret.) – Died Friday, November 10, 2017 in Carmel, New York at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 13, 1945. He is survived by his wife. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal and the Army Commendation Medal. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #49**. He is interred in Missouri Veterans Cemetery at Higginsville, Lafayette County, Missouri, USA.



BOBBY RUBLE (USN, CMDCM-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at the Lancaster General Hospital in Lancaster, Pennsylvania at the age of 79. He was a resident of Washington Boro, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was a stroke. He was born in Dayton, Ohio on November 2, 1939 to the late Harry T. and Mildred (née Parnell) Ruble. He was the loving husband of Shirley Ann (née Gebhard) Ruble, with whom he would have celebrated 59 years of marriage on December 24th. A true patriot, Bobby proudly served in the United States Navy for 30 years and attained the highest rank of an enlisted sailor as a Command Master Chief

(BMCM) (E-9). Bobby retired from active duty on December 1, 1986. In his retirement, he became a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lancaster Chapter #1008** and served one term as the Commander of the Navy Club of Lancaster, Ship #166. Bobby also found great pleasure in educating students in area high schools on the History of the Vietnam War era. His story, as recorded in radio and TV interviews, has been recorded in the annals of the Library of Congress. Bobby also enjoyed spending time salt-water fishing in Key West, FL. In addition to his wife, Bobby is survived by his three children: Jody L. Ruble-Eisenbise, of Elizabethtown; Bobby E. Ruble, husband of Staci, of Key West, FL; and Jennifer L. Mezick, wife of William, of Fairless Hills, PA; five grandchildren: Kelsea, Kolby, Bobby Jr., Lauryn, and Liam; and sisters: Bobbette Hemmingsen, wife of Cleve and Mary S. Cochran, wife of Gary. Bobby was preceded in death by his brother, Harry E. Ruble. Memorial Services for Bobby were held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requested that contributions in Bobby's memory be made to PA Wounded Warriors at www.pawoundedwarriors.org.



DANNY PAUL RUDASH, SR. - Died Sunday afternoon, October 7, 2018 at the JW Ruby Memorial Hospital at the age of 72, with his family by his side. He was a resident of Maidsville, West Virginia. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on August 8, 1946 in Morgantown, West Virginia to the late George Rudash, and the late Louise (née Gajdosik) Rudash Carlock. He was also a stepson of the late John Carlock. Survivors include his wife of 52 years and the love of his life, Margaret Darlene (née Riggleman) Rudash; three children, Barb & husband Scott Wise of Morgantown, Dan & wife Jamie Rudash of Bridgeport, WV and Mike & wife Becky Rudash of Mt. Morris, PA; his grandchildren, Kelby, Micah, Noah, Sydney, Logan, Emma, Chloe, Dani, Ethan, Landon and Hayden; a great-grandchild, Kaiden; a step-brother, Mickey & wife Susan Carlock of Bridgeport; and a cousin who was more like a sister to him, Darlene Morris. In addition to his parents and stepfather, he was preceded in death by his brothers Bill, Alvie and George Rudash. Danny was a coal miner for 22 years and served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Morgantown Chapter #306. He was a hard worker and caring and loving man who will be sorely missed by his family and friends. Friends may join the family to honor Danny's life and legacy at the Smith Funeral and Cremation Care, 108 Holland Avenue, Morgantown on Thursday, October 11th from 4:00-8:00 PM and again on Friday, October 12th from 10:00 AM until the time of the funeral service at 11:00 AM, co-officiated by Pastors Titus Anderson and John Jackson. Danny was laid to rest at the East Oak Grove Cemetery, where Full Military Honors were accorded at the graveside. To send the family your personal condolences and other symbolic gestures, please visit www.smithfcc.com.

JEROME "Jerry" RUDMAN – Died Wednesday, November 14, 2018 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at the age of 77. The cause of death was multiple myeloma. He was born on August 15, 1941. He was the loving husband of Janet (née Berrest); brother of Gilbert, Donald, and the late Martin Rudman, and; also survived by his niece Aimee Rudman, Esq. and his cousins Barbara Penn and Frances Penn. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Philadelphia Chapter #266**. Contributions in his memory may be made to the Jewish War Veterans of the USA, of which he was a member at 1811 R Street NW, Washington, DC 20009. jwv@jwv.org. His services were private.



GARY LEE SANCHEZ - Died Tuesday, February 13, 2018 in Angeles City, Philippines at the age of 67. He spent his winters in the Philippines and the summers in Lakeville, Minnesota. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on September 24, 1950 in Saint Paul, Minnesota to the Lila Sanchez and the late Manny Sanchez. Gary is survived by his daughter Jennifer McNamara, son Joseph Sanchez, mother Lila Sanchez, brothers Greg (Gerrie) Sanchez, Rick (Deb) Sanchez, Mark Sanchez, grandchildren Riley, Brody and Avery. Preceded in death by his father Manny Sanchez. Gary grew up in St. Paul MN and graduated from Hill High School in 1968. He was a proud United States Navy Vietnam Veteran. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887**. He had a long career with the Federal Aviation Administration as an Airway Transportation Specialist and Supervisor. He belonged to the In-Country Vietnam Motorcycle Club and was their appointed state road captain. He was also a member of the 2005 Winter Carnival Vulcan Krewe. Celebration of life and interment was held in June 2018 at Fort Snelling National Cemetery.



RONALD J. "Ron" SHELDON (USA, COL-Ret.) - Died May 16, 2018, near Kingman, Arizona, while participating in the Run to the Wall, an annual 10-day motorcycle cross-country ride from California to the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington, DC. He was 75 years of age and a resident of Lansing, Kansas formerly of Columbia, Tennessee. He was born on January 21, 1950 in Livermore, California. Ron is survived by his wife, Christine, of Lansing; a daughter, Sabrina Still and her husband, Tommy; a son, Ronald Sheldon Jr. and his wife, Amanda; stepsons, Kirk Rothery and his wife, Ellen; and Luke Lane; six grandchildren; his brothers, William and Gerald Sheldon; and his sister, Kathy Schultz. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Frances Sheldon; and a son, Robert Sheldon. Ron was born January 21, 1950 in Livermore, California. He graduated from Pacific High School in San Leandro, California, entering the United States Army in 1968 serving as a track operator during Vietnam. Ron later

continued his military service with the Army National Guard, finishing his career with the Kansas National Guard. Prior to his retirement in 2012, he served in Iraq and Afghanistan. He was a recipient of the Legion of Merit, two Bronze Stars, two Purple Hearts, three Meritorious Service Medals, and two Army Achievement Medals. Ron continued to pursue education throughout his life graduating from Chabot College, Park University, Webster University, U.S. Army Ordnance Maintenance School, and U.S. Air Force War College. As a citizen soldier, Ron was an active member of his communities, both in Columbia and Lansing. He was a member of Saint Catherine Catholic Church and served with the Knights of Columbus in Columbia, Tennessee. In Kansas, he served with members of AMVETS District 1, Veterans of Foreign War Post 56, Combat Infantrymen's Association, Americal Division Veterans Association, and Lansing Lions Club. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Leavenworth Chapter #75 In recent years Ron traveled to Vietnam regularly with a medical mission operated by Vietnam veterans. A memorial service was held at 2:00 PM on June 24, 2018 at the VFW Post #56, 519 Cherokee Street, Leavenworth, Kansas. The burial was at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia, at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials to AMVETS Post #181, VFW Post #56, or Veterans Mobility Assistance Program are suggested. Ron was a true patriot and will be missed.



