



PAUL F. ANDERSON - Died Saturday, August 29, 2020, in Salina, Kansas, at the age of 78. The cause of death was a ruptured appendix, Agent Orange-related cancer liver failure and multiple organ failure. He was born in Chanute, Kansas, on March 20, 1942, to the late Ernest and Georgena Anderson and had many fond memories of his years growing up there with his younger brother, Ronnie. Paul was the first in his family to attend and graduate from college, earning a degree in Education from The University of Kansas. At KU he worked as an athletic trainer helping hundreds of athletes and sparking a lifelong passion for Jayhawks sports. After college he enlisted in the United States Navy as a Hospital Corpsman on the USS Sanctuary and the *USS Kitty Hawk* where he served in Vietnam. Following his time in the military, he taught and coached at Clifton Clyde before moving into the field of medical sales, retiring from Zimmer after a 40+ year career. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Salina Chapter #809**. While attending KU he met the love of his life, Marcia. They were married for 55 years and the proud parents of Lisa, Charles and Matt. Paul raised three children by guiding them through the challenges of life and with his love and support. He was member of the First Presbyterian Church of Salina where he served as an elder. He also enjoyed working as a volunteer with the VFW and Scouts as well as his lifelong interest in track and field as a fan, participant and coach. One of his proudest accomplishments was completing the Pikes Peak Marathon. Paul was a loving husband, amazing father, proud grandfather, caring great-grandfather and true friend to many. He worked hard his entire life and cared for all. Survivors include wife, Marcia; children, Lisa, of Salina, Charles (Francie), of Denver, and Matthew (Jen), of Chicago; grandchildren, Nathan, Aaron, Regan and Charlie; and two great grandsons. A private memorial service was held for the family on September 8, 2020. Cards may be sent in care of Ryan Mortuary, 137 North 8th Street, Salina, KS 67401. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Salina, The University of Kansas Williams Education Fund, or The Martin and Osa Johnson Safari Museum of Chanute, Kan., in care of Ryan Mortuary.

BENJAMIN D. “Ben” ARMSTRONG – Died Thursday, September 17, 2020 in Middleburg, Florida at the age of 84. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 26, 1936. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Middleburg Chapter #1059**. He was active in his church, Saint John the Divine Greek Orthodox in Jacksonville. He was predeceased by his wife, Parthenopi “Popi” Armstrong and his son, Jimmy. He is survived by his daughters, Susan Armstrong, Angela (Pete) Strathopolous and Natalie (John) Hurley and his many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The Hardage-Giddens Rivermead Funeral Home in Orange Park, Florida. Funeral Mass was held on September 23, 2020 at 11:00 AM at Saint John the Divine Greek Orthodox Church. Visitation was in the funeral home on September 22nd from 5:00-7:00 PM. The burial was private in the Jacksonville National Cemetery.

RAYMOND ASHBY AYERS – Died Monday, July 20, 2020 in Columbia, South Carolina at the age of 77. The cause of death was LewyBody Dementia. He was born in Charleston on December 5, 1942 to the late Hiram Abiff Ayers and Ruby Mae Proctor (née Gramling) Ayers. He earned a BS in Physics from Clemson College and a Master of Arts in Mathematics from the University of South Carolina. He was a Captain in the United States Army and served overseas during the Vietnam War. He taught mathematics as a grad student and later to soldiers at Fort Jackson and inmates at CCI. He worked as a Computer Programmer and Systems Analyst in the Computer Services Division of the University of South Carolina, where he unabashedly displayed his Clemson decor. He was a long-time member of Spring Valley Baptist Church where he served as a Sunday School teacher, most recently of the BYKOTA Class. He also served on numerous committees including Stewardship, Constitution and Bylaws, and the Student Center Building, member of the Columbia East Camp, and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Columbia Chapter #303**. He loved eating hot sauce, Chen's Chinese, Red Lobster, and Breakfast at Lizard's Thicket. His love language was sarcasm and he loved to pick on those that he loved. He was predeceased by his loving wife of 40 years, Estelle (née Hodge) Ayers and rejoiced in their reunion Monday afternoon. He is survived by his loving son, William Jeffrey Ayers (Amanda), devoted daughter, Dona Maria Ayers, and grandchildren, William Glenn Ayers, Sydney Kathryn Ayers, and Virginia Estelle Ayers, all of Columbia. He is also survived by a brother, Robert Ayers of Orangeburg, and numerous nieces and nephews. The family received friends from 6:00-8:00 PM on Thursday, July 23rd at the Kornegay and Moseley Funeral Home in Northeast Columbia. A private funeral service was held on Friday, July 24th at the Spring Valley Baptist Church. The Reverend Dr. Robert Winburn officiated. The interment followed at the Memorial Gardens of Columbia with military honors. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Gideons International, PO Box 23223, Columbia, SC 29224. The family would like to thank the wonderful staff at Watercrest of Columbia for their loving care and promises kept. Please sign the online guest book and watch the funeral service live streaming by visiting www.kornegayandmoseley.com.

ROBERT L. BAILEY – Died recently in 2020 in Chula Vista, California at the age of 85. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 8, 1935. He is survived by his daughter. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – San Diego Chapter #472**.



HARRY NEAL BALL (USA, LTC-Ret.) - Died Saturday, February 9, 2019 in Castle Pines, Colorado at the age of 91. The cause of death was cancer. Harry was born in Bristol, Tennessee on February 15, 1927 to the late Giles C. Ball and Lena (née Musick) Ball. For years, Harry had fought a long hard battle with several different cancers that all originated from his lung cancer that metastasized. At the end, he could no longer fight it any longer. He died peacefully with friends and family surrounding him in love. He graduated from East Tennessee State University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree and Webster University with a Master of Arts Degree. He retired from the United States Army in 1972 as a Lieutenant Colonel. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – El Paso Chapter #844**. He was married to Helen Patricia Ball for 59 years. He is survived by his wife, Helen Ball, and their two sons: Alan (Lorrie) Ball and Charles (Amy) Ball; grandchildren: Emily, Ashley, Troy, Alivia and Evelyn Ball, and; his brother Freddie (Della) Ball and many nieces and nephews. Family and Friends are invited to a church service on Monday, February 18th at 10:30 AM to be held at Canyons Community Church (address below). The service was followed by a military burial at Fort Logan at 1:00 PM. In lieu of flowers the family asks for contributions in Memory of Harry N. Ball be sent to: Canyons Community Church, 4825 North Crowfoot Valley Road, Castle Rock, CO. 80108 (put Worship Center Fund in the memo on check).



MARK EARL BARKER – Died Wednesday, September 23, 2020 | Elgin, Oklahoma at the age of 80. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on May 14, 1940 in Wichita, Kansas to the late Mark Ernest and Margret (née Lofthouse) Barker. He graduated from Mustang High School in 1956. Mark married Jana Sue Braly on February 7, 1970 in Sterling, OK. The two were married for 50 years. Mark served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He served 10 years as a Special Forces Combat Medic, then graduated from the Officer Candidate School in 1967 at Ft. Sill, serving as a Field Artillery and later Adjutant General officer. Mark served 3 tours in Vietnam, 2 as enlisted and the last as a Battery Commander of A Battery, 2nd Bn, 77th FA. His last overseas assignment was with the Pershing Missile system and 1st Battalion, 81st FA, with his career ending as the Deputy Adjutant General at Ft. Sill where he retired as a Captain in 1977. During his 20 years of service to his country, Mark was awarded the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart along with a list of other medals and accommodations. Mark lived a life of complete servitude, whether that be to his country, his family, the Cedar Lakes and Elgin Volunteer Fire Departments, or as a deacon and Sunday school teacher at Locust Grove Baptist Church. He was a member of the American Legion Post #306 in Fletcher where he held American Legion offices of: Post Commander (13 years), District Commander, Department Vice Commander (West), and

Chairman of the Department Internal Affairs Committee. He was a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post #8580 in Elgin, a member of the Black Jack Chapter of the Pershing Professionals, a member of the Field Artillery OCS Alumni, a member of the Board of Directors of Oklahoma Honor Flights, Inc. 2007 to 2018, and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**. He is survived by his wife, Jana Barker, of the home; three daughters: Dawn Lyon and her husband Joe, of NC, Janette Nassaney and her husband George, of Altus, and Julie Mathews and her husband Mike, of Fletcher; one brother, Harold Barker, of NY; four sisters: Juanita Tylor, of WA, Dina Lauren, of OR, Phyllis Hull, of WA, and Doris Barker, of WA; sixteen grandchildren: Morgan and William Gafney, Jordan and Ashtin Nassaney, Jaret and Maclay Nassaney, Haylee Nassaney, Melissa Nassaney, Taylor and Laura Mathews, Brianne and Michael Kollmorgen, and Dallas and Mary Mathews; and seven great-grandchildren: Braedon and Jacob Lyon, Jace Nassaney, Copen Mathews, Abigail Foster, Easton Mathews, and Beau Mathews. He was preceded in death by his parents: Mark and Margret Barker; his brother, Wayne Barker; and his son, Andrew James Barker. The funeral service was held at 11:00 AM on Monday, September 28, 2020 at the Locust Grove Baptist Church. The burial was at the Fort Sill National Cemetery under the direction of the Elgin Funeral Home. Visitation was held on Friday from 12:00 Noon until 8:00 PM on Saturday from 9:00 AM until 8:00 PM, and on Sunday from 1:00 until 8:00 PM at the funeral home. The family greeted friends on Sunday from 6:00 until 8:00 PM at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the American Legion Post #306 Boys State and Oratorical Program.



GARY WAYNE BARRINGER – Died Friday, September 18, 2020 in Rockwell, North Carolina at the age of 72. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related myelodoplastic syndrome (MDS), multiple myeloma. He was born on September 24, 1947 in Stanley County, North Carolina to the late Glenn William Barringer and Lillian Margaret (née Taylor) Barringer. Mr. Barringer was a 1965 graduate of East Rowan High School and graduated from Rowan Technical College in 1966 where he received a degree as a Machinist. He was a Vietnam Veteran, serving in the United States Army. During his time in the Army, he served aboard the USS Corpus Christi Bay as a helicopter mechanic. After his four years of service in the Army, he began a 30 plus year career with the North Carolina National Guard where he also worked in helicopter maintenance and later in ground maintenance, retiring at the rank of Staff Sergeant. During his service in the National Guard he was deployed throughout the state with different assignments over the years. Following his retirement from the National Guard, he worked for Norfolk-Southern and P&G and ASG Security companies. Mr. Barringer was active in his community and in numerous veteran organizations. He was a member of Sloan Lake Community Church where he served as a trustee and was a member of Rockwell Rural Fire Department where he served for more than 30 years. Mr. Barringer was a member of American Legion Post #327 in Faith and held lifetime memberships with Rockwell AMVETS Post #845, DAV Chapter #96 in Salisbury, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kannapolis Chapter #909** in Concord and Vanhoy-Sells VFW Post #9134 in Rockwell. Additionally he served as the National Assistant Sergeant at

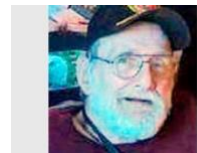
Arms of the VFW for 22 years, was the Department Commander for the State of North Carolina VFW from 1993 to 1994, served as state Color Guard Captain for over 40 years, was a former member of the Rowan County Honor Guard, and served as president of the Rowan VA Voluntary Services at W.G. Hefner VA Medical Center. For all of his hard work and dedication, Mr. Barringer was named Rowan County Veteran of the Year for 2017-2018. He is survived by his wife Brenda (née Morgan) Barringer, whom he married November 10, 1979; children, Ron McClure, Jr. (Melissa) of Rockwell, Donna McClure DeVos (David) of Rockwell, Gary Wayne Barringer, Jr. of Iron Station, Rita Michelle Barringer of Lincolnton, Margaret Barringer Shute (David) of Rockwell, and William Kenneth Barringer of Rockwell; grandchildren, Marty McClure, Tiffany McClure, Amanda Brattain (Matt), Aaron McClure, Brandon DeVos (Marybeth), Nick DeVos, Kali Reavis (Wayne), Kimberly Barringer, Dakota Barringer, Chelsea Garwood (Tommy), Austin Shook, O'Shannus Perry (Tyler), Gathen Wood, Destiny Barringer, Bonnie Holt, and Jacob Holt; and four great-grandchildren. The family greeted friends and relatives on Tuesday, September 29th from 5:00-7:00 PM at the Sloan Lake Community Church in China Grove. The funeral service was at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, at the church, with Reverend Zach Sizemore officiating. The burial with Military Graveside Rites was held at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, September 30th at the Salisbury National Cemetery, 501 Statesville Boulevard, Salisbury, NC 28144. Due to his longtime membership and dedication, the family asked that memorials may be sent to the Vanhoy-Sells VFW Post #9134, 302 Laurel Valley Way, Salisbury, NC 28144.



JERRY LEE “Bull” BAYLOR - Died Thursday, August 27, 2020 at the VA Hospital in Oakland at the age of 73. He was a resident of Leechburg, Allegheny Township, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was UTI chronic ulcers, sepsis and respiratory failure. Bull was born on December 30, 1946 in Tarentum, Pennsylvania to the late Fred and Alma Baylor. He is survived by his significant other, Alicia Pastva; his brother Bill, who was his neighbor; and his nephew, Billy Baylor. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Bob and Joe, a sister Janet, and his ex-wife, Cindy Carpen. Bull was a Kiski Area graduate of the Class of 1965. Bull was employed by Allegheny Ludlum until his motorcycle accident in 1980. He was also co-owner of the Vandergrift Harley-Davidson Shop. One of his most valued experiences was his time in the United States Marine Corps. He was stationed in Vietnam in 1967 as a demolition expert and in his spare time he wrote poetry about his Vietnam experiences for Leatherneck Magazine. When he came home, he upheld the Marine Corps motto “Once a Marine, Always a Marine” to his dying day. For 14 years, he volunteered at the Heinz VA in Pittsburgh, logging 5727 hours helping fellow veterans by sharing his genuine compassion and concern for them, touching countless lives forever. He was a member of the VFW Post #566 in Vandergrift, American Legion Post #114 in Vandergrift, Marine Corps League Detachment #827 of Springdale, Keystone Chapter of Paralyzed Veterans, lifetime member of Roaring Run Watershed Association, and Staff Writer for Wright-McGill. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862*. Bull enjoyed hunting and fishing, especially cat fishing, which he wrote about for a PA cat fishing magazine. He attained

the level of Master Cat Fisherman. After his terrible motorcycle accident in 1980, he became a quadriplegic, yet this did not slow him down. Less than a year after the accident, he was competing around the United States in various wheelchair track and field meets. He has an entire room in his house filled with his trophies and medals to prove it. Bull also branched out into full marathons around the country and wheelchair rugby, which he truly loved. In his downtime, he was a ravenous reader and a very proficient painter. Bull was such a charismatic figure that he drew people to him no matter where he went. He really enjoyed getting together with his friends for breakfast and other social events. Last, but not least, he was a true fan of Mr. Bob Dylan. He could sing to you, word-for-word, any of Dylan's songs. Bull is now "Blowin' in the Wind." He will be greatly missed by family and friends. Semper Fi, Brother! Friends were welcomed by his family on Sunday, August 30, 2020 from 1:00-5:00 PM at the Clawson Funeral and Cremation Center, 170 Main Street, Leechburg. All visitors were asked to respectfully follow current state guidelines concerning pandemic measures of required face coverings, social distancing and gathering restrictions. Private interment was held at the Greenwood Memorial Park in Lower Burrell. Military rites were conducted by the Vandergrift Veterans Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers, donations in his name may be made to Alicia Pastva, c/o Clawson Funeral and Cremation Center.

GARRY C. BECHTEL - Died Monday, October 5, 2020 at his home in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania at the age 77. The cause of death is unknown. Garry was born in Hershey, Pennsylvania on November 19, 1942 to the late Clyde and Henrietta Bechtel. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War, serving with the United States Air Force. He was retired from the New Cumberland Army Depot, where he was an aircraft mechanic for 15 years and 15 years in Navy Supply Depot. He was a member of Saint Thomas United Church of Christ. He was a member of Woodsmen of the World Hershey Lodge #364, William S. Snyder Masonic Lodge #756, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Harrisburg Chapter #542*, Shellsville VFW #9639, American Legion Post #265 Hummelstown and Hershey Italian Lodge. He enjoyed golf, hunting and square dancing. Garry was predeceased by his wives, Faye L. Bechtel and Bonnie Bechtel, and his stepdaughters, Theresa L. Slaseman and Vickie Powley. Garry is survived by his son, Jordan (Heather) Irvin; his grandchildren, Meredith, Lydia, and Katie; his son-in-law, Erroy Slaseman; his aunt, Faye (Al) Alleman. Funeral Services, due to the COVID restrictions, was private for the immediate family. A Visitation was held on Monday, October 12, 2020, from 2:00 to 3:00 PM at the Hoover Funeral Homes and Crematory, Inc., 6011 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg. Those wishing to attend, please wear masks and adhere to the social distancing and other restrictions. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Michael J. Novosel Foundation, 104 Olde Manor Lane, Moon Township, PA 15108.



ROBERT W. "Bob" BECK - Died Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at the age of 77, after several years as a disabled/permanent resident of the West Virginia Veteran's Nursing Home located in Clarksburg, West Virginia. He was formerly of Salem, West Virginia and Weston, West Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. Bob was born on October 13, 1942 in Cleveland, Ohio, moved to

Minnesota and grew up in Mound with his parents, the late Carl Axel and Christine Beck and his brother James Beck (Jim). After graduating from the Mound High School class of 1960, Bob chose to honor his love of country by enlisting in the United States Marine Corps. While stationed at various Marine bases from Virginia to California (Camp Pendleton), he served multiple tours of duty including Vietnam. Bob was awarded several honors including 3 Purple Hearts for injuries received during combat. Due to severe injuries sustained in combat, Bob retired as a Staff Sergeant with the 1st Tank Battalion, 1st Marine Division after 14 years of active duty and faithful service. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Weston Chapter #906**. After spending considerable time in the Walter Reed Medical Military Facility in Washington DC for combat related injuries, Bob was able to move out of the hospital and on May 29, 1975 Bob married the love of his life, Betty L. Daniel (Beck) in Dumfries, VA. After several years of independent living with his wife Betty, Bob was forced to take up permanent residency at the WV Veteran's Home due to continued degradation of his medical condition from combat injuries. Bob was preceded in death by his wife of 27 years Betty Beck as well as his stepson James C. Hurst. Bob is survived by his brother James Beck and his wife Connie as well as their children: David Beck and his wife Jen, Steven Beck and his wife Merry together with their children, all of which are residents of Minneapolis, MN. He is also survived by five step-children: John Brooks; Bill Brooks and his wife Betty; Charleen and husband Don; Cathy Stout and husband Mike; Mike Carmella and husband Charles all of Weston, WV; eleven grandchildren as well as numerous great-grandchildren. Private family funeral services were held at Hardman Family Funeral Home in Weston, WV on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 with Reverend Martin Wine officiating. The interment was at Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens; full military honors were provided by the United States Marine Corp as well as the Lewis County Honor Guard.



JAMES HERMAN "Jim" BEHRENS - Died Wednesday September 2, 2020 in Seneca, South Carolina at the age of 77. The cause of death was a heart attack, obesity, high blood pressure and diabetes mellitus-type II. He was born in Alton, Illinois on February 9, 1943 to the late Raphael and Rose Behrens. He was also predeceased by his brother Joe Behrens and his beloved wife, Pauline. Jim is Survived by a brother, Bill Behrens; a sister, Sarah Kinder, and; two sons, Christopher Behrens and Anthony Behrens. Jim Retired from Clemson University Computer Center as Operations Manager. Jim was also a United States Navy Veteran. He was a member of The American Legion and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Walhalla Chapter #1017**. There was a visitation service on Monday September 7, 2020 from 6:00-8:00 PM. A Private Grave Side Service was on Tuesday September 8, 2020 at 1:00 PM at Oconee Memorial Park. The Keowee Funeral Services assisted the family.

JAMES JOHN "Jack" BICKLEY - Died Tuesday, September 15, 2020 in Columbus, Ohio at the age of 73. He was a resident of Heath, Ohio. That cause of death was head trauma resulting from a fall. He was born on October 5, 1946 in Athens, Ohio to the late James and Mona (née Vore) Bickley. He was a disabled United States Army Veteran and was a member of the Murray City America Legion Post #420, a lifetime member of Jacksonville VFW Post #9866, a *Life Member* of

the **Vietnam Veterans of America - Newark Chapter #55** and a member of the DAV of Newark. Jack was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting and fishing. He is survived by his wife, Darla (née Cook) Bickley of Heath; three sons, Danny (Lea) Bickley of Glouster, Jeffrey (Jessica) Bickley of Glouster, and James (Jessica) Bickley of Newark; a foster daughter, Jill Kinnison Richmond of Murray City; eight grandchildren; a brother, Terry Bickley of Glouster; a sister, Jeana (Raymond) Stiltner of Westerville; his mother-in-law, Dee Cook of Murray City; a sister-in-law, Waveline Snyder of Glouster; brothers-in-law, Hank (Shirley) Cook and Donnie (Terri) Cook, both of Murray City; and several nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Snyder; and his father-in-law, Don Cook. Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Saturday September 19, 2020 at the Morrison Funeral Chapel, Glouster-Bishopville with Pastor Robert Buchman officiating. There was a military service conducted by the Combined Color Guard Unit and the United States Army. Friends called at the funeral home on Saturday from 12:00 Noon until the time of service. A message of comfort may be sent to the family at www.morrisonfc.com.



JOHN L. BONVILLIAN - Died Thursday, August 20, 2020 at Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home in Fort Wayne, Indiana at the age of 69 surrounded by his loving family. He was a resident of Hartford City, Indiana. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on Tuesday, May 29, 1951, in Coldwater, Ohio to the late Richard W. and Delores (née Stein) Bonvillian. John was a 1969 graduate of Fort Recovery High School. After high school, John was drafted into the United States Army and served his country in the 79th Transportation during the Vietnam Campaign from 1971-1972. John married Nancy Stwarka on April 30, 1977 in Cincinnati, OH; They settled in Blackford County and enjoyed raising their two sons, Zachary and Samuel. After graduating summa cum laude from Choo U, John worked as an Engineer for Norfolk Southern Railway. After 42 years, 8 months, and 2 days riding the rails John retired on May 31, 2011 with a perfect safety record. John was an avid petroleum, gas, and railroad collector. His passion led to many wonderful stories about his collection, he was often quoted saying: "I hate to see anything go to the landfill". John enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his two grandchildren, Noah and Bailey. John and his wife Nancy are longtime members of the Saint John Catholic Church. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Indiana**. Loving survivors include his wife of 43 years, Nancy Bonvillian, Hartford City, IN, Son - Zachary (Megan) Bonvillian, Seattle, WA, Son - Samuel (Kayla) Bonvillian, Fishers, IN, Grandson - Noah Bonvillian, Granddaughter - Bailey Bonvillian, Brother - Richard (Karen) Bonvillian, Jr., Fort Recovery, OH, Brother - Randy Bonvillian, Ft. Recovery, OH, Brother - Rod Bonvillian, Minnesota, and Sister - Tara Stein, Portland, IN. He was preceded in death by his Father - Richard W. Bonvillian, Mother - Delores (Stein) Bonvillian and Brother - Robert Bonvillian. Family and friends gathered to share and remember at Walker and Glancy Funeral Home, 109 West Windsor Street, Montpelier, on Wednesday, August 26, 2020 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM and from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM at Walker and Glancy Funeral Home on Thursday, August 27, 2020 before Mass. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at Saint John Catholic Church, 209 South Spring Street, Hartford City at 11:00 AM on

Thursday, August 27, 2020 with Father Bob Moran officiating. The interment was in the Hartford City Cemetery in Hartford City. Military honors were conducted at the graveside. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Blackford Community Foundation, P.O. Box 327, Hartford City, IN 47348. The arrangements were being handled by the Walker and Glancy Funeral Home in Montpelier.



JAMES G. "Jim" BOOTS, SR. - Died unexpectedly Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at his residence in Beaver Falls, North Sewickley Township, Pennsylvania at the age of 75. The cause of death was as accidental fall in the bathroom which led to blunt force trauma to the head and neck. He was born on July 17, 1945 in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania to the late Wilbur and Eleanor (née Koach) Boots. He was married to the love of his life, Susan (née Hammerle) Boots for 50 years, she survives. Jim was a 1965 graduate of Riverside High School. An accomplished athlete, he set Riverside's long jump record and held it for over 37 years. He was an avid golfer and loved to play with his best friends and his son. Jim was also an avid Cleveland sports fan and loved to watch the Indians, Cavaliers and Browns. His dedication was rewarded with the 2016 NBA championship and he was awarded the opportunity to throw out the first pitch for the Cleveland Indians on September 11, 2017. He was an active member of the Concord United Methodist Church, where he served on various committees. He served in the United States Army. A decorated Vietnam Veteran, Jim received the Silver and Bronze Stars and the Purple Heart during his service. He was inducted into the Soldiers and Sailors Hall of Valor in Pittsburgh in 2013. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. He worked and retired from Conrail in Conway, where he was a train conductor for 23 years. He enjoyed watching old westerns on TV and reading about presidential and military history. He kept the Bible next to his favorite chair so he could read from it daily. His family and his grandchildren were his entire world. Nothing made him happier than to spend time with his family and watch his grandchildren participate in all of their activities. He especially loved ice cream!! His smile, laughter and genuine warm demeanor welcomed everyone he met. Jim always made people feel good for having been around him and he left a lasting impression on all he knew. Surviving with his wife Susan, are a son, James (Kim) Boots Jr, daughter, Jennifer (Robert) Zupaneck, all of Boardman, Ohio; two brothers, Wilbur (Mary Jane) Boots of Fombell, Donald Boots of West Pittsburg; and four grandchildren, Caleb, Sarah, Ethan, and Connor. Visiting hours were held on Sunday, August 2nd from 1:00-3:00 and from 5:00 PM until the time of the funeral service at 7:00 PM at the Marshall Funeral Home, Ellwood City. Please adhere to Covid-19 protocol and wear a mask. Pastor Chris Kindle officiates. Private interment took place in the Concord United Methodist Church Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be made to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online condolences may be sent to marshallsfh.com.



MARY BELLE BORDER - Died Saturday, July 4, 2020 at her sister's residence in Burlington, West Virginia at the age of 76. She was a resident of Short Gap, West Virginia and Ridgeley, West Virginia. The cause of death was multiple myeloma. She was born on April 3, 1944 in Cumberland, Maryland to the late Harvey Jacob and Lona Alice (née Teter) Border. Mary was retired from Kelco Credit Union, Cumberland, and served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. She was a member of Mount Zion Church, Knobley Road, Keyser and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Cumberland Chapter #172**. Surviving are three sisters, Ruth Clark, of Cumberland, Pauline Shanholtz, of Short Gap, and Fay Elza and husband, Charles, of Burlington; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. At Mary's request, her body was donated to the WV Human Gift Registry, Morgantown, W.Va. The family extends a special thank you to WVU Medicine Hospice for their excellent and compassionate care of Mary during her last days. The Smith Funeral Home, Burlington Chapel, assisted the family with the arrangements. Condolences and personal reflections to the family may be left after Mary's obituary at smithfuneralhomes.net.



WILLIAM J. "Bill" BOYES, JR. - Died Monday, February 10, 2020 at Nazareth Hospital after a long illness at the age of 73. He was a resident of Bensalem, Pennsylvania and formerly of Mayfair, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 28, 1946 in Mayfair. Bill served as a United States Army Radio Specialist in Vietnam from March of 1966 to March of 1967. When he returned home, he went to work for SEPTA as a trolley driver and later transferred to the High-Speed Division where he spent most of his working years as a Supervisor on the Market Frankford El. He truly enjoyed his trains. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pennsylvania**. Bill loved sports and especially his Eagles and his Phillies. He was a diehard supporter of both whether they were winning or losing. There was no jumping on and off the bandwagon. Bill stepped on at a young age and stayed on for the rest of his life. He had many happy vacations, but his favorites were traveling in the RV. A month-long campground vacation in Clearwater for Phillies Spring Training was a dream fulfilled for both him and his wife. Bill had many great friends, with whom he loved spending time but his family was the most important thing in his life and he always felt blessed by the wonderful children he raised, their spouses and grandchildren who always brought him nothing but pride. He will be missed by all but has left a legacy of beautiful memories for everyone to enjoy. He was the beloved husband of Elizabeth M. (née Van Leer) Boyes; devoted father of Billy (Stephanie), Terry Sharp (Patrick) and Michael (Amy); loving Pop of Emily, Maddison, Christopher, Morgan, Maggie, Patrick, Samantha and Katie; dear brother of Michael Boyes (Rosemarie), Thomas Boyes (Beverly) and the late Steven Boyes. Also survived by his numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. Relatives and Friends were invited to attend his viewing Sunday Evening, February 16, 2020 from 6:00 – 8:00

PM at the John F. Fluehr and Sons, Inc. 3301-15 Cottman Avenue, Philadelphia PA and his Funeral on Monday Morning, February 17, 2020 at 9:30 AM followed by his Funeral Service 11:00 AM. The interment was held privately in Washington's Crossing National Cemetery at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Bill's memory to the Wounded Warriors Project P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675 would be appreciated.



