JAMES C. ADAMS – Died Monday, February 1, 2021, in Boise, Idaho at the age of 80. The cause of death was chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and PTSD. He was born on August 20, 1940. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Idaho**.



RONALD DEAN ARMSTEAD - Died Monday, January 18, 2021 in Kimball, Michigan at the age of 73. The cause of death was heart disease and COVID-19. He was born on March 27, 1947 in Cass City, Michigan. He married Catherine Schott on July 27, 1968 in Goodells, Michigan. Ronald served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam war and was awarded a Purple Heart. After the war, he was employed with Mueller Brass Company until his retirement. Ronald was an active member of the Salvation Army where he and Catherine worked in the food pantry and helped with their Christmas programs. He was Commander of the Smiths Creek American Legion Post #525 and volunteered with the St. Clair County Allied Veterans Honor Guard. He enjoyed gardening and helping with the Friday night fish fry's at the Legion. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Huron Chapter #1083. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Catherine; two sons, Ronald (Terry) Armstead II and Philip Armstead (Angel Palazzola); grandchildren, Ashley, Austin, Shayne and Brandon (Rachel) Armstead, Erin Palermo and Francesca (Brent) Tucker; great grandson, Justin; siblings, Bob (Sharon) Armstead, Shirley (Larry) Cobb, Rich (Cheri) Armstead, Mark (Cindy) Armstead, Harold (Deb) Armstead, Julliett Koon, JoAnne Erard, Herb (Barb) Tanton, Hank Tanton, Gary Wilson, and Larry Wilson; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Harold (Helen) Armstead and mother, Aline Wilson; a brother, Joe and a sister, Dorothy. Visitation was held from 2:00-5:00 PM and from 6:00-8:00 PMM on Wednesday, January 20, 2021 in the Marysville Funeral Home. A limited number of people were allowed in at a time. Please wear a mask for the safety and comfort of others. Funeral services were at 10:00 AM on Thursday, January 21, 2021 in The Salvation Army Port Huron Citadel. Major Wesley Dalberg will officiate. The burial was in Caswell Cemetery, Kimball Township. Military honors were conducted under the auspices of the U.S. Marine Corps and the St. Clair County Allied Veterans Honor Guard. Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army.



**ROBERT H. "Grampy" "Bob" BARBER, SR.** - Died unexpectedly Wednesday, February 24, 2021 in Saunderstown, Rhode Island at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 31, 1943. He was the husband of the late Marion E. (Gardner) Barber. He is

survived by his children, Robert H. Barber, Jr. (Valerie L Barber) and M. April (Barber) Donnelly (Christopher R. Donnelly); grandchildren, James M. Northup (deceased), Cassie L. Barber, Brendan Donnelly, Jared R. Barber, Benjamin S. Alexander and Chris L. Alexander. He was the half-brother of Joseph Peck, Mary Gilligan and late Mildred Moore. He also leaves stepchildren, step-grandchildren and step-great grandchildren. He served honorably in The United States Army during the Vietnam War and was a recipient of the Purple Heart. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Wakefield Chapter #325. Bob enjoyed going to the Rose Shack every day to visit his close friends Carl Erickson and Sue Tietze. Birdwatching was a favorite pastime, he kept multiple bird feeders full for birds (and chipmunks and squirrels!). He also had a small hobby farm behind his house with everything from Emus to miniature goats and many ducks and other birds. He loved gardening and would be found planting a variety of flowers and plants in the yard. Bob Loved Country music and enjoyed vacations in Branson Missouri, Nashville TN. You could often find him hanging out in the garage working on some project with his son and his grandson. He Enjoyed taking weekend rides with his daughter to visit estate sales and taking his little dog Moonie for rides to Carpenter's Farm for treats. Grampy enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and spoiling them whether it be vacations or something that their hearts desired. He will be greatly missed by his family and many friends. Visiting hours will be held Monday March 1, 2021 from 4:00-6 :00 PM in the Avery-Storti Funeral Home, 88 Columbia Street, Wakefield. The burial will be in New Fernwood Cemetery, Kingston. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Rhode Island Veteran's Home, 480 Metacom Avenue, Bristol, RI 02809.



**RAY PHILLIP BOLLHEIMER** - Died Thursday, January 28, 2021 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Breese, Illinois at the age of 77. He was a resident of Aviston, Illinois. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on April 21, 1943 in Decatur, Illinois to the late Bernard Raymond and Lucie (née Lorton) Bollheimer, Jr. He married Janet Akers on May 30, 1964 at Grace Methodist Church in Decatur and she preceded him in death on May 4, 2017. Ray is survived by a son James "Eddie" Bollheimer; three grandchildren: Kaitlyn Gartside and husband Tyler, Tyler Bollheimer and significant other Darbey Gaffigan, and Sire Bollheimer; four great grandchildren: Emily, Stella, Poppy, and Miles; his siblings: Kent Bollheimer, and Pat Bollheimer. Mr. Bollheimer was a Veteran of the United States Army and served in the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Breese Chapter #269**. He was a graduate of both SIUC and SIUE where he obtained degrees in accounting and business administration finance. He spent much of his professional life working as an accountant in various different industries. After their retirement, Ray and Janet loved traveling. They took many trips to places like Canada, Niagara Falls, Maryland, Colorado and everywhere in between. Graveside services will be held at a later date at Saint Francis Catholic Cemetery in Aviston.



JERRY W. BONDURANT - Died Wednesday, March 10, 2021 in Edgewood, Kentucky at the age of 78. He was formerly of Rising Sun, Indiana and Aurora, Indiana. The cause of death is unknown. He was born September 18, 1942 in Milan, Indiana to the late Charles Bondurant and Eloise (née Liggett) Bondurant. He served his country as a member of the United States 101<sup>st</sup> Army Airborne Division-Screaming Eagles during the Vietnam War. He was a member of Rising Sun American Legion, Rising Sun Color Guard, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Aurora Chapter #71, Southeastern Indiana Honor Guard, and a former member of the Lawrenceburg American Legion where he served as Past Commander. Jerry was a very Patriotic man, who was more than proud to have served his country. Jerry also did whatever he could to help other veterans in need, whether it was helping them navigate life decisions or just to be there to listen when they needed that support. Jerry was also a collector of Challenge Coins. Jerry was a member of the Lawrenceburg Masonic Lodge. He worked as a Still Operator for Seagram, retiring after over 40 years of service. Jerry used to love to sing Karaoke, and he was formerly an avid golfer. Family was very important to him, especially his grandchildren and greatgrandchildren. Jerry never missed the opportunity to attend any and all of their extracurricular activities, whether it be sports events, or school programs. Jerry is survived by his loving spouse of almost 42 years, Barbara (née Klum) Bondurant of Rising Sun; daughters, Cindy (Andy) Murafski of Rising Sun, IN, Janelle Bondurant-Denning (Tim) of Lawrenceburg, IN, Missy Spaulding of Delhi, OH, Leslie Votaw-Lambert (Coby) of Lawrenceburg, IN, Amy Palmer of Lawrenceburg, IN; sisters, Toni (Jack) York of Rising Sun, IN, Shirlee Smith of Rising Sun, IN; grandchildren, Josh Murafski, Brett (London) Bondurant, Sydney Spaulding, Lindsee Bondurant, (Gerald), Jordan Bondurant, Alexis (Colton) Bruce, Brady Spaulding, Ethan Lambert, Riley Lambert, Tyler Lambert, Lilly Palmer, Haylee Palmer, Jolie Palmer; great-grandchildren, Jacee, Avery, Abby, Julia, Luna, Maddox, Bentlee, Mila, Niko; and many, many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and a grandson, Drew Muraski. A Celebration of Life was held at the Veterans Memorial at the Ohio River Bank, Rising Sun, Indiana on Saturday, March 13, 2021 at 11:00 AM with P.G. Gentrup officiating. Special services for Jerry included a Masonic Service and a Military service conducted by the Rising Sun Color Guard and the Southeastern Indiana Honor Guard. Contributions may be made in lieu of flowers to the family or the Southeastern Indiana Honor Guard. If unable to attend services, please call the funeral home office at (812) 926-1450 and we will notify the family of your donation with a card.



**CLARENCE DANIEL BRIGHT** - Died Friday, June 15, 2018 at his home in Bacliff, Texas at the age of 80, surrounded by his family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 13, 1938 int the Canal Zone, Panama to the late Carmen and Anna Bright. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. Clarence had a career with the Department of Defense for 35 years from 1968

through 2003. He had many interests which included being a member of the VFW, volunteering, Post Commander, Quartermaster, Chaplain, Adjutant. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dickinson Chapter #685**. He loved crossword puzzles, bowling, being a Boy Scout Master & district commissioner. Clarence was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Bill, Tom and Frank; and two sisters, Carmen and Sonia. He leaves to cherish his memory, his loving wife Agnes Bright; daughter, Sonia Mosqueda and husband Daniel; sons, John Bright and wife Juanita, and Steven Bright and wife Josie; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. In his honor a memorial Mass was celebrated at the Shrine of the True Cross Catholic Church, on June 22, 2018 at 10:00 AM under the direction of Crowder Funeral Home, Dickinson, Texas.