ROBERT DOUGLAS "Doug" SHEPHERD - Died Saturday, June 30, 2018 at the Baptist East Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee at the age of 73. He was a resident of Dyersburg, Tennessee. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 27, 1944 in Nauvoo, Tennessee to the late Robert Hays "Bob" Shepherd and the late Marjorie (née Criswell) Shepherd. Doug worked for 33 years at Dyersburg Fabrics in the Cloth Finishing Department. He was a member of Elizabeth United Methodist Church, where he served as Chairman of the Administrative Council. Doug was a life member of the Disabled American Veterans, the VFW, the American Legion and a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Jackson Chapter **#995.** He was a past State Department Commander and the Adjutant Treasurer Chapter 46 for the DAV and served as a board member of Bogota Community Center. Doug served his Country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Survivors include his wife of 36 years, Lynda Sue Shepherd of Nauvoo; two sons, Glenn Carmon of Fowlkes and Scotty Carmon of Arlington; two grandchildren, Hayden Carmon and Eli Carmon; and a niece, Cindy Pugh of Ridgely. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Ann Bunch. Funeral services were at 1:00 PM on Friday, July 6, 2018 in the chapel of Dyersburg Funeral Home with Brother Andy Fisher and Brother Tommy McElyea co-officiating. The burial was in the Bellevernon Cemetery in Friendship. The family received visitors from 5:00-8:00 PM on Thursday, July 5, 2018 at the Dyersburg Funeral Home. The pallbearers were Sammy Rogers, Ronnie Vernon, George Hamilton, Allen Dudley, Donny Burress and Kenneth Ratliff and the honorary pallbearers were Robert Riggs, Hank Surcy, Richard Hill, George Winters.



KENNETH W. SHETTLE, SR. (USAF, MSgt-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, October 31, 2018 in Blythewood, South Carolina at the age of 75. The cause of death was Parkinson's disease. He was born in South Norfolk, Virginia on February 7, 1943 to the late Vernon Joseph Shettle, Sr. and the late Martha Beatrice (née Parker) Shettle. He was a United States Air Force retiree who honorably served his country for 20 years. During his enlistment, MSgt Shettle was deployed in the Vietnam War and received many commendations throughout his career. After his military retirement, he was employed by the US Department of Defense for 20 years as a defense contractor administrator. MSgt Shettle's life revolved around his wife, children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He loved to travel, and his career allowed he and his family to relocate to many different areas of the United States and the world. When he wasn't spending time with his family or traveling the country in their motor home, MSgt Shettle enjoyed researching his family's genealogy and cheering for his Tampa Bay Buccaneers or Cleveland Indians. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lebanon Chapter #1004. Survivors include his loving wife of 57 years, Frances M. Shettle; children, Sharon Shettle D'Andrea (Don) of Sewell, NJ, Terri Lyne Shettle (Melissa) of Sacramento, CA, Kenneth W. Shettle, II (Tanya) of Blythewood, Carolyn Shettle Faulkenberry (Bret) of Mt. Juliet, TN; grandchildren, Michael D'Andrea (Maxine), Brooke Oakes (Robert), Brittney D'Andrea (Josh), Brianne D'Andrea (Frank), Brenna D'Andrea (Sam), Kenneth Shettle, III (Megan), Alec Shettle (Liza), Tyler Faulkenberry, Jaclyn Faulkenberry, Katie Faulkenberry; great-grandchildren, Nicholas, Gracelyn, Madelyn, Rylee, Michael, Maxwell, Maya Rose, Joshua, Emerson, and Carson; as well as his brother, Vernon Joseph Shettle, Jr. of San Antonio, TX. In addition to his parents, MSgt Shettle was also preceded in death by his sister-in-law, Margie Shettle. The funeral service for MSgt Shettle was held at 3:00 PM on Sunday, November 11th at the Shives Funeral Home, Trenholm Road Chapel, 7600 Trenholm Road Extension, Columbia with Reverend James A. Goudelock officiating. The family received friends prior to the service beginning at 2:00 PM. Memorials may be made in honor of MSgt Shettle to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8517.

<u>SCOTT M. SIMMS</u> – Died in September 2018 in Angeles City, Philippines at the age of 59. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 18, 1959. He retired from the United States Navy. He was a *Life Member* of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887.



ARTHUR "Art" SLOANE- Died Monday, August 6, 2018 in Sun Lakes, Arizona at the age of 83. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Providence, Rhode Island on April 21, 1935. He was a tireless and passionate voice for veterans and a longtime columnist

for The Arizona Republic. Sloane, who spent more than 40 years in the United States Air Force, Air National Guard and Coast Guard, was enshrined in the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame Society in 2008. His continued work on veterans' issues earned him the honor of being a Grand Marshal in the Phoenix Veterans Day Parade in 2011. "During the 10 years I have been working with homeless veterans in Arizona, Art Sloane has been an energetic and tireless advocate," said Terry Araman, director of the United Arizona Veterans organization. "All of us in the veteran support community owe an enormous debt of gratitude to Art." Sloane's more than four decades of military service began in 1952 when he enlisted in the Air National Guard while still in high school. It was a compromise he made with his mother, who wouldn't let him join the regular Air Force. Once he turned 18, however, he was free to do as he pleased, and in 1954 he entered the Air Force. He stayed until 1961, when he re-entered the Guard for five more years. In 1966, he joined the United States Coast Guard Reserve, retiring in 1995 as a master chief petty officer and command enlisted adviser. After the military, he embarked on another career, this time as a teacher. He combined his love of education with his passion for helping the men and women who served their country in uniform. He helped to start the Hamilton High School Veterans Graduation Project and worked with the VA Medical Center in Phoenix and Victory Place, which provides housing assistance and job training for veterans. He served with Arizona Stand Down, which calls attention to the plight of homeless veterans, and was active in the Jewish War Veterans, Korean War Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars and other organizations. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Mesa Chapter **#1011**. Sloane began his Veteran's Voice column for the *Republic* in 2001 and continued it even after experiencing a heart episode that nearly killed him in 2010. "I intend to do this until I drop dead," he told KJZZ radio in a 2012 interview. He kept up the column until two years ago, when his health kept him from continuing. Sloane's column generated dozens of telephone calls each week from veterans and family members needing services and from readers who just wanted to know how they could help. The calls grew so voluminous that his wife, Vivian, would no longer answer the phone. "I build my life by helping veterans," he told KJZZ. "If I can help somebody, why shouldn't I do the work?" Sloane is survived by his wife of 44 years; three children; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Services were at 11:00 AM on Friday at the Sun Lakes Chapel for All Faiths, 9240 East Sun Lakes Boulevard North in Sun Lakes, Arizona.