SHAUN MICHAEL BRANON - He Died peacefully Sunday, July 5, 2020 in Saint Albans, Vermont at the age of 76, surrounded by his loving wife and soulmate of 55 years and his children, who cared for him throughout his illness. Shaun fought a long and courageous battle with a complicated pancreatic disorder that started in December 2011. Shaun was born on June 5, 1944 and raised on his parent's dairy and maple sugaring farm in Fairfield, Vermont, son of the late Edward Francis Branon II and Margaret (née Mulcahy) Branon. He was a devoted husband to Dede (née Cushman) Branon and the proud father, generous provider and teacher to four children and their spouses: Deirdre and Eric Pierce of Essex Junction, VT; Shaun II and Katherine Branon of East Greenbush, NY; Kerry Branon and Lisa Witzke of Durham, NC; and Colin and Katie Branon of Georgia, VT as well as eight adoring grandchildren who knew him as "Papa Branon": Cameron Pierce, Mallory Pierce, Shaun Branon III, Sam Branon, Abby Branon, Delia Branon, Isabella Branon and Deane Branon. Shaun lived in the moment. A man of principle, he exemplified the values of honor, sacrifice, integrity, following through on commitments and helping the less fortunate. He had a raw presence defined wholly by humility and humanity. Shaun was one of ten children and leaves behind each of his nine siblings: Edward Branon III of Fairfield, VT; Mary Kay Larson (Branon) of Ithaca, NY; Daniel Branon of Fairfield, VT; Ann Branon of Fairfield, VT; Timothy Branon of Fairfield, VT; Thomas Branon of Fairfield, VT; Jane Landry (Branon) of Fairfield, VT; Patricia Branon of Fairfield, VT; and Colleen Angelino (Branon) of Chicago, IL and countless cousins, nephews, nieces and cherished friends. He received his bachelor's degree from St. Michael's College in 1966, following in the footsteps of his father and several other Branon's. Shaun married the love of his life on July 15, 1967, 17 days before leaving to serve his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War from 1967 to 1968. His friends and family looked up to him as a role model and source of strength, camaraderie and humor. He was considered the patriarch of the Branon family and informally called the Mayor of Rutland for years and more recently the Mayor of St. Albans. One of his favorite events was the Branon Family Reunion held every five years; Shaun was instrumental in its planning and coordination, which more than 300 Branon's would attend. He was very honored to be a Branon and focused considerable time and energy in ensuring the family traditions continued. Shaun was a proud veteran of the United States Army having volunteered for the draft and served in Vietnam from 1967-1968. He worked for General Electric for 36+ years as a Human Resources Leader. Shaun started his career in Trenton, NJ and moved to Levittown, PA, Pittsfield, MA and Rutland, VT with one child born with each move. A devout Catholic, school board member and generous donor for Christ the King and Mount Saint Joseph Academy, Shaun was an active

member of his community, having devoted countless hours to volunteer activities. Most notably he led the Rutland chapter of the GE Elfun Society. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Albans Chapter #753**. He also served on the board of The Dodge House and VT Catholic Charities. Shaun was an avid outdoorsman. His idea of paradise was a day spent on one of Vermont's pristine ponds with his wife and a couple of lines in the water, filling their canoe and freezer with yellow perch for family fish fries. From the first day of deer season until the sap stopped running, you would find him hunting, boiling and bringing good cheer on the family farm with his beaming smile and deep all-knowing belly laugh. Shaun also loved snowmobiling with his sons, family and friends and there won't be a future trip where he won't be deeply missed. He traveled to Vietnam, Thailand, Ireland, Italy, Hawaii, Mexico, and Alaska but his favorite place on Earth was Fairfield, VT. Shaun had a magnetic and fun-loving personality. He maintained hope and a positive outlook on life even in the face of adversity and shared an incessant sense of adventure and excitement. His contagious laugh, witty personality and famous words of wisdom like, "Everything is AOK," "Keep your stick on the ice," and "It doesn't get any better than this," will be forever cherished. Shaun always left things better than he found them and his friends and family are forever grateful for having been in his orbit. On behalf of the Shaun Branon family we would like to thank the amazing Dr. Timothy Gardner and his wonderful team from Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center for his 8.5 years of incredible care and compassion shown to Shaun, Dede and the entire family. Dr Gardner, we are eternally grateful to you for your outstanding, holistic, compassionate care. You are an angel. Services were held at Saint Michael the Archangel Chapel at Saint Michael's College at 810 Campus Road, Colchester, VT with a wake on Sunday, July 12th from 2:00 to 6:00 PM with a Catholic Mass on Monday July 13th at 10:00 AM. A private burial with military honors was at the Vermont Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Randolph, VT at a future date. During calling hours and Mass, social distancing was observed, and all attendees were required to wear a face mask. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Campus Ministry at Saint Michael's College Colchester, VT in Shaun's memory (Class of 1966), where Dede first met her beloved Shaun and the Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center Pancreas Education and Research Fund via Section of Gastroenterology at 1 Medical Center Drive in Lebanon, NH 03756. To send Shaun's family a message of condolence or share a memory, kindly go to his online guest book at www.healdfuneralhome.com.



CHARLES ROGER "Roger" BRITT, SR. – Died Sunday, October 7, 2018 in Bozeman, Montana at the age of 73, after a courageous fight against an incurable disease. The cause of death was multiple myeloma. Roger was born on September 22, 1945 in San Francisco, California. Growing up in Richmond, California, he graduated from Richmond Union High School, attended Contra Costa College, and then entered the United States Army. He served as a Medic during the Vietnam War. After his discharge, he met his loving wife and married in May 1971. In his early years of marriage, Roger decided to become a realtor, a field perfect for his friendliness, charm, and honesty. Roger became a successful realtor and started his own business in Benicia

where he and his family remained for 40 years. During his time in Benicia, Roger participated in Kiwanis, Indian Guides, Babe Ruth and Little League, Board of Realtors, Benicia Board and Chamber of Commerce. Roger and Karen and family moved to Bozeman, Montana, where Roger worked again as a realtor while also finding time to hunt with friends and his son, Chuck. He led his life as a friend to all, giving in every way he could. Whether opening his home to those who needed a place to go or sharing his gifts with many friends, Roger did so with a ready smile, a warm hug, and words of generosity and love. He was a devoted husband to his wife, Karen Britt, their two children, Marian Britt and Charles Jr. (Chuck) Britt. Roger's granddaughter, Lyla Britt, brought joy to him and his family. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Montana**. Roger had a passionate love of hunting, where he traveled with his hunting buddies, seeking deer, elk, moose and waterfowl. He established many more friends on these trips, never forgetting the closeness that develops through such experiences. He also loved spending his time with his family and friends. His family has many fond memories of their many travels together. Roger is survived by his loving wife, Karen; devoted children, Marian and Chuck; granddaughter, Lyla; his sisters, Julie Mosquedo, Bonnie Flesuras; his brother, Robert Mosquedo; his niece, Lisa Newcomb; and Karen's large family. He is preceded in death by his mother, Barbara Hunt. His ready smile, warm hugs, and generosity will be missed by all. A service was held at 1:00 PM on October 27, 2018 at the Sunset Hills Cemetery, Bozeman, MT, at the Veterans Wall. An open house followed at 85 Wylie Creek Boulevard in Bozeman from 2:00-4:00 PM. In lieu of flowers the family requested donations be made to Warriors and Quiet Waters Foundation, 351 Evergreen Drive, Suite A, Bozeman, MT 59715 or HRDC for the Blueprint Home, 32 South Tracy Avenue, Bozeman, MT 59715. The arrangements were in the care of the Dokken-Nelson Funeral Service. www.dokkennelson.com.



ALAN JOSEPH "Joe" BRIGGS - Died Saturday, September 26, 2020 in Lincoln, Nebraska at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 18, 1945 in Lincoln to the late Elbert and Eva Briggs of Beatrice, NE. Attended Fort Hays Kansas State College, Hays, KS. Served in the United States Army in Vietnam, 1967 - 1968. Married Susan Elaine Rodkey November 16, 1969 in Kiowa, KS. Worked many years in retail and wholesale sales positions. Retired in 2008 after 18 years with Cornhusker State Industries, Department of Corrections, State of Nebraska. Owned and operated Patriot Pride Shop in Lincoln from 2013 to time of death. Member 1st Plymouth Congregational Church, Lincoln, NE; Hickman Lodge #256, and Sesostris Shrine; Nebraska Patriot Guard Riders; life member American Legion and an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Nebraska**. Life member VFW. DAV, Lincoln Jaycees. Survivors: wife Susan; daughter and son-in-law Shara and Ben Aden, Lincoln, NE; nephews Chris Briggs of Cortland, NE, and Jamie Briggs and family of Lincoln, NE; Travis Rodkey and family, Houston, TX; cousins Bill and Margaret Hoevet of Papillion, NE, and Bob and Suzette Hoevet of Onawa, IA; brother-in-law and wife, Dr. Scott and Dixie Rodkey of College Station, TX; friends and extended family. Preceded in death by parents Elbert and Eva Briggs and brother Robert R. Briggs, and in-laws Marvin and Toni Rodkey. Joe deeply loved his family and friends and was so thankful

for them. He loved his country and was proud of his military service. He loved his dogs, the outdoors, traveling in his RV and making new friends around the country. Memorial Service: 10:30 AM Friday, October 2, 2020 at Roper and Sons South Chapel at 3950 Hohensee Drive (40th and Yankee Hill Road) with inurnment at Omaha National Cemetery, Omaha, NE. Livestreaming at roperandsons.com/Livestream. In lieu of flowers, memorials to family, Hearts United for Animals, Auburn, NE, or Sesostris Shrine Transportation. "Hugs from Home" or condolences online at roperandsons.com.

WILLIAM D. BROWNING – Died Tuesday, September 1, 2020 in Plymouth, Michigan at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Detroit, Michigan on June 14, 1953. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Plymouth Chapter #528*.



BRUCE ELIOT BURNHAM - Died Saturday, September 26, 2020 in Seffner, Florida at the age of 68. The cause of death was pancreatic cancer. He was born in Tampa, Florida on August 28, 1952. He is survived by his wife of nearly 50 years, Pamela; children: Sherlyn (Henry) and Shana; grandchildren: Jamesyn, Keatyn, Landyn, Lilianne, and Helen; mother: Jan Sweeney; sisters: Bobbi Jo, Sally, Carol, and Debbie; as well as numerous friends and relatives. After only being married 10 months, he was drafted by the United States Army where he served a year as an MP in Vietnam. While in service to his country he earned a Bronze Star and the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry. He returned home to Tampa after his military service and used the G.I. Bill to pursue a college education. He earned an AA degree from Hillsborough Community College and later transferred to the University of South Florida. He took a break from college in 1977 and he and Pam bought a bread route with Arnold Foods Company. He worked this route for 7 years, putting away money to complete his internship. He graduated with his Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1985 and earned his Master of Arts Degree from USF 10 years later. He would ultimately determine to use his knowledge of the war and his love of the past to become a history teacher at Armwood High School in Seffner, FL. His grand charisma, incredible sense of humor, sincere compassion for others, and booming voice were prevailing qualities for coaching softball, sponsoring clubs, leading local field trips and trips around the world, organizing Tampa stadium fundraisers, and announcing for both baseball and football games as the "Voice of the Hawks." For 30 years he spoke to high school students about the mistakes and successes of the past while giving them the tools to create their own futures. Most would say that the "Mayor of Armwood" taught them more about life than they realized and are grateful for the opportunities he gave them to debate, discuss, and learn. Bruce found ways to diversify his classrooms at Armwood by adding Dual Enrollment courses to his schedule and found other opportunities and arenas to share his knowledge. He spent quite a few summers teaching high school migrant students so they could earn their high school diplomas and even taught incoming freshmen how to be ready for college at the HCC campus. One of the most powerful projects he initiated during his time at Armwood

was the “Oral Histories of the Vietnam War.” He partnered his students with veterans in the community for the purpose of sharing and ultimately publishing the intimate stories from that time in our nation’s history. Even after his retirement and later his cancer diagnosis, he continued to actively serve with veterans and volunteered and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tampa Chapter #787**. After retiring in 2015, he continued using his voice by speaking to classes at various schools in Hillsborough County about his Vietnam experiences. He revived his role as the “Voice of the Hawks” by becoming the announcer for baseball games at Hillsborough Community College. As avid sports fans, Bruce and Pam were on a mission to visit all 30 professional baseball parks. They were able to see 23 of them. Through all of his service to the community, students, and veterans, he maintained a life devoted to his family. His 1st priority was being a husband, father, and grandfather. He attended performances, church services, and events where his closest family members shined. His applause and voice could always be heard at the conclusion of these events as he loudly showed his support and pride. Bruce also had a steady way of continuously showing his love and support through deep conversations, heartfelt embraces, and quiet moments where he intended to ease the pain and hurt felt by those he loved most. His “larger than life” presence will forever be missed by all those who knew him. A private service for the family only was held on October 16th at Hillsboro Memorial Funeral Home in Brandon, FL. A public Celebration of Life was held at Armwood High School at a later date. Memorial Donations may be made in Bruce’s name to “Let’s Win! Pancreatic Cancer” at www.letswinpc.org. The family wishes to send a special thank you to the staff at the VA Hospital and Moffitt Cancer Center for their care and compassion these last 3 and a half years.



JOE CAMPBELL - Died Tuesday, August 25, 2020 | Franklin, North Carolina at the age of 74. The cause of death was a stroke. He was born and raised in Macon County, North Carolina on July 11, 1946 to the late Fredrick “Ted” Campbell and Edna Caroline (née Angel) Campbell. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Judy Campbell and a sister, Clyda Smith. Joe served in the United States Army and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Franklin Chapter #994**. He enjoyed spending time with his family and going to the deer camp. He is survived by two sons, Randy Campbell (Anna) of Franklin and Daniel Campbell (Kim) of Athens, TN; brother, Fred Campbell of Franklin; two sisters, Shirley Shepherd (Ken) of Franklin and Jean Thong (Ty) of Columbia, SC; six grandchildren, Kristen, Korey, Kari, Danielle, Alisa and Cody; six great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Funeral Services were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 29th in the Chapel of Macon Funeral Home. Reverends Randy Campbell and Daniel Campbell co-officiated. The burial was in the Iotla Methodist Church Cemetery. The family received friends from 10:00-11:00 AM, prior to the service at the funeral home. The pallbearers were Cody Campbell, Ken Shepherd, Mike Shepherd, Tanner Shepherd, Tyler Shepherd and Rick Norton. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the VVA Chapter #994 for local scholarships, C/O Dick Sheenan, 249 Sloan Road, Franklin, NC 28734. The Macon Funeral Home handled the arrangements. Condolences can be made to the family at www.maconfuneralhome.com.



HARRY W. CARRELLI - Died Friday, July 3, 2020 in Absecon, New Jersey at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Somers Point, New Jersey on August 6, 1947 to the late George and Rose Carrelli. He was a long-time resident of Absecon. Harry was a 1965 graduate of Holy Spirit High School and a graduate of Atlantic Community College in the summer of 1977. He was an installation technician with Bell Telephone in Marmora for over 25 years, before his retirement in 2003. Harry was a United States Army, 101st/173rd Airborne, Combat Veteran who was in the Vietnam War 1965-1968. He escaped a bullet that pierced his helmet, took shrapnel in the chest and received the Purple Heart, but he came home safe. He was a 50-year member of the Charles Hammell American Legion, Post #28, in Absecon. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Jersey**. Harry enjoyed his early retirement by doing what he loved most – watching old movies, reading, fixing up the house, and running his Father's old trains in the attic. Most of all he would spend every summer on his boat with his Brother George and their loved ones, bumping into buoys, fishing, “catching some rays and eating some cheese”. He was a hilarious East Coast Jersey Italian raconteur who often regaled us with his Brando “Godfather” monologue and other spot on impressions. He was a true “buff” with a vast knowledge of all things trivia, loved old TV shows, Grizzly Bear movies and loved music from the 50s-60s, especially “Candy Girl” by Frankie Valley and The Four Seasons. Inspired by growing up in a world of cinema, he was proud to see his two girls head West and get into the Movie Biz where he was able to visit them on set. His girls always called him “Daddee” and said “woo” to show affection when the words “I love you” were too hard for a man of his nature. Harry is predeceased by his parents, George and Rose. He is survived by his two daughters, Amy and Alison; Brother, George and his wife Leona; their kids, Georgie, Terry, Keith and Michelle; and their children, Rebecca, Hayley, Joshua, Stephanie, Jacob, Jason and Adriana; also his cousins, Guy, Vicki and Diane; and ex-wife/friend Ellie. Father, Brother, Uncle, Friend, you will be sadly missed, but forever in our hearts! Thank you! You gave us all “The Best Years of Our Lives”! Visitation hours were from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Wednesday, July 8, 2020 at the Parsels Funeral Home, 324 New Jersey Avenue, Absecon. A graveside service took place at 1:45 PM at Atlantic County Veterans Cemetery, 109 Boulevard Route 50, Mays Landing. Online condolences may be placed at www.parselsfh.com.



WAYNE STEVEN CARTIER (USAF, TSGT-Ret.) - Died peacefully Saturday, October 3, 2020 in his Orrington, Maine home at the age of 69. The cause of death was cancer. Wayne was born on October 15, 1950 in Milford, Massachusetts. Wayne graduated from High School, Waltham, MA and entered the United States Air Force. He served from September 1968 to September 1988. While he served, he was stationed in Vietnam War and exposure to Agent Orange (AO.) AO contributed to his current health problems which resulted in his death. After

retiring from the Air Force, he owned and operated S.O.A.R Mobile Car Care, earned associate degrees in Applied Science, Automotive Technology and Business Management, Eastern Maine Technical College, Bangor, ME 1995 to 2004. He was awarded a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Husson College, Bangor, ME 2005. He was the Chief Financial Officer, ISC for ME, LLC, December 2011 to April 2018 before his full retirement. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hillsboro (New Hampshire) Chapter #992**. Wayne spent time volunteering for Veterans organization which including the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA,) VVA Maine State Council Vice-President, Disable American Veterans (DAV) Post #6, American Legion Posts #43 and #12, as well as Boys Scouts of America as Scout Master and Committee Chairman Troup #8, 1985 to 1991. Wayne was an expert on all things sports especially New England sports teams. He is survived by his loving wife Frances Cartier, Orrington, ME, his mother Shirley Cartier, Oak Bluffs, MA, his brother and sister-in law, Glenn and Mary Cartier, brother David Cartier, Wayne's son Justin Cartier, daughter Nina McKenney, 2 grandchildren and nieces and nephews. Wayne and his best friend Harry Sneider grew up and went to high school together. They were lifelong best friends and hunted together every year. Wayne chose to be cremated and have his ashes placement in a columbarium niche in a Veterans Cemetery. Details are being worked on. In lieu of flowers, Wayne would appreciate contributions be sent to Mission Ready Mutts, Inc., 103 Beneventum Road, Georgetown, SC 29440 for the benefit of Veterans who need support with PTSD. Condolences to the family may be expressed at BrookingsSmith.com.



THOMAS F. CENZI, SR. – Died Friday, August 14, 2020 in Spencerport, New York at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Rochester, New York on March 29, 1944 to the late Alphonse and Beatrice Cenzi. He was also predeceased by his daughter, Lisa Marie; brother, Alphonse. Thomas is survived by his loving wife, Mary Ellen Cenzi; sons, Thomas F. Cenzi Jr.; step-sons, Peter (Maeve) Feola & Rich (Andrea) Feola; grandchildren, Marshall (Nicole) Cowey, Julian and Cristian Cenzi, Nolan, Mia and Jack Feola, Georgio and Gretta Feola; great-grandchildren, Elsie and Jace Cowey; brothers, David (Barbara) Cenzi and Richard (Dale) Cenzi; sister-in-law, Helen Cenzi; many nieces, nephews and cousins. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**. As per NYS regulations, everyone is asked to wear a mask and sanitize their hands upon arrival for his services. Please pre-register for the visitation online on his obituary at www.bartolomeo.com. Thomas's visitation was held from 4:00-8:00 PM on Wednesday, August 19th at the funeral home, 1411 Vintage Lane. His funeral service was celebrated at 10:00 AM on Thursday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Disabled American Veterans, 919 Westfall Road - Building B, Suite #300, Rochester, NY 14618 in Thomas's memory.

STEPHEN W. “Steve” CHUBB – Died Thursday, July 23, 2020 in Holly Hill, Florida at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 24, 1945. He was predeceased by his wife, Jeanie. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Daytona Beach Chapter #1048**.



JOSEPH D. “Joe” CLAYTON - Died Thursday, September 10, 2020 in the comfort of his home in Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania at the age of 73, with his loving family at his side. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on February 20, 1947 in Cumberland, Maryland to the late James and Alice (née White) Clayton. He was a member of Paradise United Methodist Church. Joe was a proud veteran of the Vietnam Era who served in the United States Air Force. Joe earned an Associate Degree from Westmoreland County Community College. He had been employed as a Supervisor for Columbia Gas until his retirement and then worked for the Sony Corp. Joe was a member of the American Legion Post #446 where he was currently serving as Adjutant and also proudly served in the Funeral Honor Guard. Joe was also a member of the B.P.O.E. #777 of Scottdale where he served as an officer for many years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**. He is survived by his loving family: his wife of 23 years, Beverly May Clayton, his children; Kelli Metty, Misty Clayton and Eric Clayton and by his step children, Jay Baird, Dr. Brett Baird and his wife Melanie, Joy Baird-Tarr and her husband Harley, and Bart Baird. He will be greatly missed by his twelve grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and by his faithful Havanese companion, Bailey. Joe is also survived by his brother and sister, Michael Clayton and Sandy Gattinella, and two half-sisters; Buttons, and Pam Morrison and her husband Carl. In addition to his parents, Joe was preceded in death by his twin sister, Infant Joyce Clayton and his brother James Clayton. Family and friends were received on Monday from 2:00 to 4:00 and from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Galone-Caruso Funeral Home, 204 Eagle Street, Mount Pleasant. Funeral Services were held on Tuesday at 11:00 AM in the funeral home with his Pastor the Reverend Roger Howard officiating. Military honors were accorded prior to his funeral services by the American Legion Post #446 Honor Guard. Following the COVID-19 guidelines, only 25 people were permitted in the funeral home at one time. CDC guidelines for social distancing were followed and face masks were required. We thank you for your patience and understanding. The inurnment was private. In lieu of flowers, the family suggested memorial contributions be made to the American Legion Honor Guard, 752 West Main Street, Mount Pleasant, PA. To offer an online condolence please visit our website at: www.galone-carusofuneralhome.com.



GARY DOUGLAS COAKLEY - Died Wednesday April 29, 2020 at Samaritan Evergreen Hospice House in Albany, Oregon at the age of 77. He was a resident of Lebanon, Oregon. The cause of death was chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. Gary was born on September 26,

1942 in Central City, Nebraska to the late Wayne and Lucille Coakley. The family moved to Shedd, when Gary was young and later to Albany. Gary graduated from Central Linn High School and later attended Linn-Benton Community College. He joined the United States Navy in 1962 which included five tours as an MMI on USS Uhlmann, USS Wright, USS Gridley, USS Reeves and USS Somers. Following his active duty in the Navy, he went into Civil Service and was credited for 22 yrs. of service. He was a proud *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lebanon Chapter #585*, where he was very active with the chapter events and helping disabled Vets. He was also a member of the American Legion in Lebanon. He served with the Linn County Sheriffs Mounted Posse in Search & Rescue for 9 yrs. He also volunteered with the Christmas Story Book Land for a number of years. He worked several years for the EPA, M&E Salvage, and was instrumental in starting the AVI Bio Pharma Co. in Corvallis and worked there for 17 yrs. Gary and his wife Georgiann were married June 13, 2015 at their home place in Lebanon. Their ceremony was an outside country wedding with hay bales, a BBQ and live country music. Gary loved their home and spent many hours working in his garden and green house which he built for his wife. He had numerous hobbies to include classic cars, hand tooled leather, building furniture, polishing rocks, collecting antiques and many projects with his Georgiann and often times with his grandkids. He loved teaching his children and grandchildren about woodworking, dirt bikes, automobiles or whatever the project was at the time. He was an avid fisherman and hunter who enjoyed being outdoors with his closet friends. Gary had a wonderful sense of humor and anyone that knew him would have to agree. He is survived by his wife Georgiann, daughter's Rhonda Reister of Beaverton, Roberta Vargus of Medford, son Gregory Coakley of Springfield, brother Gene Coakley of Centralia, Washington; also a number of grandchildren, great grandchildren, two great, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews, unfortunately too many to mention. There was a "Celebration of Life" later in the fall. 'He will be missed with all of our hearts' to leave a condolence for the family go to www.hustonjost.com.



RICHARD HENRY "Hank" COLLINS, JR. – Died Friday, September 27, 2019 peacefully at his home in Vestavia Hills, Alabama at the age of 82. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Homewood, Alabama on September 15, 1937 to the Richard Henry Collins, Sr. and Nan (née Jones) Collins. He is survived by his beloved wife Irene Burton Collins, son Michael Jeremiah Collins (Rachel) of Mountain Brook, Alabama, step-daughters April Southard McAnnally (Sid) of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Melissa Southard Jones of Birmingham, Alabama, and Dana Dillard Garvin (Dwight) of Homewood, Alabama, grandchildren Ava Amelia Collins of Mountain Brook, Alabama, Mary Catherine McAnnally Scott (Jordan) of Asheville, North Carolina, Parker Yates McAnnally (Emily) of Nashville, Tennessee, Fielding Jackson Dillard of Louisville, Kentucky, Preston Moran Jones of Birmingham, Alabama, Caroline Carson Dillard of New York City, New York, Samuel Stratis Garvin of Auburn, Alabama, Lucy McEachern Jones of Birmingham, Alabama, Kathryn Elizabeth Garvin of Homewood, Alabama, Charles Collins Dillard of Homewood, Alabama, and one great grandchild, Jones McAnnally Scott of Asheville, North Carolina. He was

preceded in death by his parents, Richard Henry and Nan Jones Collins, and his son Richard Henry Collins III. After attending Shades Valley High School and graduating from Marion Military Institute Junior College, he completed his Bachelor of Science degree in 1960 at the University of Alabama, where he was a member of the Delta Chi fraternity. After graduation, Hank enlisted in the United States Army and served 2 years at Fort Ord in California before being accepted to the Army Aviation School in Fort Rucker, Alabama. Later he served 19 months of duty with the 3rd Infantry Division in Kitzingen, Germany before he volunteered to serve in Vietnam. He was assigned as platoon leader of the 4th Platoon. From November 1965 to November 1966, he flew daily surveillance flights in the fixed-wing Cessna L-19 "The Mighty Birdog," serving alongside the advisors of the 21st Division of the Army of the Republic of Vietnam. In recognition of his service, he received the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal, the Bronze Star Medal, as well as 3 Cross of Gallantry medals awarded to him by the Republic of South Vietnam. He later served as the Operations Officer at Wright Army Airfield at Fort Stewart in Georgia. After receiving his honorable discharge, Hank returned to the Birmingham area and was employed as an Area Sales Manager for the John Harland Company. He joined SouthTrust Bank in 1982 as the manager of the Commercial Development Department, earned his Master of Public and Private Management degree at Birmingham-Southern College in 1986, and retired as a Senior Vice President of the bank in 2006. In addition to his successful career in business, Hank has graciously and generously given his time, energy, and talents to serve others. His extensive volunteer activities included serving on the President's Advisory Committee of Marion Military Institute, serving as President of the American Cancer Society for the Shelby-Jefferson County Region, working with the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, Birmingham-area Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, the Edward Lee Norton Board for Management and Professional Education at Birmingham-Southern College, and the Board of Directors of the Southern Museum of Flight. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Gardendale Chapter #416**. In 2017, he received the Glenn E. Messer Trophy for his ongoing contributions of interest, time, and effort to the continued growth of the Southern Museum of Flight. In recent years, Hank pursued his interest in writing and actively participated in the Writing Today organization. He won the Hackney Literary Award for Alabama State Story for "Faces" in 2005. He penned two books, *Eyes Over the Delta* and *Looking Back*. *Eyes Over the Delta* is a series of short stories depicting a soldier's life in Viet Nam's Mekong Delta during 1965 and 1966. *Looking Back* is a series of stories about growing up in the South during a much less turbulent time. He will be missed for his wit and sense of humor. The family invited friends and family to a visitation on Monday, September 30, 2019 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 Noon at Ridout's Valley Chapel. The funeral service began at 12:00 o'clock. Immediately following the service all were invited to greet the family during a reception at Valley Chapel. The burial was on Monday at 2:45 PM at the Alabama National Cemetery in Montevallo, AL. In lieu of flowers, Hank's family suggested donations to the Southern Museum of Flight, 4373 73rd Street North, Birmingham, AL 35206, attention Brian Dasani.



RONALD WAYNE "Ron" COPPLE - Died Saturday, June 22, 2019 in Indianapolis, Indiana at the age of 72. He was a resident of Rushville, Indiana. The cause of death is unknown.

Ron was born on February 2, 1947 in Rushville to the late Wilbur Earl and Mildred F. (née Palmerton) Copple. Ron was an E4 in the United States Army and served in Vietnam. Ron loved his country and was a proud American. He married Drenda Mourey on December 22, 1968 and she preceded him in death on December 8, 2011. Ron retired in 2002 after 33 years with Chrysler. He worked in five plants while with Chrysler and retired from the New Castle plant where he ran the steel dock. Ron was a member of the UAW Local #371 in New Castle. Ron also was a member of the Rushville American Legion Post #150, VFW, an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Indiana**, Eagles Lodge 2 PM round table and was proud member of the Rush County Veteran's Honor Guard. He loved to fish, enjoyed refurbishing antique gas pumps, loved dogs and was a huge Elvis fan. He will be missed by his loving daughter, Susan (Danny) Hoeing of Rushville, his sister, Norma Evans of Connersville and his loving grandchildren, Nathaniel Grant and Tessa Jean Hoeing. In addition to his parents and wife, Ron was preceded in death by a brother, James E. Copple. Services for Ron were held at 10:00 AM on Friday, June 28, 2019 in the Moster Mortuary, Rushville with Warren Engel presiding. Friends were welcome to visit the family at the mortuary from 4:00-8:00 PM on Thursday evening, June 27. The burial was in Rushville's East Hill Cemetery. The Rush County Veteran's Honor Guard provided military rites. Memorial contributions may be made to the Rush County Veteran's Honor Guard or to the Rushville Animal Shelter.