**LESLIE VINCENT "Les" BROOKINS** – Died Saturday, December 19, 2020 in Wayne, Michigan at the age of 76. The cause of death was congestive heart failure and coronary artery disease. He was born in Detroit, Michigan on May 22, 1944 to the late Lester V. Brookins and Mildred (née Baker). He is survived by his wife, Christine (née Jaskolski) Brookins. He served in the United States Army from November 1961 to December 1964. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America** – **Plymouth Chapter #528**.

**NEIL AUGUST BURKE** - Died Friday, January 8, 2021 in Milord, Delaware at the age of 76. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, chronic respiratory failure and lung cancer. He served in the United States Army from 1967 to 1969 with a tour in Vietnam in 1968. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Nassau Chapter #546**.



DAVID LEE BURROW - Died Monday, February 8, 2021 at his home in Eevansville, Wisconsin at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 10, 1948 in Watertown, Wisconsin to the late Harold and Marie (née Lemke) Burrow. In 1966 he graduated from Lakeside Lutheran High School in Lake Mills. On April 23, 1968 he was drafted into the United States Marine Corps, served in the Vietnam War and was honorably discharged in 1972. Before retiring in 2013 he had been employed as a welder by Baker Manufacturing in Evansville since 1976. David was the current Commander of the American Legion Post #35 in Evansville and served on their Funeral Honor Guard. He served in the past as 1st Vice Commander of Rock County American Legion, past American Legion 1<sup>st</sup> District Public Safety Officer, a life member and served as past 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Commander of Evansville VFW Post #6905, a life member of the MCL South Western Wisconsin Detachment #623 (Marine of the year 2005), member of MCL #3807 of Beloit, Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Janesville Chapter #236, and many other local civic organizations. Survivors include his brothers, Eugene (Cheryl) of Lake Mills, Alvin (Phyllis) of Janesville, Stanley (Cathy) of Lake Mills, and Philip of Hartland; his twin sister Donna Mundt of Marshall; sisters Lois (Steve) Baird and Anita (Tom) Freeman of Fort Atkinson; his uncle, John (Elsie) Lemke of Oconomowoc; his aunt, Arlene Lemke of Watertown; many nieces and

nephews; great nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends. Also preceded in death by two brothers-in-law, Richard Rauber and Robert Mundt; one niece, Cheryl Vander Velden; and one great niece, Kacey Burrow. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup> at Saint Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lake Mills. Friends visited after 10:00 AM on Thursday at the church until the time of service. Burial with military honors was in the Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Union Grove. If desired memorials would be appreciated to Lakeside Lutheran High School.

**DAVID M. CAMPBELL** – Died Saturday, January 30, 2021 in Freeland, Michigan at the age of 72. The cause of death was a heart attack and COVID-19. He was born on July 27, 1948. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Huron Chapter #1083**.



**DANIEL HOWARD CABBETT** - Died Monday, March 23, 2020 in Deland, Florida at the age of 71. He was formerly of Battle Creek, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 10, 1948 to the late George Howard Cabbett and Marguerite Irene (née Marsh) Cabbett. Daniel served in the United States Navy before working in Transportation as an Over-the-Road Truck Driver. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek Chapter #313**. Daniel was preceded in death by his wife, Deeann Cabbett. He is survived by his daughter, Michelle Joy Broyles and two grandchildren, Cloey Jazmine Anderson and Christopher Mathew Broyles. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends. Condolences for the family can be sent to Altman-Long Funeral Home.



**DR. ROBERT PATRICK "Bob" CARROLL, JR.** - passed away on December 24, 2018 after a brief illness. Dr. Bob, as he was known to his friends was born on October 7, 1940 in Lexington, Virginia to Robert Patrick Carroll, Sr and Alice Robertson Carroll. He and Ruth Fagelson Carroll were married June 18, 1966 in Annandale, Virginia and she survives him.

Bob graduated from Washington & Lee University in 1962 with a BA in Biology. He graduated from the University of Virginia Medical School in 1966 and served a rotating internship at Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston Texas followed by two years' service in the US Army including a tour in Vietnam. He and his growing family moved to Nacogdoches in January 1972 to work in the Student Health Center at Stephen F. Austin State University. In 1976 he opened up his own practice and worked in that until 2006 when after a 40-year career as a family practice physician he retired from full time private practice. After he closed his practice he continued to work for the East Texas Community Health Clinic and Burke operating an Alzheimer diagnosis and

treatment clinic. Bob had a servant's heart and served in numerous leadership roles for the Nacogdoches County Medical Society, the American Medical Association, the national Alzheimer's Association Board as well as many others. Bob was a deacon at Austin Heights Baptist Church, a former member of the Nacogdoches ISD School board and one of the founding physicians as well as a former Chief of Staff for Medical Center Hospital. Other leadership roles included serving as president of the board of the Millard's Crossing Historic Village, the Christian Women's Job Corps and the Nacogdoches Historic Zoning Board. He was particularly proud of his involvement with the formation of the East Texas Chapter of the National Alzheimer's Association. He facilitated the first Alzheimer caregiver support group in Nacogdoches for almost twenty years. Bob Loved all sports but especially Ladyjack basketball. He loved spending time with his family and watching his grandchildren participate in their activities.

He is survived by his wife Ruth Fagelson Carroll, son Michael Joseph Carroll (wife DeNae) of Graham, Texas, daughter Kathleen Carroll Bayliss (fiancé Steve Addyman) of Woodbury, Minnesota, daughter Diane Carroll Havens (husband Hank) of Rockwall, Texas, son Robert Partick Carroll III of Austin, Texas, sister Ann Carroll Weaver (husband John) of Leesburg, Florida, brotherin-law Dale E. Wykoff of Ashville, North Carolina, a niece Carroll Ann Wykoff and nephew Dr. Randolph Wykoff. He is also survived by six grandchildren Samantha Bayliss, Christopher Bayliss, Nolan Carroll, DeLaney Carroll, Haley Havens and Jack Havens.

He is preceded in death by his parents and sister Alice Carroll Wykoff.

Services will be held on Saturday, January 5, 2019, at 11:00 AM, First United Methodist Church in Nacogdoches, Texas with Reverend Kyle Childress of Austin Heights Baptist Church presiding. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Christian Women's Job Corps, Austin Heights Baptist Church or the charity of your choice.



**CHARLES PHILIP CASSIDY** - Died Sunday, February 14, 2021 in Linden, Tennessee at the age of 83. The cause of death was a stroke. Charles was born in Needham, Massachusetts on August 31, 1937 to the late Philip and Viola Cassidy. He enlisted in the United States Air Force in July 1958 as an Aviation Cadet and served for 30 years. After receiving his pilot wings at Graham AB, FL (T-34/T-37) and Greenville AFB, MS (T-33) in 1959, he was assigned to the 3855th Fighter Training Wing at Perrin AFB, TX flying the F-86L. In 1960, he was assigned to Strategic Air Command flying over 5000 hours in B-47 and B-52 aircraft from 1960 to 1980. His overseas tours included Guam, Okinawa, and Thailand while completing 57 combat sorties missions in the B-52 over Vietnam in 1969, with numerous deployments overseas to Guam, Spain, Morocco, and England. Other assignments included McConnell AFB, KS (B-47); Little Rock, AR (B-47); Loring AFB, ME (B-52G); Plattsburgh AFB NY (B-52G); Dyess AFB, TX (B-52D); Castle AFB, CA (B-52F); U-Tapao RTNB, Thailand (B-52D); Mathers AFB, CA; Kadena AB, Okinawa as Commander of the 376th Field

Maintenance Squadron, from 1976 to 1979; Deputy Base Commander of the 22nd Combat Support Group, March AFB, California from 1979 to 1980; Alaskan Air Command. Elmendorf AFB Alaska as the Deputy Commander for Maintenance (DCM) as Director of Information Systems for Alaskan Air Command and Commander of the 5002nd Information Systems Squadron from 1980 to 1984; United States Air Forces Europe (USAFE) at Royal Air Force Bentwaters, England, as the 81st Tactical Fighter Wing Director of Command and Control from 1984-1987. He returned to Elmendorf AFB, AK, and retired in 1987 as a Lieutenant Colonel. His decorations included the Air Force Training Ribbon; Meritorious Service Medal with two oak clusters; Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster; AF Commendation with three Oak Clusters; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with One Oak Leaf Cluster; Army Good Conduct Medal; Combat Readiness Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster; Humanitarian Service Medal; AF Longevity Service Ribbon with one Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and one Oak Leaf Cluster; National Defense Service Medal; AF Overseas Long Tour Ribbon with two Oak Leaf Clusters; AF Overseas Short Tour Ribbon; Vietnam Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster; AF Outstanding Unit Award with Silver Oak Leaf Cluster and two Oak Leaf Clusters with Valor Device; Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm; Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. He held a Master of Science Degree (MAS) from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and was rated by the FAA as a Commercial Pilot and an A&P Mechanic. After retiring, Charles taught for Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University at the Elmendorf AFB Campus. In 1996, he moved to Linden, TN. He joined the Veterans of Foreign Wars in 1991 in Eagle River, AK., Post #9785. In 1996, he transferred to VFW Post #4973 in Linden, TN where he held many positions in the Post, District and State, and National earning All-American and All-State honors. He was the VFW TN State Commander 2010-2011. He was a member of the Military Order for the Cootie (MOC) and in 2008-2009 served as the MOC Grand Commander for TN. He was a member of the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Linden Chapter 1123, The Order of Daedalians (Society of Military Pilots), MOAA Middle TN Chapter, and Past Chairman of the Perry County Veterans Association to name a few. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by a sister Joan Gallagher (FL). He is survived by his wife of 39 years Billie, and children William (Reagan) Cassidy Linden, Crystal (Mark) Larsen, and Chris (Brenda) McGee, 15 grandchildren, 2 great-grandchildren, and sister Linda (Bob) Marsh of Colorado Springs, CO. Celebration of Life arrangements pending. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the VFW National Home for Children Child Care and Early Education Center, 3573 S Waverly Rd, Eaton Rapids, MI 48827. Please indicate in the memo for Flooring. Williams Funeral Home and Crematory is assisting the family with arrangements. You may send the family your sympathy or share your memories at williamsfh.com.