JOHNNY RAY SMITH, SR, - Died Wednesday, October 17, 2018 in Ashford, Alabama at the age of 77, after an extended illness. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on March 30, 1941 in Portal, Georgia to the late John D. and Vidella (née Miller) Smith. He married the love of his life Brenda Smith on June 24, 1978. He served in the United States Navy for five years, eight months and nineteen days during the Vietnam War. He was an active *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Daleville Chapter #373**. When he was not spending time with his family you could always find him fishing. Left to cherish Johnny's memories are his wife of 40 years, Brenda Smith; his children, Patricia Smith of Monroe, LA, Johnny Smith, Jr. of Savannah, GA, Billy Smith of Savannah, GA, Robert Smith, Shelia Davis and Crystal Smith all of Dothan; one grandson, James Coleman Davis; also surviving are Johnny's siblings: Charlie (Bernice) Smith, Hilda Sellers, Judy (Buford) Sikes, Danny (Ann) Smith and Donna (Gene) Underwood. He was preceded in death by his parents, daughter Brittney Smith and sister Sarah Hendricks. visitation was held on Monday, October 22, 2018 at 10:00 AM at the Ward Wilson Funeral Home. Services were at 11:00 AM at the Ward Wilson Funeral Home. A graveside service was held at the Gardens of Memory Cemetery where full military rites were accorded. Ward Wilson was entrusted with arrangements.



ROBERT ATMAR "Bob" SMITH III - Died Friday, September 28, 2018 in Christiansburg, Virginia at the age of 82. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 27, 1935 to the late Robert Atmar Smith II and Catherine Smith. He joined the United States Navy Reserves in 1953, active service starting in 1954. He retired after 22 years of service. He also worked at T.I. in Dallas Texas and spent 7 years at Kallmorgan in Radford, Virginia. He was an active member of Moose, VFW, American Legion, River View Church and volunteered at Lewis Gale Hospital. He was an At-Large Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Virginia. With a smile and twinkle in his eyes, always positive and willing to assist his fellow man. He was preceded in death by his parents, Catherine and Robert A. Smith II; spouse, Suzanne (née Mills) Smith, and; her parents, Alice and Harold Mills, Jr. Robert is survived by his loving wife, Carol Sue (née Wheeling) Smith; six children, Elizabeth A. Penland (Thomas, Jr.), Deborah L. DeFalco (David), Robert Atmar Smith IV (Jean), Laura 'Kim' Stellrecht (Carl), Julia M. Wheeler and David E. Smith (Teresa); 1 stepson, Dr. John D. Lowman (Elizabeth); fourteen grandchildren and nineteen great-grandchildren. Bob's positive energy was contagious, he had love for everyone who came in contact with him and lived life to its fullness each day. Flowers are appreciated, although Memorials in Bob's name may be made to the VFW Wounded. The family received friends on Friday, October 5, 2018 from 10:00 to 11:00 AM at the Horne Funeral Home. The Funeral Service was at 11:00 AM in the Horne Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Shawn Wilburn officiating. The interment was in the Old Dublin Cemetery. The family would like to thank Medi Hospice, especially Marcia Harrison, RN and Julia Crouse.

LOUIS F. "Lou" (*Gibson***) STANKO** - Died unexpectedly Friday, October 26, 2018 while visiting his family in Monongahela, Pennsylvania. He was 71 years of age and a resident of Portage, Indiana. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 12, 1947 in Brownsville, Indiana and was raised by his mother, Wilma (née Medved) Gibson who survives and resides in Monongahela and his stepfather, the late John "*Jack*" Gibson. Lou was a Monongahela High School graduate - class of 1964 and a United States Marine Corps veteran having served two consecutive tours in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Portage Chapter #905**, Marine Corps League, American Legion Post #502 in South Haven, Indiana, VFW Post #1290 in Porter, Indiana and the South Haven Lions Club. Lou retired from US Steel after thirty-eight and a half years of employment. He also retired in September from his position as Veteran Service Officer in Portage, which he held since 2006. Lou was an avid golfer, bowler

and was active in softball and mushball. He was a Harley Davidson enthusiast and loved riding. In addition to his mother, Lou is survived by his loving wife of forty-six years, Elaine (née Hall) Stanko; daughter, Mandy Stanko of La Porte, Indiana; son, Louis T. Stanko of Portage, Indiana; brother, Jack Gibson of Monongahela; sister, Shari (Rick) San Miguel of Lancaster, California; grandson, Aden Stanko; and many extended family members and friends. Lou was also preceded in death by his brother, Paul Gibson. Memorial services were held on Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 2:00 PM at the Edmonds and Evans Funeral Home, Portage Chapel, 6941 Central Avenue, Portage, IN 46368 with Pastor Don Good officiating. Memorial visitation was held on Thursday, November 1, 2018 from 10:00 AM until the time of service at 2:00 PM at the funeral home. Memorial donations may be made to the Indiana Veterans Home, Attn: Community Services Director, 3851 North River Road., West Lafayette, IN 47906. Online condolences can also be made at www.ee-fh.com.



IRENE STEHLY-HERMANS - Died Thursday November 1, 2018 after a courageous recovery effort from a massive stroke in September. She was 83 years of age and a resident of Milbank, South Dakota. She was born on December 28, 1934. She was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter #1054**. The family deeply appreciated all the prayers during this time of loss. Irene is survived by her husband, Paul Hermans, Milbank, SD; her seven children, Theresa Stehly, Sioux Falls, Elizabeth Stehly, Minneapolis, MN, Mike Stehly, Sioux Falls, Pat Stehly, Keystone, SD, Dr. Christine Stehly (Steve Beare) Aberdeen, SD, Steph DeFea (Pat), Milbank and David Stehly (Shawn), Lakeville MN. She is also mourned by her eight grandchildren, Emily, Jordan and Sarah Stehly, Peter, Tommy and Ryan De Fea, and Rachel and Max Beare. A private family service was held.