JOAN MARIE COUGHRAN - Died Thursday, July 30, 2020 at home in Atkinson, Illinois at the age of 82, surrounded by her family. She was formerly of Geneseo, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. She was born in Geneseo on April 15, 1938 to the late Elsie Valeri DeGeeter. Joan was an extraordinary woman who led her life with love, humor, joy, generosity, and a deep concern for others. She possessed a radiant smile, filled with love. She worked as an Inventory Management Specialist for the US Army Armament Command for 34 years and retired in 1993. Joan married William C. Worden in 1977. He preceded her in death in 1997. She then married Charles D. Coughran on January 14, 2008. Joan and Charles formed a small musical group and sang gospel music at several nursing homes over the past twelve years. Joan was also a member of Saint Anthony Catholic Church, the American Legion Auxiliary, and the **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Moline Chapter #669**. Joan is survived by her husband, Charles; son, Andy (Sharon) Mapes, of Cambridge; two grandsons, Blade Mapes, of Davenport, IA, and Jacob Mapes of Colona, IL; and siblings, Dennis (Carol) Diericx, of Geneseo, Audrey (Jim) Gentry, of Atkinson, Aric (Liz) Diericx, of Mt. Jacob, and Randy (Rox) Diericx, of Atkinson. She was preceded in death by her mother, and husband, William. A public Celebration of Life was held on Tuesday, August 4, 2020 from 4:00 – 6:00 PM at the Vandemore Funeral Homes and Crematory – Atkinson Chapel. A private graveside funeral service was held at Saint Anthony Cemetery, Atkinson on Wednesday, August 5, 2020. Deacon Nick Simon officiated. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left to the Joan Coughran Memorial Fund.

NEIL M. COY – Died recently in 2020 in Orlando, Florida at the age of 67. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 23, 1952. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life ad Charter Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Daytona Beach Chapter #1048**. He is survived by his wife, Joan.



PATRICK DALE "Bubba" CRAWFORD - Died Saturday, August 1, 2020 in Port Neches, Texas at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 23, 1946 in Jacksonville, Texas to the late Edythe Watson (née Hall) Crawford and Carl O'Neal Crawford. Patrick graduated from Jacksonville High School in 1965 before attending Lon Morris College where he met his first wife, Gwen Corolla. Together they had two boys, Ben and Chris. Patrick joined the United States Air Force to serve during Vietnam and worked as an electronics technician on aircraft, including the SR-71. He was honorably discharged as a Sergeant. He followed in his father's footsteps by operating a pest control franchise in Palestine and then Beaumont, before starting his own company, Beaumont Pest Control. Patrick was an active member in the choir at Calvary Baptist Church in Beaumont where he met and married Charlene Crawford. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Beaumont Chapter #292**. Survivors include his wife, Charlene Crawford; sons, Ben and Chris Crawford; granddaughters, Kimberly and Christina Crawford; great-granddaughter, Sherry Ann Crawford; and twin sister, Patricia Crawford McKnight. He is preceded in death by his parents, three brothers, and three sisters. A gathering of Mr. Crawford's family and friends began at 5:00 PM on Thursday, August 6, 2020, with his funeral service at 6:00 PM, at Broussard's Funeral Home, 505 North 12th Street, Nederland, Texas. His graveside service was at 2:00 PM on Friday, August 7, 2020, at Earle's Chapel Cemetery, Jacksonville, Texas. Please observe social distancing guidelines. By attending any public event you are acknowledging the risk of exposure to the Corona Virus. Please follow the guidelines provided by the Centers for Disease Control: [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov).



GEORGE FREEMAN CUMBERLEDGE - Died Thursday, December 12, 2019, in CAMC Teays Valley of Hurricane, West Virginia at the age of 73, surrounded by his family following an extended illness. He was a resident of Winfield, West Virginia and formerly of Horner, West Virginia. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Weston on October 15, 1946 to the late Clyde Cumberledge and Mavis (née Duncan) Cumberledge. On November 16, 1968, he married Patricia Louise (née Masters) Cumberledge, who preceded him in death on May 8, 2015. Mr. Cumberledge is survived by one loving daughter: Ginger Boles and husband Timothy of Bridgeport; and two special grandchildren: Zachary Freeman Boles and Tamara Racquel Boles.

He is also survived by three cousins: Donna (Larry) McLaughlin, Amanda (Donnie) Mays and Jennifer (Joey) Kay. Mr. Cumberledge worked as a superintendent with Quaker State and ended with EXCO as the company was bought out and he started work in Saint Marys, then he worked in Elkview and ended his career in West Union. He graduated Glenville High School and attended Glenville State College. Before graduating, George joined the United States Army where he was in the Vietnam War as a Specialist 5 class and received the Bronze Star for bravery. He was a member of the Weston Chapter of the VFW and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Weston Chapter #906**. Mr. Cumberledge enjoyed woodworking and was a pro at tinkering around. He was a Baptist by faith. Family and friends were received at the Hardman - Paletti Funeral Home, 730 North Main Avenue, Weston, from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on Sunday, December 15. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM. on Monday from the Hardman-Paletti Funeral Home chapel, with Pastor Robert Fields officiating. The interment was in the Vandalia Cemetery of Vandalia. Full military honors were conducted by the United States Army and the Lewis County Honor Guard. Online condolences and life stories in memory of George may be expressed at hardman-palettifuneralhome.com. Hardman-Paletti Funeral Home of Weston, WV was honored and privileged to serve the family of Patriot George Freeman Cumberledge.



SCOTT JAMES CUNNINGHAM - Died Wednesday, June 3, 2020 in Memphis, Tennessee at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 8, 1949 in Ingersoll, Ontario, Canada. He was employed with Delta Airlines in the International Cargo division. He proudly served his country in the United States Army in the Vietnam War and received a Purple Heart award. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Memphis Chapter #875**. Scott loved fishing, being on the shooting range and cooking for his family and friends. Mr. Cunningham is survived by his wife, Rosemary Cunningham of Memphis, TN; daughter, Cassidy Cunningham and granddaughter, Catherine Cunningham of Elmhurst IL; sister, Sandi (Don) Cox of Grand Bend, Ontario; brothers, Ken (Margaret) Cunningham of Port Elgin, Ontario and Bob Cunningham of London, Ontario. There was a private graveside service for the immediate family at the West Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery. The Coleman Funeral Home of Olive Branch was in charge of the arrangements. Donations and memorials in honor of Scott James Cunningham may be made to the Wounded Warriors in Action Foundation (www.wwiaf.org).



JOHN WESLEY DIAL - Died Wednesday, August 26, 2020 at the Tucker Hospice House in Kannapolis, North Carolina at the age of 77. He was a resident of Kannapolis. The cause of death is unknown. Mr. Dial was born on October 19, 1942 in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Isaac H. Dial and Berta (née Newton) Dial. Mr. Dial was a Veteran of the Vietnam War, having

served in the United States Navy Reserves. He retired in 1990. Mr. Dial was a member of Bible Missionary Baptist Church and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kannapolis Chapter #909**. He worked as an electrician at Cannon Mills Plant 1. He retired from Concord Telephone, and then worked for the NC Department of Corrections as a correctional officer. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by brother, Wayne Mitchell Dial. Mr. Dial is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Christy Dial; three sons, Karl Dial of Kannapolis, John Wesley Dial, II and wife Donna of Kannapolis and Damon Dial and wife DeAnn of Goose Creek, SC; daughter, Crystal Brown and husband Tim of Kannapolis; 11 grandchildren, and six great grandchildren. A funeral service was at 11:00 AM on Monday, August 31, 2020, at Lady's Funeral Home Chapel. Reverends Jeff Upright and Tim Newton co-officiated. The interment was at West Lawn Memorial Park in China Grove with Military Honors conducted by the Rowan County Veterans Honor Guard. The family received friends from 9:30 to 10:45 AM on Monday at Lady's Funeral Home. Memorials may be sent to Hospice and Palliative Care of Cabarrus County, 5003 Hospice Lane, Kannapolis, NC 28081.



THOMAS J. “Tom” DRIESSEN - Died Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at his home in Kaukauna, Wisconsin at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Kaukauna on May 26, 1944 to the late Quintin and Helen (née Wegand) Driessen. Tom attended Holy Cross School and graduated from Kaukauna High School in the class of 1962. He was a United States Army veteran and served in Vietnam from 1964-1966. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Brillion Chapter #351** and the Wrightstown American Legion Post #436. On May 20, 1967, Tom married Diana Ellis at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Kaukauna. He was employed as a draftsman with Kaukauna Utilities for 34 years until retiring in 2001. Tom was a member and former president of the Kaukauna Sportsman’s Club and a life member of the NRA. He enjoyed wildlife and all nature. Tom is survived by his loving wife, Diana Driessen; a daughter, Catherine (Scott) Hansen; a grandson, Bradley (Breanna) Hansen; a sister, JoAnn Yingling; and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Tom was preceded in death by his parents; father and mother-in-law: Louis and Ginevra Planert; a Godson, Jay Yingling; and a brother-in-law, James Yingling. Private graveside services were held at Holy Cross Cemetery in Kaukauna. A memorial was established in Tom’s name. For online condolences, please visit www.verkuilenfh.com.

GEORGE EDWARD DYE - Died Sunday, September 20, 2020 at UPMC Western Maryland at the age of 68. He was a resident of Oldtown, Maryland. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 29, 1951 in Camden, New Jersey to the late Richard Dye and Charlotte (née Fox) Rupert. He was also preceded in death by his brothers: Richard, William, and Wallace. George was a United States Army Veteran during the Vietnam War, receiving the Silver Star, and was also stationed in Thailand and Germany. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**, the Fort Cumberland Post #13 American Legion, and the American Paralyzed Veterans, Pittsburgh, PA. George was an awesome mechanic and enjoyed fishing with

his friends. George is survived by his wife of 49 years: Toni-Kay Dye; his children: Kristi Anne Dye; Michael A. Dye; James A. Dye; and Jennifer Kay Dye; and his grandchildren: Christian M. Dye; Madison R. Casey; Devon Beechem; and Jacob A. Dye. He also leaves behind his sisters: Libby, Charlotte, Marie, Mary, and Debbie; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

REGINALD CALVIN EARLEY, JR. - Died Thursday, September 3, 2020 in Alton, Maine at the age of 56, from his fight with cancer. He was a former resident of Mount Jackson, Virginia. He was born on March 20, 1964 in Torrington, Connecticut to the late Reginald Calvin Earley, Sr. and Margaret (née Drake) Earley. He graduated from Torrington High and went into the United States Army from 1983-1986. He was widowed since 2010. Reginald was a carpenter. He also did some landscaping and odd jobs. He belonged to the American Legion Post #936, enjoyed coaching Babe Ruth League baseball in Torrington CT. He was also a member of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Woodstock (Virginia) Chapter #936**. Reginald is survived by too many brothers to list from the American Legion; special friends, Ed and Patsy Gazow, Art Laflam, Mike and Becky Hess, and their 2 sons; three sisters, Debra Whitten and Diane Landi of Torrington CT, Dotti Torres of Terryville CT; along with several nieces and nephews. There were no visiting hours. a graveside service at the Alton Cemetery was announced to be at a later date. We would like to thank all the nurses and CNA's from Kindred Hospice for the great care he received, they were our comfort every step of the way. Memorial Contributions can be made to Kindred Hospice, 824 Stillwater Avenue - Suite B, Bangor. Maine 04401.



REVEREND DWIGHT D. EDWARDS – Died Tuesday, September 22, 2020 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania at the age of 75. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on October 10, 1945 to the late William Edwards, Jr. and the late Dorothy (née Willoughby) Edwards. Although he is the only child of their union, Dwight was blessed with several siblings serving well in his role as big brother. In his youth he was raised by William Edwards, Jr. and Isabel Edwards. He attended schools in the Philadelphia School District including Roberts Vaux Junior High School and Thomas Edison High School. Through his own admission, he got bored and distracted and dropped out of Edison short of graduation and joined the Army. From 1963 to 1966, Dwight honorably served in the United States Army and was a combat veteran of the Vietnam War. He enlisted in the United States Army on June 28, 1963, and was assigned to the 11th Air Assault Division while in the U.S. He completed one tour of duty in South Vietnam from August 1965 to May 1966 with the 1st Cavalry Division, Delta Company 1/12th Cavalry Airborne and was Honorably Discharged from the service in 1968 with the rank of E-4. Citations received included the Combat Infantry Badge, Parachutist Badge, Air Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm, Vietnam Campaign Medal with two stars, Vietnam Service Medal, Presidential Unit Citation, and the Air Assault Badge. Dwight was an athlete going back to his youth. He played football and ran track at Edison. After leaving the Army, he played semi-pro football and was a standout in the Philadelphia Rough Touch League. He was awarded the Most Outstanding Athlete in 1975. His

playing career lasted until almost his 40's, and he coached in the league after his playing days. His 1984 Phantoms team was the League Runners Up. He earned his GED in 1964, and after his military service received his High School Diploma in 1968. Dwight received a BA degree in elementary education from Temple University in 1972. Dwight attended Antioch University from 1975 through 1976 and received a Masters' of Education in counseling, after which he attended Lancaster Theological Seminary (1995-2000), receiving a Master of Divinity Degree. In May of 1969, Dwight married Edwina L. Davis (deceased), and their union produced two sons, Michael and Stephen. Dwight's broad work history includes: working as a Probation Officer in the Juvenile Division; Director of Safe Streets Inc.; Counselor at Philadelphia Community College; Counselor at Philadelphia Veterans Multi-Service Center; Readjustment Counseling Specialist and Team Leader/Director at the Olney Vet Center; Executive Director of Vietnam Veterans Health Initiative Commission of the PA Dept. of Health; School Counselor in the Harrisburg School District and Pastor in the AME Church--Bethel in Mercersburg, Bethel in Marietta, Bethany in Parkesburg and Bethel in Carlisle. He was a *Life Member and Chaplain* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Harrisburg Chapter #542**. Dwight married Gwen Butler in 1985 with stepchildren, Alexes and Forrest. In 1998, he married Carolyn Brewington whom he spent twenty years with. Her adult children are Shawn, Pam, Kevin and Kelly, and they cared for Carolyn's niece, Shannel Marrow during her youth; Shannel's children called Dwight "Uncle Granddad." In his final days, he was blessed to have the love, care, and support of his fiancée Diane Clarke. She walked supportively and faithfully with him during some of his darkest hours. Dwight is survived by his mother, Isabel Edwards--she affectionately called Dwight her "Sonny Boy;" his Aunt Iola and Uncle Daniel; his sons, Michael and Stephen; daughters-in-law, Reaona Jones-Edwards and Tracy Hampton; his grandchildren, Jordan, Sydney, Taylor, Cameran and David; brother, William III; and sisters, Denise, Dorene, Daphne, Dawn and Merna. Wonderful memories will also be cherished by his nieces and nephews, Michelle, Michael, Nicole, Amber, Thomas, Tiffany, Theodore, Anthony, Avery, Malik, Elissa, William IV, Tarik; his companion in his latter days and eventual fiancée, Diane Clarke; as well as a whole host of cousins, friends and godchildren.



WILLIAM JAMES "Bill" ELANDER, JR. (USAF, Lt.COL-Ret.) – Died Friday, August 28, 2020 in Sparks, Nevada at the age of 86. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Berwyn, Illinois on July 2, 1944. graduated, from high school in Charlotte North Carolina received an Air Force commission after graduating from The Citadel in 1957 During my college years my family moved to the Atlanta, Georgia area where they reside to this day. After graduation I worked and lived in Charleston, West Virginia until called to active duty in 1958. I entered pilot training receiving my "wings" from Webb AFB, Texas. After completing jet fighter training at Luke AFB Arizona and Nellis AFB, Nevada in 1959 I was assigned as a F-100 Supersabre pilot at George AFB, California. In 1962, only ten days after being introduced, I married the former Lynn Greer, a Delta Airline Stewardess from West Palm Beach, Florida. However, five days after the wedding I was sent to Korea for a one-year tour without family. In 1963 Lynn joined me for my next assignment at Kadena, AB Okinawa. During our Okinawa tour we were blessed with two children, Scott in

1964 and Tanya in 1965. While at Kadena I was flying the F-105 Thunderchief and in 1965 I spent six months flying combat missions over North Vietnam. In 1966 we were transferred to Seymour Johnson AFB, North Carolina where I served as a F-105 instructor in a training unit of the 4th TAC Fighter Wing. In 1967 the training unit at Seymour folded and the Wing's new mission was to maintain an operational F-4 Phantom Wing of three squadrons. I remained at Seymour, flying the F-4 until I was selected to join the USAF Thunderbirds in 1969. I moved the family to Las Vegas and spent the next two and a half years as the Thunderbird Maintenance or Materiel Officer, flying the number six airplane. While living in Vegas our third child, Benjamin James, was born in 1970. In March 1972 I was again in Southeast Asia at Korat AB flying combat in the F-4E Phantom aircraft. On July 5th, 1972, my aircraft was struck by an air-to-air missile and I was forced to eject over an area 35 miles northeast of Hanoi. I was captured and remained a prisoner until released on the 29th of March, this year. After capture I was soon registered at the "Hanoi Hilton." The interrogation attempts and rough treatment lasted only for six and a half days in my case. During those few days and for the first time in too many years, I prayed and gained strength from my prayers. I resigned myself that I would not cooperate with the enemy in any way with their interrogation and propaganda attempts. My fears of torture were unfounded, however, since those six and a half days were filled with threats, shouts, and discomfort, but nothing more. I was then removed from isolation and placed in a cell with 19 other American POW's. I remained with most of this group until our release. During captivity I experienced some joys and many frustrations. My greatest joy was during October 1972 when our group was permitted to mix with many of the real heroes of this war. These were the "Old Guys," men who had suffered as many as eight years of foul food, no medicine, no news; men who suffered the torture, solitary confinement and barrages of propaganda. These were the men who defeated the Vietnamese in all their efforts to turn them against their own country and beliefs. I was proud just to associate with these great Americans. My biggest frustration was the fact that I was never permitted to write letters or receive mail or packages. Since I was not used for any propaganda and was labeled by the North Vietnamese as a "Bad Attitude," the mail privilege was never extended. Knowing the anxiety my family would be enduring and being unable to reassure them was difficult for me. Since release my dreams and prayers have all come true. Operation Homecoming surpassed even my wildest imagination. The warmth and gratitude of every American I have met brought tears of pride to my eyes. My family, all in good health, filled with love and faith, made our reunion the greatest event of my life. My future remains with the Air Force. I plan to enter service school this fall and work on my Master of Arts degree. I am in excellent health and hope to continue to fly in the service of our country. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Reno Chapter #989**.

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William Elander retired from the United States Air Force as a Lt. Colonel. He and his wife Lynn reside in Alaska, where they manage a hotel.

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THOMAS JOSEPH "Tom" ELLAM - Died Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at UMass Memorial Medical Center in Worcester, Massachusetts at the age of 72. He was a resident of Hopkinton, Massachusetts. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Clinton, Massachusetts to the late Katharine (née Durkin) and Joseph H. Ellam. He leaves behind his wife, Susan Stevens of Hopkinton, his daughter, Sarah Stevens Ellam and her husband, Leigh Walker, of Hopkinton, and their two daughters, Rhys Ellam Walker and Tessa Ellam Walker, his son, Matthew Stevens Ellam and his partner, Deanna Meeske, of Boston, and his son Timothy Stevens Ellam and his wife, Shannon, of Everett. He also leaves behind his sisters, Mary Ellam Lane, Katharine Ellam, and Elizabeth Ellam, as well as many nieces, nephews, and their families. He is predeceased by his brother, Joseph J. Ellam. Thomas was a 1965 graduate of Saint John's in Shrewsbury, a 1969 graduate of the University of Notre Dame, and he earned his MBA from Babson College. Upon graduating from Notre Dame, he served in the United States Army as an Intelligence Analyst and Vietnamese Interpreter in Vietnam. During his long career, he worked in sales and management for Xerox, Nortel, and other networking companies. In all of these places, Tom made lasting friendships. Additionally, he was a member of the American Legion, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Leominster Chapter #116*, served on the Hopkinton Veterans Celebration Committee, and he coached Youth Basketball and Little League Baseball. Tom/Dad/Grandpa Tom was a devoted father, beloved grandfather, and dear friend to many. He was grateful for the love and laughter of all his close Hopkinton friends, his old-time Clinton friends, and especially his Notre Dame family from across the country. He will be remembered for his unwavering passion for the Fighting Irish, his pursuit of knowledge, his quick wit, and most of all, his love for his family. Visitation was held on Monday, September 28th from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Chesmore Funeral Home of Hopkinton, www.ChesmoreFuneralHome.com. A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday, September 29th at 11:00 AM at Saint John the Evangelist Church in Hopkinton. The burial was in the Mount Auburn Cemetery, Hopkinton. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Dana Farber or Vietnam Veterans of America, vva.org.



DWIGHT ALLEN ENGLISH, SR. - Died Sunday, September 27, 2020 in Savannah, Georgia at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. Mr. English, a Savannah native was born on January 31, 1946 to the late Ernest "Shorty" English, Sr. and Sarah English Shuman. After graduating from Savannah High School, he served honorably with the United States Navy where he served as a heavy equipment operator with the Navy Seabees during the Vietnam War. Following his military tenure, he began working with Union Bag where he served in maintenance as a welder. He was a member of the American Legion Post 135 and a *Life Member of Vietnam*

Veterans of America – Savannah Chapter #671. Dwight enjoyed fishing, traveling, and carpentry work. Mr. English was preceded in death by his wife of 21 years, Lois Dawn English and his brother, Kerry Drake English. He is survived by his children, Dwight Allen English, Jr., Julie Jill English Knight (Dan), Fred Allen English (Jennifer), Kristin Leigh Rigdon (Casey), Christopher Allen English, Lindsay Nicole Salazar (Fernando), Harrison Allen English, and Phillip Casey English; brother, Ernest O. English, Jr. (Helen); sisters, Jean English Wilkes and Fredna Ammons; and a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The family received friends from 4:00 – 6:00 PM on Thursday, October 1, 2020 at the Baker McCullough Funeral Home, Hubert C. Baker Chapel, 7415 Hodgson Memorial Drive, Savannah, GA 31406. A private funeral service was held at the Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Glennville, GA. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #671, 432 Peachtree Drive, Rincon, GA 31326.



LARRY RAYMOND ERWIN - Died Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at Fairfield Medical Center at the age of 77. She was a resident of Lancaster, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. Larry was born in Lancaster on April 12, 1943 to the late Clyde and Gerline (née Ruff) Erwin. He was a United States Army Veteran Sergeant E-5, referred to as "the Dad" of the troop. Larry was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lancaster Chapter #1045**, American Legion, lifetime member of the Lancaster AMVETS Post #1985 and an Active Voter. He received Special Commendations, NDSM, VSM, VCM 1 O/S BAR, EXP M16 and Armor Intel Specialist. Larry will be remembered as Papa and for his love of cars, collecting, a master trap shooter, professional cucumbers and onion maker, filet mignon (med. rare, a machinist and a perfectionist. He worked at Woolworth's, Anchor Hocking, Newark Air Force Base, retired from Anchor Hocking and US Army Publications Distribution Center in St. Louis, MO. He is survived by his loving daughter, Angela (Kyle) Erwin Lama, grandchildren, Landen and Lauren Lama; sisters, Lynn Francis, Pat Larabee and Peg (Bill) Fulk; brother, Steve (Bernadette) Erwin; several nieces and nephews; special friends and family, Sam Dyer, Matt Disbennet, Mandy Myers; and stepsons, Tom (Kathleen) Hartman and Todd Hartman. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his wife, Rosetta (Rose) Erwin; stepson, Tim Hartman, and brother-in-law, John Francis. The family would like to especially thank the Pharmacy staff at Walmart, the FMC staff at River Valley Emergency Department and all his favorite local eatery's especially if he was particular a time or two. A Memorial Gathering followed on Monday, September 14, 2020, at 4:00 PM with Pastor Kermit Welty officiating, at The Mill Event Center. The burial was in the Floral Hills Memory Gardens. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Larry's memory to the American Heart Association, Saint Jude Hospital or FairHoPe Hospice. Online condolences available at www.pfeiferfuneral.com.



DANIEL JOHN “Dan” ERZEN- Died Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 8:15 AM at Allegheny General Hospital at the age of 73, surrounded by his loving wife and family. He was a resident of Beaver, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. Daniel was born in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania on January 13, 1947 to the late Leonard and Doris (née McCune) Erzen. He was a 1964 graduate of Richland High School in Johnstown, PA and Robert Morris with a B.S. in Economics. He was employed for 43 years at Westinghouse in Beaver now Eaton, retiring as a Senior Buyer. He enlisted into the United States Navy in 1966 till 1970, as a submariner. He was stationed in New London, Groton, CT. serving on the USS Will Rogers SSBN 650 and the USS James K. Polk SSBN 645 as a EN2 auxiliary and scuba diver. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. Dan brought smiles and joy to everyone he knew with a full kiss, God Bless and Life is Good. In his short years, he enjoyed camping at the family camp in Sheffield, PA as well as traveling with his camper for one month two years in a row across the county. Years of hunting, boating on the Beaver and Ohio, sky diving twice, bowling, Nascar where he attended Bristol Races for eight years and Rockingham. His daily joy was his man cave big screen TV watching his criminal shows, races, all football and Steelers. He enjoyed his backyard campfire and drinking a few drinks on many a warm night with friends and neighbors. His great love was his motorcycle traveling across the US, England and Ireland. After his 2005 motorcycle accident, that love was diminished with his slight brain damage. Dan is survived by his wife Patricia (Trish) Smith who he married on February 12, 2000. His two daughters: Jennifer Erzen (Jim Stechschulte) of Manlius, NY and Cynthia (Damian) De Rosaire of Carmel, NY. His grandchildren: Anneleise De Rosaire and Tabitha and Lucas Stechschulte. His stepdaughter Heather (Ric) Blanchard of Grove City, Pa and four step granddaughters, Briannne, Brigit, Brenna and Breylla Blanchard. Two step great granddaughters Sylvia and Elise Crim. Brother in law Bruce (Carolynn) Smith, nephew Justin Smith and many family members including, nephews, cousins, and friends who loved him dearly. He was a member of the Midland Legion Post #481, Conway VFW Post #6713, lifetime member of the Conway Croatian Club, and the Eaton Thursday night golf league at Blackhawk. Per Dan’s wishes he was cremated with no funeral home visitation. The arrangements were handled by the William Murphy Funeral home in Rochester, PA. Memorials can go to Beaver First Presbyterian Church, Beaver Library or any charitable organization of your choice.



JOHN V. FARLEY, JR. (USMC, MSGT-Ret.) – Died unexpectedly on Friday, August 14, 2020 in Rochester, New York at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Rochester on October 25, 1948 to the late John and Elizabeth Farley. He proudly served in the United States Marine Corps and retired at 20 years at the rank of Master Sergeant. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**. In addition to

his parents he was also predeceased by his son; Terry; and his brothers, Jim, Danny Riefer. He is survived by his loving wife of 42 years, LuAnn Farley; children, Shawn (Kindra), Veronica, April, John (Kate); ten grandchildren, special friends, Marie Fitzgerald and Larry Kennedy; loving sisters, Patricia (Richard) Poinan, Colleen Michael; brother-in-law, Frank (Christine) Spoto; sister-in-law, Nancy Spoto along with many nephews and nieces. A Memorial Mass was held at 11:00 AM on Friday, August 28, 2020 at Holy Cross Church, 4492 Lake Avenue, Rochester, New York 14612.



DENNIS K. FEASTER, SR. - Died Friday, September 4, 2020 at home I Fort Ashby, West Virginia at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 10, 1944 in Beryl, West Virginia to the son of the late Garland and Dorothy (née Trantum) Feaster. He was also preceded in death by a grandson, Tyryn; his brother, James Feaster; and, his sister, Sue Asjodi. Mr. Feaster served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was retired from Westvaco, having been a boiler operator. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**, Cumberland. Mr. Feaster also belonged to Fort Ashby Post #6667, VFW and was a life member of Piedmont American Legion #52. Survivors include his three sons, Dennis K. Feaster, Jr., Craig Feaster, and Clinton Feaster; his grandchildren, Austin, Trenton, Barrett, Carson, Oakland, Arabella, Camden, and Brodie; and, his former wife, Donna. Visitation at the Upchurch Funeral Home, Inc., Fort Ashby was on Tuesday from 4:00-7:00 PM. The funeral service was held on Wednesday at 11:00 AM in the funeral home, with Pastor Scott Ingleton officiating. The interment was in Restlawn Memorial Gardens, where military honors were accorded by VVA Chapter #172. Memorial contributions may be made to the Fort Ashby Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 1110, Fort Ashby, WV 26719.



RICHARD JOEL "Rich" FELBERG - Died Thursday, October 1, 2020 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota at the age of 77, after a courageous battle with complications from Agent Orange exposure. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Volga, South Dakota on July 15, 1943 to the late Iver and Freda Cordelia (née Tisdell) Felberg. He grew up near Sinai, SD, and graduated from Sinai High School in 1961. Rich served with distinction in the United States Army as a Radio Teletype Operator/Morse Code Specialist including a combat tour in Vietnam from 1967 - 1968 where he earned several medals, including the Army Commendation Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross and National Defense Service Medal. Rich and his beloved wife, Arlene were united in marriage on December 6, 1975, in Aberdeen, SD, and spent forty-five devoted years by each other's side. Rich graduated from Watertown Business University with a degree in Accounting before beginning employment with Barkley Truck Lines where he worked for many years. After retiring, Rich worked at Walmart as a greeter. Rich was a longtime member and officer in the Magic Mile Lions Club, playing a significant role in the development of the South Dakota Lions Eye Bank. He particularly enjoyed

taking part in the Lion's annual Christmas tree sales fundraiser. Rich was also a *Founding Member* and *Life Member* of the **North East South Dakota Chapter #1054 of Vietnam Veterans of America**. Rich was a devout Christian who loved spending time with his grandkids and his animals. He enjoyed crossword puzzles, fishing, traveling, computer games, and flower gardening. He was also a voracious reader and an accomplished woodworker. Rich is survived by his wife, Arlene of Watertown; his sons, Joel (Hillary) of Rogers, AR and James (Tia) of Willow Lake, SD and his nine grandchildren, Adrianna, Kaplan, Brandon, Lillie, Thomas, Emily, Sullivan, Archer, and Trigg. Rich was preceded in death by his parents; and his brother, Iver. Funeral services were at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, October 7, 2020, at Cornerstone United Methodist Church in Watertown with Pastor Steve Anderson officiating and music by Elaine Vanderlaan, Lisa Bruley, and Roy Hope. Note location: Visitation was from 4:00-7:00 PM on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at the Cornerstone United Methodist Church. The interment was at the Mount Hope Cemetery with military honors by the Vietnam Veterans of America NESD Chapter #1054 and the Patriot Guard Riders. The pallbearers were Alan Hendricks, Lee Hendricks, Mike Paulsen, Dean Johnson, Ray Speiser, Earl Nuttbrock, Dayton Nuttbrock, and Cliff Lockner.