**DANIEL L. "Danny" CIMO** – Died recently in 2021 in Angeles City, Philippines at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born and raised in Chicago, Illinois. He is survived by his wife, Nilfa. He served in the United States Army in Vietnam and retired as a Warrant Officer and has lived in the Philippines for many years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City** 

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SALVATORE J. "Sam" CONIGLIARO - Died Wednesday, January 6, 2021, in the Wilkes-Barre Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Plains Township, Pennsylvania at the age of 78, after a long and courageous battle with Parkinson's disease. He was a resident of Laflin, Pennsylvania. He was born in Carbondale, Pennsylvania on November 7, 1942 to the late Joseph Penner and Charlotte (née Meddleton) Conigliaro. Sam is survived by his loving wife of 41 years, Ann Marie (née Domenick) Conigliaro. Sam was a parishioner of Saint Maria Goretti Parish, Laflin, and was a faithful attendee of Saint Ann's Novena. He was a 1961 graduate of Forest City High School. He was a proud veteran of the United States Air Force, serving in Japan and Vietnam. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Thornhurst Chapter #1035. He spent his entire career in government service, initially with the Department of Army and retired from the U.S. Postal Service Data Processing Center, Wilkes-Barre. In his childhood, he was a great fan of the New York Yankees, in particular Mickey Mantle and in later years the Philadelphia Phillies and Penn State football. Sam was a very good skier, became proficient at golf and belong to a bowling league for the comradery that it brought. He and Ann Marie loved to travel and he particularly loved Italy. Sam loved to dance, had a great sense of humor and lived life to the fullest. Written in the book of Sam's life will be his love and devotion to Ann Marie, his daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of whom he was very proud. The hallmark of his life was that his illness did not define him. He carried on and set the bar very high for those who will follow him. He was predeceased by a nephew, William "Billy" Conigliaro. In addition to his wife Ann Marie, he is survived by his daughters, Susan Cunderi (Jeffrey); Sandra Zdanavage (Stacy); Sharon Baddick; and Catherine Lipo (Matt); brothers, Thomas Conigliaro (Jean Marie); Joseph Conigliaro (Maureen); brother-in-law, Ellio Domenick (Josette); sister-in-law, Addie Manley (Bill); grandchildren, Cassandra, Cullen, Addison, Noah, Julia, Dean and Samantha; great grandchildren, Jace and Jacob. He is also survived by dear nephews, nieces and cousins. A Mass was celebrated at 10:00 AM on Saturday in Saint Maria Goretti Church, 42 Redwood Drive, Laflin. Friends visited from 9:00 until 10:00 AM in the church. Military honors were conducted following the Mass. Interment and committal were conducted in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville. The arrangements were made by the Duffy and Snowdon Funeral Homes, Scranton and Moscow.



**ARNON. W. "Sonny" COOL** (USA, SFC-Ret.) – Died Tuesday, December 15, 2020 in Akron, Ohio at the age of 84. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Webster Springs, West Virginia on July 22, 1936. He was predeceased by his wife, Joyce Ann (née Byrge) (first marriage to Buck) Cool who died July 28, 2011. He is survived by his son, James T. "J.T." Buck and his stepson, Billy Buck. He first served in the United States Air Force and left the service and

enlisted in the United States Army and served a tour in Vietnam with the Military Police. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Worthington Chapter #670**.



LARRY JAMES FRANKLIN COPELAND – Died Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at Promise Hospital in Wichita Falls, Texas at the age of 79. He was a resident of Lawton, Oklahoma. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on September 6, 1941, in Taft, California to the late Jess Glen and Marie (née Hurst) Copeland. On September 6, 1961, Larry's twentieth Birthday, he married the love of his life, Miss Betty Huey, and spent fifty-nine precious years together. Larry is a retired United States Army Veteran. He served in the Vietnam War, where he was awarded several Decorations, Medals, Badges and Citations, including the Bronze Star Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal (4<sup>th</sup> Award), National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Honor Medal (First Class), Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, Humanitarian Service Medal, 2D Class Missile Man Badge, Meritorious Unit Emblem, Presidential Unit Citation, Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Honor Medal, and Sharpshooter Qualification Badge (Rifle M-16). The discipline and patriotism he learned in the Army never left him, as family and friends will attest. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751. In addition, Larry was an ordained Church of Christ Minister, and retired from the United States Postal Service as a "Professional Street Walker" (mail carrier). He enjoyed going hunting, fishing, golfing, bowling, traveling, but above all, Larry loved his family and the Lord to the fullest. He is preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, Ronnie Copeland. Those left to love and cherish his memories are his wife of 59 years, Betty Copeland; children: Nathan Taylor Copeland and wife, Kristin Tejada-Copeland of Dallas, Texas, Joseph Franklin mCopeland and wife Kathy Copeland of Columbus, Montana, and Tamera Lynn Hampton and husband David Hampton of Lawton, Oklahoma; grandchildren: Peyton Copeland and wife Bekah, Melina Brunson and husband Dalton, Brianna Copeland-Bates and husband Brady, Hunter Copeland, all of Texas, and Johnathan Hampton of Oklahoma; two great grandchildren, Mason Brunson, Madden Brunson; brother, Glen Jr. Copeland and wife Shirley of Tehachapi, California; sisters, Lois Davis of Bakersfield, California, and Donna Copeland-Albright of Pasco, Washington; a great grandchild that will arrive in Marcmh; extended family; Leonard and Wanita Head, Abby and Carmen Head, Aaron and Gayla Young of Lawton, Oklahoma; and a host of lives that Larry touched that called him dad.



**THOMAS EDWARD "Tom" CUFF** - Died Friday, February 12, 2021 in Greenbrier, Tennessee at the age of 72. The cause of death was the coronavirus, COVID-19. Tom was born on November 3, 1948 in Hancock, Michigan to the late Thomas and Bertha Cuff. He married his high school sweetheart, Gayle, on June 7, 1969 and raised their daughter, Tina in Marquette, MI. They moved to Greenbrier, TN in 2009 and were active members of Our Lady of the Lourdes Catholic Church. Those who knew Tom would describe him as someone who was a proud family man, a true patriot, and a kind soul. You could always catch him watching his Detroit Red Wings, Green Bay Packers or making cards on his Cricut. He served in the United States Navy from 1966 to 1969. During his military career, he fought in the Vietnam War and received various awards and medals. Tom was a proud Founding Life Member and Board Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Negaunee Chapter #380 in Marquette, MI. He was an active part of the honor and color guard and member of the American Legion. Tom retired from the Marquette Board of Light and Power in 2001. He is survived by his loving bride of 51 years, Gayle Cuff, Daughter Tina (John) Hust of Greenbrier, TN, Grandson, Andrew Hust of Colorado Springs, CO, Granddaughter, Ashlee (Justin) Wiser and Great-granddaughter, Tinley Wiser of Fayetteville, TN. Mother, Bertha Cuff of Marquette, MI, his three sisters, Kathy (Pat) Malay of Gwinn, MI, Deanna (Greg) Adams of Marquette, MI and Carol (Mike) York of Shakopee, MN, his brother, Bruce (Pat) Wagner of Mohawk, MI along with several nieces, nephews and cousins. Tom was preceded in death by his Father, Thomas J Cuff, grandparents, Mary (Babe) and Thomas D Cuff and brother James Kahler. The family will have a Memorial Service at a future date. The TLC Mortuary Services of Greenbrier was entrusted with his care.