WILLIAM JOHN STEWART - Died Monday, October 22, 2018 in Santa Barbara, California, after a long, dignified battle with Alzheimer's disease. He was 77 years of age. He was born on October 8, 1 941 at Mare Island Naval Base, CA to Capt. Jack and Margaret Stewart. He and his younger brother John (who passed in 2017) grew up on naval bases in California, Louisiana, South Carolina, and Japan. The family eventually settled in San Diego where our dad attended Chula Vista High School. Our dad graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1963 and was a Surface Warfare Officer for eighteen months before volunteering to serve in Vietnam. He served in Vietnam from 1965-1966 and served in the Naval Reserve from 1967 until retiring at the rank of Commander in 1989. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Carpinteria Chapter #218. Following active duty, he earned his J.D. from California Western University in 1970. He met our mom Sandy Hanna and married in 1970. From 1971-1972 our dad served as Law Clerk to the Chief Justice of the High Court of American Samoa. In 1972 he became a Deputy City Attorney in San Diego. In 1973 our dad joined the firm of Archbald and Spray in Santa Barbara. Bill and Sandy (who passed in 2003) have us three children, Susan (44), MacKenzie (42), and Cameron (39). In 2006 our dad went on a volunteer trip to New Orleans for clean-up and rebuilding efforts following Hurricane Katrina. There he met Joan Davis, who was also volunteering. In 2008 they married. Our dad devoted himself to philanthropy and volunteer work including Special Olympics, Hillside House, and Transition House. He was instrumental in the creation of the Veterans' Memorial Walk and Terrace of Remembrance at Elings Park, organized a memorial dedicated to Santa Barbara. We are proud and honored to share our dad with the community he loved. We will be celebrating his life on Friday, November 16th at the Santa Barbara Cemetery: 1:00 Service at the Chapel, 2:30 military honors in the Sunrise Urn Garden. A reception will follow at Santa Barbara FisHouse.

<u>RAYMOND J. THEIS</u> – Died Sunday, December 2, 2018 in Hualapai, Arizona at the age of 75. The cause of death was kidney failure. He was born on August 5, 1940. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kingman Chapter #975**.

PAUL A. VAMPRAN – Died Friday, October 19, 2018 in New Orleans, Louisiana at the age of 78. He was a resident of Destrehan, Louisiana. The cause of death was cancer. He was predeceased by his wife, Inez J. Vampran and his brother, Vincent Vampran. He served in the United States Army for 20 years with two tours of duty in Vietnam from September 30, 1965 to September 2, 1966 and from January 17, 1971 to December 23, 1971. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton (Oklahoma) Chapter #751**. He is survived by his son, Kenneth, of Kissimmee, Florida; his daughter and son-in-law, Yvette and Josh Barnes, of New Orleans, Louisiana; three grandchildren, Duane, Da'Najae and Kenneth Vampran, Jr.; two sisters, Joyce James and Susan Simon; two brothers, Alfred and John Vampran; two sisters-inlaw, Gladys Jackson and Odrie (Ronald) Nicholas; one brother-in-law, Larry Cook, and; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. The visitation was held on October 31, 2018 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon at the Howard-Harris Funeral Services Chapel at 1005 SW C Avenue, Lawton, Oklahoma. The burial with full military honors was at the Fort Sill National Cemetery, 2648 NE Jake Dunn Road in Elgin, Oklahoma.

ARTHUR J. VERA-MARTINEZ – Died Friday, September 14, 2018 in Daly City, California at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in 1944. He is survived by his daughter. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and attained the rank of Sergeant. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – California**. The arrangements were made by the Coast Cities Cremations Ventura and Goleta.



WILLIAM F. "Bill" VOTH (USA, LTC-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, October 10, 2018 in Enterprise, Alabama at the age of 73, after a long, courageous battle with cancer. Bill was born on November 3, 1944 in Fargo, North Dakota to the late Richard D. and Mary Voth. Bill was a military veteran, retiring from the United States Army after 27 years of service. Bill's military career started in the ROTC program at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks, ND. It caught him by surprise that he actually loved military life, and this admiration for the military led him to a long, notable military career with numerous accolades including the Distinguished Flying Cross. After military life, he pursued his original career path as a biology teacher teaching in both Enterprise City Schools and Daleville City Schools for ten years. Following retirement after two successful careers, Bill dedicated his time and passion supporting organizations like the Disabled American Veterans (DAV), American Legion, Patriot Guard Riders, and VFW with countless hours of volunteering. He was a member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Daleville Chapter #393. He was also a member of the Lions Club of Enterprise, AL and the Knights of Columbus of Saint John Evangelist Catholic Church. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend. Bill is survived by his loving and faithful wife of almost 48 years, Phyllis Lou Voth; his three daughters, Christine Meitzler (Lee) of Enterprise, AL, Cindy Schmidt (Jason) of Dothan, AL, and Holly West of Montgomery, AL; his grandchildren: Paige and Haley Lindbak, Scott and Justin Meitzler, and Will, Ryan, and Sarah Schmidt; a brother, David Voth (Barbara) of Evergreen, CO; a sister; Mary Ann Quenette of Salinas, CA; a brother, Michael Voth (Joyce) of CA; a mother-in-law, Ouida Phillips of Slocomb; a brother-inlaw, Jerry Phillips of Slocomb; nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. The family would like to thank the Encompass Health (Home Health and Hospice) nursing staff for their compassion and loving care during this difficult time, and family and friends for their constant support and kindness. Funeral services for Mr. Voth were held at 10:00 AM on Monday, October 15, 2018 at Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Enterprise, AL with Father Zachary Greenwell officiating. Burial with full military honors was in the Hartford City Cemetery in Hartford, AL with Sorrells Funeral Home directing. Visitation was held on Sunday, October 14, 2018 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at Sorrells Funeral Home, Enterprise, AL. Flowers were accepted, or memorial contributions may be sent to the DAV, 704 Crawford Avenue, Enterprise, AL 36330, American Legion Post #73, PO Box 310386, Enterprise, AL 36330, and/or the VFW Post #6683, 2615 County Road 537, Enterprise, AL 36330.