GLENN FRAZIER – Died Sunday, August 9, 2020 in Smartville, California at the age of 80. The cause of death was multiple myeloma. He was born on September 10, 1939 in Albany, Indiana to the late Walter and Marguerite Frazier. Glenn joined the United States Army shortly after graduating high school in 1957. He married his high school sweetheart Marilyn Martin at the proving grounds chapel in Maryland. From there he was stationed in France where Marilyn followed a short time after. They began their family with the birth of their daughter Sandy. Next it was off to Ft. Ord CA where their family was increased by the birth of daughter Glenda followed shortly after by their first son Mark. Germany was next in their travels, where they welcomed their son John. He was an avid pistol marksman, being on the National Pistol team, shooting competition matches for many years, achieving a high score of 2600. He graduated from Officers candidate school (OCS) at Ft. Knox, KY in 1967, and was awarded his Captain's bars. He maintained friendships with his graduating class up until his passing. At this time, he was stationed in Fort Sam Houston, TX. From 70-71 he served honorably in Vietnam and received many awards including the Bronze Star. Retiring in Ft Lewis WA with 20 years in the Army. He was an active member in CA Rifle and Pistol Association, The American Legion Post #130 and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Grass Valley Chapter #535** both of Grass Valley, CA. Never the one to sit idle, they moved back to Indiana and bought out his father's ditching business working with his sons for several years. Marilyn died from a car accident shortly after celebrating their 25th anniversary. From there he sold his home and business and went on hunting and fishing trips, to Alaska, Wyoming, Montana and Idaho to name a few. Getting his grizzly bear, moose, elk, buffalo and others. On a trip back to Indiana he met Joan (Holmes) Rivar and married in 1986 and welcomed Joan's three adult daughters into the family. Settling in Grass Valley, CA after many trips and adventures built their dream home. Upon completion of their home another "project" was brewing, and Shred-Vac was invented and patented. The house in

Grass Valley was sold and they bought land in Smartsville to build another house and give ranching a go. They loved Oakhaven as they called their ranch and the peace and tranquility it brought them. After 32 years of marriage Joan died December 8, 2017 after a courageous battle with Parkinson's. Six months later he was diagnosed with renal failure caused by Multiple Myeloma cancer from exposure to Agent Orange in Vietnam. His daughter Sandy moved out from TX to be with him. He lived life to the fullest the last 2 and a half years not letting it stop him from traveling to a granddaughter's wedding, another's college graduation and many fishing trips. He passed peacefully in his home August 9, 2020 just shy of his 81st birthday. Glenn is survived by his children, Sandy Kardatzke, Glenda Ramos, Mark Frazier, John Frazier and their spouses, all of TX; stepchildren, Susan Kephart, Jane Rivar-Jacobs and Beth Slusher and their spouses; his brothers, Jay Frazier and Gould Frazier; nineteen grandchildren, and; twenty-eight great-grandchildren with two more due this year; plus numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. All were loved. He will be laid to rest at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon, CA with full Military Honors on September 14, 2020. Because of COVID-19 the funeral was limited to 10. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to Vietnam Veterans of America or The Wounded Warrior Project.



ROBERT A. GIANNINI - Died Thursday, July 9, 2020 in South Dayton, Ohio at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 16, 1950 in Brooklyn, New York to the late August and Eileen Giannini. Robert served in the United States Army as a helicopter crew chief during the Vietnam War. He was a self-employed auto mechanic for most of his life. Robert was a member of the South Dayton American Legion, VFW in Cherry Creek and a life member of the South Dayton Fire Department. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dunkirk Chapter #459*. He is survived by his loving wife of 21 years Marilyn, his cherished children Debra Grout and Brian Giannini, his grandchildren Canaan, Conner, Kennedy Grout and we are expecting baby Giannini also a beloved nephew Ehrich Zollinger. Besides his parents Robert was predeceased by his sister Michelle Barrios. Services were held at the convenience of the family. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the South Dayton Fire Department, 34 Maple Street, South Dayton, NY 14138. The arrangements were entrusted to the DiStasio Funeral Home Inc. South Dayton.



HOWARD RANDALL "Randy" GIBSON - Died Tuesday, August 4, 2020 at the Prisma Health Greenville Memorial Hospital, surrounded by his loving wife, Karen (née Standridge) Gibson and his daughter. He was 72 years of age and a resident of Walhalla, South Carolina. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Oconee County on December 28, 1947 to the late James and Ruby Nell (née Sullivan) Gibson. Randy was a retired maintenance supervisor for the

Oconee County School District, he was a United States Army Veteran, during the Vietnam War, was a member of the Walhalla American Legion and Cheohee Baptist Church. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Walhalla Chapter #1017*. Randy was a devoted husband, loving father and grandfather. Randy is survived by his beloved wife of 23 years, Karen (née Standridge) Gibson; children, Shawn Gibson (Bonita), Crystal Martin (Frank), Dalynn Smith (Chris), Wendy Nichols (Joe), Donna Bradsher (Greg), Michael O’Kelly (Cheryl); brothers, Johnny Gibson, Ricky Gibson (Lisa), Larry Gibson (Linda); seventeen grandchildren and four great-grandchildren whom he cherished dearly. In addition to his parents, Randy is preceded in death by a sister, Karen Heaton. The service was held at 3:00 PM on Friday, August 7, 2020 at the Sandifer Funeral Home Chapel, with burial at the Oconee Memorial Park, with full military honors. In lieu of a formal visitation, Mr. Gibson will lie-in-state from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM on Thursday, August 6, 2020 at Sandifer Funeral Home. The family is at their respective homes, flowers are accepted or memorials in Randy’s memory may be made to, Cheohee Baptist Church Youth Fund, C/O Cheohee Baptist Church, 829 Cheohee Valley Road, Tamassee, SC 29686. Condolences may be expressed online by visiting www.sandiferfuneralhome.com. The Sandifer Funeral Home assisted the family.



GENE ARTHUR GOBLE - Died Friday, July 17, 2020 at his residence in Greenfield, Indiana at the age of 79, surrounded by his family. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on October 4, 1940 in Freeport, Indiana to the late Ralph Goble and Marjorie Helen (née Jackson) Streeval. He served his country from 1959 until 1968 as an Military Policeman in the United States Army. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Indianapolis Chapter #295*. Gene retired as a Sergeant from the Indiana State Excise Police, having served from 1973 until 1994 and later retired from security for IPL. He is member of Saint Michael Catholic Church, Greenfield and loved spending most of his time with his grandchildren, he also liked to fish and was known as an avid prankster. He is survived by his wife Linda (née Oelerich) Goble of Greenfield whom he married on November 9, 1968, children, Micaela Corato of Vicenza, Italy, Shannon Goble of Greenfield, Shelly (Mike) Biffle of New Castle, brother, Mike Sandefur, sisters, Carol Cooper, Marcina Stapleton, Vickie Burton, Connie Medaris, Mona Bernard, Mary Ann Toll, grandchildren, Molly Newby, Allison Goble, Lauren Thistlethwaite, Austin Ford, Dana Frigiola, Mark Frigiola, great grandchildren, Madison, Nora and Liam. He was preceded in death by his parents listed above and great-grandson, Brayden. Visitation was from 5:00 to 8:00 PM on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at the Stillinger Family Funeral Home, Pasco Chapel of Greenfield. A Funeral Mass was at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, July 22, 2020 at Saint Michael Church Parish Life Center, Greenfield. The burial was at Park Cemetery in Greenfield with military rites. Memorials Contributions may be made to Riley Children’s Foundation, 30 South Meridian Street - Suite #200, Indianapolis, IN 46204. Online condolences may be shared at www.stillingerfamily.com.

JULIAN GONZALEZ, MD, MPH - Died from multiple myeloma complications on Thursday, September 17, 2020, in Spokane, Washington. Julian was born to Maria de los Angeles Leon and Julian Gonzalez Montfort on September 6, 1948, in New York, New York. He married

Soraya O. Aragundi in 1981. Julian, a family practice physician, was very well-educated. He first graduated from Jefferson High School in 1967 and was inducted into the school's hall of fame in 2016. He attended Southwest College, University of San Diego (Pre-med); Charles R. Drew Postgraduate Medical School, Medex Physician's Assistance Program (Physician's Assistant); Instituto Superior de Ciencias Medicas de la Habana, Havana, Cuba (Doctor of Medicine); SUNY at Brooklyn, Family Medicine Residency Program (Family Medicine Specialist); and John Hopkins University, School of Public Health (Master in Public Health, International Medicine/Health Emergencies in Large Populations). Julian served with the United States Navy Reserves (USNR) as a Hospital Corpsman September 15, 1969 to April 17, 1972: Naval Amphibious Base, Coronado, Base Dispensary; Republic of Vietnam at Nha Be Naval Support Activity and NSA Bing Thuy; Special Warfare Group-Mobile Inshore Underwater Warfare Group One, San Diego, CA. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal; Vietnam Service Medal with one Bronze Star; Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Army Air Medal. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Sandpoint (Idaho) Chapter #890**. Julian's military, education, and work took him around the world. He lived in Spokane, WA; Saint Maries, ID; Kotzebue, AK; Barrow, AK; Nome, AK; Anchorage, AK; several locations in California; New York; Tampa, Florida; Havana, Cuba and Safawa, Sudan. He traveled extensively around the world. Julian led a very active lifestyle. His interests included backpacking, kayaking, bicycling, winter sports, international travel, and basketball. He also enjoyed reading, writing and having meaningful conversations about life, justice, health discrepancies and politics. Julian is survived by his wife, Soraya O. Aragundi, MD and sisters, Carmen Caldwell Gonzalez and Roxana Maria Gonzalez. He was preceded in death by his parents, Maria de los Angeles Leon and Julian Gonzalez Montfort and sister, Diana Gonzalez. No services are being planned at this time. Memorial donations may be made to your preferred charity working for peace, justice, or feeding the hungry.



JOHN HENRY GORDON, JR. - John Henry, 72, of Dayton, Died Monday, July 27, 2020 in Millersburg, Ohio. He was formerly a resident of Miamisburg, Ohio. He was born in Dayton, Ohio on August 22, 1947 to the late John Henry Gordon, Sr. and Charlotte Gordon. He is survived by his sister Melsina (Arthur) Coyle; nieces and nephews Dawn Brubaker, Deanna (David) Paswaters, Dwayne (Kimberly) Coyle; great nieces and great nephews Destiny Coyle, Ivy Passwaters, Cameron Coyle and Conner Coyle. John was a veteran of the Vietnam War in the United States Army; formerly worked as a security guard; was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97** and a member of the VFW #3283 in Huber Heights. Family received friends at a walk-through visitation on Sunday, August 2, 2020 at Tobias Funeral Home-Beavercreek Chapel, 3970 Dayton-Xenia Road at Grange Hall Road from 2:00-4:00 PM. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Monday, August 3, 2020 at the funeral home. Masks

and social distancing were required. A graveside service was at the Miami Cemetery in Corwin, Ohio. Contributions may be made to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, 5 Henry Bacon Drive NW, Washington DC, 20245. Online condolences may be sent to www.tobiasfuneralhome.com.

VERNE JAMES ABBOTT GRANT – Died recently in 2020 in Angeles City, Philippines at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 11, 1941, He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887**.



PHILIP JEROME "Phil" GRUSHETSKY - Died Wednesday, September 23, 2020 in Elmira, New York at the age of 84. The cause of death was acute hypoxemic respiratory failure due to complications from COVID-19. He was born on June 22, 1936 in Nanticoke Pennsylvania, the son of a Ukrainian Orthodox Priest. He was preceded in death by his wife Marion (née Ambrose) Grushetsky. He is survived by his daughter Hannah Kelly of Cleveland Heights, OH, two sons, Stephen (April) of Lyndhurst, OH and Philip (Shelly) of Yorktown, VA; and his stepdaughters, Jennifer Ambrose (Shanti) of Grants Pass, OR, and Jessica Lawrence (Ben) of State College, PA; six grandchildren, Devabluemoon, Madeline, Jacqueline, Amelia, Stephen (Anne) and Anna (Chis), and one great grandchild Cyril; sister, Madeline White of Pittsburgh, PA. Phil was a 1954 graduate of Central Catholic High School in Pittsburgh, PA and a 1958 Graduate of John Carroll University in University Heights OH, where he played football on scholarship. He was Commissioned 2nd Lieutenant in the United States Army in 1959 and headed to Helicopter School in Corpus Christi TX to begin an extensive military career. As an Army Aviator, Phil was a fixed wing pilot as well as being certified on the UH-1 Huey, AH-1 Cobra, CH-47D Chinook, CH-54 Sky Crane, and the OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopter platforms. Phil served two tours in Vietnam, first in 1965 and then in 1968. He survived getting shot down May 30, 1965, a day he always celebrated throughout his life. In his military career Phil received his Master Aviator Badge, the Bronze Star, the RVN Cross of Gallantry with Palm, the Valorous Unit Award with Oak Leaf Cluster, the National Defense Service Medal, the Air Medal 9th Oak Leaf Cluster, RVN Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with 7 Service Stars, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, three overseas Service Bars, the Army Service Ribbon, the Meritorious Service Medal 2nd Oak Leaf Cluster, and Republic of Korea Army Senior Aviator Wings. After Vietnam, Phil earned his Master of Arts Degree in education from William and Mary College in Williamsburg, VA. He later became a certified test pilot for Dornier Aircraft in Germany and Boeing Vertol in Philadelphia PA. As a Lieutenant Colonel Phil's last assignment was with NATO SHAPE, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, in Brussels Belgium. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elmira Chapter #803**. He retired after 25 years of Army service in 1984, and became a Guidance Counselor in Elmira NY, a job he loved. An avid golfer, Scrabble player, crossword fan and chess player, Phil loved being around people, his wit and humor were second to none. He was funny, always, and his laughter was infectious. He was a die-hard Pittsburgh Steelers and Pirates fan. He could name any NCAA mascot, in any division, rarely if ever stumped. He loved sleeping, big breakfasts, anything Ukrainian, practical jokes, and tall tales. His story of encountering Big Foot coming out of his Aunt Anna's outhouse in Nanticoke

PA as a child, or his story of meeting the Chickahominy Monster on a back road in rural VA, were legendary. Phil was a truly gifted orator. He will be missed by many. Memorial contributions may be made to Saint Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, 410 East McCann Boulevard, Elmira Heights NY 14903. A Memorial Mass was held at Saint Nicholas Ukrainian Church, at a date.



ROBERT ARTHUR HAGAN - Died peacefully at home in Lady Lake, Florida on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at the age of 92. He is survived by his wife, Gloria of 56 years, their two children, Kim and Todd, five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and his four siblings. Mr. Hagan retired to The Villages after 33 years serving in the United States Army, National, and State Guard, and a long civilian career in information technology. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Oxford Chapter #1036**. He was an active member of the Church of Christ. In lieu of flowers, the family requested any memorial offerings be donated to the Village Church of Christ, 1421 Oak Street, Lady Lake, FL 32158. A Visitation was held on Sunday, August 23, 2020 from 3:00 - 5:00 PM at the Beyers Funeral Home, 134 North Highway 27/441, Lady Lake, FL 32159. The arrangements were entrusted to the Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Lady Lake, FL. Online condolences may be left at www.BeyersFuneralHome.com.

WILLIE JOEL HALL - Died Tuesday, August 18, 2020 in Montgomery, Alabama at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 22, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Montgomery Chapter #607**. Graveside services were held on Saturday, August 29, 2020 at 1:00 PM from Kindle Cemetery.



WILLIAM KENT "Bill" HAYES (USAF, COL-Ret.) – Died Thursday, May 28, 2020 in Sumter, South Carolina at the age of 81. The cause of death was heart disease. He was born on March 25, 1939 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Bill Hayes loved bluegrass, old Westerns, Coca-Cola, playing golf, and crisp, uncirculated currency. He never entered a room quietly. He was a man of strong faith whose impassioned prayers were for his country and his family, and every day he picked fresh flowers from the garden for Kathleen, his wife of nearly 60 years. He spent 29 years in the United States Air Force. He was an F-100 and A-7D fighter pilot, a Vietnam War veteran, and Commander of the 75th Tactical Fighter Squadron based at England AFB, LA. His later assignments took him to Saudi Arabia and to the Pentagon, and he retired as a colonel with multiple honors. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Columbia Chapter #303**. After serving his country, Bill flew for Sun Country Airlines, Minneapolis, MN, and made Captain in a little over three years. He then went into Management after seven years (while still flying). In his ninth year, he became VP of Flt Ops. and retired in February of 2002. Bill and his family moved to Sumter, SC. He had some arrhythmia problems with his heart which a Doctor in

Charleston solved with ablation. He continued to work and taught Operations Management courses, at Shaw AFB, to students enrolled with Webster University. This lasted about two years ("I guess what goes around, comes around," Bill says). After another retirement Bill said, "I am now, just retired". He was a long-time active member of the Super Sabre Society. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen; his son and daughter-in-law, Adam and Kyle; his daughter, Hannah; his sister and brother-in-law, Karon and Alvin. He is interred in the Ramsey Creek Preserve in upstate South Carolina.



DONALD E. HEAD – Died Tuesday, September 15, 2020 in Sparrows Point, Maryland at the age of 72. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland on October 15, 1947. He was the devoted father of Laura Basta and her companion Nick and Shaunna Head-Gregory and her husband Stepvan; loving grandfather of Brianna, Kyle, Makenah, Colin and Kingston; dear brother of Ronald Head, Barry Head and Nedra Head. Mr. Head was very proud of his service in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Edgemere Chapter #965**. Visitation was held at the family-owned Duda-Ruck Funeral Home of Dundalk, Inc., 7922 Wise Avenue on Monday from 2:00-4:00 and from 6:00-8:00 PM. A funeral service was held at the funeral home on Tuesday at 10:00 AM. The interment, Holly Hill Memorial Gardens. Face masks and social distancing were required at the funeral home and cemetery.



STEVEN CURTIS "Steve" HEDRICK - Died Monday, July 27, 2020 in Batesville, Indiana at the age of 72. The cause of death was metastatic urothelial carcinoma. He was born on December 21, 1947 in Cincinnati, Ohio to the late Robert and Evelyn (née McGranahan) Hedrick. Steve was a United States Navy Vietnam Veteran. He was a member of the Versailles American Legion. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora Chapter #71**. He was a fisherman, builder, and loved music. He liked antiques and at one time was a "Jack of all Trades" at the Lawrenceburg Motorcycle Track. He worked at Gulf Refinery. He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Marlene Hedrick of Batesville, IN; 2 sons, Aaron Hedrick of Felicity, OH, Adam (Shawna) Hedrick of Greendale, IN; daughter, Carrie Beth Hedrick of Aurora, IN; step son, Jason (Jodi) Comer of Osgood, IN; 2 step daughters, Julie Comer of Phoenix, AZ, Kara Beth (Shawn) Hieser of Indianapolis, IN; brother, Doug (Mary Beth) Hedrick of Greendale, IN; sister, Carol (Tom) Wilson of Greendale, IN; and his 16 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Evelyn Hedrick; his brother, Jim Hedrick; his granddaughter, Emily Huntington; his niece Crystal Dicus; and his nephew Eric Lacy. Family and friends were invited to a Celebration of Life Service that was held at 2825 East County Road 950 North, Batesville, Indiana on Saturday, August 22, 2020 starting at 1:00 PM. In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to the Versailles American Legion, PAWS, or Saint Jude Children's Hospital.



JOSEPH ROBERT "Joe" HERBERT - Died Wednesday, August 19, 2020 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin at the age of 74, surrounded by his family at home. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Milwaukee on September 30, 1945 to the late Joseph and Beatrice Herbert. He was also predeceased by his son Johnny, his brother Bob, his sister Bea, and Carol's parents, John and Clara Dauer. Beloved husband of Carol J. (née Dauer) for 50 years. Most precious and loving father of Sarah and Rebecca (Anna). Dear brother of Vic (Marilyn) and Kathy (Ben) Stricker. Dear brother-in-law of Marilyn (Vic), Gerry (Yolanda) Dauer, Jan (John) Balian, Sue (Herb) Gunka, Barb Dauer, Tom (Tami) Dauer, Mike (Heidi) Dauer, and Kathi Brodbeck. Further survived by many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. Born and raised in Milwaukee's Merrill Park neighborhood, he attended Saint Rose Grade School and West Division High School. As a lifelong learner, his academic achievements were important to him as he earned his BS in Chemistry and a Master of Arts of Business Administration. He began his career at Lakeside Laboratories and eventually moved to Froedtert Malt Corporation. He was an Emeritus member of the American Chemical Society. Joe proudly served in the United States Army in the 101st Airborne Division during the Vietnam War. He represented and honored the lives of hundreds of unclaimed Veterans by being present at their burials at Southern WI Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Union Grove. In November of 2017 he was selected to fly to Washington DC for the Stars and Stripes Honor Flight. Joe was an active *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Milwaukee Chapter #324**, VVA Chapter #1, and VFW Post #1691. He loved spending time with his fellow veterans and was always trying to recruit to new members everywhere he went! Joe's love of singing started in choir at Saint Rose Church where he met Carol, and later married on March 14, 1970. He treasured his time in the Milwaukee Symphony Chorus. He enjoyed celebrating life at the Transplant Olympics by participating in many events including race walking. He was an avid gardener who always quite literally took time to stop and smell the flowers. We are forever grateful for the gift of life that his brother Bob gave by donating his bone marrow 33 years ago as Joe began his first battle with cancer. We would like to thank the many healthcare professionals who have helped Joe along his journey, including but not limited to Dr. Mary Horowitz and PA Michael Paul (Froedtert BMT unit), Dr. David Alexanian (VAMC Yellow Clinic), CNA Michelle Wieting, and the staff at Fresenius Kidney Care (Theo Trecker Way). A Visitation was held Friday, August 28, 2020 from 10:00 AM until Mass of Christian Burial at 12:00 Noon at Saint Hyacinth Catholic Church (Corner of South 15th West Becher Street). Interment will follow with full Military Honors at Holy Cross Cemetery. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, face masks and social distancing were followed. For those who wish to attend the service online via livestream, please email J.R.Herbert2020@gmail.com. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Saint Hyacinth Catholic Church or Saint Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Milwaukee appreciated. Joe always had a love of life and an unmatched optimism. His light will be truly missed in this world. He was a man of great faith, guided by his Catholic belief.



TE-ATA RENÉE "Teddy" HERY (USA, COL-Ret.) - Died Thursday, June 4, 2020 at her home in Williamsburg, Virginia at the age of 81. The cause of death was cancer. Teddy was born in Oakham, Massachusetts on April 10, 1939, and moved to Virginia at an early age. She earned her bachelor's degree from the College of William and Mary and held a master's degree from Old Dominion University. She taught school in Norfolk, VA. before being commissioned in the United States Army, where she served for thirty years, attaining the rank of Colonel. Teddy was a champion for Army women. She was proudest of the work she did speaking up for women on military promotion boards and her efforts to open the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) to women. During her highly successful career, she commanded at the company, battalion and brigade levels. Teddy leaves behind many friends and family members who will miss her, including her brother, Nicholas Merritt Black; her five nieces, Deborah Stevens, Roxanne McKeon (husband, Kevin), Nancy Campbell, Diane Vigneau (husband, Paul) and Nicole Black-Robey (husband, Richard); her nephew, Robert Stevens; six grandnieces and grandnephews and her lifelong friend, Maria Ramirez. She is preceded in death by her two sisters, Gaye and Penney, and by two brothers, Joe and Jay. Teddy was a member and past president of the Women's Army Corps Veterans Association, Northern Virginia Chapter #33, and a *Life Member* and long-time treasurer of the **Vietnam Veterans of America - Williamsburg Chapter #957**. In addition to her steadfast commitment to her family and her friends, Teddy's passion was creating beautiful works of art with wood. She was a master woodworker. She will be remembered for her sage advice, her sense of humor, her kindness to others, her giving spirit and her generosity. During her life, Teddy supported many organizations. In lieu of flowers, please make a memorial contribution to one of her favorites: Angels of Mercy Medical Clinic, Women in Military Service for America (WIMSA), Saint Olaf Roman Catholic Church or Heifer International. A graveside service was held on Saturday, June 27, 2020 at Williamsburg Memorial Park, 130 King William Drive, Williamsburg, VA 23188 beginning at 2:00 PM. Guests were asked to wear masks for the service. Online condolences may be shared at www.nelsenwilliamsburg.com.

BETTY PAULETTE HOLTEN - Died Sunday, August 9, 2020 at Pruitt Health - Seaside in Port Wentworth, Georgia at the age of 73. She was a resident of Savannah, Georgia. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on December 23, 1946. She was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Savannah Chapter #671**. A Memorial Service was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 22, 2020 at the Central Christian Church, 6810 Skidaway Road, Savannah, GA. Services were entrusted to the Baker McCullough Funeral Home Garden City Chapel, 2794 West US Highway 80, Garden City, GA 31408. www.bakermccullough.com.

ROBERT E. HOWES - Died Tuesday, September 29, 2020 in Medina, Ohio at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts on September 19, 1943 to the late Kenneth and Florence Howes. Robert honorably served his country in the United States Coast Guard. He selflessly volunteered his time to the AM Vets, DAV, and was a proud member of the American Legion. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Medina Chapter #385**. He will be dearly missed by his family and friends. Robert is survived by

his loving daughter, Penny Joanna Elsie Avon; his grandchildren, Syndi Lawson, Lexy Avon, Gabbie Avon, Kennie Avon, Xanny Avon, Lizzy Avon, and Katie Foot; and great-granddaughter, Phoenix Mary Jane Elsie Howes. He preceded in death by his beloved wife Penny Helen Howes. Burial with military honors took place at the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery at a later date. Online condolences may be made at waitefuneralhome.com.



CHARLES RAEBURN HUNTER – Died Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at his residence in Farmerville, Louisiana at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 3, 1943 in Sterlington, Louisiana. He is preceded in death by his parents, his first wife Cheryl Hunter, one sister, Rayma Franklin and two brothers, Lovay Hunter and Olin Wayne Hunter. Survived by his wife of eleven years, Glenda (née Schneider) Hunter of Farmerville, LA; son Lonnie R. Hunter of Eros, La; son, David Schneider of New Orleans, La; daughter Janell “Greg” of Bay St. Louis; daughter Jennifer “Carlos” Iniguez of Bay St. Louis; Grandchildren: Derrick Schneider, Megan Schneider, Heidi Schneider, Jake Forstall, Caron H. Osbon, Damian Ward, Nathan Ward; great grandchildren: Haley Bayhi, Rilyn Osbon, Emma Osbon, Noah Osbon; sister, Shirley “Raymond” Agnew of Monroe, LA; sister-in-law Ilsa Hunter of Louisiana; numerous nieces and nephews. Charles served in the United States Air force and the United States Army. He served one tour in Korea as well as two tours in Vietnam. He was the Post Commander of AMVETS Post #66 from 2005 – 2010. He was a lifetime member of the American Legion and a member of VFW. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Alexandria Chapter #1131**. Charles was very involved in the veteran community. Visitation for family and friends was held on Saturday, October 17, 2020 from 12:00 Noon till 2:00 PM at the Kilpatrick Funeral Home in Farmerville, LA. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.kilpatrickfuneralhomes.com.



DANIEL LEROY “Chief” “Dan” JOHNSON (USAF, CMSgt-Ret.) - Died Saturday, August 8, 2020 at his home in Port Byron, Illinois at the age of 84. The cause of death was renal failure. Dan was born on August 24, 1935 in Kewanee, Illinois to the late Hayden “Jack” and Adella (née Euchaski) Johnson. He graduated from Visitation Catholic School and Wethersfield High School. He married Colette Wilson in 1956. She died in 1978. Daniel married Linda J. Coe on June 22, 1985 in Colona, IL. He served honorably in the United States Air Force as an Aircraft Loadmaster from 1952 until he retired in 1995 as a Chief Master Sergeant (E-9). During this period, he attended the University of Maryland and the University of Oklahoma. Following service, Dan was employed with the US Army Armament, Munitions & Chemical Command (AMCCOM) as a Maintenance Management Supervisor at the Arsenal. He later became an owner/operator trucker, and finally did popcorn farming with Linda. He was a Coe Township Trustee and later Supervisor, served as President of the Saint John’s Parish Council, was a Eucharistic Minister and

Lector at Saint John's, trustee and President of Our Lady of Grace Education Commission, and three-time member of Alleman High School Board. Dan was a life member of the Coe-Lamb American Legion, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rock Island Chapter #299**, Professional Loadmaster Association, Air Force Sergeant's Association, and the Air Force Association. He enjoyed the company of military veterans and his wife, Linda, and was very appreciative of Linda's loving care during his periods of severe illness. Dan is survived by his wife, Linda; children, Daniel C. Johnson, Valary L. Johnson, Grand Junction, CO, Leslie D. (Doug) Johnson, Seattle, WA; brother, Michael (Marcia) Johnson, Augusta, GA; and 3 grandchildren, Nicolette (Joji) Mangubat, Cameron Starke, and Dylan Johnson; one great granddaughter, Adia Feigner; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his first wife and parents. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at Saint John Catholic Church, Rapids City. Visitation was from 5:00–7:00 PM with a Christian Prayer Service at 4:00 PM on Tuesday at the Gibson – Bode Funeral Home, Port Byron. For the safety of his family and those in attendance, please wear a face covering and observe social distancing. The burial was in the Rock Island National Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Honor Flight of the Quad Cities or Air Force Enlisted Village. To watch the Mass live stream, go to <https://facebook.com/stjohnrapidscity/live>. Online condolences may be made at www.gibsonbodefh.com.