CHRISTOPHER FRANCIS "Chris" DeMARTIN - Died peacefully on Monday, January 18, 2021 at home in Milford, Delaware at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. Chris was born in Baltimore, Maryland on November 27, 1948 to the late Clement F. and Barbara (née Bingham) DeMartin. He was a graduate of Archbishop Curley High School, Baltimore, MD. Chris was drafted and served his country proudly in the United States. Air Force during the Vietnam War. Following his tour in Vietnam, he worked his way through college painting houses, and received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Accounting from Delaware State University. He began his accounting career with the State of Delaware then moved on to the General Accounting Office in DC, followed by many years working as an IRS agent. While with the IRS, Chris taught accounting at Delaware Technical and Community College in Georgetown. In 1986, Chris decided to strike out on his own and purchased Nora Layton's accounting practice in Milford, where he ran a successful accounting firm for many years. In 2005, Chris left his accounting practice in the capable hands of his daughter Michele after he was offered a job at the in the finance accounting section of the FBI, working there until retiring in 2014. Chris was a member of Saint John the Apostle Catholic Church, Milford, a member of the Knights of Columbus, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dover Chapter #850, and was a proud supporter of veteran organizations, which had a special place in his heart for them. He enjoyed stamp collecting, camping and fishing. He loved spending time outdoors, not relaxing, but working hard. He loved splitting and cutting wood for his woodstove. Family was most important to Chris, who enjoyed spending time with them and teaching his strong work ethic through his own actions. Chris was a hardworking and tough man, battling though Agent Orange, PTSD, suffering a near fatal car accident, two lung transplants, heart issues and kidney failure. He had a fighting spirit and never gave up, powering through with the loving support of his family until the end. He is survived by his wife of 52 years Peggy DeMartin; two daughters Michele Jarrell and her husband Larry, and Christie DeMartin, one son Jeffrey DeMartin; three grandchildren, Samantha Boddy, Sebastian Cantu and Marlena Cantu; two brothers David DeMartin and his wife Janis, and Stephen DeMartin; brother and sister-in-law Richard and Paula Motsay, as well as nieces and nephews, A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:30 AM on Monday, January 25, 2021 at Saint John the Apostle Catholic Church, 506 Seabury Avenue, Milford. Due to COVID-19 protocols, masks were worn and social distancing must be observed by all participating in any aspect of the service. The burial with military honors were accorded in the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Millsboro at 1 pm. In lieu of flowers the family suggests contributions to either the Vietnam Veterans Chapter #850, P.O. Box 1718, Dover, DE 19903 or to Saint John Catholic Church, 506 Seabury Avenue, Milford, DE 19963. The arrangements were made by the Lofland Funeral condolence Home, Milford. Letters of may be shared with the family at www.loflandandmcknatt.com.

<u>JOHN F. DEMOS</u> – Died recently in 2021 in Hazelwood, Missouri at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 27, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Florissant Chapter #794**.



**RONNIE P. DINATALE** – Died Sunday, February 21, 2021 in Henrietta, New York at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Glo, Kentucky on February 8, 1949. He is survived by his wife of 50 years Eileen; children, Eric (Angela), Heidi, Scott; six grandchildren; mother, Hilda; brother, Jeff. Also survived by, Jessica Berl, Tim Berl and Heather DiNatale. He served I in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**. Friends and family visited on Saturday from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Miller Funeral and Cremation Services, Inc., 3325 Winton Road South. Due to Covid restrictions please to reserve a time. Service and interment private. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to a charity of your choice that benefits animals.



**KENNETH L. DOUGLAS** - 73 Died Tuesday, December 15, 2020 in Rhinebeck, New York at the age of 73, after a long illness of cancer. He was born in Poughkeepsie, New York on March 3, 1947 to the late Kenneth T. and Gladys (née Bjorklund) Douglas. He graduated from FDR Roosevelt High School in 1965. Kenneth served in the United States Marine Corps from 1966-1968. He served honorably in Vietnam from 1967-1968. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hopewell Junction Chapter #869**. Kenneth was an entrepreneur and selfmade man. He was a jack of all trades so to speak and a master of them all. He loved chess,

poker and bowling. He absolutely loved the chase of the game. He endured a mountain and had more than his share of hardships. He was a soldier in many more ways than one. He was a proud American and served his Country well beyond any War. He was a hero, but never felt as such. He left a grand legacy forever. He was a nature lover by heart. He loved all of God's creatures and everything that surrounded them. He was the best father and best friend a daughter could ever ask for. He was a wonderfully amazing grandfather with an enormous heart, who loved his grandchildren immensely. Kenneth is survived by his oldest daughter, Heather Douglas-Schrader (mother- Rosalie Douglas Horkan) and her husband, Brian; his beloved grandchildren, Derek, Holden, Christian and Dominique. He is also survived by his oldest son, Kenneth L. Douglas Jr. (mother-Rosalie) and his daughter, Madison Rose. He also has a son and two daughters from subsequent marriages. He is also survived by his brother, William Douglas, (Jeanie), nephew, Elliot, and Elliot's son, Carson; his brother-in-law and best friend, Frank Calabrese (sister-Lynda), their children, Lisa Burger Decker, Merwin Burger Jr., Tina Commerford, Crystal, Michael, Teri, Kenneth, Frank, Jr., Aaron, Brandon, Holly, Gillian, Sharon, Casey, and the late Charles Calabrese and their eight grandchildren; also, Merwin Burger, Sr., former brother-inlaw; beloved niece, Karen Rundall, best and beloved friend, Joe Avello of Florida. He was predeceased by his beautiful, loving sister and Irish twin..Lynda Calabrese, and his loving wife, Rosemary Gilnack Douglas, mother, Gladys and father, Kenneth. He also left behind his great friends who felt like family, Mike and A.J., Sam and Allen and Dave (chess champion). His life was one of hardship, accomplishments and eventually triumph. He had a heart full of ingenuity and grace. He will be greatly missed. Services were held privately for the family and Kenneth was laid to rest in the Rhinebeck Cemetery.

**EDWARD J. EATON** – Died recently in 2021 in Fort Wayne, Indiana at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 3, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek (***Michigan***) Chapter #313**.



**ROBERT EDWARD "Bob" FEKIN** – Died Monday, January 25, 2021 in Macomb, Michigan at the age of 71. The cause of death was dementia. He was born in Detroit, Michigan on February 14, 1949. He was the beloved husband of Linda for 51 incredible years; loving father of Lisa (Dave), and Robert (Kim), and; proud and adored grandfather of Josh, Samantha, and Ellie. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War fro 1969 to 1970. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clinton Township Chapter #154**. The funeral was held on Friday with viewing from 9:00 AM until the time of the 10:00 AM Mass at Saint Therese of Lisieux Parish, 48115 Schoenherr Road, Shelby Charter Township, MI (Between 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> Mile Roads). Memorial contributions in Bob's Honor are very much appreciated to the Wounded Warrior Project. The inurnment was in the Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly, MI. Please share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guestbook" at WujekCalcaterra.com.



DOMALD GENE FENTON - Died Sunday, November 8, 2020 at the Dayton Veterans Affairs Medical Center at the age of 73. He most recently lived at 3885 US Rt 35, East Xenia, Ohio 45385; he resided in the Community Living Center of the Dayton VA Medical Center. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 20, 1947 in Englewood, Ohio to the late Herbert A Fenton and Bessie (née Hatcher) Fenton. He was baptized Methodist. He was one of seven siblings; five have predeceased him; Alan C. Fenton, Herbert L. Fenton, Loraine Hudnall, MaryLou Back, and Fred Fenton. His sister Carole Ann Lewis survives him. He was married to his wife, Linda Lee (Stauffer) Fenton (1998 - present). He is predeceased by an infant daughter, Susan C. Fenton. He is survived by a daughter, Tara Steen, granddaughter Torilee Groves, grandson-in-law Greg Groves, and great-grandchildren Lydia Moon, Natalee, Adalynn, Layton and William Groves; and stepdaughter, Benita Davey. He graduated from Northmont High School (1967); he graduated from Southern State Community College AS in Social Work; he also attended the Police Academy in Manchester, Ohio, and the Global School of Investigation for Private Detectives. He served in the United States Army (1/1967 - 7/1969); he was stationed both in Germany and Vietnam. He had air defense artillery training in Fort Sill, Oklahoma. After the service he worked for 30 years in security, and three years as a policeman (Russellville, Winchester, and Manchester, Ohio). He retired in 2004. He is a Life Member of the DAV, VFW, AMVETS, Vietnam Veterans of America -Dayton Chapter #97 and the AIR Defense Artillery at Fort Sill, OK. He will be interred in the National Cemetery at the Dayton VA Medical Center among his fellow soldiers.



EDWARD J. "Ed" GAUDET, JR. - Died Friday March 26, 2021 at the Clarissa cook Hospice House in Bettendorf, Iowa at the age o 77. He was a resident of DeWitt, Iowa. Ed was born on May 5, 1943 in Everett, Massachusetts to the late Edward and Sarah (née Goldstein) Gaudet. He joined the United States Army in 1960 and was stationed in Germany where he met his first wife. In 1965 he was sent to Vietnam where he served as a medic in the First infantry Division. He returned home on his birthday in 1966. Ed had been employed with the US Postal Service prior to his retirement in 2005. In June of 2004 he was united in marriage to Margaret Clausen in Cordova, IL. He enjoyed classic car clubs, his BMW motorcycle adventures and was very active with numerous veteran groups especially as a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776 and Chapter #299 in the Quad Cities. Survivors include his wife Margaret Gaudet, DeWitt, IA; Sons Vince (Janet) Gaudet, Port Byron, IL, Andrew Gaudet, Moline, IL, and Gregg (Jamie) Gaudet, Davenport, IA; stepchildren Theresa (Ben) Clarke, Katie (Chris) Mox, John (Emily) Clausen all of Clinton, IA, and Laura (Ben) Gooch, MD; many grand and stepgrandchildren; one great-grandchild; two sisters Donna (Jim) Giordano and Jackie Moulton; nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, a sister Andrea Ford and a grandchild. Visitation was held on Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Runge Mortuary and Crematory. Graveside services were held on Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 PM at the Davenport Memorial Park All Veterans Memorial. Memorials may be made to your favorite Veteran's organization. Online condolences may be shared at www.runegmortuary.com.