MICHAEL ALLEN "Mike" WABS - Died Saturday, November 24, 2018 in Kansas City, Kansas at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 7, 1943 in Atchison, Nebraska to the late Francis R. Wabs and Leona M. (née Dickau) Wabs. Mike enlisted in the United States Army infantry in 1961 at the start of the Vietnam War. After his time in the military, he became a journeyman lineman. In the early 90s, Mike met Dee Backhus and they were inseparable ever since. She survives at the home. He is also survived by two sons, Joseph Allen Wabs and Thomas James Wabs of Minneapolis, Minn.; and two sisters, Rosalie "Snooky" Wabs and Susan Ayers and Carole Nelson. Mike enjoyed the freedom of riding his Harley, having a beer at the American Legion and escaping in the winter to Florida. He found a measure of peace in good friends and a caring family whether related by blood or not. He was a lifelong member of the American Legion #199 in Kansas City, Kansas. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Leavenworth Chapter #75**. Mike was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Brenton Wabs; and a sister, Patricia Halbersleben. Visitation hours were from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at the R.L. Leintz Funeral Home, 4701 10th Avenue, Leavenworth, Kan. The burial was at the Leavenworth National Cemetery at 1:30 PM. Memorials were suggested to the Wounded Warrior Project.



ROBERT GARY WADATZ - Died Saturday, September 29, 2018 in Heritage Valley, Beaver, Pennsylvania at the age of 71. He was a resident of Aliquippa, Center Township, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 1, 1947 in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania to the late Robert W. Wadatz and Beulah (née Green) Morkin. Gary was a retired employee of BASF and a United States Army Veteran serving in the Vietnam War. He was an active member and past commander of the Center VFW. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862. Surviving are his best friend and wife of 20 years, Cheryl (née Patton) Wadatz; a daughter, Ashley M. Wadatz and Jared Headley; son, Todd E. (Christen) Wadatz, seven grandchildren, Kortney (Josh) Williams, Bubba (Caitlin) Bradley, Kaiden Hewitt, Amber Ryan, Kylie Wadatz, and Sophia and Holden Headley; a great-grandson, Darian J. Bradley II; his buddies and cousins, Ken and Wynn Starr, and many loving brothers-inlaw, and sisters-in-law. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his former wife, friend, and mother of his children, Regina (née Rae) Wadatz, and his best friend Chuck Harvey. Friends were received on Wednesday from 11:00 AM until the time of military service at 12:45 PM with the Beaver County Special Unit conducting military honors, followed by a memorial service at 1:00 PM at the Tatalovich Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc., 2205 McMinn Street, Aliquippa, PA. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Beaver County Humane Society.



MICHAEL E. WALTER - Died Monday November 19, 2018 in Killeen, Texas at the age of 70. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on December 27, 1947 in Traverse City, Michigan to the late Helen Walter and Ernest J Walter. Michael is survived by his wife, Mary Walter; daughter, Candy Bell; son-in-law Brian Bell; and son, Michael Walter; brother, Gary

Walter and sister, Judy Ritola. Michael is also survived by his grandchildren: Katelyne, Mary, and Nicholas Bell; Justin and Matthew Walter. Michael was a retired member of the United States Army. Retiring here in Killeen in 1987. Proprietor of TTD Bookkeeping Services and has served the community for over 30 years. He was a proud *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Harker Heights Chapter #1000**, DAV, VFW, American Legion and the Moose Lodge. A visitation for Michael was held on Wednesday, November 21, 2018 from 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM and a funeral mass celebrated on Friday, November 23, 2018 at 2:00 PM, both took place at the Crawford-Bowers Funeral Home, Killeen. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.crawfordbowersfuneralhome.com for the Walter family.

DANIEL P. "Dan" WATERS - Died Tuesday, October 9, 2018 in Auburn, New York at the age of 69, following a battle with cancer. Dan was born in Syracuse, New York on May 14, 1949 to the late Paul and Theodora (née Patterson) Waters, He proudly served his country with the United States Marine Corps. He was a Veteran of the Vietnam War, and remained active with the POW MIA Vietnam Veteran's Chapters 20 of Rochester and 704 of Cayuga County. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20. Dan was instrumental in the local Toys for Tots program, he was a member of the S-K Post of the American Legion, The Disabled American Veterans Chapter #377, The Baker Brother's Annual Motorcycle Ride. In the past he had worked maintenance for the Auburn School District. Dan is survived by his companion, Shirley Martinez, and their children, Jemmy, Braulio, Gillermito, Kelly Martinez, Adelia and Charles Ford, Margarita Martinez, Bob Grenga, Patricia Brown, Diane Lafferty, Danialle and Charles Westcott and two special people, Joseph and Teena Johson-Rice, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and his brother William Arnaz. Funeral Services were held on Friday at 12:00 Noon in the White Chapel Funeral Home, 197 South Street. The burial with Military Honors was in the Soule Cemetery, Sennett. Friends were invited to pay their respects on Friday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM prior to services.



HAROLD L. WATSON - Died Friday, November 16, 2018 at his home in Coal Valley, Illinois at the age of 69, surrounded by family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 13, 1949 in Moline, Illinois to the late Frazier and Agnes (née McConnell) Watson. He married Bonnie Christine on May 15, 1968 in Milan, Illinois. He was a highly decorated United States Army Vietnam Veteran, earning the Purple Heart, Vietnam Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, and Combat Infantry Badge during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rock Island Chapter #299**. He proudly owned and operated Watson Excavating Inc., for 40 years, and considered this to be his hobby, along with restoring his '66 Chevy Nova. Harold is survived by his beloved wife of 50 years, Bonnie; three children, Shawn (Darci) Watson of Orion, Illinois, Scott Watson of Coal Valley, and Kristi (Zack Vervaecke) Watson of Clearwater, Florida; grandchildren, Alyssa Watson, Dylan Watson, Makayla Vervaecke, and Abby Watson; siblings, Connell (JoAnne) Watson of Milan, Illinois, Ramona (Dick) McMeekan of Viola, Illinois, Karen Burton of Oneida, Illinois, and Bud (Lois) Watson of Sherrard. He was preceded in death by his parents, and sisters, Roberta Patterson and Florence Lude. The family would like to give special thanks to Dr. Garneau and his staff, and everyone at UnityPoint Hospice, for their wonderful care. Services were at 10:00 AM on Tuesday at the Trimble Funeral Home, Coal Valley. The burial was in the Rock Island National Cemetery, where the VVA Quad Cities Chapter #299 presented the military honors. Visitation hours were from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on Monday. Memorials may be made to the VVA Chapter #299 or the Quad Cities Chapter of the Patriot Guard Riders.