HOWARD JAMES JONES, SR. - Died Sunday, June 14, 2020 Temperance, Michigan at the age of 74. He was a former resident of Erie, Michigan. The cause of death was the COVID-19 coronavirus. He was born on June 17, 1945 in Marion, Ohio to the late Earl and Stella (née Miller) Jones. Howard was a part of the United States Army and served as a Medic during the Vietnam War. For 8 years, He was a member of the VFW Post #3925 of Erie, Michigan, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Toledo Chapter #35**, and The American Legion. Howard worked for GM for 30 years. During his time at GM Howard owned and took care of rental properties and belonged to the Real Estate Investors Association for 35 years. Left to cherish Howard's memory is his wife, Mary Alice; son, Howard (Robin) Jones, Jr.; grandchildren, Morgan and Logan; siblings, Helen Redmond and Vernon Jones; and many nieces and nephews. Howard was preceded in death by his siblings, Lois Jones and Ernest Jones. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made out to The Toledo Hospital. The family received guests on Wednesday, July 1, 2020 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at the Newcomer Funeral Home - Northwest Chapel, 4150 West Laskey Road, Toledo, Ohio.



STANLEY F. "Stan" KAHN - Died Sunday, September 20, 2020 in Ocean City, Maryland at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Winthrop, Massachusetts to the late Leon Isidore Kahn and Hannah (née Seaman) Kahn. Stan was a graduate of Admiral Farragut Academy, Saint Petersburg, FL, and the University of Florida Gainesville. Throughout his lifetime, he completed a series of continuing education courses, both professional and personal. Stan proudly served our country in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a

Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Berlin Chapter 1091. Stan moved to Miami Beach where, in 1969 he began his career in the Hospitality Industry at the Americana Hotel on Miami Beach. He moved on to Hyatt Corporation Miami Beach, and later Orlando, FL. Stan met the love of his life, Veronica Wolf, in Miami, and in 1973 they were married. In 1978, Stan came to Ocean City, MD, first working for the Carousel Hotel then The Sheraton, and back to the Carousel until he retired in 2015. In 1979, Stan and Veronica became parents of their precious son, Paul Matthew Kahn. He joined Beth Israel Synagogue in Salisbury where he served on the Board of Directors. He was a founding member of Temple Bat Yam in Berlin. Stan's community and professional involvement in Ocean City included Leader-Den 7 Cub Scout Pack 261; President Maryland Tourism Council, Chairman Governor's Conference on Tourism; Board of Directors Maryland Hotel and Motel Association; President Ocean City Chamber of Commerce; President Ocean City Hotel-Motel-Restaurant Association; Board of Directors Atlantic General Hospital Foundation; Wor-Wic Community College Advisory Board; Board of Directors Ocean City Paramedics; President and Paul Harris Fellow Ocean City/Berlin Rotary Club. Stan was a devoted husband and father. He enjoyed playing tennis and jogging, and in later years he became an avid walker. He was a fan of the Boston Red Sox, Baltimore Orioles and the Miami Dolphins. Stan was a super positive thinker, and a supportive friend. He could, and often did, strike up a conversation with anyone. Nevertheless, his top priority in life was always the well-being of his family. He is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Veronica, his son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Felecia, his brother Joseph and wife Phyllis of Vista, CA. and several nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by brothers, Myron (Helaine) and Howard (Dorothy). The Talmud teaches that even a truly righteous person must eventually die as death is inevitable. God however does not want to let the truly righteous leave this world, but rather wants to cling on to every second of having such a person on earth. When such a person's name is not written in the Book of Life for the next year to come God waits until the very last second until the New Year begins, and only then allows the Angel of Death to descend. Thus, a truly righteous person breaths his or her last breath and their soul departs on Rosh Hashana, the New Year. Services were live-streamed on Thursday, September 24th at 11:00 AM. <https://www.facebook.com/Temple-Bat-Yam-116320568451014> or visit Temple Bat Yam's Facebook page. Interment with Military Honors was at Beth Israel Cemetery in Salisbury. A Shiva service for Stanley was held on Zoom on Thursday evening at 7:00 PM and Saturday at 7:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to: Temple Bat Yam, 11036 Worcester Highway, Berlin, MD 21811, or Coastal Hospice at the Ocean P.O. Box 1733, Salisbury, MD 21803. The arrangements are in the care of the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin.

ROGER L. KEHRER – Died Monday, October 12, 2020 | Plymouth, Michigan at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born Bay City, Michigan on June 17, 1945. He served in the United States Army from July 1965 to June 1968 with a tour of duty in Vietnam from June 1967 to June 1968. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Plymouth Chapter #528.*



JACK RUSSELL KEMPTER, SR. - Died Friday September 4, 2020 at his home in Waubay, South Dakota at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 7, 1949 in Richwood, West Virginia. At 5 years old he was adopted by Don and Barbara (née Hinkle) Kempter. The family lived in Fairfield, California until 1962 and they then moved to New Delhi, India where they lived for one year. In 1963 they moved to Waubay, South Dakota. Jack graduated from Waubay High School in 1967. After his education Jack joined the United States Air Force. During his service in the Air Force he was stationed in Vietnam and in 1970 was stationed at Beale Air Force Base in Marysville, California. He was united in marriage to Kathryn Barrett on April 30, 1971. Jack attended diesel mechanic school in Arkansas and in 1973 he joined the United States Navy and retired in 1990. The couple lived in California from 1988-1996. In 1996 they moved back to Waubay where he served as American Legion Commander, *Life Member* and *President* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter (NESD) #1054** for five years as well as **VVA South Dakota State President** for two years. He was a volunteer fireman and Jack also worked at the Waubay High School doing custodial work. He enjoyed working on cars, snowmobiling, fishing, hunting, mud bogging with his 4-wheeler, and above all else he cherished spending time with his family and friends. Jack will be deeply missed by his wife, Kathryn Kempter of Waubay, SD; one son James Kempter of Somers, MT; two daughters Katrina Kurkowski of Grenville, SD and Shannon Little of Wichita Falls, TX; one brother Kirk (Pam) Kempter of Sioux City, IA; two sisters Karen (Don) Ludens of Armour, SD and Kathleen (Orris) Swayze of Wilmot, SD; mother-in-law Patty Barrett of Waubay, SD; twelve grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, son Jack Jr., and an infant grandson. Graveside Services were at 11:00 AM on Thursday, September 10, 2020 at Lakewood Cemetery near Waubay. Military honors were provided by Vietnam Veteran of America NESD Chapter #1054. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Jack's family. The Fiksdal Funeral Service of Webster handled the arrangements. fiksdalfuneral.com.



GARY WAYNE KERN – Died peacefully in his sleep on Monday, July 20, 2020 in Becker, Minnesota at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 28, 1946 to the late Albert and Doris Kern. Gary proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Cloud Chapter #290**. Gary worked at FMC for many years before he owned his own company, G&M Machine. Preceded in death by parents, Doris and Albert and brother Gene. Gary will be missed by his wife, Marie (née Lemon) of 51 years, godchildren, and his extended family. Backyard service was held on August 15, 2020 at 11:00 AM at 14225 Central Avenue, Becker, MN. Visitation was at 10:00 AM.



GOVERNOR JOSEPH EUGENE “Joe” KERNAN III - the 48TH Governor of Indiana and three-term Mayor of South Bend, died peacefully in his beloved hometown of South Bend on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at the age of 74. The cause of death was Alzheimer’s disease. He was born in Washington, DC on April 8, 1946 to the late Joseph Eugene Kernan, Jr. and Marion (née Powers) Kernan. Joe is survived by his wife of 46 years, Maggie (née McCullough) Kernan, a brother and six sisters, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Joseph Eugene Kernan, Jr., his mother, Marion (Powers) Kernan and a sister, Mary Pat (Kernan) Harbison. Joe was a graduate of Saint Joseph High School in South Bend. In 1968 he earned a degree in Government from the University of Notre Dame, where he was a catcher on the baseball team. Joe was a veteran of the United States Navy, serving as a Naval Flight Officer aboard the USS Kitty Hawk. In May of 1972, he was shot down by the enemy while on a reconnaissance mission over North Vietnam. After being held as a prisoner of war for nearly 11 months, Joe was repatriated in 1973. For his service, Joe received numerous awards, including the Navy Commendation Medal, two Purple Hearts and the Distinguished Flying Cross. Following his service in the Navy, Joe worked for both the Schwarz Paper Company and the MacWilliams Corporation. He was also South Bend's city controller from 1980 to 1984. Joe Kernan was elected mayor of South Bend in 1987, 1991 and again in 1995, when he won with more than 82% of the vote. At the time, he was the longest serving mayor in the city's history. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – South Bend Chapter #1027**. In 1996, Frank O'Bannon and Joe Kernan were elected to the top two positions in Indiana government. The O'Bannon-Kernan team was elected for a second term in 2000. Upon the death of Gov. Frank O'Bannon in September 2003, Joe assumed the position of governor of Indiana. He made history immediately by appointing Kathy Davis as Indiana's first woman lieutenant governor. Please go to www.joekernan.com to learn more about Joe's accomplishments as both Lieutenant Governor and Governor. Maggie would like to thank the many dear friends who became an even bigger part of hers and Joe's lives over the last few years. With their help, Joe was able to continue to enjoy some of his passions: Notre Dame football, talking politics, vacations and afternoons on the links. She also expresses her extreme gratitude to his longtime in-home caregivers, Cheryl and Dinah, as well as South Bend's Morningview Assisted Living and the Center for Hospice Care. Joe was a treasure to all who knew him. He was a devoted husband; military hero; embodiment of a true public servant; Notre Dame fanatic; and champion of South Bend. The twinkle in his Irish eyes and his booming laugh won't soon be forgotten. Due to ongoing concerns regarding COVID-19, no services were planned at this time. Memorial contributions may be made to the Veterans Fund at the University of Notre Dame, which supports scholarships and fellowships for military-connected students. Contact the fund online at www.giving.nd.edu, by phone at (574) 631-5150, or by mail: University of Notre Dame, Department of Development, 1100 Grace Hall, Notre Dame, IN 46556. The Palmer Funeral Home - Welsheimer Chapel assisted the family with the arrangements. Family and Friends may leave email condolences at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com.



STANLEY LEWIS "Stan" KLINE - Died Saturday, August 22, 2020 at his home in Cumberland, Maryland at the age of 73, after a courageous battle with lung cancer, with his wife and daughter, Misty, by his side. He was born on March 8, 1947 in Cumberland to the late Norman Kline and Ellen (née Rapp) Kline. A graduate of Allegany High School, class of 1965, Stan was an United States Air Force veteran, and was owner of Kline's Gifts, Mechanic Street, Cumberland. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172** and was treasurer for 11 years. Stan was a 50-year member of the East Gate Lodge 216 A.F.&A.M., the Scottish Rite for 50 years, and a 50-year member of the Ali Ghan Shrine Club. Stan was a life-time member of the Fort Hill Gun Club and numerous other organizations. Stan loved spending time with his family and watching his grandson play sports. He loved shooting trap and sporting clay with his wife. Stan was an avid hunter and loved going to the flea markets. He loved his revolutionary war reenactments. Stan always had a smile on his face and his goal was to make people smile. He never met a stranger. Stan is survived by his wife, best friend, and the love of his life, Connie (Guthrie) Kline; his daughters, Misty King and husband, Clay, and Renee Kline and husband, Andrew Shaber; and his son, Michal Kline. He also leaves behind his grandchildren, Gavin King, Kyle Amstutz, and Alyssia Shaber; his brother, Lenny Kline and girlfriend, Roxann Thompson; and his nieces, Michelle and Brandy. A committal service was conducted at the Maryland State Veterans Cemetery at Rocky Gap on Thursday, August 27, 2020 at 11:00 AM with Rabbi Mark Perman officiating, with a Masonic service by the East Gate Lodge 216 A.F.&A.M. following the service. Military honors were accorded at the cemetery by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #172 Color Guard. The family would like to give a special thank you to the Hospice caregivers, Lacy, Kim, and Alex, for the care and compassion given to Stan. The Adams Family Funeral Home, P.A., 404 Decatur Street, Cumberland (www.AdamsFamilyFuneralHome.com), handled the arrangements.

MICHAEL MORRIS "Mike" KRAUS - Died Tuesday, August 4, 2020 in Grand Prairie, Texas at the age of 73. The cause of death was cardiopulmonary arrest, respiratory failure and bilateral pneumonia. He was born on July 5, 1947. He served in the United States Navy from 1964 to 1972. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Grand Prairie Chapter #1013**. Funeral arrangements were under the care of David Clayton and Sons in Duncanville, Texas. The Committal Service was held on August 21, 2020 at 9:00 AM at the Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery, 2000 Mount Creek Parkway, Dallas, TX.



DAVID ROMAN “Dave” KREJCI – Died Monday, June 29, 2020 in the Froedtert Saint Joseph Hospital in West Bend, Wisconsin at the age of 72 years, surrounded by his loving family. He was a resident of Newburg, Wisconsin. The cause of death is unknown. Dave was born on April 4, 1948 in West Bend to the late Ralph and Delores (née Schulze) Krejci. He was united in marriage to Carol Thiemer on May 15, 1971 at Holy Trinity Church in Newburg. Dave graduated from West Bend High School in 1966. He proudly served in the United States Army from 1966 - 1969. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Newburg Chapter #448**. Dave worked at Lorence Manufacturing and Power Test. He also served with the Newburg Fire Department and was a Newburg Village Trustee for many years. Dave enjoyed hunting, fishing, being on lake, traveling and most of all spending time with his family. Those Dave leaves behind to cherish his memory include his beloved wife of 49 years, Carol; two loving children, Ralph (Aleeta Ruberti) Krejci and Lisa (Matthew) DeKarske; two granddaughters dear to his heart, Brittany (Andrew) Parshen and Michelle DeKarske; mother-in-law, Evelyn Thiemer (nee Kuehl); and brother-in-law, Richard (Mary) Thiemer, Jr.; and furry-feline companions, Tootsie and Chit-Chat. Dave is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. In addition to his parents, Dave was preceded in death by his father-in-law, Richard Thiemer, Sr.; and numerous uncles and aunts. Due to current restrictions, a private Memorial Mass and burial was held for Dave’s family at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Newburg. Dave’s service was recorded. The video of the service is posted on our website at www.myrhum-patten.com. In lieu of flowers, please send memorials in Dave’s name to the Newburg Fire Department, PO Box 140, Newburg, WI 53060. Dave’s family extends their heartfelt appreciation to the staff at Froedtert Saint Joseph’s Hospital for the loving care they provided. Please consider signing our online guest book (www.myrhum-patten.com) to share your condolences with the family. Cards addressed to the family may be sent in care of: Myrhum – Patten Funeral and Cremation Service, 1315 West Washington Street, West Bend, WI 53095. The Myrhum-Patten Funeral and Cremation Service was entrusted with Dave’s arrangements.

JAMES R. LADDEN - Died Thursday, July 2, 2020 at St. Luke’s Hospital, Orwigsburg, Pennsylvania at the age of 70, after a very brief battle with cancer. He was a resident of Hamburg, Pennsylvania. He was born in Hamburg on May 7, 1950 to the late William and Helen (née Folk) Ladden. He was the husband of Patricia (née Field) Ladden. They celebrated 37 loving and wonderful years together. James was honorably discharged from the United States Marine Corp after receiving several medals including a Purple Heart during his combat with Echo Company in the Vietnam Campaign, 1969-1970. James worked 10 years for Williams Brothers Engineering Company, out of Tulsa, Oklahoma; 16 years for Royal International in King of Prussia, PA and semi-retired in 1996 when he started his own gaming machine business. He fully retired in 2008. He enjoyed building things, caring for wildlife, going with his wife to the casino, collecting and learning new things. He was a member of: Hamburg Fire Company, Hamburg Moose Lodge # 523, Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund; a life member of: Hamburg Fish and Game, VFW Post 216, American

Legion Post #637, Military Order of the Purple Heart, DAV Chapter #10 (Disabled American Veterans), a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Reading Chapter #131**, NRA (National Rifle Association), and PTA (PA Trappers Association). Surviving, in addition to his widow, are his brother, Raymond “Corky” Adams, and wife Christine, Ulysses, PA; his sister, Carleen Ladden of Lehigh, PA; Nieces and nephews - Jessica, Kalem, Nikki, Eddie and many cousins. During this very difficult time, Patricia asks for privacy and would greatly appreciate no personal contact, cards or flowers. She requested personal time, right now. Services were private at the convenience of the family. The Burkey and Driscoll Funeral Home, Hamburg was in charge of arrangements. In lieu of flowers/cards/ etc. – donations may be made to any of the above-mentioned memberships. Online condolences may be expressed at www.burkeydriscoll.com. Semper Fi!



JOHN BURCHETT “J.B.” LILES II - Died Sunday, August 9, 2020 | South Shore, Kentucky at the age of 71. The cause of death was liver cancer. J.B. was born on November 10, 1948 in Morris, Illinois to the late Eddie Arnold and Mary Gladys (née Stephens) Liles. He lived most of his childhood in South Portsmouth, KY with his grandparents John Burchett and Mallie Marie (née Horsley) Liles. He married his high school sweetheart, Sharon, on December 17, 1967 after returning home from boot camp as a United States Marine. After Vietnam, he continued serving his country for 38 years working for the FBI, Office of Personnel Management, and the Department of Defense. However, his fulltime job was teaching "Daddy's girls" to love Jesus first, serve others, get a good education, and keep the grass mowed. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – South Shore Chapter #1006**. He was predeceased by his parents and grandparents; daughter, Tatia Leigh Liles; two brothers, Eddie A. (E.A.) Liles II and Carlos A. Liles; and one sister, Darina A. Goff. Left behind to cherish his memory are his precious wife of 52 years Sharon Kaye (née Large) Liles; two adoring daughters, Velvet Sharron Liles (Kevin Crockett) of Pataskala, OH and Carrie Rene’ Liles Dasher (Jason Dasher) of Cleveland, TN; four admiring grandchildren, Madeline A. Dasher, Madison A. Dasher, J. Blake Liles, and Maverick J. Dasher; four beloved siblings, Marlin D. Liles, I. Valenceala Liles, B. Rheadawn Berry, and Dallas C. Liles; and several other family and friends who love and will miss him dearly. Visitation was on Thursday, August 13, 2020 from 12:00 Noon - 2:00 PM at the Morton-Hunt Family Funeral Home in South Shore, KY. The Homecoming Celebration began at 2:00 PM with sons-in-law Reverends Jason Dasher and Kevin Crockett, along with Bishop Michael Dempsey co-officiating. The burial was in Sunset Cemetery in Quincy, KY.

DANIEL MERLE LLOYD - Died Friday, July 10, 2020 in Okeechobee, Florida at the age of 71. He was formerly of Frostburg, Maryland. He was born on May 21, 1949. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**. Memorial services were held at 12:00 PM on Saturday, July 18, 2020 at the VFW Post #10539, 3912 Highway 441 SE, Okeechobee, FL 34974.



ALLEN DENNIS LOWRY -- Died Friday, August 14, 2020 in Birmingham, Alabama at the age of 72. He was formerly of Huntington, West Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born August 7, 1948 in Colorado Springs, Colorado to the late Harrison and Lorraine (née Lofgren) Lowry. He was also preceded in death by his wife, Barbara (née Porter) Lowry and sister, Anna Saxton Bowles. He was a Vietnam Veteran and retired from the United States Army with twenty years of service. He was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Prichard Chapter #949**. He spent his retired time as a prison guard in GA. He also was a long-haul trucker. He attended Apostolic Center Church in Lesage, WV. He loved to preach and teach to others about our savior, Jesus Christ. He is survived by two sons, Barry Porter and wife, Carla of Hueytown, AL, Thomas Porter and wife, Laura of San Antonio, TX, and daughter in law Susan Porter of San Antonio, TX.; grandchildren, Katlin, Devyn, Zoe, Alec and Emily; siblings, Billy Lowry and wife, Rebecca of Athens, TN, Mary Collins, and Kathy Adkins of Huntington, WV. A host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, including a special niece Brandi Adkins, and his two dogs Pepper and Rusty. Funeral services were held on Monday at 1:00 PM at the Beard Mortuary with Pastor Jerry Stickler officiating. Burial and military rites were at Ridgelawn Memorial Park. The family received friends after 12:00 PM.

JAMES MICHAEL LOWRY - Died unexpectedly on Friday, August 7, 2020 at his shop in Broadway, Virginia at the age of 63, doing what he loved and was passionate about. He was a resident of Timberville, Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Moline, Illinois on March 4, 1957 to Mary Grace (née Rodenhouse) Lowry and the late James Francis Lowry. Michael served in the United States Army as a mechanic stationed in Germany and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Harrisonburg Chapter #1061**. He was the proud owner of Backstreet Customs in Broadway, where he was a talented upholsterer and metal fabricator. He was a lifelong and passionate car lover and well known for his work. In addition to his father, Michael was preceded in death by a brother, Richard Lee Lowry. Surviving are his mother, Mary; seven siblings, Kathryn Detlefs and her husband, Jim, Linda Balser and her husband, Sam, Diane Burrows, Theresa Cantwell and her husband, Larry, Beverly Gerard, Mary Pratt and fiancé, Dennis Brewer, and Mark Lowry and his wife, Debbie; numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews; and many friends. Michael was loved by so many and he will be deeply missed. A Celebration of Life was held at 4:00 PM on Saturday, August 22, 2020 at Woods Chapel, 58 Splinter Lane, New Market, VA 22844. A graveside service was held at a later date at Davenport Memorial Park, 1022 East 39th Street, Davenport, Iowa 52807. Memorial contributions may be

made to the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #1061, P.O. Box 1754, Harrisonburg, VA 22803. Condolences may be made to the family online at www.lindseyharrisonburg.com.



DENNIS LUDWIG (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, May 22, 2019 in Michigan Center, Michigan at the age of 71, after a courageous battle with lung cancer. He was born in Jackson, Michigan on November 11, 1947 to the late Frank and Catherine (née Treciak) Ludwig. He is survived by his loving wife of 46 years Bonnie (née Morris), son Chad (Jennifer) Ludwig and daughter Katherine (Adam) Diehl; 5 grandchildren Lucy, Collin, Kyle, Andrew and Avery. He is also survived by his brother Frank (Louise) Ludwig, sister Christine Johnson, and many nieces, nephews and friends. He was also predeceased by his father-in-law William Morris and mother-in-law Della (McCarty) Morris. After graduating from Saint John High School in Jackson, Denny was drafted into the United States Army in 1969. He served in the Vietnam War and received a Purple Heart after being wounded in combat. He served with Distinction in Vietnam earning a Purple Heart and two Bronze Stars with V clusters for Valor saving countless lives. Denny served honorably in the U.S Army and Army National Guard for 28 years. You might have seen Denny in many local holiday parades, at schools and at memorials honoring his countrymen and representing the **Vietnam Veterans of America – Jackson Chapter #109** as a *Life Member*. Denny also earned a Legion of Merit given to him at his retirement. Denny was very proud to serve his community through the Vietnam Veterans of America, this was something that meant so much to him. Denny also enjoyed bowling with friends and family, spending time at his vacation home up north, and in his workshop where he repaired and made things for friends and family. Denny's true love and dedication was to his family. He loved celebrating his family's accomplishments and attending his grandchildren's sporting events, recitals and concerts. Denny was so proud of his family and was a role model to everyone that knew him. Very rarely did he not have a smile on his face, and he was always quick with a joke to make others smile. If you knew Denny, you were better for it. He was as fine of a man as there is. He was always positive and remained so to his end. Denny was greatly loved and will be deeply missed by those who knew him. The Mass of Christian Burial was held at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church in Michigan Center on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 11:00 AM with Reverend Father Sathessh Alphonse officiating. The interment was at Saint John Cemetery. The family received friends at the Desnoyer Funeral Home on Monday, May 27th from 4:00 to 8:00 PM with a Vigil Service at 7:00 PM. The family also received friends at the Church on Tuesday from 10:30 to 11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers the family asked donations be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter #109, Jackson, MI.



JIMMY LEE MABRY (USA. CSM-Ret.) - Died Saturday, August 1, 2020 in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 81. The cause of death was cancer. Jimmy was born in Birmingham, Alabama on May 23, 1939 to the late Johnnie Mabry and Aggie Lee (née Ivory) Mabry. Jimmy attended Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia and earned his Associate Degree from Hawaii Pacific College in Honolulu, Hawaii. He was united in Holy Matrimony to Barbara Ann (née Cunningham) Mabry on August 16, 1967 and the couple had their only child, Major (Retired) Darryl DeWayne Mabry. The Mabry Family took on traveling as Jimmy was a dedicated member of the United States Army. After completing the Command Sergeant Major Academy in El Paso, Texas the family reflects on memories from their extensive travel to Germany, Hawaii, Texas and Korea. In the year 1979, the Mabry Family selected Lawton, Oklahoma to be their forever home. Jimmy was a social, active man who was deeply involved in community advocacy for the majority of his life. He enjoyed spending time with family and his dogs. His family and friends always will remember him as a quiet but strong-minded man; a man that was caring and loving to all. Aside from his family, Jimmy's greatest devotion was to the military. During his military career, CSM (Retired) Jimmy Lee Mabry earned many accolades and awards including the Purple Heart, Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal w/Silver (OLC), National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, and as well as numerous other service awards. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**. Jimmy's legacy will be honored by his beautiful wife, Barbara Ann (née Cunningham) Mabry of Lawton, Oklahoma; his son, Major (Retired) Darryl DeWayne Mabry (Lorraine Mabry) of Lawton, Oklahoma; his two gorgeous granddaughters: Bryanna M. Mabry of Richardson Texas, Beyonce' M. Mabry of Langston, Oklahoma; his cousin, Princella Gale of Birmingham, Alabama; and a host of cousins and dear-in-laws of Birmingham, Alabama. He is preceded in death by his loving mother, Aggie Lee (Ivory) Mabry; his father, Johnnie Mabry; his beloved mother-in-law, Merelene C. King; and a nephew, Cedric Johnson.



LUIGI MARINACCIO - Died Monday, June 1, 2020 in Concord, North Carolina at the age of 70. The cause of death was obstructive hydrocephalus and diffuse large B cell lymphoma. He was born in Italy on October 28, 1949 to the late Giovanni Marinaccio and the late Melinda (née Sabignano) Marinaccio. He was also preceded in death by his sister, Concetta Santiani. Luigi leaves behind his brother, Leonard Marinaccio; his nephew, John Marinaccio; extended family and his veteran friends. Luigi proudly served his country in the United States Air Force, he was a Vietnam Veteran, he also retired as a mechanic with United Airways. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mooresville Chapter #909**. Services for Luigi

were held in Bronx, NY with the Giordano Funeral Home 1727 Crosby Avenue, Bronx, NY 10461. The Cabarrus Funeral, Cremation and Cemetery was serving the Marinaccio family.



JAMES E. MASSEY - Died Saturday, July 11, 2020 at his home in Knoxville, Tennessee at the age of 73, after a short battle with lung cancer. He was born in Knoxville on November 18, 1946 to the late Charles and Ruth Massey. He worked for the Knox County Sheriff's Office for 50 years and retired as a Captain. Prior to joining the Sheriff's Office, he served his county in the United States Army from 1964-1967. He was a proud member of the National Fraternal Order of Police (Smokey Mountain Lodge #31), the American Legion (Tennessee Post #2), a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Knoxville Chapter #1078**, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars (Post 1733). He attended church at Macedonia United Methodist Church in Knoxville. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Ruth Massey; sister, Charlsie Greenlee; son-in-law, Brian McElhaney; and brother-in-law, Ray Elkas, all of Knoxville. He is survived by his daughter, Laura Massey McElhaney; grandsons, Spencer McElhaney and Jamie McElhaney, all of Powell, Alex McElhaney of Knoxville, and granddaughter Katie Hoffer and her husband Jason of Mascot. He had two great-grandchildren, Solara and Mason Hoffer. He has one living sister, Arrow Elkas of Knoxville. He leaves behind a host of extended family, friends and loved ones, both blood and blue. Family and friends were received at Stevens Mortuary, Oglewood Avenue at North Broadway in Knoxville on July 22nd from 6:00-8:00 PM. He was buried in the East Tennessee Veteran Cemetery on John Sevier Highway on Thursday, July 23rd with full military honors. Reverend Steve Hancock officiated over the graveside service at the rotunda at 2:00 PM.

DAVID B. MAUCH – Died Wednesday, May 20, 2020 in Louisville, Kentucky at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 7, 1949. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Louisville Chapter #454**.



MICKEY McDONALD - Died Sunday, August 23, 2020 in Moss Point, Mississippi at the age of 72. He was formerly of Wade, Mississippi. The cause of death is unknown. Mickey was born on July 19, 1948 in Philadelphia, Mississippi to the late Bennie and Parry Lee McDonald. Mickey was an avid hunter and enjoyed being a Hunter Safety Instructor for over 30 years. He was a veteran of the United States Army and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Robertsdale (Alabama) Chapter #864**. He worked for many years, until his retirement from Chevron Refinery in Pascagoula, MS. He was a 2nd degree black belt in Aikido. Above all, Mickey will be remembered for being a proud husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. In

addition to his parents, Mickey was preceded in death by his wife, Donna McDonald. He is survived by his daughters, Cristina Brewer (Bryan) and Brandy Glass (John); grandchildren, Tyler Armstrong, Justin Armstrong, Anna Glass, Christian Glass, and Joshua Glass; great-grandson, Easton Armstrong; brother, Jerry McDonald (Sherry); along with other family members and friends. A visitation for Mickey was held on Friday, August 28, 2020 from 10:00 AM until 12:00 Noon at Heritage Funeral Home in Escatawpa, MS. The funeral service was in the funeral home chapel beginning at 12:00 Noon with his son-in-law, John Glass officiating. The interment was held in Serene Memorial Gardens. Serving as pallbearers were Dane Pitts, Mike Walley, Wayne Viator, Randy Cook, Mike Shaw, and Manly Tisdale. Due to the concerns surrounding COVID-19 a face mask is required to attend the services and the number of visitors in the building may be limited at any given time. Heritage Funeral Home locally owned and operated, in Escatawpa/Moss Point, MS is assisting with arrangements.