BERNIECE M. "Sis" GEITNER - Died unexpectedly on Friday, January 8, 2021 at Penn Highlands DuBois at the age of 72. She was a resident of Ridgway, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was a heart attack. She was born on August 29, 1948 in Saint Marys, Pennsylvania to the late William Smith, Sr. and Margaret (née Ott) Smith. On June 19, 1971 in St. Marys Church, she married Duane J. "Duey" Geitner, who survives of Ridgway. Together they shared nearly 50 years of love, laughter, and happiness. Sis was a graduate of St. Marys High School, class of 1966. She was a member of Saint Leo's Church in Ridgway and retired from Sylvania after more than 40 years of service. In addition to her beloved husband, Duey Geitner, she is survived by two sons; Duane "Buddy" Geitner, Jr. and his wife Kristen of Ridgway, and Benjamin Geitner and his wife Theresa of Irwin, PA, by six grandchildren; Karissa, Austin, Caraline, Gavin, Braidon, and Julian, and by one great-granddaughter; Rosalyn. She is also survived by a sister; Donna (Chris) Swezey of St. Marys, a brother; Robert (Janice) Smith of Chautaugua, NY, as well as by numerous nieces and nephews. Lion Sis was a Charter Member of the Horton-Brockway Area Lioness Club, having joined the Lions Club in 2002. She served as President of the Lioness Club when it was chartered in 1983 and has held that office 19 times. She served as President, Secretary, and Treasurer. She served as Zone Chairperson in 2003-2004 & 2006-2007, and as Region Chairman 2005-2006. She has received many awards on both the local and state level, including Lioness of the Year for the entire state in 2003-2004, and District Lion of the year in 2011. She received the Pennsylvania fellowship in 2005, and the PA Councilors Distinguished Award in 2011. She was in charge of the Lioness breakfast and program for 2 state conventions. She attended 3 international conventions, 24 state conventions, and 1 USA/Canada forum. She was an International Certified Guiding Lion. In 2007, she was awarded the International Presidents Award from International President Jimmy Ross. She was currently serving as Secretary of the Lions Club, District Cabinet Secretary, and as Treasurer of the Lioness Club. Sis was a member of the Fox Township Senior Center, the Elk County Fair Board of Directors, and a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America - Saint Marys Chapter #720. Sis will be remembered as the ultimate Steelers fan, always enjoying a game or the chance to decorate her house in Steelers gear. She loved Christmastime, and never turned down the chance to go yard-saling or attend an auction. She also loved and enjoyed her cats. Most of all, she was a devoted and adoring wife, mother, and grandmother who loved nothing more than spending time with her family and grandchildren. A truly irreplaceable woman, Sis will be sorely missed by all who knew and loved her. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, William Smith, Jr. A Mass of Christian Burial for Berniece M. "Sis" Geitner was celebrated on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 11:00 AM at Saint Boniface Church, 355 Main Street, Kersey, PA 15846 with Reverend Father Ross Miceli, Pastor, officiating. The interment was in Parklawn Memorial Gardens. Visitation hours were held at the Lynch-Green Funeral Home on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 from 4:00 PM

until 7:00 PM. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Horton-Brockway Lions Club. The Lynch-Green Funeral Home, 151 North Michael Street, Saint Marys, handled the arrangements and online condolences may be made to the family at www.lynchgreenfuneralhome.com.

THOMAS ALLEN "Tom" GEORGE - Died Monday, February 15, 2021 in Las Vegas, Nevada at the age of 74. The cause of death was Cardiopulmonary Arrest and Respiratory Failure and Diabetes Mellitus Type II. Tom was born in Los Angeles, California to the late Alvin and Dorothy George on December 21, 1946. Tom was drafted into the United States Marine Corps in 1964. After returning home from serving in the Vietnam War, Tom married the love of his life, Alene Adams, on May 31, 1969. After 6 years in the Marines, Tom was honorably discharged and decided to start a career in Banking. He moved from Los Angeles, California to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1984 with his wife and 3 children, Patti, Russ and Tracy. Tom was extremely passionate about helping other Vietnam Veterans and became involved with the Las Vegas Chapter 17 of the Vietnam Veterans Association. Over 25 years as a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Las Vegas Chapter #17, he served in many positions on Chapter 17's Board, including President. Tom also served as the Nevada State President of the Vietnam Veterans of America. Tom graduated college in 1999 at the age of 53 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Administration from the University of Phoenix. He used his degree to work for the State of Nevada as a Veterans Service Officer. Helping Veterans is something Tom loved to do and committed so much of his time to doing. He was a proud member of the Veterans community and very well respected. Tom is survived by his wife, Alene George, daughter Patricia Metz (Richard Metz), son Russell George (Lucy George), daughter Tracy George, sisters Lois Mallar and Berenice Wynn, brother Barry George, Grandchildren Natalie Metz and Nathan Metz. Tom will be laid to rest at the Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Boulder City, Nevada.



**RAYMOND JOSEPH GODBOUT** – Died Friday, February 26, 2021 in Southgate, Michigan at the age of 75. The cause of death was kidney and liver failure. He was born in Detroit, Michigan on October 12, 1945. He was the beloved husband of Diane; loving father of Courtney and Chad; dearest grandfather of Bridget and Collin, and; dear brother of Carole (Robert) Mather and Timothy Godbout. He served in the United States Army from 1966 to 1967. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Southgate Chapter #259**. Memorial contributions are appreciated to Miracle Flights. The Funeral Mass was live streamed. The family encouraged anyone who wished to participate to please do so. Please click on the following link to view: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R6uAaVpJ7s8 In accordance with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Orders - The Molnar Funeral Homes is following and observing the 25-person cap on funeral attendance at one time. We are also practicing social distancing and masks were required for every person entering the building. Thank you for helping us keep everyone safe.

**PHILLIP J. "Phil" GRALNIK** – Died Sunday, February 21, 2021 in North Tonawanda, New York at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Buffalo, New York on December

9, 1948 to the late Norman and Alice Gralnik. He was the beloved husband of Nancy (née Rykert) Gralnik; loving father of Todd (Sarah) Gralnik and Lesley Gralnik; cherished Grampa of Kylie, Emme, Ally, Mikayla and Susanna; son-in-law of Jean Rykert and the late Ward Rykert; dear brother of Edward (Jean) Gralnik; brother-in-law of Jill (Mark) Smith and Jan Rykert, and; survived by many nieces and nephews. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77**. The family received friends at the C. Mertz and Son Funeral Home, Inc. 911 Englewood Avenue on Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00 PM. A Memorial Service followed at 4:00 PM. Phil worked as a dispatcher for CSX Railroad for 34 years. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Phil's memory to Elderwood at Amherst or Vietnam Veterans of America – Chapter #77. Please share condolences at www.mertzfh.com.

<u>WELDON L. HALL</u> – Died Sunday, February 23, 2020 in Texas City, Texas at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 16, 1942. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dickinson Chapter #685** 



RICHARD MICHAEL HARRIS - Died Saturday, March 13, 2021 in Kerrville, Texas at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Saint Louis, Missouri on September 24, 1949. He was a veteran of the United States Army (3years) and the United States Navy (17 years). He served in Vietnam, Beirut, Desert Storm, and Desert Shield. He was also attached to the NSA as a cryptology technician. He was a member of the Civil Air Patrol and The Coast Auxiliary. He was very proud to have served his country. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Kerrville Chapter #863. His survivors include wife, Barbara Kay Harris, whom he married March 27, 1999; sister, Edwyna Margaret Towler and her two children, Eric Marshall Towler and Elyssa Beth Peters; son, Richard Michael Harris Jr. and his two children, Caileb Michael Harris and Joshua Lee Harris; daughter, Shellee Lynn Boyle and her five children, Joanna Elon Boyle and her two children, Michael Louis Holmes and Rebecca Cheyenne Edmonds, Noah Nathanael Boyle, Selah Grace Boyle, Lydia Faith Boyle, and Josiah Abram Boyle; daughter, Brenda Kay Heathcoat and her three children, Candace Britnay Cortez and her two children, Jeremiah Michael Cortez and Ezra Harlow Cortez, Brook Ashley Heathcoat and her daughter, Ariyah Kimmi Heathcoat, and Chelsie Nicole Dawn Heathcoat; daughter, Dawn Marie Rossi and her two children, Justin Casey Ferguson and Megan Olivia Ferguson; daughter, Heather Drew Moore and her three children, Dakota Mark Moore, Kaleb Dean Moore and Jacob Drew Moore. Services were held at 3:00 PM on Saturday, March 20, 2021 at Kerrville Bible Church officiated by Pastor Scott Christensen. He was buried at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia.