PHILLIP HAROLD WEATHERHOLT - Died Monday, October 8, 2018 at his residence in Rio Grande, Ohio at the age of 75, surrounded by his family. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on June 8, 1943 in Barboursville, West Virginia to Frances Ruth Weatherholt, who survives and the late Harold Howard Weatherholt. He spent the first eight years of his life in Ona, West Virginia before moving to Gallia County, where he spent the rest of his life. He graduated the last graduating class of Rio Grande High School in 1961. He enlisted in the United States Army on January 9, 1962 and completed his basic training at Fort Knox, Kentucky as a wheel vehicle mechanic. After basic training, he was deployed to Paris, France, where he was injured in an accident and received his Honorable Discharge June 10, 1965. He married Patricia (née Graham) Weatherholt in Parisburg, Virginia in 1970 who preceeded him in death. Together they made their home in Rio Grande, Ohio. His passion was giving all four of his children descriptive driving instructions even when the instructions were not needed. He always made them aware of how fast they were going and every road sign and mile marker that was passed. The children found constructive ways to prevent him from seeing the speedometer which included placing towels over the it. He always made sure that when they returned home, the gas tank was full - even if it only required one gallon of gas being put in the gas tank. The children also figured out over the years not to tell him what time they were arriving because he watched the clock and would let them know if they were one second late on their arrival. He had an avid passion for mechanical tools that would make Snap-On and Craftsman envious and is leaving behind the massive number of tools and tool boxes to his sons, son-in-law, and grandsons. Phillip never met a stranger and was able to make friends everywhere he went. He was a good friend to all and always had a smile on his face. He was very accident prone and his siblings and children claimed he had 9 lives. After his fall from a tree in 2003, he was unable to drive so he took his lawnmower around the village in lieu of a car. He would mow the neighbor's grass while she was away if he thought it needed it and take daily trips to the Post Office and College on his lawnmower. He was a member of all the Veteran's Associations in Gallia County. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Gallipolis Chapter **#709.** For years, he did not miss any of his meetings, and he held many different titles over the years. His wife, Patty, would get upset that he was never home in the evenings due to all the meetings that he attended. After many years of Patty's nagging and complaining about these meetings and his not being home, he dropped all but the VFW which made Patty happy because she loved the VFW meetings. Together, they did not miss a VFW meeting and if Patty was sick during her chemo, they would have one of their children or grandchildren take them to the meetings. They took cheese to every meeting and the guys at the VFW are going to be lost without the cheese. He is survived by his children: Janette Elliott, Richmond Dale, Ohio; Amy Case, Rio Grande, Ohio; Kristi (Jeff) Hutchison, St. Charles, Missouri; Nathan (Bethany) Weatherholt, Vinton, Ohio and his four-legged children, Casey and Tucker, Rio Grande, Ohio who still refuse to go outside when it's raining. He also leaves behind his grandchildren: Ryan Elliott, Brittany (James) Baker, Heather (John) Colby, Makenzie Case, Jeremiah Case, Connor Hutchison, Johnathan Case, Noah Hutchison and Ethan Hutchison as well as his greatgrandchildren. Tyson Colby (aka Scuttle Butt), Chloe Baker and one on the way. He will be missed by his sisters, Patty (Eugene) Holley, Bidwell, Ohio; Bonnie Patton, Orient, Ohio and brother Charles Weatherholt, Gallipolis, Ohio as well as his adopted son, Terry Elliott and adopted granddaughter, Teah Elliott, both of Gallipolis, Ohio. In addition to his wife and father, he was preceded in death by one sister, Barbara Weatherholt and his four-legged children, Molly, Luke and Casper. The family expresses their sincere appreciation to the Holzer Hospice team for the excellent care that Phillip received. Funeral services were conducted at 11:00 AM on Friday, October 12, 2018 in the McCoy-Moore Funeral Home, Wetherholt Chapel, 420 First Avenue, Gallipolis, Ohio with Pastor Heath Jenkins officiating. The burial was in the Calvary Baptist Cemetery, Rio Grande, Ohio. Visitation for family and friends were held on Thursday, October 11, 2018 from 5:00-7:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, he wished for donations to made to the Ohio Valley Christian School 1100 Fourth Avenue Gallipolis, OH 45631.



DANNY J. "Gunny" WHYTE, JR. (USMC, GnySGT-Ret.) – Died Saturday, October 27, 2018 in Longview, Texas at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 19, 1937 in the South Bronx, New York City, New York to the late Daniel and Catheline Whyte who were both immigrants from Ireland but met and married in New York. His father was a retired police officer. He joined the United States Marine Corps in 1954 and was sent to Parris Island, South Carolina. He served in the 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marines at the Suez Canal in 1956, was then sent to Okinawa, Cuba and Guantanamo Bay, and then California where he served as a drone instructor from 1963 to 1965. In 1967, Gunny was deployed to Vietnam and was assigned to Delta Company 1st Battalion, 4th Marines, but was severely injured. After six and a half months of recovery, he was trained at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas as a dog handler and served a second tour in Vietnam. In 1971, while stationed at Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii, he became paralyzed and had surgery at Tripler Army Medical Center. He returned to Camp Pendleton, California and retired from the Marine Corps as a recruiter in East Texas in 1976. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Longview Chapter #987**. Gunny married Nancy Jo Quinn in 1984 and he has two daughters and one grandchild.

<u>RICHARD G. WIEDEMANN</u> - Died Tuesday, August 28, 2018 in High Ridge, Missouri at the age of 86. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 12, 1932. He was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Louis Chapter #1028**. He was the beloved father of Lisa (Jon) Bauer, Heidi (Joe) Fox, Kristin (Kelly) Bowman and Eric (Carol) Wiedemann;

dearest grandfather of Audrey, Austin, Randy, Brett, Preston, Paige, Cale and Russell; dear great-grandfather of Jaxon and Colton; dear brother of Rosemary (the late Wayne) Kloever; dear uncle of Dawn and Eve; great-uncle, cousin and friend. Richard was a United States Army Veteran and longtime member of the Shriners. Visitation hours was at the Kutis Affton Chapel, 10151 Gravois Road, on Wednesday, September 12th, 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon then taken to Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery for a 12:30 PM committal service.