JOHN A. McMASTER - Died Thursday, July 16, 2020 in Aurora, Colorado at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. John was born in Des Moines, Iowa on December 2, 1946 to the late C. Fulton and LaVonna McMaster. He was one of five children. John joined the United States Army, and, during his service, deployed to Vietnam and was awarded a Purple Heart. He would go on from that time to develop a passion for serving veterans of all eras. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora Chapter #1106**. John was deeply involved in VVA and VFW organizations, eventually starting the John O'Brian VFW Post #6331, and serving as its commander for many years. John earned his associate degree, and held many professional positions, finally working in Oil Remediation. John is survived by his siblings, Louise Abel and Carol Cullen; significant other, Dottie Bartlett; stepchildren, Mary Jo Munoz (Mark Munoz) and Roger Miller; and grandchildren, Ethan Munoz, Faith Miller, Adam Miller. John was preceded in death by his parents, C. Fulton and LaVonna; wife, Irene McMaster; daughter, Kelly Jo McMaster; and siblings, Roy and Dale McMaster.

ROGER L. MELLOTT - Died Monday, September 14, 2020 at Wellspan, Ephrata in Pennsylvania at the age of 66. He was a resident of Ephrata. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Indiana, Pennsylvania on March 12, 1954 to the late Clarence and Dorothy (née Burkey) Mellott. He was the husband of the late Lois Kling Mellott who preceded him in death in 2007. Roger graduated from Cocalico High School, Class of 1972 and proudly served his country in the United States Marine Corps in the Vietnam War. He retired in 2012 from the Bob Evans Restaurant in Hershey. He was a member of the Ephrata Community Church and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lancaster Chapter #1008**. Roger enjoyed cooking, gardening, and loved the Christmas Holidays. He is survived by a stepdaughter, Mellissa L. Melendez; brother Ralph E., husband of Pamela Mellott; sister Mildred A. Perdue and his niece, Crystal R. Statler also survives. His sister Cynthia J. Statler, preceded him in death in 2006. A graveside service with Military Honors was held on Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at

1:00 PM in Habecker Mennonite Cemetery, 451 Habecker Road, Lancaster PA 17603 with Pastor Dennis Scalese, officiating. Kindly omit flowers. Contributions in Roger's memory may be made to the Wounded Warriors Project.



FRED WARNER MILLER – Died Thursday, September 24, 2020 in the Jackson-Madison County General Hospital at the age of 74. He was a resident of Trenton, Tennessee. The cause of death was the COVID-19 coronavirus. He was born on September 6, 1946 to the late Robert and Florence Miller. He was a retired member of the United States Air Force, member of the VFW and the American Legion and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Trenton Chapter #1124**. Mr. Miller is survived by his wife of 42 years, Diane (née Scarborough) Miller of Trenton; two sons, Bobby Miller and wife Dorothy of High Shoals, NC and John Miller and wife Amy of Richmond, VA; a sister, Anita Dorr and husband Tom of Middletown, MD; two brothers, Bob Miller and wife Sheila of Gambrills, MD and Ray Miller and wife Susan of Annapolis, MD; and four grandchildren. Graveside services with military honors were held at 3:00 PM on Sunday, September 27, 2020 at the Bells Chapel Cumberland Presbyterian Church Cemetery near Dyer. Visitation was on Sunday from 1:00 PM until 2:00 PM at Shelton-Hunt Funeral Home.



JIMMIE D. MILLER – Died Thursday, September 3, 2020 in Tucson, Arizona at the age of 83. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Omaha, Nebraska on April 14, 1937 and lived in Tucson for over 60 years. He is survived by his nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Jimmie was in the **United States Navy** in Japan when he suffered an injury that left him disabled for the rest of his life. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tucson Chapter #106**. He will be loved and missed by many family and friends.



JOHN FRANKLIN MOSLEY, SR. - Died Sunday, July 26, 2020 in Jacksonville, Florida at the age of 75. The cause of death was the coronavirus COVID-19. He was born in Jacksonville on March 17, 1945 to the late Ella Lee Mosley. John's educational background began in the public schools of Duval County. John enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on January 21, 1964. A very proud decorated combat veteran, John received recognition as a Sergeant during the Vietnam War resulting in four years of active service. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Jacksonville Chapter #1046**. In 1990, he met his wife Angela Joyce Gamble. They

were united in marriage on June 28, 1991. They were blessed with three lovely children, Ce'teria Mosley (David), Kimberly Mosley, and John Mosley. This union lasted for 25 years until her death on February 24, 2016. John's life was dedicated to helping others and providing for his family, he was an all-around superhero to his children. John was a renaissance man and there was nothing that he couldn't fix. John accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior. He became a dedicated member of Tru-Way Church of the Risen Christ, serving under the leadership of Pastor Elwyn W. Jenkins. A devoted disciple of God, his heart was truly to serve God with all his mind, soul and strength. John was a unique, faithful and dedicated man; one who deeply loved his children. He was loved by many and he will be truly missed. God makes no mistakes. He looked down from heaven and saw that John's soul was tired and weary. God then looked at his record and saw his dedication and faithfulness to him and decided to bring him home to paradise to stay, leaving the impression that his family will walk in his absence and love one another the way he loved God and them. John Franklin Mosley, Sr. was preceded in death by his mother, Ella Lee Mosley, and his wife, Angela Gamble-Mosley. He leaves a legacy of love to his children, Marilyn Mosley, Alicia Richmond (Kent), John Mosley Jr. (Carol), Michelle Mosley-Marshall, Harold Mosley (Pamela), Jason Mosley, Maria Harris, Ce'teria Mosley (David), Kimberly Mosley, John Mosley, and Asia Mosley; sisters, Mary Graddick (Nathan), Mary Haire, Betty Mitchelle, Sandra Means, and Elizabeth Small; 18 grandchildren, eight great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends.



DANIEL LEROY MOZISEK - 73, of La Grange, Texas Died Sunday, May 10, 2020, at his home in Katy, Texas at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. Daniel was born on November 18, 1946 in La Grange, Texas to the late Anton and Annie Mozisek. He served his country in the United States Army. He retired from Schulte Building Systems in 2015 after spending his career in metal building sales in the Houston area. He spent much of his free time and retirement in La Grange as a rancher tending to cattle and the family land. He enjoyed supporting community organizations and events in La Grange and surrounding communities as well as in Houston. He was a life member of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo (HLSR) and a member of the Calf Scramble Donors Committee, serving as chairman from 1991-1993. He was a life member of the HLSR Calf Scramble fraternity Delta Alpha (DA), a life member of the HLSR High Bidders and a life member of the HLSR 189 Club. Daniel was also was a longtime member of the Houston Farm & Ranch Club. He was an honorary life member of the Knights of Columbus, Council #2917 in Houston. He enjoyed supporting the La Grange community such as the Fayette County Fair and the parish he grew up in as a parishioner and volunteer, the Queen of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church in La Grange. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Schulenburg Chapter #870** and a member of the American Legion, Wounded Warrior Project, National Rifle Association and the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association. He is survived by his wife Susie Mozisek, daughter Danette Mozisek of Houston, stepson Tommy

Mitchell and wife Laurie of Katy, Texas, stepson Chad Mitchell of Houston, grandson Jake Mitchell of Katy, Texas, brother Franklin Mozisek of La Grange, nephew Blayne Mozisek of Austin, niece Blayre Coronado of Leander, Texas, uncle Bernard Mozisek of La Grange and cousins George Rainosek of La Grange, Georgia Popp of Houston, Bruce Mozisek of La Grange, Brian Mozisek of La Grange, Leroy Kristek of Austin, David Kruppa of Huntsville, Texas, Fred Knebel, Jr. of Ellinger and Larry Knebel of Plum, Mary White of La Grange, Gladys Roesler, Doris Kristek of Austin, Diane Bailey of Round Rock and Joann Reichert. Visitation took place on Friday, May 15th at the Fayette Memorial Funeral Home and Crematory in La Grange, Texas from 12:00 Noon to 7:00 PM with family there from 5:00-7:00 PM and the Rosary at 7:00 p.m. The funeral was on Saturday, May 16th at 11:00 AM at Queen of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church in La Grange, Texas. The family suggested memorial donations to the Queen of the Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 936 FM 2436, La Grange, Texas 78945; The American Legion, 1441 FM 155, La Grange, TX 78945.



FREDRICK ROBERT MUELA, SR. - Died Thursday, July 9, 2020 at Peninsula Regional Medical Center in Salisbury, Maryland at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in York, Pennsylvania on September 4, 1946 to the late Libourio Mulé and Idella (née Hayes) Muela. He is survived by his beloved wife of 34 years, Patricia (née Tish) Muela and children, Fredrick Muela, Jr. and his wife Cathy, Tammy Kinser and her husband Doug, Amy Stottlemeyer and her husband Scott, stepsons, Michael Lysinger and his wife Jen and Thomas Lysinger and his wife Shelley. There are 6 grandchildren. Also surviving is his brother David Muela and his wife Kim, and sisters Martha Muela, Idella Muela and April Muela Lane. He was preceded in death by his sister Carmen Muela Groff. Mr. Muela had served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. After returning to civilian life, he was owner/operator of a window installation company. He and his wife retired to Ocean City where he enjoyed fishing, boating and his dogs. During the holidays, one of his greatest pleasures was to dress up as Santa, visit family/neighborhood children and also cheer up patients in the hospital. He was a member of the American Legion Color Guards in Ocean City and VFW in York, PA. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ocean City Chapter #1091**. The funeral service was held on September 5, 2020 at 2:00 PM in the gardens at the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin. He was cremated. Donations, in his memory, can be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America via: VVA.org. Letters of condolence may be sent via: www.burbagefuneralhome.com. The arrangements were in the care of the Burbage Funeral Home in Berlin.

CHARLES H. "Charlie" NASH, JR. - Died early in the morning of Friday, February 9, 2018 at his home in Hamilton, Montana at the age of 70. He was formerly of Victor, Montana. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 5, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Montana**.



REVEREND CARL C. NEELY (USA, COL-Ret.) - Died unexpectedly Wednesday, May 6, 2020, at Heritage Valley, Beaver, Pennsylvania at the age of 85. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 1, 1934 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania to the late Carl C. and Doris (née Christian) Neely. Reverend Neely commenced a stellar military career upon his graduation from Gettysburg College as a commissioned 2nd LT in the United States Army. After deploying to a combat unit in Vietnam, he took command of a nuclear missile battalion in Germany, and accepted several assignments, including serving at NATO, the Defense Intelligence Agency and the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the Pentagon. As a Colonel, he was on the team responsible for the development and fielding of the Patriot Missile System. As Project Manager of the Anti-Tactical Missile System, his group developed the capability to use the Patriot to engage SCUD missiles in the Middle East. During his military career, he was awarded the Silver Star, two Bronze Stars, four Air Medals, the Legion of Merit, Vietnamese Cross of Valor, along with the Joint Services Commendation Medal, two Army Commendation Medals, and various campaign and service medals. Reverend Neely retired from the Army as a Colonel, following 30 years of service to his country. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. Reverend Neely went on to serve his community as a respected minister, having been ordained as a priest in the Episcopal Church in 1990. He served as a vicar at Saint Mark in Knoxville, assistant vicar at Saint Stephen's in McKeesport, and vicar at Saint John, Donora, and Transfiguration in Clairton. He came to the local area as Rector of Trinity Church in Beaver for 14 years, retiring in 2007. Although retired, Father Carl worked as an interim priest at several churches in the area. He was currently serving as the Rector at Saint Luke's Anglican Church in Georgetown and he continued to help anyone who called. Father Carl also served as Chaplain of Life, Beaver County, was Past President of the Beaver Area Heritage Foundation and of the Beaver Ministerium. He will be greatly missed by his beloved wife of 62 years, Patricia Buckley Neely, who took charge of the home front during 21 moves around the world; three children, Carl C. (Nan) Neely, III, MD, Deborah (Mark) Kennedy, Chippewa Twp., and David Neely, Ambridge; brother, Douglas (Judy) Neely, N.Y.; twelve grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. In light of current events, all services will be private. Professional arrangements were entrusted to the Noll Funeral Home Inc., 333 Third Street, Beaver. Online condolences may be shared at nollfuneral.com. A public memorial service will be announced and conducted at a later date. Memorial contributions in Reverend Neely's name may be made to the Trinity School for Ministry Scholarship Fund, 311 11th Street, Ambridge, PA 15003 and Shepherd's Heart Fellowship, 13 Pride Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219, www.shepheart.org.

LARRY ANTHONY "Nick" NICHOLSON - Died Friday, October 2, 2020 at his home in Mount Jackson, Virginia at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. Nick was born on July 1, 1948 in Woodstock, Virginia to the late Charlotte (née Marston) Nicholson and Irskel Nicholson. He was a 1966 graduate of Central High School and a United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War. He formerly worked at Rocco, Wholesome Foods and as water treatment plant manager for

the Town of Edinburg. He was a member of Palmyra Christian Church, Edinburg, VFW Post #2447 and the Massanutten Tractor Club. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Woodstock Chapter #936**. He is survived by two aunts, Vivian Ryan of Mt. Jackson and Jean Short of Edinburg; uncle, Doug Marston of Mt. Jackson; special friend, Annabel Walter of Fort Valley and several cousins. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Edinburg VFW Post 2447, 100 Veterans Way, Edinburg, VA. 22824. Online condolences may be left at www.valleyfs.com. Cremation arrangements by Heishman Funeral Home, Inc., Valley Funeral Service Branch, Edinburg.



JAMES G. "Jim" OIEN - Died unexpectedly, yet peacefully Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at his home in Canton, South Dakota at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. Jim was born on July 16, 1946 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota to the late Grover and Ruth (née Heagy) Oien. He graduated from Washington High School in 1964 and later earned a Business Administration Degree from Nettleton College. He proudly served his country in the United States Navy. He married Vicky Kaarup on April 25, 1970. The couple made their home in Sioux City, IA for 49 years before moving to Canton, SD in 2018. Jim was very proud to be a self-employed private investigator and collection agent. Jim loved spending time with his family, especially his grandbabies and his rescue dog, Sadie Mae. In his younger years, he square danced and was a member of the Midwest Promenaders. He enjoyed camping, traveling, playing poker, Disney, and stamp collecting. He was also a member of the Forty and Eight, the American Legion and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter #1054**. Grateful for sharing his life are his wife of 49 years, Vicky, Canton, SD; sons, Chris (Kim), Watertown, SD, Ben (Miranda) and Jake, all of Canton, SD; brothers, Dave (Peggy) and Bob (Debbie); grandbabies, Kirstin, Devin, Mackenzie, Brayden, Ethan, Aidan, Tanner, and Rylan; along with numerous extended relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and son, Andy in 1989. Funeral services began at 10:00 AM on Monday, December 23rd at Canton Lutheran Church, Canton, SD with burial to follow at 2:00 PM at Memorial Park Cemetery in Sioux City, IA with full military honors. A visitation was held one hour prior to the service with family in attendance to greet visitors.



VINCENT HAJIME OKAMOTO – Died Sunday, September 27, 2020 in Torrance, California at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in 1943 in Arizona. Bravery, sacrifice and honor forged in the firefights of Vietnam informed the remarkable life of Superior Court Judge Vincent H. Okamoto. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Torrance Chapter #53**. For his service in Vietnam, Vincent Okamoto was inducted into

the Army Ranger Hall of Fame. He often spoke of the soldiers who never came home as the “real heroes.” Okamoto was a 24-year-old lieutenant leading a platoon on Aug. 24, 1968 near Dầu Tiếng, when his unit came under attack by North Vietnamese troops. To protect his men, he led five men to plug a gap blown in the defensive perimeter by the enemy. Realizing the need for supporting fire, he ran to a disabled armored personnel carrier and manned its heavy machine gun, pouring fire into the advancing enemy. When the weapon became inoperable, he ran to a second damaged armored vehicle and manned its .50 cal. machine gun. This vehicle was on fire and could have detonated at any moment. The flames illuminated Okamoto and exposed him to more enemy fire. Yet he remained atop the APC, firing the machine gun until it ran out of ammunition. Then, Okamoto ran to a third armored vehicle, removed the dead gunner from the turret, manned the heavy machine gun and resumed firing into the advancing enemy troops, blunting their attack until he ran out of ammunition. In an act of courage Okamoto launched a one-man attack against the attackers. Arming himself with grenades, he crawled toward the enemy until he was only ten meters away from a heavy machine gun being set up to rake the American position. Okamoto destroyed the weapon and its gun crew with hand grenades. He returned to the perimeter wounded yet assisted another injured American soldier to the aid station. Refusing aid for himself, he returned to direct the defense of the threatened sector of the perimeter. His actions saved the lives of scores of his fellow Americans. During his tour of duty, Okamoto was wounded three times and received 14 combat decorations, including the Distinguished Service Cross. In 2007, he was inducted into the Army Ranger Hall of Fame in Fort Benning, Ga. — the first Japanese American so honored since World War II. He memorably shared his experiences as a young soldier, including eating a bowl of rice for the first time in a long while, in the 2017 Ken Burns documentary “The Vietnam War.” At veterans’ gatherings, Okamoto would often speak about the “real heroes,” the young men who died too young, often the sons of working-class families who didn’t have wealth and privilege to let them avoid military service. Okamoto wrote two books: “Wolfhound Samurai,” a novel based on the story of a Japanese American soldier during Vietnam, and “Forged in Fire,” the story of the friendship between Medal of Honor recipient Hershey Miyamura and Joe Annello during the Korean War. Ken Hayashi, president of the JA Vietnam Veterans Memorial Committee, said Okamoto was the driving force behind the Japanese American Vietnam Veterans Wall at the JACCC. The black granite monument was the beginning of what is now the Japanese American National War Memorial Court, which honors JAs who perished in combat. “Vince approached politicians, businessmen and community leaders, all of whom did not offer a home. The still remaining controversy of the long and unpopular war was an obstacle none wanted to be associated with. Through almost five years of rejection, Vince continued to persevere. Finally, Min Tonai, then president of the JACCC, said ‘Yes’ and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial had a home. The Japanese American Vietnam Veterans Memorial was dedicated on Nov. 11, 1995,” Hayashi said. “He was a dear friend, and I will miss him dearly, but the JA community and the country has lost an inspirational leader and role model,” Hayashi said. At that dedication, Okamoto recalled visiting the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., with his wife Mitzi and son Darby. “We have a limit on the tomorrows allotted to us. I say to the veterans of Vietnam, let us put the tomorrows that remain to us to good use. To savor each day and not let the anger and bitterness of the Vietnam War poison our lives,” Okamoto said. “I hope, as veterans, that we can come to this place and find a sense of peace. I hope that a healing process can begin. I hope that this memorial will remind you

what a precious gift life is. I hope you can bring your families here and allow. As news spread of Okamoto's unexpected passing, friends and fellow veterans paid tribute. "His eloquent voice of reason, logic and humor will be sorely missed," stated David Miyoshi. Mia Frances Yamamoto posted on Facebook that she had lost a friend of more than 50 years. Both had served in Vietnam and attended law school after the war. "He was the best, most soulful people I have ever known, and I already miss him. Rest in Power, my good brother, you showed us a life well-lived," Yamamoto said. Okamoto was born on Nov. 22, 1943 in the Poston, Ariz. internment camp; the 10th child and the seventh son born to Japanese immigrants. All six of his older brothers served in the U.S. military. The eldest two fought in Europe during World War II with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. Another brother volunteered for the Marines and fought in the Korean War. After three years of active duty, Okamoto left the Army with the rank of captain. He attended the USC School of Law and served as a Los Angeles County deputy district attorney for five years before entering private practice. In the 1970s, as a deputy district attorney, Okamoto was among the founders of the Japanese American Bar Association. He also was elected to the Gardena City Council and served on the board of the California Veterans Affairs Commission. In 2002, Okamoto was appointed to the Los Angeles County Superior Court bench by Gov. Gray Davis. He submitted an application for a judgeship at the encouragement of his mentors, role models, and friends in the Japanese American legal community. In 2018, Okamoto was named grand marshal of the Nisei Week Parade. That same year he spoke at the opening of a temporary display of a replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Gardena. His last public remarks were for the annual Memorial Day service at the JACCC, held this year amid the COVID-19 pandemic. Hayashi explained that when organizers produced a video, they didn't want to intrude on the judge during the shelter-at-home restrictions. And so, his daughter Kristyn read Okamoto's words, which offered comfort to families who have lost loved ones in combat. "Recognize that unwritten beside each name is the broken heart of a mother, a father and the grief of family and loved ones left behind," Okamoto wrote. "The wall serves to tell the parents of those who perished that we remember and honor their sons and share the pain of their loss." Okamoto's survivors include his wife, Mitzi, and son, Darby.



JOHN CHARLES OSTAPOVICH, SR. - Died suddenly on Wednesday August 26, 2020, at Jersey Shore Medical Center in Neptune, New Jersey at the age of 79. He was a resident of Manchester Township, New Jersey. The cause of death was a non-service-connected medical accident. He was born in New Brunswick, New Jersey on February 19, 1941, John grew up in New Brunswick and East Brunswick and graduated from South River High School. After High School, he joined the United States Air Force, serving for 4 years, and was stationed in Turkey for a time. When John came back home in 1965, he worked as a draftsman for Johns-Manville. This is where John met Patricia Malone in 1966 and they married in 1967. After they married, they lived in

Somerville and Manville before raising their family in South Bound Brook for 41 years. In 2014, John and Patricia moved to Manchester, NJ. John started as a draftsman at Johns-Manville and after a few years began his 27- year career at Johnson & Johnson. At J&J, John began as an Associate Engineer in the Engineering Department and he retired as Principal Engineer. After retiring, he continued pursuing his passion for design and engineering as a packaging engineering consultant for many more years. In addition, John also went into real estate alongside his wife Patricia and worked for Weichert Realtors in Hillsborough and Brick, NJ. John was a member of the South Bound Brook Fire Company for 44 years and served as Chief in 1984. He was currently the Vice Secretary of the Fire Company and the Secretary of the South Bound Brook Fire Company Relief Association. He was a member of the American Legion Post 129, Coast Guard Auxiliary and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Manville Chapter #452**. John enjoyed sports and in the 1970s played softball competitively, even participating in the 1979 United States Slo-Pitch Softball Association Industrial World Tournament in Fenton, MO. John finally hung up his softball cleats a few years ago, having played in the Fireman's league in Somerset County NJ for many years. To say John enjoyed life is an understatement. John's family was his most prized possession in the world, and that began with his great love for his wife of 53 years, Patricia. Together they raised three children and John was always there supporting, encouraging, and truly enjoying spending time with them; he always took such pride in all of their achievements. John was also blessed with 7 grandchildren that lit up his life and he treasured every moment with them. John loved life and always gave it his all! He always enjoyed a good celebration, especially tailgating at college football games. John could never sit still so you could find him engaging with his children and grandchildren in all their interests and activities, enjoying time in the pool or kayaking with them and even taking the occasional spin on a backyard zip line! John loved swimming and body surfing in the ocean and spending time on the water. He loved boating and fishing, fresh or saltwater, which is a tradition he instilled in his grandchildren. He loved all animals, even keeping a box of treats for the neighbor's dogs that came to visit. Always full of energy, John was ready to help others with things like snow blowing their walks, he could also be found riding his bicycle, or spending his time gardening – his vegetable gardens and flower beds were another source of pride. John is survived by his devoted wife of 53 years, Patricia, his loving children; Lynn Pawelski and her husband Chet, John C. Ostapovich Jr and his wife Linda, and Beth Marie Ostapovich; his adored grandchildren: Matthew, Alexandra and Jillian Pawelski, John Philip, Abigail, Grace and the late Emma Catherine Ostapovich; his brother and two sisters: Richard Ostapovich (Linda), Barbara Pleva (Jack) and Patricia Hollenbeck (Terry), as well as many in-laws, nieces and nephews and cherished friends. John's sudden passing leaves a giant hole in the hearts of all who knew and loved him so. He had much living left to do. Due to the current Coronavirus environment, services were private, but a Celebration of John's Life was held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Air Force Aid Society (www.afas.org), the South Bound Brook Fire Company (PO Box 464, South Bound Brook, NJ 08880), or the charity of your choice.

JOHN E. PARKER – Died recently in 2020 in Camp Springs, Maryland at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 7, 1942. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Maryland**.

JOHN THOMAS PARKS – Died Sunday, July 19, 2020 in Smyrna, Tennessee at the age of 77. The cause of death was the result of an accident. He was born in Logan County, Kentucky on May 20, 1943. He served in the United States Army from 1963 to 1966 with a tour in Vietnam from 1965 to 1966. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Murfreesboro Chapter #1089**. The funeral Home Services for John were provided by Neptune Society - Nashville of Brentwood, TN.

KENNETH J. PAYNE – Died Tuesday, July 28, 2020 in Naples, Florida at the age of 74. The cause of the death is unknown. He was born on March 20, 1946. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Jacksonville Chapter #1046**.



ROBERT EUGENE PEMBERTON - Died Sunday, August 16, 2020 in Dickson, Tennessee at the age of 75. The cause of death was a massive heart attack. Eugene was born on February 20, 1945 in Dickson County, Tennessee to the late A. J. and Willie (née Mac Mays) Pemberton. He was a graduate of Dickson High School class of 1964. He served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He retired from Ford Glass Plant with 30 years of service. He was a *Life Member* of the **Billy E. Lankford Vietnam Veterans of America – Dickson Chapter #950**. He played the banjo and enjoyed making music. Eugene was a gunsmith and enjoyed hunting and shooting. He loved to teach the youth about gun safety and responsibility, and how to hunt. Eugene attended services and was a member of the Oak Avenue Church of Christ where he was affectionately known by the children as the “Starburst & Skittles Man”. He was a benevolent person, always helping those in need. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Jackie Pemberton. Mr. Pemberton is survived by his wife of 51 years, Judy Hollis Pemberton; his son Donald Pemberton (Tracy) of Medina, TN; his daughter Tricia Pemberton Spargo (Dan) of Dayton, OH; 5 grandchildren, Justin Spargo (Sarah), Jordan Spargo, Derek Pemberton, Cameron Pemberton, and Chloe Pemberton; 2 great grandchildren, Owen and Levi Spargo. Funeral services with military honors were held on Thursday, August 20th at 1:00 PM at the Taylor Funeral Home with Brother Mitch Stevens, Pat Orgain, and Justin Spargo speaking. Military honors were on Thursday in the chapel. The place of rest was in the Union Cemetery. Visitation was held on Wednesday, August 19th from 4:00 PM until 8:30 PM and on Thursday from 11:00 AM until the time of service at 1:00 PM. Those desiring, memorials are suggested to the Billy E. Lankford Vietnam Vets, Chapter #950. The services were under the direction of the Taylor Funeral Home.



JAMES CLINTON “J.C.” PERRY - Died Monday, March 2, 2020 in Gold Hill, North Carolina at the age of 73, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland on August 19, 1946 to the late Helen Carolina (née Galloway) Perry and Ambros Clinton Perry. J.C. proudly served his country in the United States Air Force from 1966-1970 and worked as a self-employed mechanic. He found a special group of friends at

Richard's Coffee Shop in Mooresville, NC. "Welcome Home Veterans"! He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mooresville Chapter #1107**. He is survived by his loving wife of 44 years, 0614, Sherry Perry; daughters, Dawn Herring (Dan) and Stacy Heath (Tim); grandsons who he adored, Chandler Herring, Ryan Heath, Chace Herring, Grant Heath, and Conner Heath. A private service was held on Wednesday, March 11, 2020, at Salisbury National Cemetery with his loving family and closest friends attending and Pastor Robin Albright officiating. Military Honors were conducted by the Lyerly Joint Services Volunteer Honor Guard. The family would like to give a special thanks to the doctors and nurses at the VA Medical Center, especially Drs. Bryan, Merhoff, Streer, Jenny Salyers, Stacy Parrish, Kristin Miller, and LCI doctors and staff, Drs. Steffans, Heinzerlinger, Bryan Kluttz and Amy Childers and also a special thanks to their "across the road neighbor" Christina Trexler (Jim) and their family. Memorials may be made to Richard's Coffee Shop, 165 North Main Street, Mooresville, NC 28115.



PAUL W. "Pete" PETERSON, SR. - Died Sunday, February 3, 2019 in Point Pleasant, New Jersey at the age of 74. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Long Branch, New Jersey on February 30, 1944 to the late Paul W. and Wilma Peterson. After graduating High School, Pete served in the United States Navy and was deployed on a tour of duty in the Vietnam War aboard the USS Enterprise. Pete went on to attend Brookdale College to pursue a culinary arts degree and he worked as a supervisor for over 30 years at the NJ Division of Motor Vehicles. Pete was a warm-hearted, devoted husband, father and grandfather and was a member of the Harvey Memorial United Methodist Church Pt. Pleasant, NJ. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Allenhurst Chapter #12**. He is survived by his wife, Jan Loigu-Peterson; his son, Paul W. Peterson, Jr.; his stepson, Juri A. Loigu and his grandchildren, Ashley, Michael, Carly, Jade, Raven & Madison. The family has asked to keep the services private. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Harvey Memorial United Methodist Church in Point Pleasant, NJ or to the Vietnam Veterans of America.