CHARLES B. HATMAKER - Died Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at the Dayton VA Medical Center at the age of 71. He was a resident of Dayton. He was born in Campbell County, Tennessee on December 4, 1949 to the late William and Eva Hatmaker. Charles is survived by his beloved wife, Kathryn Hatmaker; sons, Trinity (Trisha) Wayne Watters, Charlie (Diana) Hatmaker and Dennis J. Hatmaker; best friend (whom he thought of as a Brother), Bill Katzenbach; and many loving grandchildren, family and friends. He retired from Flowserve in 2003, after 30 years of employment. Charles served his country proudly by serving in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97. In his free time, he enjoyed fishing, shooting guns, spending time with family and most importantly, spoiling his grandbabies. Visitation was held on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 from 4:00-6:00 PM at the Newcomer Funeral Home, 4104 Needmore Road, Dayton, where funeral services began at 6:00 PM. The family wants to extend their heartfelt gratitude for the wonderful care given to Charles while he was treated at the Dayton VA Medical Center, especially to his nurse, Kendra. In lieu of flowers, please make donations in his memory to Saint Jude Children's Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105, or Honor Flight, 525 Victory Road, Springfield, OH 45504.



-DAVID OWEN "Dave" HENDERSON – Died Saturday, January 30, 2021 at home in Dover, Delaware at the age of 72, after a long and courageous battle with ALS (Lou Gehrig's) disease. Dave was born on October 18, 1948 in Conway, South Carolina to the late Donald O. Henderson and Ellen Henderson. Dave's father was in the United States Air Force and transferred to Dover in the early 1960's. He attended Caesar Rodney high school, graduating with the class of 1967. When Dave was 10 years old a family friend introduced him to the world of flight by taking him up in a lightweight 1940's era Piper Cub to experience some "gentle" aerobatics. From that first flight, David knew aviation would not only be his career path, but an integral part of his life. After high school Dave's formal training started when he joined the U.S. Air Force, serving in Vietnam as an electronics expert crew chief for a variety of aircraft including the AC-130 Gunship, F-4 Phantom and F-105 Wild Weasel. Later he served with the Delaware Army National Guard working on helicopters and in April 1980 took part in Operation Eagle Claw during the Iranian hostage crisis in an attempt to free 52 American embassy personnel. After returning from Vietnam, Dave earned his private and commercial pilot's license then purchased an 80-acre airport near Felton. He became an FAA certified airframe and engine mechanic, eventually being granted aircraft inspection authorization. His true passion of restoring Piper Cubs was soon realized. His business became a booming enterprise, with over 150 high-quality restorations that extended to customers worldwide. Dave's craftsmanship caught the attention of Thailand Prince Veerayuth Didyasarin who eventually came to Delaware to meet Dave and purchase one of his restored J-3 Piper Cubs. A strong friendship developed and Dave was frequently invited to Thailand as a guest of the Prince to help develop a civil aviation program there. Here in Delaware, David single-handedly introduced a bill that was passed into law forbidding any construction in the flight path of any airport that could hinder the safety of aircraft taking off and landing. He was selected by Delaware Today magazine as one of the 50 people to watch in Delaware. Dave was also a member of the U.S. Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol for over 45 years, achieving the rank of Major and serving as a search and rescue pilot and incident commander. In recognition of Dave's many achievements in aviation, he was inducted to the Delaware Aviation Hall of Fame in 2018. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dover Chapter #850. Dave earned a Master of Arts Degree in information technology from Wilmington University and served the city of Rehoboth as IT manager for about 10 years beginning about 2000. In addition, He was also a master gunsmith, firearms collector and an expert in restoring WWII era Norden bombsights. Dave was preceded in death by his mother, Ellen in 1988; and sister, Nancy in 2011. He is survived by his wife Gail; father, Donald; brother, Robert Henderson and sister-in-law Kelley, of Oklahoma; son, Scott White; and two grandchildren. Friends who know David Henderson well feel he is undoubtedly in heaven right now checking the airworthiness of other angel's wings. A memorial service were on Saturday, February 13, 2021 at 1:00 PM at Trader Funeral Home, 12 Lotus Street, Dover and friends may call one hour before. In consideration of protecting the family and friends health, public health guidelines enacted for the prevention of the spread of covid-19 virus, limitations on gatherings, physical distancing, use of hand sanitation and masks are in place. Letters of condolences may be sent to www.traderfh.com.



MICHAEL DAVID HENDERSON - Michael D. Warwick – Michael David Henderson, age 73, Died Friday, March 19, 2021 after a lengthy illness. He is survived by his devoted wife Susan (Pearson) Henderson. Born in Providence, he was the son of the late David K. and Viola (Bolow) Henderson. Michael served his country during the Vietnam War as a member of the United States Coast Guard. After his discharge from active duty, he graduated from Bryant University and then earned an M.B.A. from Providence College. Michael spent most of his career in transportation and operations. Michael was a communicant of St. Peter's Church, a treasurer and lifetime member of the Vietnam Veterans of America, and was actively involved in Warwick Junior Hockey and West Bay Islanders. Michael was a proud father of David M. and his wife Cristen A. Henderson of Chepachet, RI and Ryan P. and his wife Hailey E. Henderson of West Palm Beach, FL. He was the grandfather of two adored grandchildren, Matthew and Joshua. He is survived by his two sisters, Judy Arruda (and her late husband August) of Bristol, RI and Jane Balfour (and her husband David) of Ft. Myers, FL. He also leaves behind the Pearson family who

provided love and support. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 from 9:00-10:00 a.m. at URQUHART-MURPHY FUNERAL HOME, 800 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11AM at St. Peter's Church, 350 Fair Street, Warwick, RI 02888. A private interment with full military honors at RI Veterans Memorial Cemetery will follow. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Rhode Island Community Food Bank, 200 Niantic Avenue, Providence, RI 02907. To share a memory or condolence with the Henderson family, please visit their online guest book at www.murphyfuneralhomes.org.

DAVID RAYMOND "Grandpa Dave" HESS - Died Sunday, November 22, 2020 at Evansville Manor at the age of 81. He was a resident of Janesville, Wisconsin. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Janesville on January 7, 1939 to the late Benjamin and Marion (née Lee) Hess. He attended Roosevelt Elementary School, Marshall Junior High School and graduated in 1957 from Janesville Senior High School. Following high school, David joined the United States Navy where he served for 23 years. He loved the military life and the travels it afforded him. He was quick to tell a good story from his journeys and the people he interacted with. David married Coreen Judy (née Stack) Spaulding on January 31, 1980. He was employed as a dispatcher by the City of Janesville police and fire departments for several years. Prior to completely retiring, he and Judy worked the drive thru at McDonald's on Milton Avenue for a few more years, serving the community their morning coffee with a smile and a genuine "good morning". He was a member of Cargill United Methodist Church where he was a member of the Noteworthy Choir. He was a member of Western Star Masonic Lodge #55 where he was a Past Master (1985). He was a Life Member of both the Vietnam Veterans of America – Janesville Chapter #236 and the American Legion as well as the Janesville Senior Choristers Troubadours. David loved to sing and could hit a bass note like no other. David is survived by four children, Mark, Kevin, Michael (Pam) Spaulding and Tanya Rucker; grandchildren, Nika, Bruce, Mikey and Sierra Spaulding, Brie Miller, Avery and Kiki Rucker; great-grandchildren, Daetasia, Daraijah, and Damya Miller, and Alana and Dominick Rucker; and his niece, Cherie (Chris) Hufford. He was preceded in death by his wife, Judy, on February 8, 2014; his parents; his sister, Sarah Gibson; daughter, Kim and granddaughter Brittany. Private family funeral services were held on Monday, December 21, 2020 at the Henke-Clarson Funeral Home, Janesville. Private burial with military graveside rites was in Oak Hill Cemetery, Janesville. The family was assisted by the Henke-Clarson Funeral Home.



WILLIAM TALLEY HOBDY, SR. - Died Sunday, August 16, 2020 at VA Medical Center in Battle Creek, Michigan at the age of 85. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 24, 1935 to the late Thomas B. Hobdy and Eloise Marie (née Daly) Hobdy. William served his country in the United States Army, served during Vietnam and retired after 20 years of service. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America- Battle Creek Chapter #313. The funeral service wRas held at the Baxter Funeral & Cremation Service, 375 W. Dickman Road, on Friday, August 28, 2020, at 12:00 pm. Interment will follow in the Fort Custer National Cemetery.

EUGENE CLARENCE "Huffy" HUFF - Died Tuesday, March 2, 2021 in New Philadelphia, Ohio at the age of 77, after a sudden illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 19, 1943 in Dover, Tuscarawas County, Ohio to the late Fred and Dessie (née Briggs) Huff. Eugene was a 1963 graduate of Conotton Valley High School. After graduation he enlisted in the United States Air Force where he served during the Vietnam War. After serving his country he was employed at the Timken Company where he retired after 32 years of service. As a child he enjoyed being outdoors, participating in 4-H, working on the family farm, photography and woodworking. Many hobbies he carried into adulthood including beekeeping, fishing, hunting, gardening (especially tomatoes!) and spending time with family and friends. He is preceded in death by his brother and sister-in-law, Kenneth L. and Mary Jane Huff and son-in-law, Brian Kessler. He is survived by his wife, Eleanor Huff with whom they would have celebrated 20 years of marriage this month. He is also survived by two children from his previous marriage and five grandchildren. The family wishes to thank all of Gene's friends at the VFW, AMVETS, American Legion and was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - New Philadelphia Chapter **#857**, for which he was very proud to be a part of. Graveside Services were held on Wednesday at 1:00PM at the Sunset Hill Memory Gardens. The family invites you to sign the online guestbook and share fond memories.