CLYDE M. WILCOX (USN, CPO-Ret.)- Died Saturday, July 7, 2018 at home in Eagan, Minnesota at the age of 77. The cause of death was pancreatic cancer. Clyde was the fourth of five children born on the family farm April 4, 1941 near Platte, South Dakota to the late Joseph and Ellen (née Hansen) Wilcox. He attended eight years at Darlington #4 Country School and graduated from Platte High School in 1959. He served in the South Dakota National Guard from 1957-1960 then enlisted in the United States Navy, retiring in 1980 as a Chief Petty Officer at NAV RES Readiness Comm, MPLS. He served on: USS Hornet CVS-12, USS Constellation CVA-64, USS Quapaw ATF110, Port Hueneme, CA, NAS San Diego, Great Lks IL, and VP-68 Pax River, MD. He later retired from the US Postal Service (BMC) in 1996. Clyde is survived by Sandy (née Dossow), his wife of 51 years; son, Joseph; daughter, Julie Ruesink (Craig); daughter-in-law, Jennifer Fall (Dan) and 7 of the best grandsons in the world, Calvin and Jake Wilcox, Travis and Tyler Ruesink and Luke Fall. Also survived by sister, Marie (Gale) Erickson; brother, Roy (Linda) Verne Hull and numerous friends, nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by son, Craig, his parents, and his brothers, Duane and Wayne. Clyde was a proud member of the Apple Valley American Legion Post #1776, Dak Co Voiture 40 & 8, VFW Post #295, DAV, Fleet Reserve Association, NARFE and APWU. He was an At-Large Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Minnesota. A special thank you to all the caregivers at the Minneapolis VA Medical Center, Ecumen Hospice and J. Dieter. You are all angels on earth. A celebration of Life was held at the Apple Valley American Legion Post #1776 on Thursday, July 19th from 1:00-4:00 PM. The ceremony was at 3:00 PM.



JAMES TILEY "Jim" WILLIAMS (USAF, MSgt-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, December 19, 2018, at home in Corriganville, Maryland at the age of 84. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related Pulmonary Fibrosis. He was born on October 4, 1934 in Eckhart Mines, Maryland to the late John Evan and Regina (née Groter) Williams. He was also preceded in death by his first wife, Virginia (née Spataro) Williams; his sisters: Anna Williams, Hulda Sutherland, and Elizabeth Riley; and two brothers: Joseph Williams and John Williams, Jr. Jim attended Saint Michael School and graduate from La Salle High School. After graduation, he enlisted in the United States Air Force. He served at Nellis AFB, Nevada; San Antonio, TX, Zweibrucken and Frankfurt Germany, Vietnam, Loring AFB Maine, NSA at Fort Meade, MD, and the Pentagon. After a distinguished military career, Jim retired with over 20 years of service attaining the rank of Master Sergeant. Jim followed his military career with 22 years of

employment at Allegany College in Data Processing. He also taught at Allegany College and received his own Associate Degree as well. Jim held *lifetime memberships* in Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172, VFW, American Legion, AMVETS, DAV, TREA, and Air Force Sergeant's Association. Jim was a volunteer at the VA Cumberland Based Outpatient Clinic. Jim was fondly known as the "the man at the wall," in the iconic painting, "Reflections," by Lee Teter. He was the artist's model depicting a pained veteran at the Vietnam Memorial "The Wall." His daughters will remember him as the cherished father who has always been there for them. Jim filled a void for his girls, who, at a tender age, dealt with the untimely death of their mother. His friends and fellow Vietnam veterans respect him for his dedication and the strong bonds and friendships they shared. He touched many lives in the VVA Color Guard as the member who presented the flag to many families of deceased veterans at military funerals. He was known for his patriotism and his love of country and his devotion to the veterans who served. Surviving are his wife, Laura (née Green) Williams; and his daughters: Regina "Geni" Newell (David), Bowie, MD; Loretta "Lori" Kline (Gary), Eckhart, MD; Joanne "Joni" Parham (Jamie), Chester, VA; and Elizabeth "Libi" Williams-Ziler, Cumberland, MD. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. Jim is also survived by his stepsons: Jesse Broadwater (Kathy); Lucas Broadwater (Brittany); and Joshua Broadwater (Janaina); and his faithful friend: Chip Sours, who was like a son. Friends were received at the Adams Family Funeral Home, P.A., 404 Decatur Street, Cumberland, MD, on Friday, December 21, 2018, from 3:00 to 5:00 PM, and from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. A funeral service was conducted at the funeral home on Saturday, December 22, 2018, at 1:00 PM, with Reverend Harry Burchell officiating. Interment was in Saint Michael Cemetery, Frostburg, MD, with military honors accorded by the Vietnam Veterans of American Chapter #172 Color Guard.



JOSEPH L. "Joe" WILSON - Died Tuesday, November 27, 2018 at the Emogene Dolin Jones Hospice House of Huntington, West Virginia at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 22, 1946 in Huntington to the late Charles Wilson and Sara (née Sibley) *"Tootie"* Wilson. Joe was a veteran of the United States Air Force and retired with twenty years of service from the West Virginia Army National Guard. He was also a member of the West Virginia State Council of Vietnam Veterans, the American Legion Post #16 of Huntington and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Huntington Chapter #949**. Survivors include his wife of 22 ½ years, Frema Wilson; two sons, Charles Robert Wilson and Joseph S. Wilson; a daughter and son in law Jennifer and Thurston Tabor all of Huntington; two stepsons and their spouses, Ivan and Rachael Dixon of North Carolina and Scott and Kim Dixon of Utah; thirteen grandchildren; brother Terry Wilson of Texas and sister and brother-in-law Sara and Richard Noonan of California. Friends visited from 6:00 to 8:00 PM on Friday at the Reger Funeral Home. Funeral services were conducted at 11:00 AM on Saturday at the Reger Funeral Chapel by Ivan Dixon. The burial was in the Woodmere Memorial Park, Huntington. Online condolences may be made to the family at www.regerfh.com.



JIMMY RAY WINGATE, JR. - Died the morning of Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at the Baptist Medical Center in Jacksonville, Florida at the age of 73. He was a resident of Fernandina Beach, Florida. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 12, 1945. Ray, Jr. as he was affectionately known to family and friends had a closeness to nature, fond of hunting and fishing, cars and racing; he was a proclaimed country boy who enjoyed getting dirt on his hands and feet and disliked formality. Mischief and mayhem followed Ray wherever he went, though he led with a strong will and a stronger heart, despite a long-time battle with a congenital heart condition. He was a proud veteran of the United States Army, having served overseas in Vietnam. Upon his return found his way to Amelia Island, where he made it his home for more than 45 years. He was a long-time employee of ITT Rayonier, where he worked for over 30 years. Ray was a dedicated member of several clubs and organizations, including a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Hillard Chapter #1088, the American Legion, and recently the "Ole Farts Club," where he'd meet for breakfast at the local Krystal's. Ray is survived by his eldest daughter Nicole; his youngest daughter Meghan; siblings Karen Creal of Huntsville, Alabama; Jack Wingate of Birmingham, Alabama; younger half-siblings: Theresa Morgan of Jacksonville, Donna Milks and Paul Milks both of Orlando; step-brothers Mike Wingate of Orange Park and Don Wingate of Vidalia, Georgia; and step-mother Patricia Wingate of Fleming Island. He was the son of Raymond Wingate and Jimmie Wilson Cooper both of whom preceded him in death. Ray leaves behind a legacy of friendship and generosity felt by all who knew him. Memorial Services were held at the Jacksonville National Cemetery. Services were held on July 6th at 10:00 AM and ended around 11:00 AM.