LEO J. PIMPLE (USA, SGM-Ret.) – Died peacefully Monday, July 20, 2020 at his home in Sierra Vista, Arizona at the age of 83, with his beloved wife Clara by his side. The cause of death was heart disease. He was born in Fleming, Colorado on November 18, 1937 to the late Ray and Marcella Pimple. He joined the United States Army on May 14, 1956 immediately following graduation from Holy Cross Abbey High School, Canon City, Colorado. He attended Basic Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri and completed Advanced Individual Training (AIT) as a Cannoneer at the then Field Artillery Center and School, Fort Chaffee, Arkansas. Leo served in myriad positions throughout his career. In January of 1977, 1SG Pimple was selected to attend Class #9 of the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy, Fort Bliss, Texas and graduated in

July 1977. Upon graduating, MSG Pimple was reassigned to Fort Huachuca, Arizona as Sergeant Major, Directorate of Industrial Operation, US Army Garrison. He was promoted to Sergeant Major (E-9) on September 23, 1977 and served in that position until his retirement on January 31, 1982. His military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross w/Palm. After retirement from the Army, Leo worked as a defense contractor and government service employee, retiring again in July 1990. Leo was involved in countless Veteran events and organizations throughout the city. He was an active member and the driving force behind the 1st Lieutenant David Pimple American Veterans (AMVETS) Post #89, where he held numerous positions within the organization. In addition to his involvement with AMVETS Post #89, Leo served as the State Judge Advocate for AMVETS where he provided counsel to each of their chapters. Leo also served as their State Department Inspector General from 1993 to 2002. Leo was a member of the Fort Huachuca Sergeants Major Association, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Sierra Vista Chapter #1093*, Joint Services Club, the Marine Corps League and the Navy League. Leo was inducted as a Distinguished Member of the Regiment (DMOR) in the Quartermaster Regiment in 2000 and inducted into the Distinguished Order of St. Martin Patron Saint of the US Army Quartermasters in May of 2007. In 2011, Leo was selected as the Greater Sierra Vista United Veterans Council Veteran of the Year and later that year, inducted into the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame. In 2017, Leo was recognized and placed on the Canyon Vista Medical Center Veterans Wall. Prior to his illness in 2016, Leo was extremely active, and found himself coordinating with veterans and their families to promote and preserve veteran's rights and affairs on an almost daily basis. He researched, acquired and presented many awards and decorations to veterans who had not been properly recognized for their service. Leo Pimple is survived by his wife, Clara (née Billock) Pimple; sons, Daniel and Matthew; daughter, Michelle; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ray and Marcella Pimple; brothers, Gene and Ray; sister, Marlene; former wife, Gloria and son, David. Services and visitation were held at the Life in Christ Church, 2300 Las Brisas Way, Sierra Vista, Arizona from 9:00 to 11:00 AM on Friday, July 24, 2020. Service attendance was limited to 50 guests at a time. Face masks were required to enter the church. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Southern Arizona Veterans Memorial Cemetery Foundation.



JOHN HENRY PRICE - Died at 4:30 a.m. on Saturday, September 12, 2020 at his home in Dover, Pennsylvania at the age of 74. The cause of death was small cell lung cancer. He was born on July 16, 1946 in Washington County, Virginia to the late Dale M. and Irene (née Taylor) Price. He was the loving husband of Roxanne F. (née Shermeyer) Price. They celebrated 45 years of marriage on May 24, 2020. John graduated from Scotland School for Veteran Children. He

was a United States Army veteran serving during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – York Chapter #1032**. John owned and operated Price Construction with his brother, James. He was a member of Salem Lutheran Church in Dover where he served on the building and grounds committee. John was also a 4H woodworking leader for 15 years. He enjoyed playing pool in numerous pool leagues over the years and he was a hunting and fishing enthusiast. In addition to his wife, John is survived by two daughters, Jessica R. Myers of Dover and Rachael J. Merriel of Hellam; six grandchildren; a great grandson; two brothers, James S. Price and Billy D. Price, both of York; three sisters, Bonnie L. Frey of Windsor, Yvonne Heilman of Dover and Judy Ream of Spring Grove; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Norma Sprigle. Services for John were at a later date. The Emig Funeral Home, Dover made the arrangements with his family. Memorial contributions may be made to the York VA Clinic, 2251 Eastern Boulevard, Suite #101, York, PA 17402; or for the benefit of the Vietnam War Memorial at York Fair Grounds. Please make the check payable to York County Community Foundation, include "Vietnam Veterans Memorial" in the memo and mail to York Interstate Fair Grounds, 334 Carlisle Avenue, York, PA 17404. Please visit www.emigfuneralhome.com to share condolences with the family.



JOHN EDWARD QUATY – Died Thursday, August 20, 2020 in Baltimore, Maryland at the age of 73 after he lost his battle with cancer. He was born in Baltimore on May 11, 1947 to the late Robert and Estelle Quaty. He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Sarah (Toni), his son John R. and his wife Amanda. He was the loving Pop to Corey and Owen. John was a lifelong Edgemere resident, Vietnam Veteran and Purple Heart Recipient. He served in the United States Army in Vietnam with Company D, 5th Battalion, 31st Infantry, 197th Light Infantry Brigade. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Edgemere Chapter #965**. He is predeceased by his parents, Robert and Estelle Quaty, brother Richard Quaty and sister Delou Quaty. A memorial service was held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America, 6521 North Point Road, 21219; Wells McComas VFW #2678, 6521 North Point Road, 21219; Gilchrist Hospice 11311 McCormick Road – Suite #350, Hunt Valley, MD 21031.

RENE LEOPOLDO RAMOS - (Miami, Florida), Died Monday, August 17, 2020 in Hialeah, Florida at the age of 74. The cause of death was cardiac arrest and complications from COVID-19. He was born in Havana, Cuba on July 29, 1946. He served in the United States Army from April 3, 1968 to April 2, 1970 with a tour of duty in Vietnam from November 16, 1968 to May 19, 1969. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Miami Chapter #620**. He was loved and cherished by many people including : his wife Margarita Valdes; his children, Marlisa Ramos Ortiz, Sabrina Ramos Delgado (Maria Delgado), Pete Hernandez and Mario Herrera (Lily Herrera); his siblings, Dylcia Ramos, Manoly Rodriguez (Lucho Rodriguez) and Ricky Ramos; his grandsons, David Ortiz Jr., Matteo Ramos Delgado, Petey Hernandez and Alec Hernandez; his nephews, John Ortiz and Alex Rodriguez; and his niece Jennifer Milian.



HARLOW C. RESEBURG II - Died Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at Virginia Highlands in Germantown, Wisconsin at the age of 75, with his family at his side. He was a resident of Random Lake, Wisconsin. The cause of death was bladder cancer. Harlow was born on October 5, 1944 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin to the late Harlow C. Reseburg, Sr. and Mary (née Ryan) Reseburg. On August 23, 1980, he was united in marriage to Judy Wesenberg at Saint John Lutheran Church in New Fane. Harlow served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was employed by the West Bend Company as an electrician and then went to work for the Wisconsin State AFL-CIO as a project coordinator for the dislocated worker program. He was a member of Waubesa VFW Flag Day Post, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Newburg Chapter #448**, American Legion, and Disabled American Vets. Harlow was a member of Saint John Lutheran Church in New Fane. Those Harlow leaves behind to cherish his memory include his wife, Judy; four sons, Harlow “Chip” Reseburg III of Denver, Colorado, Matthew Reseburg of Random Lake, Mark (Danielle) Reseburg of Campbellsport, and their children, Kaydence and Kye, and Luke (Jennifer) Reseburg of Fond du Lac, with twin girls on the way; his siblings, Stefanie (Edwin) Gutermann, Donna Holderbaum, John (Melanie) Reseburg, Mike (Diane) Reseburg, Laurie (Rodney) Justman, and Gale (Michael) Logan; additional survivors include, Jeanne Reseburg, numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. In addition to his parents, Harlow was preceded in death by his nephews, Jamie and Jodie Reseburg, Parker Hoerig, and Jeff Hardt; his mother-in-law, Irene Hinn; and his father-in-law, Albert Wesenberg, Jr. Funeral services for Harlow were held at 3:00 PM on Sunday, February 23, 2020 at Saint John Lutheran Church, N683 County Road South, Kewaskum (in New Fane). Reverend Mark Eckert officiated, and the burial was on Monday at 10:00 AM. Harlow’s family greeted relatives and friends at the church on Sunday from 1:00 until 2:45 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Saint John Building Fund were appreciated. The family would like to thank the staff at Virginia Highlands for their attentive care provided to Harlow, nurses, Cathy and Laura and Dr. Steinert for their compassionate care, dignity, and respect. The Myrhum – Patten Funeral Home was entrusted with Harlow’s arrangements. Additional information and guest book may be found at www.myrhum-patten.com.

HARRY JAY REXFORD – Died Saturday, August 3, 2019 in Massena, New York at the age of 78, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death is unknown. Harry was born in Redwood, New York on May 19, 1941 to the late Ervin and Grace (née Steacy) Rexford. A graduate from Redwood High School, he was soon married to his loving bride Constance G. Hartman on August 3, 1963 at the Saint John Episcopal Church in Redwood, NY. In 1966 Harry was drafted into the United States Army, answering the call and serving his country proudly in Vietnam. After a tour with the 592nd Transportation Company, Harry returned home with the rank of Specialist 5th Class and spent the remainder of his career driving for various local trucking companies. Harry is survived by his wife of 56 years, Connie and his loving daughters, Lori Armstrong of Eldersburg, MD and Sue VanDusen of Massena, NY. Harry is also survived by his grandchildren Katie and Ryan

Armstrong, a son in-law Bob VanDusen, a sister Rita Schermerhorn, both of Massena, NY and his faithful companion, "Tinker" the cat. Harry is predeceased by his sisters Julia Fikes, Leah Guinta and Dorothy Rexford. A member of the American Legion Post #79, DAV, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Barnwell Chapter #828*, of South Carolina, VFW and Local 678 Teamsters Union, Harry enjoyed the time spent with his grandchildren and winters in Myrtle Beach, SC. Harry also enjoyed watching NASCAR. The Rexford family would like to acknowledge the compassion and care provided by the aides, staff and nurses of Hospice and Palliative Care of St. Lawrence Valley. The family entrusted arrangements to the care and direction of the Phillips Memorial Home, Massena. As per Harry's wishes, there were no public calling hours or funeral services. Memorial contributions may be shared with the DAV and the VFW; 110 West Hatfield, Massena, NY 13662 or Hospice and Palliative Care of Saint Lawrence Valley; 6805 US Highway 11, Potsdam NY 13676. Family and friends were welcome to share condolences and memories of Harry by visiting www.PhillipsMemorial.com.



RICHARD PHILLIP RICCI (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Thursday, September 17, 2020 in Wichita Falls, Texas at the age of 76 from kidney failure. He was a resident of Lawton, Oklahoma. He was born on April 14, 1944 in Davis, California to the late Richard Emmanuel and Helen (née Cuddy) Ricci. He joined the United States Army and retired after twenty years of service in 1986. He met his wife Chong Ricci while stationed in Korea. They wed in 1976 and had one daughter. After his retirement from the Army, Richard worked for the City of Lawton and retired at the age of 62. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751*. He enjoyed relaxing in his recliner and watching his favorite television shows. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather. Richard is survived by his wife Chong Ricci, daughter Laura Johnson and son-in-law Charles Johnson and grandson Maverick. He was preceded in death by his parents, Helen and Richard Ricci. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at 9:30 AM on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at Holy Family Catholic Church with Reverend Father John Paul Lewis, Pastor of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, Lawton officiating. The burial with military honors was in the Fort Sill National Cemetery, Elgin, Oklahoma, under the direction of Becker-Rabon Funeral Home. A Rosary service was held at 6:30 PM on Monday, September 21, 2020 in the Becker-Rabon Funeral Home Chapel. Attendees were requested to wear a mask and social distance during both the Rosary and the Funeral Mass.



RONALD LEE "Ron" RICHARDS - Died Sunday, September 15, 2019 at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Ann Arbor, Michigan at the age of 71. He was a resident of Jackson, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Napoleon, Michigan on November 22, 1947 to Charles J. Richards and the late A. Yvonne (née Harry) Richards. He is survived by his wife, Renne; six children; Renee (Ross) York, Ron (Lisa) Richards Jr., Cherie Richards (Troy), Amber (Jeremy) Hamilton, Brandon Richards (Elaine), and Kim Morgan; grandchildren; Andrew (Jamie)

York, Jayson, (Alyssa) York, Michael York, Kyaleigh Clark (Tyler), Josh Clark (Jade), Cheyanne Clark, Jacob Clark, Stephen Hurley (Sierra), Jade Richards, and Josh Morgan (Kayla); fourteen great-grandchildren; his father; Charles J. Richards, siblings; Don (Jill) Richards, Charles (Tammy) Richards, and Debbie (Mike) Sandstrom, several nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his mother; A. Yvonne (maiden-Harry) Richards. Ron served the nation in the United States Army deployed in Vietnam. He was the Plant Engineer at Way Baking; then returned to the work he enjoyed the most, truck driving. He worked at L J Beal & Sons in Brooklyn, and 12 years for Walmart Transportation until his retirement. He was a member of the American Legion Wilber-Bartlett Post #315, Brooklyn; the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1019, Grass Lake; and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Jackson Chapter #109**. He was active with the Jackson County American Legion Ritual Team performing honors for veteran events and services. Per his wishes Mr. Richards has been cremated. A Memorial Service to celebrate his life were held at the Jackson American Legion Post #29 on Sunday September 22, 2019 at 2:30 PM with Chaplain Norman A. Soli officiating. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions in memory of Ron may be made to the Jackson County American Legion Ritual Team.



BRIAN EDWARD RUSCH - Died Sunday, May 31, 2020 at the Froedtert West Bend Hospital in West Bend, Wisconsin at the age of 75. He was a resident of Adell, Wisconsin. The cause of death was heart failure. Brian was born in Sheboygan, Wisconsin on April 16, 1945 to the late Edward and Marian (née Wiesner) Rusch. He grew up in the Random Lake area, attending local schools and graduating from Random Lake High School, Class of 1963. Mr. Rusch proudly served in the United States Marine Corps in Vietnam, attaining the rank of Lance Corporal. On December 2, 1967 Brian was united in marriage with Clarice Cramer at Saint Mary Catholic Church, Random Lake. The couple settled in Random Lake and later moved to Adell in 1978. Mr. Rusch was a cement finisher with VJS Construction Services, retiring in 2008. Brian was a member of Our Lady of the Lake's Parish, Saint Mary's Chapel in Random Lake, Hamm-Miller-Diedrich American Legion Post #145 in Random Lake and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Newburg Chapter #448**, as well as the NRA. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and was "the master of unfinished projects". In his younger days, he enjoyed SCUBA diving. Above all Brian cherished just hanging out with his family, grandchildren, and friends. Brian was always looking for new challenges and was always willing to lend a hand and share his knowledge. His friendship spanned generations and his generosity and caring nature along with his dry wit and sense of humor will be missed by many. Survivors include his wife Clarice, their children Michelle (Stuart) Gilgannon of Wauwatosa and Michael (Michelle) Rusch of Random Lake, and grandchildren Samuel, Matthew and Ella Rusch, Fia and Derek Gilgannon. He is further survived by brothers Keith (Eva) Rusch of Sheboygan, William (Sue) Rusch of Adell, Roy (Carol) Rusch of Plymouth, Ray (Kathy) Rusch of Raleigh, NC and, Alan (Denise) Rusch of Hiram, GA as well as nieces, nephews, other

relatives, and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents Ed and Marian, and sister Rose Kaufman. Funeral Services were held at 1:00 PM on Friday, June 5th at the Eernisse Funeral Home, 171 North Royal Avenue, Belgium. Reverend Father Gideon Buya presided. Mr. Rusch was laid to rest at Saint Mary Cemetery, Random Lake after the service. A Military Walk Through will take place at the cemetery before Military Honors were rendered. While the family was happy to receive visitors at the Funeral Home Friday from 11:30 AM until services at 1:00 PM, they urged everyone to consider their own health and the health of others by practicing Social Distancing protocol. It is encouraged to send remembrances to be read at the service to the Funeral Home in advance; those who are more comfortable in an outside setting are encouraged to join the family at the cemetery. The service and cemetery proceedings were telecast live. Memorials are suggested to the Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online condolences and tributes may be left at www.eernissefuneralhome.com.



ALAN P. "Al" SAUNDERS - Died at 12:00 high noon on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at his home in Ogden, Utah at the age of 75, surrounded by his loved ones. The cause of death is unknown. Al was born on January 29, 1945 in Ogden to the late Ernie and Rose Saunders. Al graduated from Saint Joseph Catholic High School. He married Carol Christensen. From that marriage came two children, A'Lisa and Alan Todd. Al and Carol later divorced. Al married Janet Barker and from that marriage came two more children, Tiffany and Paige. Al recently married Barbara Stringham. Al was a jeweler for more than 40 years, working for various jewelry stores and also owning his own business. He was also involved in Real Estate and land development for 20+ years. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. Al was a Life Member of The Elks for 42 years, where he served as Lodge Trustee, Utah State photographer and Northern Utah Veterans Chairman where he earned the distinguished National Veterans Volunteer award. Al was also a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Clearfield Chapter #1079* and enjoyed his many hours of volunteering for numerous Veterans Services. Known for his fedoras, trendsetting style and a camera in his hand. Al is survived by his wife Barbara; children A'Lisa, Alan Todd and Tiffany Saunders and Paige (Braydee) Taylor, stepchildren Joey, Josh and Justin Stringham along with thirteen grandchildren. Al is preceded in death by his parents and previous wife, Janet. A viewing was held on Tuesday, August 4, 2020 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Leavitt's Mortuary, 836 36th Street in Ogden. A Funeral Mass was held on Wednesday, August 5, 2020 at 10:00 AM at Saint Joseph Catholic Church, 514 24th Street, Ogden, Utah.



ARTHUR AARON "Art" SCHIMD - Died Wednesday, August 12, 2020 in the comfort of his home in West Bend, Wisconsin at the age of 72, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 13, 1948 in West Bend to the late Arthur and Verna (née Johnson) Schmid. Art attended West Bend High School graduating in the class of 1967. He

faithfully served in the United States Army in the Vietnam War. Following the war, Art began working in his family's business and eventually became the owner of Midcities Tool and Die in Barton. On June 30, 1979, Art married the love of his life, Debra Wolfe, at Peace Lutheran Church in Hartford. Shortly after their marriage, they became members of Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church in West Bend. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Newburg Chapter #448**. Art loved classic cars, whether it was driving to shows, restoring and customizing them, or taking the cars on a family road trip. He lived his life surrounded by many great lifelong friends, and always looked forward to seeing his buddies at Sandy's Barton Café for breakfast. Art loved family vacations, and spending time up north in Hancock. His greatest joy, though, was simply having his family gathered around the table to break bread. Art is survived by his wife of 41 years, Debra; his three children, Chris (Wendy Schulz) Schmid of Rhinelander, Kayla (Kevin) Lang of Oak Creek, and Karmen (Husband, Paul Weins) Schmid of Wauwatosa; five grandchildren, Rorrie, Samara, Teddy, and Devin Lang, and Jack Weins; three brothers, Kelly (Mary) Schmid of Wautoma, Kevin (Terri) Schmid of West Bend, and Kurtis (Henrietta) Schmid of Port Washington; brothers and sisters-in-law, Linda (Ken) Braun, Richard (Ann) Wolfe, Dianne Wolfe, and Wonda Wolfe; as well as other nieces, nephews, relatives and close friends. In addition to his parents, Art was preceded in death by his parents-in-law, Leslie and Beatrice Wolfe; two brothers-in-law, David and Dean Wolfe; and a nephew, Sam Schmid. A funeral service for Art was held on Sunday, August 16, 2020 at 4:00 PM at the Myrhum-Patten Funeral Home in West Bend. Reverend Robert Hein officiated. The family greet relatives and friends at the funeral home from 1:00 PM until 3:45 PM. Art's final resting place is in the Washington County Memorial Park in West Bend. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the family will be used to support a variety of children's charities that Art held dear to his heart. The family would like to offer a heartfelt thank you to the doctors and nurses who cared for Art throughout the years. The Myrhum-Patten Funeral and Cremation Service was entrusted with Art's arrangements. Online guestbook and condolences may be found at www.myrhum-patten.com. Cards addressed to the family may be sent in care of: Myrhum-Patten Funeral and Cremation Service, 1315 W. Washington Street, West Bend, WI 53095.



VERNON EVERETT SEARS - Died Sunday, July 26, 2020 at Extendicare Health and Rehab at the age of 91, following an extended illness. He was a resident of Dothan, Alabama. He was born on April 7, 1929 in Cofield, North Carolina to the late Hershey and Zellor (née Brown) Sears. After graduation from Cofield High, he enlisted in the United States Army where he served in the Korean and Vietnam Wars. He worked as a Star Route Mail Carrier traveling from Dothan to Albany for several years. Later he was employed as an auto and diesel mechanic with the City of Dothan for 20 years prior to his retirement. Mr. Sears was a member of Greystone United Methodist Church. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Daleville Chapter #373**. In addition to his parents, Mr. Sears is predeceased by four sisters, Mable Claire Martinez, Bernice Mamic, Nannie Mae Archer and Susie Nelson and three brothers, Howard Sears, William Sears and Zanie Sears. Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Lindy Dees Sears of Dothan; a sister, Mattie Hoskins of Harrisburg, PA; several nieces and nephews; a special fur baby, "Callie".

Graveside services with military honors were held at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, July 29, 2020 at Memory Hill Cemetery with Reverend Teresa Seevers officiating and Glover Funeral Home directing. Friends visited and signed the registry at the Glover Funeral Home from 1:00 until 4:30 PM on Tuesday. The family wished for everyone to remain safe and all social distancing and masking guidelines be observed. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Saint Jude Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Drive, Memphis, TN, 38105. The Glover Funeral Home of Dothan was entrusted with the arrangements. www.gloverfuneral.com.



DANNY STEPHEN SHAFFER - Died Monday, August 17, 2020 at his home in Ellerslie, Maryland at the age of 73, surrounded by his family after a short-term illness. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on March 31, 1947 in Cumberland, Maryland to the late Homer C. Shaffer and Helen (née Evans) Shaffer. He was also preceded in death by his sisters: Janice Boore and Rebecca Cutter; his father and mother-in-law: Charles and Mary Logue; and was the last surviving member of his immediate family. A graduate of Hyndman Londonderry High School, Danny was a United States Army Veteran during the Vietnam War, graduated from Frostburg State University and retired from Frostburg State University with 32 years of service. While working there, Danny earned his Certified College Retailer Degree. He was an officer and board member of the Mid-Atlantic College Stores Association for 15 years. Danny was also a member of the Ellerslie United Methodist Church, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**, and the V.F.W. Oscar Jordan #7375, Hyndman, PA. Danny enjoyed traveling and spending time with his grandchildren and going to their sporting activities. Danny is survived by his wife of 50 years: Mary Shaffer; and his daughters: Renae Sisler and husband, Scott; and Melanie Preston and husband, Michael. He also leaves behind his grandsons: Tyler and Collin Sisler; Aiden, Bradley, and Cooper Preston; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Friends were received at the Adams Family Funeral Home, P.A., 404 Decatur Street, Cumberland, MD, on Thursday, August 20, 2020, from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. A funeral service was conducted at the funeral home on Friday, August 21, 2020 at 2:00 PM, with Pastor Greg Miller and Lay Speaker Chris Skidmore officiating. The interment was in the Maryland Veterans Cemetery at Rocky Gap at a later date. Pallbearers were Mike Preston, Scott Sisler, Chuck Emerick, Scott Emerick, Tyler Sisler, and Collin Sisler. The honorary pallbearer was Aiden Preston. Military honors were accorded at the cemetery by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #172 Color Guard. The family would like to give a special thank you to the employees at UPMC Western Maryland, Dr. Watkins, Dr. Yin, Dr. Mavromatis, Dr. Cohen-Inbar, and Dr. Livengood, for all the care and compassion given to Danny. In lieu of flowers, Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 1050 East Industrial Boulevard, Suite #3, Cumberland, MD 21502; or, the Ellerslie Volunteer Fire Department, Post Office Box #237, Ellerslie, MD 21529; or, the Corriganville Volunteer Fire Department, Post Office Box #187, Corriganville, MD 21524; or, to the charity of your choice. Please follow COVID-19 guidelines, wear masks and maintain proper social distancing.



RALPH EDWARD "Eddie" SIX - Died Thursday, July 16, 2020 at the Stone Pear Pavilion in Chester, West Virginia at the age of 76, following an illness. He was a resident of Chester. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Chester on June 29, 1944 to the late Edward and Irene Six. Catholic by faith, he was a member of the East Liverpool High School Class of 1962. Eddie had a love of sports and played basketball, football, and he excelled as a pitcher in baseball. Eddie was drafted to serve in the United States Army during the Vietnam War from September 1965 to September 1967. During his service, he was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Overseas Service Ribbon, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon, and the Sharpshooter Badge. He was also an active member of the VFW Post #6450 Honor Guard and performed countless ceremonies at funerals to honor fellow veterans. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – East Liverpool (Ohio) Chapter #1064**. In addition to his military service, he was employed as a conductor of the railroad in Pennsylvania. He is survived by a son, Shawn Six (Diane), a daughter, Shannon Armpriester (Joe), and a son, Joshua Stewart. Other survivors include his grandchildren, Joseph Armpriester, Courtney Armpriester, Hamilton Six, Payton Six, and Grayson Six, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his four siblings, Franklin "Dyke", Bertha, Ruby, and Edna. Friends visited on Tuesday, July 21 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM at the Arner Funeral Chapel in Chester. A private family service followed. As mandated by the West Virginia governor, masks and social distancing were required. Private interment took place at the Columbiana County Memorial Park.



ROBERT LEWIS "Bob" SKIPPER - Died Tuesday, July 14, 2020 in Clear Spring, Maryland at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 10, 1946 in Frostburg, Maryland to the late John Skipper, Jr. and Violet (née Sturtz) Skipper. Bob was a 1964 graduate of Mount Savage High School and was of the Episcopal faith. He was a United States Army veteran, serving during the Vietnam War in the 199th Light Infantry Brigade. Bob retired from Giant Foods after 22 years of employment as a meat cutter. He previously worked at A & P. He was a member of VFW in Mount Savage, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172**, and Joseph C. Herbert American Legion Post #222 of Clear Spring. Bob is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Bonnie Skipper; his son, Brian R. Skipper and fiancée, Rachel Laudermitch; and grandchildren, CJ and Raven, all of Clear Spring. Memorial services were held at the Donald Edwin Thompson Funeral Home Inc., 13607 National Pike, Clear Spring, on Friday, July 24, 2020 at 1:30 PM with Reverend Father Steven McCarty officiating. Friends were received at the funeral home on Friday from 12:00 Noon to 1:30 PM prior to the services. The interment was held at the convenience of the family. Due to the current COVID-19 regulations, facial coverings were required, and social distancing was followed. Online condolences may be

expressed at www.thompsonfhinc.com. he Donald Edwin Thompson Funeral Home, Inc. was honored to serve the family.



EDNA LOUISE SLOAN – Died Saturday, March 14, 2020 in Chattanooga, Tennessee at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on July 9, 1947 to the late Travis Marshall and Earline Marshall Enderson. She was also predeceased by her brother, James Travis Marshall. Louise began her career in cosmetology and moved on to a career in retail sales. She then took her dream job of driving a school bus for Hamilton County and retired after 10 years of service. She was a member of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Chattanooga Chapter #203**. Louise is survived by her husband of 55 years, Tom Sloan of Lookout Valley. Two daughters, Tina (Terry) Smith and Donna Young, both of Soddy Daisy. Three grandchildren, Deborah (Dagan) Beckett of Ooltewah, Jackie (Allen) McClendon of Sale Creek and Wesley (Kayla) Smith of Greenville, SC. Five great-grandchildren, Jackson, West, Will, Isaiah and Caleb. She is also survived by an aunt, several cousins, nieces and nephews. The family received guests on Tuesday, March 17th from 5:00-8:00 PM at the Chattanooga Funeral Home, North Chapel. A graveside service was held on Wednesday, March 18th at 1:30 PM at the National Cemetery. The Honor Guard of the *Vietnam Veterans of America-Chapter #203* escorted her to her final resting place. The family would like to extend their gratitude to the many care providers that have seen her through to the end of her fight. Including the wonderful team at Hospice of Chattanooga. The family is also asking that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America-Chapter #203, The American Cancer Society or to Hospice of Chattanooga, an organization that was a blessing for us until the end. The arrangements were under the care of the North Chapel of Chattanooga Funeral Home, Crematory and Florist, 5401 Highway 153, Hixson. Please share your thoughts and memories at www.chattanooganorthchapel.com.

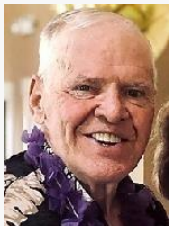


JAMES THOMAS “Chief” SNYDER (USAF, CMSGT-Ret.) - Died Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at home in Port Orange, Florida at the age of 91, surrounded by his family. The cause of death was congestive heart failure. He was born in Dunkirk, New York on February 7, 1929. If you knew James, he was a true patriot and the epitome of the American Dream. Born and raised in upstate New York, James came from humble beginnings. He learned the value of hard work at a very young age. After his father left the family—James became the sole breadwinner for his mother and siblings, selling newspapers when he was just 6 years old. He took immense pride in his role as a provider, and always made sure his loved ones were taken care of. James served his country in the United States Air Force Reserves, eventually earning the highest rank of Chief Master

Sergeant. He also served as a Secret Service agent, working under four Presidents (Eisenhower through Nixon). James was genuinely proud to be an American. He was an active member of The Moose Club, Life Member of the American Legion Post #267, member of the National Fraternal Order of Police, member of the Fraternal Order of the Eagles - Port Orange #4089 and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Daytona Beach Chapter #1048**. His American pride shaped his fighting spirit, right until the very end. James was always smiling. He constantly brought laughter and joy to those around him. His ferocious passion for life will never die. He will be deeply missed. James is survived by his daughters, Mary Lou Ensminger and Jane Snyder, granddaughters; Elizabeth and Katherine Ensminger, and nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his wife, Katherine Snyder, Mother Doris (née Hopkins) Edwards, siblings; Elaine Incitto and Andrew Snyder. A visitation for James was held on Wednesday, September 2, 2020 from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM at the Volusia Memorial Funeral Home, 548 North Nova Road, Ormond Beach, Florida. A funeral and committal service were directly after at 12:30 PM.