CHARLES E. "Chuck" JOHNSON - Died peacefully Sunday, February 14, 2021 in Munising, Michigan at the age of 78, with his loved ones by his side, following a battle with COVID-19. He was formerly of Saint Johns, Michigan and Haslett, Michigan. He was born on August 30, 1942 in Marquette, Michigan to the late Edward and Alice (née Genore) Johnson. Chuck's family moved to Munising when he was young and he graduated from William G. Mather High School in 1960. After having graduated, he worked for two years on the ore boats traversing the Great Lakes. In 1965, Chuck enlisted in the United States Army and served in the Vietnam War. He was stationed at CuChi located between Saigon and the Cambodian border. He served with the US Army Cavalry Scouts (Armor Reconnaissance Specialist) and was awarded Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and Driver and Mechanic Badge W/Bar. Chuck was honorably discharged in 1967 as an SP4 (T). Prior to going overseas, Chuck, an avid Lions fan, made a bet with Carol, an avid Packers fan, stating if the Lions beat the Packers she would have to go on a date with him when he returned. The Lions won and so did Carol. They were married on September 2, 1967 and together they raised their three children, whom he adored. They moved to East Lansing where Chuck earned an Associate of Arts degree in Turf Management from Michigan State University. Chuck began his career delivering technical support to golf courses and later worked in sales providing fertilizer and chemicals to dealers in Michigan, Indiana and Ohio. He worked for US Steel, Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan, Northern Star Minerals, and Wilburt Ellis Corp., the latter from which he retired in 2008 after having made many life-long friends. When both Chuck and Carol retired, they moved back to the U.P., which was always Chuck's dream, and they made their cabin their home on 16 Mile Lake. Abraham Lincoln once said, "I like to see a man proud of the place he lives. I like to see a man live so that his place will be proud of him." This is how Chuck Johnson, age 78, who entered eternal life on Sunday, February 14, 2021, will be remembered. The only things Chuck cherished more than his country were his savior Jesus Christ, and his treasured and beloved family. Chuck was kind, respectful, helpful, and welcoming to everyone he met. Chuck did have one other love – golf. He especially loved the competition and played in many golf tournaments and he ultimately made two holes in one! He was a member of Pictured Rocks Golf Club where he had a good time playing in league with his partner and long-time friend, Duane Lincoln. Chuck also volunteered his time with Work Bees that beautified the golf course for all to enjoy. He was an avid MSU basketball game and never missed a game. He snowmobiled in the winter and spent part of the winter in Panama City Beach, Florida with a lot of great people. Summers were spent on the lake with family and friends, giving pontoon rides and watching the kids and grandchildren jet ski. Chuck was a member of Sion Lutheran Church and he was a proud member of the Ikkala Brothers VFW Post 9714. Chuck was instrumental in creating the Veteran's Memorial at Pine Grove Cemetery in Chatham. He and his fellow VFW post members were able to add 8 flags to represent each of the armed forces, a kneeling soldier and they planted flowers and kept up the grounds by mowing and watering. Chuck was an entertainer. He could tell a good story; it didn't matter how many times he told it; it was like the first. If he wasn't on the lake or on the golf course, he could be found in his "Man Cave" where Chuck always had his friend's favorite drinks and sweets. He made anyone who entered feel welcome. Chuck was a gentleman and a gentle man. He had a presence which exuded calm and peace. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Munising Chapter #237. He will be sadly missed by his wife of fifty-three years – Carol Sue Johnson of Munising; his children – Aaron (Nikki) Johnson of East Grand Rapids, Courtney (Jason) Alman of Lowell, and Ross (Nicky) Johnson of Grand Rapids; his grandchildren – Finn, Lucy, Claire, Brynn, Grady, and Lauren; sister - Sandy Barker of Kingsford; brothers and sister-in-law - Don Maki of Eben, Jeanne Maki of Prince Edward Island, and Bob Maki of Eben; and numerous nieces and nephews. Chuck is now reunited with his parents, mother-in-law Gussie Maki-Brennen, and brother-in-law Michael Barker. A memorial service and military honors was held in late August 2021 due to the virus. Carol would like to continue beautifying the cemetery in Chuck's memory. You can send your donation to: Chuck Johnson Memorial at Peoples State Bank, 100 East Superior Street, P.O. Box 158, Munising, MI 49862.



**CARL C. KESSEN** - Died Tuesday, December 29, 2020 in Dayton, Ohio at the age o 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Lima, Ohio on March 30, 1944 to the late Arthur and Florentine (née Heckman) Kessen. He was preceded in death by his brother, Roger Kessen; and nephew, Jamie Kessen. Carl is survived by his beloved wife of 54 years, Carol J. Kessen (née Schmalstig); son, Michael (Tammy) Kessen; grandchildren, Preston and Brandon; greatgrandchildren, Kaden, Jaxon, and Chandler; sister, Brenda (Bill) Long and her children, Dawn, Rebecca, and David; and a host nieces and nephews. Carl graduated from High School and enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1965. He served in Vietnam from 1965-1968. In 1971, he received honorable discharge and started working for GM, retiring after 30 devoted years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97**. Carl was a proud grandfather and great-grandfather. He loved his family and was a wonderful husband and father. Carl will truly be missed. In loving memory of Carl, contributions may be made to Muscular Dystrophy Association, https://mda.donordrive.com. Visitation was held on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 from 5:00 - 7:00 pm at the Newcomer Cremations, Funerals and Receptions - Beavercreek Chapel, 3380 Dayton-Xenia Road, Beavercreek, Ohio 45432. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at Saint Helen's Parish, 605 Granville Place, Dayton, OH 45431.



**ROGER W. LIMLE** – Died recently in 2021 in the Lorma Medical Center in La Union, Philippines at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 14, 1943. He is survived by his wife, Emelita. He served in the United States Navy aboard the USS MIDWAY CV-41 1977 SQUADRON VA-93 RAVENS. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887**.



**ALAN R. LYNCH** – Died Thursday, February 18, 2021 in Sisters of Charity Hospital at the age 74. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on November 8, 1946 in Buffalo, New York to the late Andrew and Ida (née Garvey) Lynch. Alan proudly served our country in the United States Army from 1966-1968.He was a production worker at Harrison Radiator for 30 years retiring in 2006. He enjoyed farming, woodworking and volunteering. Alan was Past Commander of the VFW #2535, member of the American Legion B. Leo Dolan Post #410 and the Disabled Vietnam Veterans. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lockport Chapter #268**. He was predeceased by his son, Wayne Lynch and sister, Arlene Becker. Alan is survived by his daughter, Leann (William Reynolds) Taylor; brother, Andrew Lynch; grandchildren, Adam (Jennifer Lockhart) Taylor, Zachary (Ashley) Taylor; great-grandson Jackson Taylor; long-time companion, Beth Thrall and several nieces and nephews. Relatives and friends visited on Sunday, February 21, 2021 from 1:00-4:00 PM in the Prudden and Kandt Funeral Home 242 Genesee Street, Lockport, NY. The interment was in the Pembroke National Cemetery. Visit pruddenandkandt.com.



JEROME O. "Jerry" MARKUS - Died Friday, February 26, 2021 at Sain. John Hospital in Springfield, Illinois at the age of 78. He was a resident of Aviston, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 19, 1943 in Breese, Illinois to the late Hubert H. and Rose A. (née Nettemeier) Markus. He married Cathleen "Cathy" Beckmann August 9, 1975 at Saint Boniface Catholic Church in Germantown and she survives in Aviston. In addition to his wife, he is survived by their daughter, Rose Junger Bachmann and her husband Troy of Chester; a granddaughter, Brianna Bachmann; three brothers, Donald (Judy) Markus, Dennis (friend, Karol George) Markus, and Jim (Ruthie) Markus all of Aviston; his sister, Mary (Alvin) Huels of Beaver Prairie; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, David and Jane Beckmann of Carlyle, Ruth Ann and Stan Markus of Damiansville, Donna and Mike Netemeyer of Keyesport, Elaine and Ralph Voss of St. Rose, Marian and Dave Maue of Bartelso, Gary Beckmann of Carlyle, and Dale and Marge Beckmann of Troy, MO; and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Frank and Christine (née Pingsterhaus) Beckmann; and two nephews, Craig Huels and Travis Beckmann. Mr. Markus was a veteran of the United States Army having served in the Vietnam War. He retired after 30 years from General Motors in Wentzville, MO, and then became the Bar Manager of the American Legion Post #1239 in Aviston for the next 23 years. Jerry enjoyed bowling, golfing, riding his Gold Wing Trike, and going to the Lantern Inn for lunch and finding out the latest news. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Breese Chapter #269. Funeral Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at Saint Francis Catholic Church in Aviston with Reverend Father Dan Friedman officiating. The burial with full military honors was at Saint Francis Cemetery in Aviston. Visitation was held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 from 8:00 AM until 10:45 AM at the Nordike Funeral Home in Aviston. Memorials may be made to the Aviston American Legion Post #1239 or to the Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) or to the charity of the donor's choice and will be received at the funeral home.