TIMOTHY A. *"Tim"* **WIRKUS** – Died Saturday, November 10, 2018 in Birmingham, Michigan at the age of 71. The cause of death was unknown. He was born on August 9, 1947 and raised on Detroit's East side by his mother Josephine and father Thaddeus (a WWII veteran), along with his younger brother and sister, Steve and Julie. Tim attended Wilbur Wright High School where he excelled at math and electronics, graduating in 1965. With the conflict in Vietnam escalating and almost a guaranteed pick in the draft lottery, Tim decided to enlist in the United States Air Force - a place where he could both serve his country while also continuing his education in electronics. Shortly before shipping off to basic training he would marry his high school girlfriend, Elaine Porvaznik. Upon completion of basic training and technical schools, Tim shipped off to Southeast Asia for his first tour of duty. He was assigned to the 355 Tactical Fighter Wing in Thailand, and his primary duties were weapons loader on B-52 bombers and electronics technician on the F-105 Thunderchief. After spending nearly a year away from his home and new bride, Tim returned to Michigan and was stationed in the Upper Peninsula at Kincheloe Airbase. It was here where his daughter Carole was born in 1968. Shortly after, Tim would once again answer the call to serve his country and return to Vietnam for a second tour. This deployment would last 11 months and, upon rotation back to MI, he was honorably discharged from the Air Force. Tim and Elaine eventually left the U.P. and settled in Detroit's westside. In 1972, his son Kevin was born. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Clinton Township Chapter #154. Over the next 20+ years, Tim worked as an electronics technician for Remington Rand/Kardex corporation where he traveled the world and became an expert on the lektriever, a large computerized filing system. During these years, Tim would volunteer countless hours to his children's schools and sports teams, boy scouts, and other community efforts. Tim's selflessness was immeasurable, never seeking praise or reward for his efforts. Tim and Elaine divorced in 1991 and, shortly after, he married Anne Jones. They were married for 10 years. Tim retired from Kardex in the early 2000's but continued serving his community by volunteering with the Southfield Police Dept Parking Enforcement. Tim's favorite response to those claiming they were only parked illegally in a handicapped spot for a couple minutes - "well it only took me 30 seconds to write this ticket!" In 2011, Tim met Lori Smith while working with the Southfield Emergency Management Department. They fell in love almost instantly and began dating. Tim and Lori, along with her children, Brett, Tyler and Ashley, spent eight wonderful years together. As a skilled technician and car enthusiast, naturally he enjoyed working on automobiles and spent a lot of time helping the kids out with their cars and giving them advice. The family also went on many vacations together and loved to travel to places like Disneyworld and Myrtle Beach. Tim cared for Lori's children as if they were his own, and he loved them very much. Tim and Lori shared a special bond, enjoying going to the movies and concerts, riding their bikes and taking long walks with their four-legged family members, Max and Bella. Tim's love for his country has been a mainstay throughout his life. He joined multiple veteran organizations and became an advocate for returning veterans seeking assistance. It was a passion that would drive him until his final days. In 2011, Tim helped a group fight to open a veterans' outpost at Detroit Metro Airport offering comfort to traveling servicemen and women on layovers in DTW. The Freedom Center would become a second home for Tim, volunteering almost continuously for the next seven years. As most of you know, it was at the Freedom Center welcome desk that Tim spent his final conscious moments on earth. Tim touched so many lives during his time with us it is futile to take count. His love for country and service is an inspiration from which we can all take notice. There is no doubt Tim was as filled with happiness, satisfaction, and joy when he passed, spending every available moment he had either with his love Lori or serving the community he called home. He was the fiancé of Lori Smith; loving father of Kevin (Joice) and Carole Reilly; grandfather of Nicole Reilly, and; brother of Steve Wirkus (Diane) and Julia Sanscharewsky (George). The family received friends on Tuesday from 4:00-8:00 PM and on Wednesday from 2:00 PM until the service at 7:30 PM at the A.J. Desmond and Sons (Vasu, Rodgers & Connell Chapel), 32515 Woodward (between 13-14 Mile Roads).



DEAN BERNARD ZEMBSCH - Died Tuesday, June 19, 2018 in Reeds Spring, Missouri at the age of 85. The cause of death is unknown. He entered this world June 21, 1932 in Cherokee, Iowa to the late Bernard and Altha Zembsch. Dean moved to Missouri forty years ago. Dean proudly served our country in the United States Army during the Korean War. He was a member of the Elks, VFW, and American Legion. He was a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America - Kimberling City Chapter #1119. He loved having friends, boating, fishing, hunting, and camping. An honorable man, Dean will be missed and memories of him will be cherished. Dean is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Iva Zembsch; and three brothers: Howard Zembsch, Bob Zembsch, and Leroy Zembsch. Dean is survived by his daughter, Dian Moon; a son, Danny D. Zembsch; five grandchildren: Richard Woolley, Heather Nystrom, Justin Zembsch, Brandon Zembsch, and Jenny Jones; five great-grandchildren: Bailey, Brody, Brogan, Makenzie, and Madison; sister, Jean Florke and family; a brother, Bill Zembsch and family; and friend, Connie Frobenius. A memorial service was held at 3:00 PM on Saturday, June 23, 2018 at the Elks Lodge in Kimberling City, Missouri. Inurnment with full military honors was held at 12:00 Noon on Monday, July 9, 2018 at the Missouri Veterans Cemetery in Springfield, Missouri. То leave an online condolence, please visit www.cremationsoftheozarks.com. The arrangements and cremation were under the direction of Cremations of the Ozarks.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD! AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM! MAY THEY REST IN PEACE! AMEN! Spencer MAY THEIR SOULS AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE! AMEN! FATHER PHILIP G. SALOIS, M.S.

National Chaplain