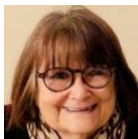


GARY D. STEPHENS - Died Tuesday, August 11, 2020 in Chesterfield Township, Michigan at the age. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 30, 1948 in Detroit, Michigan to the late Edward and Eva Stephens. He married Christine Krajenke, on November 5, 1994. Gary served honorably in the United States Army, was a veteran of the Vietnam War, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clinton Township Chapter #154** and was very active in the Honor Guard. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and brother. Gary is survived by his wife, Christine, daughters; Melia (Joe) Osmulski, Melanie Stephens, Courtney Stephens, grandchildren; Anthony, Kaitlyn, Brady, siblings, Joan Duchene, Ron (Karen) Stephens, Pat Wetzel, along with several nieces and nephews. He will be missed by his cat, Trixie. He was preceded in death by his son, Matthew, and brother, Edward Stephens. A memorial service was held on August 31, 2020 at the VFW - Bruce Post - 28404 Jefferson Avenue Saint Clair Shores, Michigan from 3:00 until 6:00 PM. The arrangements were in the care of Jowett Funeral Home – 57737 Gratiot, New Haven. View obituary and share memories at www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com.



EUGENE MICHAEL "Gene" SULLIVAN (NYPD, LT-Ret.) – Died Sunday, August 16, 2020 in Monroe, New York at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in New York City, New York on June 13, 2020 the late John and Mary Sullivan. Gene Sullivan died peacefully surrounded by his wife of 49 years, Eileen, and those closest to him. He left this world as he lived in it, with courage and dignity and in peace knowing those he loved knew how much they meant to him. He was born in New York City and his big Irish family moved to Pearl River in his teens. He was the oldest of six children of Mary and John, and throughout his life set the

example for those who followed. His brothers and sister always saw him as a leader, and he held their lifelong love and respect. Honor, courage, loyalty and family were at the core of who he was and evidenced by his distinguished life and the love of his family, friends and fellow golfers. Immediately after high school, he joined the United States Army, eventually assigned to the Big Red One Unit in Vietnam, where he served his country with distinction. A decorated combat veteran, he was awarded the Bronze Star, Gallantry Cross and the Army Air Medal. Throughout his life, he volunteered with veteran groups to support and honor all who served our country, and to help create understanding of the sacrifices made by our military in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New City Chapter #333**. Continuing a life of service, Gene joined the New York City Police Department in 1973. He was appointed to several elite units and special details. He successfully led his teams on a number of high-profile cases and through discipline and hard work, he rose through the ranks, ending his exemplary career at the rank of lieutenant, commanding the 19th precinct detective squad. He was a highly decorated officer and member of the Honor Legion of the NYPD. He finished his professional life as a security consultant at the private Chapin School in New York City. He was also a graduate of the New York Institute of Technology. Gene was a loving husband, father, brother, uncle and friend. He met Eileen Simmons at their Pearl River High School Prom in 1968, and they began a relationship that has spanned five decades and the parenting of two children, Kelly and Timothy, whom he so loved and was so proud of for all they have accomplished. Despite all his professional achievements, the one title that meant the most was simply being "Pa," a term of affection used by John Anton III and Julia Eileen Braunagel, his grandchildren and the light of his life. He loved his home with them, Eileen and his devoted daughter and son-in-law, Kelly and John Braunagel. His family was complete with the addition of Seth Kozial following his marriage to Timothy. They deeply mourn his passing. Gene joins his brothers Jack and Daniel and sister-in-law Barbara in death and leaves behind his heartbroken brother and sister James and Maureen, his sisters-in-law, Kathy and Nora, and several nieces and nephews. Visitation was held from 4:00-8:00 PM on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at the Smith, Seaman and Quackenbush Funeral Home, 117 Maple Avenue, Monroe, NY 10950. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at 12:00 PM on Thursday August 20, 2020 at Saint Margaret Church in Pearl River, NY. The interment was in Saint Anthony Cemetery, in Nanuet, NY. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, there was limited occupancy and were asked to adhere to the state regulations regarding face masks and distancing. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the philanthropic organizations that meant so much to Gene, the Wounded Warrior Project www.woundedwarriorproject.org and Saint Jude's Children Hospital www.stjude.org.



KATHLEEN JEAN (née Trew) "Kathie" SWAZUK - Did Monday, August 31, 2020 in Allison Park, Pennsylvania at the age of 72. She was formerly of McCandless, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was myocardial infarction-cardiac arrest. She was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on March 14, 1948 to the late Ralph Trew and Isabel Trew. She was the loving mother of Christopher Hampton and Blaine Swazuk; grandmother to Emmersen and Keating Hampton, and; sister of Marleen Dean, Colleen Geyer, Darlene Trew Crist, and Jeffrey Trew. Kathie was a proud veteran of the United States Army, retiring as a Major and serving as a field

nurse in Vietnam. A lifelong servant to the City of Pittsburgh medical community she was a nurse practitioner for the Saint Francis Medical System, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, the VA, and in retirement as a volunteer at the Little Sisters of the Poor. Throughout her life she was a passionate advocate for Vietnam veterans, the U.S. Army Nurse Corps, and wounded warriors. She had an influential role in the establishment of the Vietnam Women's Memorial in Washington D.C. She was an author, artist, poet, and public speaker. She was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862*. Military Honors were accorded at her grave site in Mount Royal Cemetery, Glenshaw, PA on Saturday, September 26, 2020 at 11:00 AM. In lieu of expressions of sympathy, contributions may be made to the Veterans Breakfast Club of Pittsburgh, 200 Magnolio Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15228 and Shaler North Hills Library, 1822 Mount Royal Boulevard, Glenshaw, PA 15116.



NATHANIEL STERLING TAYLOR, JR. - Died Saturday, September 26, 2020 in Pine Bluff, North Carolina at the age of 86. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Moore County, North Carolina on September 2, 1934. He was a native of Moore County, and a graduate of Berkley High School in Aberdeen. He joined the United States Army and served as a noncommissioned officer for more than 20 years. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – West End Chapter #966*. He was the father of two children and was a diligent servant of Poplar Springs Missionary Baptist Church in Addor. Graveside services were on Friday, October 2nd from 10:00 AM at Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery, Spring Lake.



DAVID HENRY TEKE - Died Monday, August 10, 2020 in Aurora, Indiana at the age of 72. He was formerly of Greendale, Indiana. The cause of death was respiratory failure, congestive heart failure and myocardial infarction. He was born on October 19, 1947 in Cincinnati, Ohio to the late Talbert and Edna (née Doehleman) Teke. David was a United States Army Vietnam Veteran. He was a member of the Greendale Fire Dept, Aurora Fire Dept, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora Chapter #71*, Lawrenceburg American Legion Post #239 and was a Patriot Guard Rider. He was a HAM Radio Operator and enjoyed woodworking. He worked in Maintenance at Cincinnati Gas and Electric. He is survived by his two daughters, Shana (husband Jeff) Lane of Aurora, IN, Dawn (Todd) McGill of Cincinnati, OH; six grandchildren, Michael Carlisle, Justin (fiancée Samantha Harris) Carlisle, Eric (fiancée Tiaundra Simmons) Hambrick, Sara Hambrick, Abigail Lane, Lainey McGill; two great-grandchildren, Adilae Carlisle, Oaklyn Carlisle; and one great-grandson on the way, Grayson Hambrick. He was

preceded in death by his parents, Talbert and Edna Teke; his wife, Linda Teke; his brother, Terry Teke; and his sister, Karen Merkel. Family and friends were received on Friday, August 14, 2020 from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Fitch-Denney Funeral Home. Funeral services were held at the Fitch-Denney Funeral Home on Friday, August 14, 2020 at 2:00 PM with Jeff Lane officiating. The interment was in the Greendale Cemetery, Greendale, Indiana. Contributions may be made to the Greendale Fire Department or Aurora Fire Department. Due to the current situation dealing with COVID-19, we are following the directives from Governor Holcomb and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention concerning large events and mass gatherings. The family deeply appreciates the support and love shown from friends. The health and well-being of everyone in our community is of top priority. We are asking everyone who will be in attendance to please remember the social distancing guidelines at all times and the wearing of masks or face coverings will be required.

GEORGE WILLIAM "Tom" THOMPSON, JR. - Died Saturday, August 1, 2020 in Robertsdale, Alabama at the age of 76. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born in Hamilton, Ohio on November 12, 1943. Mr. Thompson served in the United States Army from March 10, 1965 to March 9, 1947 with a tour of duty in Vietnam in 1968. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Robertsdale Chapter #864**. At age 18, Mr. Thompson started with the Bell System as a Telephone Man and retired to Baldwin County in 2000. He is survived by his wife, Charlotte Thompson, daughter, Anjennette Mathisen and his siblings. A private memorial service was held at a later time.



CORNELIUS D. TINDAL - Died Sunday, September 20, 2020 at UNC Lenoir Healthcare in Kinston, North Carolina at the age of 73. He was a resident of La Grange, North Carolina. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 24, 1947. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kinston Chapter #892**. He is survived by his wife, Devorah Tindal of the home; daughter, Monica Lawson of Grifton, NC; sons, Jamar Sanders of Southport, NC and Justin Lawson of Wilmington, NC; sister, Ruby McKenzie of Sumten, SC; four grandchildren, and; one great-grandchild. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Friday September 25, 2020, at the Mills Funeral Home Chapel. The interment was in the East Carolina State Veterans Cemetery in Goldsboro. Viewing was available from 3:00-6:00 PM on Thursday September 24, 2020 at the Mills Funeral Home, Inc.



TERRENCE ALLEN "Terry" TREUTEL - Died Tuesday, August 11, 2020 in his home in Saint Maries, Idaho at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Burlington, Vermont on June 25, 1946 to the late Hans and Elizabeth Treutel. Following high school, Terry

enlisted in the United States Air Force Para-Rescue. He served for 7 years including 2 tours in Vietnam before he was honorably discharged. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda (New York) Chapter #77**. He married Peggy Bowland on March 26, 1994. He became a master knife maker and creator of TAT Custom Knives. In 2003 Terry and Peggy moved to Saint Maries and retired. Terry is survived by his wife Peggy and his children, Christy Treutel of MT, Eric (Heather) Treutel of ID, Jeff Bowland of MT, and Toby Bowland of MO. He was also blessed with numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents and sister. A private gathering was held at a later date to celebrate his life. Please visit his online memorial at hodgefuneralhome.com.

ARCHIE TURNER, JR. – Died recently in 2020 in Angeles City, Philippines at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 6, 1945. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887**.



FRANKLIN EUGENE “Gene” TYNDALL - Died Monday, January 8, 2018 in Irmo, South Carolina at the age of 75, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born September 9, 1942 in McColl, South Carolina to the late John Calhoun Tyndall and Maggie (née Floyd) Tyndall. He was a veteran of the United States Army serving tours in Vietnam and the Dominican Republic. He was a member of Redeemer Lutheran Church, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Columbia Chapter #303** and American Legion Post #174. Gene owned and operated his own shoe store. He loved to draw, paint and fish and enjoyed working in his yard. He loved spending time with his family and grandchildren. His passion was giving to others. Surviving are his wife, Terry Jones Tyndall of Irmo; daughters, Kellie Tyndall Hunt (Paula) of Port Hueneme, CA, Elise Tyndall Stringer (Jeffrey) of Greenville, SC; grandchildren, Tyndall and Jones Stringer of Greenville, SC; brother-in-law, Jimmy Jones (Karen) of Bennettsville, SC; nephew, Brad Jones (Tracy) of Hemingway; great-nephews, Brantley and Clark Jones of Hemingway. He was predeceased by his sisters, Betty Jean Tyndall and Patricia Tyndall Howell. Burial with military honors took place at Fort Jackson National Cemetery at 10:00 AM on Thursday, January 11, 2018. A memorial service was held at 12:30 PM at Redeemer Lutheran Church with visitation at the church one hour prior to the service. Pastor Gary officiated. Memorials may be made to Redeemer Lutheran Church or the Wounded Warrior Project. The family would like to give a special thanks to Retire Ease Senior Living and Amedisys Hospice Care. The Caughman-Harman Funeral Home, Lexington Chapel assisted the family with arrangements.



PAUL RAYMOND VAN BRUNT (USMC, GnySgt-Ret.) - Died Tuesday, July 9, 2019 in York, Pennsylvania at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Neptune, New Jersey on February 22, 1941 to the late Howard and Dorothy (née Schunk) Van Brunt. He led a life of true significance. Upon graduation from Manasquan High School he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served for 22 years, retiring at the rank of Gunnery Sergeant. During his career he served in Vietnam; where he was awarded the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat V; and was stationed throughout the world, including Cyprus, Germany, Japan, Hawaii, and many places Stateside. One of his primary roles was as a language analyst. He was passionate about foreign languages and fluent in Greek, German, and Serbo-Croatian. Following retirement from the Marine Corps he continued in Federal Service for more than 20 years, serving his nation as an intelligence analyst, including support to NATO operations in the 1990's and counter-terror operations in the 2000's. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – York Chapter #1032**. His hobbies included Civil War re-enacting, collecting war memorabilia, crossword puzzles, gardening, drawing, and traveling the world. Paul was preceded in death by his parents as well as his wife of 53 years, the former Judith Alice Stinson of Brielle, NJ. He is survived by his three children; Disa Adams of Virginia Beach, VA, David Van Brunt of Severna Park, MD and Laura Van Brunt-Hendrick of York, PA as well as by his grandchildren who loved him dearly. Funeral services were in York, PA on Saturday, August 10th with a visitation from 9:00-10:00 AM followed by a funeral service at 10:00 AM at the Pine Grove United Methodist Church 2523 Pine Grove Road York and the burial followed at the Veteran's Section at Prospect Hill Cemetery with full military honors by the York County Veterans Honor Guard. Semper Fi, once a Marine, always a Marine.



JEROME M. WAIT - Died Wednesday, August 26, 2020 in Jenkins Nursing Home in Watertown, South Dakota at the age of 78. He was formerly a resident of Waubay, South Dakota. Mr. Wait was born on March 22, 1942, in Watertown to the late Mr. and Mrs. Jerome F. Wait. He attended school in Watertown, and married Annick A. Doreau on March 14, 1964, in France. He was a Vietnam Veteran, having served in the United States Army stationed in France. He was given the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry and the Purple Heart. He specialized in being a truck master. When he left the Army, he came home to be a trucker with Barkley Truck Lines, and then went on to be a painter with his dad and brother in a business that went back 100 years. Jerome was a member of the American Legion, VFW, and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter #1054**. He was a member of the First United Methodist church where he was baptized. Mr. Wait lived in a lot of places: Colorado where he was stationed, in Fort Carson, TX, and later settled in Watertown, SD, where most of his family lived. Later, he

moved to a farm in Henry, SD, and then to Florence, SD. After all of his children moved out, he moved to Waubay, SD, where he later worked in Webster at Pat's Garage and then as a farm hand. With his health issues, he was moved to a living center in Wilmont and then Castlewood. When things got worse, he was moved to Jenkins Living Center, where he passed away. Jerome is survived by his wife, Annick Wait of Waubay, SD; three daughters: Veronique Stanley Wait and Murial Wait, both of Watertown, SD, and Carole Weikamp, Minot, ND; one son, Jerome M. Wait, Jr., Watertown, SD; 13 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, and granddaughter, Amanda Stanley. Funeral services were at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, September 1, 2020, at the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel in Watertown, SD. Scott Dempster officiated. The service was Live Streamed on our website. Family requested everyone to meet at the chapel by 10:30 AM for a family prayer service. Visitation was at the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel in Watertown on Monday, August 31, 2020 from 4:00-7:00 PM and prior to the service at the chapel on Tuesday. The burial was in the Mount Hope Cemetery in Watertown. Military graveside honors were conducted by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #1054. The pallbearers were: Travis Busskohl, Travis Prohl, Dave Kuipers, Jim Linder and Dave Jerpseth.

DONALD WALKER (USA, CSM-Ret.) – Died Saturday, October 3, 2020 in Fountain, Colorado at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 4, 1942. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Colorado Springs Chapter #1075**.



ROBERT R. "Bob" WANLESS, JR. - Died Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at his home in Auburn, Illinois at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 29, 1947 in Springfield, Illinois to the late Robert R. and Gladys Juanita (née Smallwood) Wanless, Sr. He married Cindy (Davis) Morgan on June 6, 1981 in Springfield and she survives. Bob graduated from Lanphier High School and attended Lincoln Land Community College. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War Era. He worked as a supervisor for the United States Postal Service. Bob was a life member of the VFW Post #10302 in Springfield and of the AMVETS. He was also a member of the American Legion in Chatham, IL. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #534*. Besides his wife Cindy, he is survived by his son, Robbie Wanless of Kansas City, KS; his daughter ,Sabrina (husband Greg) Michalov of West Virginia; a stepson, Henry Morgan of Springfield; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and three sisters, Janet Wanless-Benoist, Jane Wanless-Hull, and Sandra Bosaw, and; several nieces and nephews. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by a stepson, Melvin Morgan; a grandson, Ethan in infancy; two brothers, Kenny and Mike, and a sister, Judy. The arrangements were under the direction of the Bisch and Son Funeral Home, 505 East Allen, Springfield. A private family service was held at a later date. Memorials may be made to the VFW Post #10302 in Springfield.

RONNIE DEAN WARNER - Died Sunday, July 26, 2020 in Paxico, Kansas at the age of 72. The cause of death was a stroke. Ronnie was born August 28, 1947 in Terre Haute, Indiana to the late Joseph G. and Loretta (née Dill) Warner. He attended Westfield High School in Westfield, Illinois and graduate of Wabaunsee High School. He served in the United States Army from November 2, 1966 until being honorably discharged on November 1, 1972. He later served in the Army National Guard 25th Infantry. Ronnie was truly a "jack of all trades", working as a carpenter, body man, brick layer, concrete worker, a mechanic and an artist. He was a member of Philip-Billard Post No. 1650, VFW, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Topeka Chapter #604*, the Light of the World Christian Center and the Hillbilly Gang. Ronnie married Sharon K. Noble in 1969. They later divorced. He later married Cora Virginia Warner on November 10, 1973 in Moberly, Missouri. She survives in Paxico. Other survivors include four children, Michael W. Warner of Salisbury, Missouri, Samantha Jo Dieb of Columbia, Missouri, Billy D. "Slider" Howell of Goldsboro, North Carolina, Chester Lee Warner of Fayetteville, Tennessee; nineteen grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and his siblings, Joseph Gerald "Gary" Warner of Hasting, Michigan and Linda Lou Warner-Siverly of Middletown, Ohio. Ronnie was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Raymond Leroy Warner. A Celebration of Ronnie's Life was held at a later date. Private inurnment took place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to Philip-Billard Post No. 1650, VFW or the Auxiliary, 3110 SW Huntoon Street, Topeka, Kansas 66604 or the Light of the World Christian Center, 3301 SW Gage Boulevard, Topeka, Kansas 66614. Dove Southwest Chapel, 3700 SW Wanamaker Road is assisting the family.



JOHN LUTHER WEBSTER - Died Tuesday, August 11, 2020 in Webster, New York at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Rochester, New York on October 4, 1946 to the late Luther and Edna Webster. John served his country honorably in the United States Army during the Vietnam War, where he received the Purple Heart. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**. John is predeceased by his sister, Cindy (Rudi) Schade. He is survived by his beloved son, Garrett (Deanna Pedeville) Webster, his stepmother, Lorraine Webster, his nieces and nephews, Ingrid (Gary) Kwak, Rudi Schade, and Paul (Kim) Schade, and a host of great-nieces and great-nephews. Due to the pandemic, services were held at a later date at the convenience of the family.



MASON EDWARD "Ed" WIGGINS, SR. – Died Thursday, August 13, 2020 in Middleburg, Florida at the age of 92. The cause of death was the coronavirus COVID-19. He was born in Jacksonville, Florida on April 15, 1928. He leaves behind Ann Bridget (née Conroy) Wiggins, his beloved wife of 68 years; three daughters, Lucy, Eileen and Cathleen (Gary); two sons, Mason and Joseph; four grandsons, Ian (Brittany), Sean (Amanda), Bryant (Kayla), and Chris (Annie); a sister, Lency Michelle Wiggins Crews of Georgia; and, numerous nieces and nephews. Ed was a native of Jacksonville. He served in the United States Air Force for 28 years, and after retirement, worked 17 years for the United States Postal Service. Ed was a veteran of both the Korean and Vietnam Wars. He was awarded the Bronze Star for his service in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Middleburg Chapter #1059**. Ed was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle, and the quintessential family man -- his greatest happiness was when he was with his wife, children and grandchildren. All of his children say, "we were so blessed to have him as our Daddy, he was a good, kind, generous man who loved his family and was very much loved by his family. We will miss him greatly." A viewing was held on Friday, August 28, 2020 at the Hardage-Giddens Holly Hill Funeral Home, 3601 Old Jennings Road, Middleburg, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Funeral services were on Saturday, August 29th at Saint Luke Catholic Church, 1606 Blanding Boulevard, Middleburg at 1:00 PM. Reception followed in the church hall. Please post words of comfort at www.hollyhillfunerals.com. Masks and social distancing guidelines were observed.



RUSSELL JAN WIGNALL - Died Saturday, August 22, 2020 at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, Iowa at the age of 75. He was a resident of Rock Island, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. Russell was born on April 14, 1945 in Moline, Illinois to the late Russell B. and Mildred G. (née Walton) Wignall. He received his Associates Degree from Black

Hawk College and served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Russell married Barbara Beckman on February 18, 1966 in Fort Devens, Mass. He worked as a letter carrier for 33 years for the USPS in Rock Island as well as served multiple positions, including Secretary of the local Metternich Branch #292 for 20 plus years. Russell was a Gold Card member of the NALC and Metternich Branch #292. He was also a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Moline Chapter #669**, AMVETS, DAV, American Legion Post #200 and VFW #1303. Russell loved spending time with his family. He enjoyed music and dancing, learning and reading about history and antiquing. He was a devoted Cubs fan. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Barb Wignall, Rock Island; children, Thom (Christy) Wignall, Jane (Steve) Mooney, Jill (Bob) Nesseler and Jim (Meghan) Wignall; grandchildren, Courtney, Andrew, Evan, Molly, Jack, Elizabeth, Conner and Owen; great-grandchildren, Ani, Silas and Luca; and brother, Jerry (Sue) Wignall. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Ron Wignall. Per his wishes, cremation rites were accorded. There were no public services. Inurnment was at the Rock Island National Cemetery, Arsenal Island. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in care of the VVA Chapter #669 or the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois – <https://rmhc-eiwi.org/donate-2/>. Online condolences, memories and expressions of sympathy may be left for the family at wheelanpressly.com.



GERALD LEE “Jerry” WILLIAMS - Died Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at Jenkins Living Center at the age of 66. He was a resident of Watertown, South Dakota. The cause of death is unknown. He born on April 5, 1964 in Pawhuska, Oklahoma to the late Earl Williams and Joella (née Harvey) Williams who survives. He attended school in Mullinville and graduated from Mullinville High School in Mullinville, Kansas in 1972. Jerry enlisted in the United States Navy on October 6, 1972 and was honorably discharged on December 5, 1974. On November 1, 1980 Jerry married Barbara A. Bauer in Bowdle, SD. Three children, Mandy, Gerald II, and Rebecca were born to this union. The couple lived in Kansas where Jerry sold automobiles and was named Salesman of the Month many times. They moved to Watertown in 1997. Jerry worked as a custodian at Saint Martin Lutheran Church for 18 years and at First United Methodist Church for 8 years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter #1054**. Jerry loved spoiling his grandkids and playing guitar. Left to cherish his memory are his wife, Barbara; his children, Mandy (Wacey) Ward, Gerald (Jill) Williams, II, and Rebecca Williams of Watertown, SD; his mother, Joella Williams of Akron, CO; his siblings, Roy Dean Williams of Las Vegas, NV, Joella Erlene Friedly of Otis, CO, and Lon Earl Williams of Leavenworth, KS; six grandchildren, Lyndon, Kamdyn, Kaelee, Macey, Isaiah and Jessa; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his grandparents; his father, Earl; and his sister, Roxanne. Memorial services were at 2:00 PM on Saturday, October 10, 2020 at Saint Martin's Lutheran Church in Watertown with Pastor Paul Janke officiating. Carol Janke was the organist. Military Honors were conducted at the church by Vietnam Veterans of America of Northeast SD Chapter #1054, Patriot Guard Riders and United States Navy Funeral Honor Guard. Honorary Urn Bearers were Roy, Lon and Jerry Williams, Lyndon Allen, Wacey Ward and Jack Thomas.



JAMES CHARLES "Jim" WILLISTON - Died Tuesday, July 14, 2020, at the VA Medical Center, Washington, DC at the age of 75. He was a resident of Cumberland, Maryland. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 3, 1944 in Clarksburg, West Virginia to the late Charles Henry Williston and Olive Pearl (née Hupp) Williston. He was also preceded in death by his sister, Rosemary Arbogast, and two grandchildren, Reshaun and Shauntella. A graduate of Lumberport High School, Jim was a United States Army veteran. He was a member of Henry Hart Post #1411 VFW, and Fort Cumberland Post #13 American Legion. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumberland Chapter #172*. Jim was an avid gambler and enjoyed fishing. Jim is survived by his daughters, Loretta Williston, and Patricia Shreve and husband, Billy; grandsons, Charles Henry and Eric Bean; and the mother of his children, Cherrie Williston and companion, Ernest Simons. Friends were received at the Adams Family Funeral Home, P.A., 404 Decatur Street, Cumberland (www.AdamsFamilyFuneralHome.com), on Tuesday, July 21, 2020, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. Funeral services were at Noon. The interment was in the Maryland State Veterans Cemetery at Rocky Gap. Military honors were accorded at the cemetery by the Post #13 Veterans Honor Guard.



GERALD EDWARD WINGATE - Died peacefully Monday, September 7, 2020 at home in Millsboro, Delaware at the age of 78. The cause of death was a heart attack, diabetes mellitus-Type II, cancer of the prostate and colon. Gerald was born in Ocean View, Delaware on February 12, 1942 to the late Jasper and Elizabeth Wingate. He was preceded in death by his son, J.R. Wingate, Florence Wingate, Elsie Howard, and John P. Howard. Gerald graduated from Lewes High School and attended Delaware Technical Community College studying criminal justice and business. He graduated from the Delaware State Police Academy in 1973 and attended the DEA Drug Enforcement Academy. He holds a private pilot's license and was an instructor for commercial and instrument flight. He was a police officer with Milford, DE Police Department in the traffic and detective divisions. Gerald also spent part of his professional career in private security services and demolition. Gerald was an involved member of the Delmarva Harley Owners Group and served as the treasurer of the DE Chapter of the Law Dogs Motorcycle Club. He is a life member of the NRA. Gerald is a member of the Masonic Lodge (Franklin Lodge #12), Delaware Scottish Rite Consistory (32nd Degree), and The Shriners. Gerald was an original member of the Delaware Mobile Surf Fisherman Club. Gerald served in the United States Navy (1959-1971 – Combat Veteran, Vietnam) with the 3rd Marine Division in-Country Vietnam. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Nassau Chapter #1105*. After retiring, Gerald enjoyed many interests and hobbies, including riding his Harley-Davidson, playing golf, painting, playing cards, and shooting his guns. He and Virginia also enjoyed traveling with family and friends in their motorhome, taking motorcycle trips, and relaxing at condos on the beach. Besides Virginia,

Gerald's love was his service dog SeaSea. Gerald is survived by his wife Virginia Lee Wingate; daughter Tammy Lee Rust (Mark); brother-in-law Jerald W. Howard (Maxine); daughter-in-law Kim Wingate; three grandchildren Justin Rust, Jaclyn Rust (David), and Kodi Wingate (Will); and, great-grandsons Kolton and Andy Lee. Gerald is also survived by his cherished niece and nephews, including J.P. Howard, Jaime Howard, and Joel Howard, as well as several cousins. Services were held on Monday, September 14, 2020 at the Melson's Funeral Home, 43 Thatcher Street Frankford, DE 19945, including visitation and viewing at 10:00 AM and a Masonic service starting at 11:00 AM, followed by a funeral service. The committal service was at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery 26669 Patriots Way, Millsboro DE 19966 at 1:00 PM. A celebration of life was held at a later date, due to COVID-19 restrictions. Due to COVID-19 restrictions face masks and social distancing were required.



STANLEY E. ZAJAC - Died Friday, August 14, 2020 in Bondsville, Massachusetts at the age of 72, due to complications from pancreatic surgery. He was a lung cancer survivor. He was born in Palmer, Massachusetts on January 13, 1948 to the late Stanley F. Zajac and Nellie (née Kowalczyk) Zajac. Stanley served in the United States Army from January 18, 1965 to January 17, 1968 when he was honorably discharged. He worked as a truck driver for RM Sullivan for many years and owned his own truck as well. He was an avid NASCAR fan recently discovering his love for deep sea fishing. Stanley could always be found with his dog, Lilly. He loved people and was always known as a social butterfly and would be found talking to a neighbor or trying to lend a helping hand whenever he could. He truly has a heart of gold and will be missed by all who knew him. He was a member of the American Legion in Palmer, Disabled American Veterans and the VA. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #111**. Stanley was passionate about being a veteran and helped veterans anyway he could. He also was a proud retired member of Teamsters Local #404. He will be missed by his loving wife, Mary Ellen (née Lupine) Zajac of 25 wonderful years, his son Eddie Nichols of Goodyear, Arizona, and daughter, Sherry Aldridge of Burleson, Texas, five grandchildren, Danny, Robert, Rebecca, Ashleigh and Gabriella and a great-grandson, Bryson, siblings Chet Zajac and his wife Barbara of Monson and Robert Zajac of Thorndike, brother-in-law Donald alpine, his wife Bernadette of Middleboro and an unofficial sister-in-law JoAnn , as well as an aunt Helen Wytas of Stafford Springs, CT, several nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends too numerous to mention. He also leaves Grace Ziobrowski, whom he often referred to as his stepdaughter. There were no services due to the COVID-19 pandemic but hopefully in the Spring there may be a celebration of life. The Beers and Story Palmer Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements. Donations in honor of Stanley can be made to the Springfield Vets Center, 95 Ashley Avenue - Suite A in West Springfield, MA 01089, or the American Cancer Society, 330 Whitney Avenue, Holyoke MA 01040.

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