**EDWARD NEIL "Ed" McGRAW** - Died Thursday, May 7, 2020 in Port Huron at the age of 75. The cause of death was heart disease and COVID-19. He was born October 25, 1944 in Port Huron to the late Gerald and Dorothy McGraw. Ed graduated from Marysville High School in 1962 and enlisted in the United States Navy, proudly serving his country in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Huron Chapter #1083**. He completed an accounting degree at Michigan State University and began a long career in Croswell, helping others as an accountant and tax advisor. He raised his family there and served his community as a member of the Croswell-Lexington School Board for several years. He married his high school sweetheart, Gloria (née Rush) Falbisaner, on June 22, 2002 in Anchorage, Alaska. They returned to the area where Ed continued his business, serving others with kindness and a generous heart.

He loved his Heavenly Father at Gateway Church in Marysville, his loving family and many friends and clients. He will be greatly missed. He is survived by his wife, Gloria; his first wife, Rebecca (Rick) Secord; two sons, Jeff (Suzanna) McGraw and their children, Bethanie, Bailee and Brennan McGraw, and David McGraw and his former wife, Natalie Pamelia, and their sons, Aidan and Liam McGraw; a sister, Mary Smith; nephew, Eric (Rebecca) Larkin; and great niece, Leah Larkin. Ed was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Jerry McGraw; and his nephew, Danny McGraw. A public memorial service was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, July 18<sup>th</sup> in Gateway Church in Marysville. The Reverend Dallas Berry officiated. Military honors were conducted under the auspices of the United States Navy and the St. Clair County Allied Veterans Honor Guard. The arrangements were by the Marysville Funeral Home. To send condolences visit marysvillefuneralhome.com.



DAVID THOMAS MCMAHEN - sssDied Saturday, December 21, 2019 at his residence in Halliday, North Dakota at the age of 72. David Thomas was born in Dickinson, North Dakota on February 13, 1947 to the late Thomas J. and Helen (née Knutson) McMahen. He grew up north of Werner where he also attended grade school. David graduated from Halliday High School. He was drafted into the military service in the United States Army in 1968 and was honorably discharged as a Vietnam War veteran. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -**New Town Chapter #487.** Following his discharge, David married Sandy Martin on September 6, 1971 in Halliday. He then went to trade school in Fargo. Together, they went to Tioga to work for Koch for seven years. After the death of his father, David returned to Halliday to take over the farm and work as a mechanic for the county. Halliday was still their home today. David belonged to the American Legion of Halliday and Killdeer. He loved to fish and collect guns. David is survived by his wife of 48 years, Sandy; son, Chris (Amy) McMahen; daughter, Tinka McMahen; grandchildren, Shyann, Mikenna, Landon; sisters-in-law, Carol and LaDonna McMahen; sisters, Sharon (Tom) Wisenberger and Peggy (Jim) Gegelman. He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas and Helen McMahen; parents-in-law, Frank and Lena Martin; brothers, Gerald "Jerry" McMahen and Jeff McMahen. Funeral service was at 10:00 AM on Monday December 30, 2019 at the Stevenson Funeral Home in Killdeer with Pastor Dorothy Stein officiating. Visitation for David was held one hour prior to the service, 9:00-10:00 AM at the funeral home on December 30<sup>th</sup>. The burial was in the Halliday Cemetery. Military Rites will be presented by the Killdeer American Legion Ezra Barrows Post #46.

**DAVID BRUCE "Boofo" MILLER** - Died Wednesday, February 10, 2021 in Wadsworth, Ohio at the age of 77. The cause of death was a blood clot to the heart. He was born October 15, 1943 in Lodi, Ohio to the late Frank and Lucille Miller. He served in the United States Army from 1966 to 1968. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Medina Chapter 385**. David was an avid kazoo player and collector and worked in home construction sales. He is survived by his companion of 29 years, Brenda Curtis. Per David's request, cremation has taken place and burial at Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery will take place at a later date.



DENNIS C. MILLER - Died Sunday, February 28, 2021, at Allegheny General Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania at the age of 74, after a lengthy illness. He was a resident of Kersey, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 8, 1947 in Philipsburg, Pennsylvania to the late John and Marie (née Merat) Miller. Dennis had been a resident of the area since 1953 and was a graduate of Saint Marys Area High School, Class of 1966. He was a retired employee of Sylvania, retiring in 2005 after more than 30 years of service. On May 11, 1968, in the Saint Boniface Church, Dennis married Sandra J. Armanini, who survives. He is also survived by two sons: Brian Miller and Scott Miller and his wife Laurie, both of Kersey; two grandchildren: Michael and Stephanie Miller; a sister, Judy Thompson and her husband Bill of Ridgway; a brother, John Robert Miller and his wife Donna of Williamsport; a sister-in-law, Sandra Miller of Saint Marys; and by nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and greatnephews. In addition to his parents, Dennis was preceded in death by a sister, Helen Miller, at birth; and by a brother, Dale Miller. Dennis was a member of the Saint Boniface Church and was a Sergeant in the United States Army Reserves. He was a member of the Kersey Knights of Columbus, a member of the Dagus Mines American Legion, as well as a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Marys Chapter #720, in Kersey. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in the Saint Boniface Church on Saturday, March 6, 2021 at 10:00 AM, with the Reverend Father Ross Miceli, Pastor, officiating. Full military rites were accorded by the Fox Township Servicemen's Burial Detail. The burial was in the Saint Boniface Cemetery. Visitation was held in the Saint Boniface Church Gathering Space on Saturday morning, from 9:30 AM until the time of Mass. Memorials, if desired, may be made to the Saint Boniface Church, 355 Main Street, Kersey, PA 15846 or to the American Legion Post #511, 196 Skyline Drive, Dagus Mines, PA 15831.

HENRY FORD MULLINS, JR. - Died Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Cincinnati, Ohio at the age of 71. He was a resident of Cincinnati. The cause of death was esophageal varices hemorrhage due to alcohol-related cirrhosis and PTSD. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio on September 2, 1949 to the late Henry Ford Mullins, Sr. and Dorthea Mullins. He was the beloved husband of Linda (née Waldon) Mullins. Dear father of Lori Lynn (Daniel) Hamilton and Henry Ford (Sunshine) Mullins, III. Loving grandfather of Kirt (Haley) Mullins, Julia (Justin) Perdue, Alexia Mullins, Lucas Riggs, Katlin Riggs, Leo Riggs and great grandfather of Emmett and Coraline Mullins; Zacharia, Lillian, Elijah and Liam Perdue, Lucy Riggs and Ava Ward. Devoted brother of Linda (Antonio) Orue and Brenda (Willie) Childers. Also survived by nieces and nephews. Henry was a Veteran of the United States Air Force. Following his service, he attended Texas Christian Bible College and traveled extensively as an Evangelist. He also studied HVAC, Geothermal energy and Plumbing and was a long-time self-employed HVAC technician. Henry served as the Commander of the VFW 9<sup>th</sup> District in Indiana in 1996-1997; served as Commander and Chaplain of his VFW Post as well as many other positions with the Post. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora (***Indiana***) Chapter #71**. Visitation was held at the Neidhard Young Funeral Home 7401 Hamilton Avenue, Mount Healthy on Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 AM until time of funeral service at 1:30 PM. The burial was in the Arlington Memorial Gardens with Military Honors. If you wish to join Henry's service virtually, please log on to http://webcast.funeralvue.com/events/viewer/49500 Memorials may be directed to Tunnel to Towers Foundation at www.t2t.org.

**GERALD ALAN "Gerry" NEY** – Died in his sleep on Saturday, February 20, 2021 in his home in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at the age of 76. The cause of death was Diabetes Mellitus-Type II, obesity, hypertension and hyperlipidemia. He was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on February 18, 1945. He is survived by his wife, Gloria and his son. He served in the United States Army in Vietnam with the 173<sup>rd</sup> Airborne Brigade from July 13, 1968 to July 12, 1969. He was discharged at the rank of Captain (O-3). He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Liberty Bell (Philadelphia) Chapter #266**. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the interment was private in the Washington Crossing National Cemetery.



GORDON EUGENE "Gordy" OSTHUS - Died Monday, March 8, 2021 at Prairie Lakes Hospital at the age of 75. He resided in Watertown, South Dakota. The cause of death is unknown. Gordon Eugene Osthus was born on April 4,1945 near Centerville, South Dakota to the late Clifford H. and Arlene L. (née Erickson) Osthus. He was a proud Centerville alum and graduate of the University of South Dakota at Vermillion. While attending the university, Gordy enrolled in the ROTC program and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army. He was stationed at Fort Hood, TX from 1967-1969. Gordy married Lynn Petersen on July 20, 1968 in Centerville. They moved to Watertown in 1969 where Gordy began his career first as a 9th grade math teacher while also obtaining his Master of Arts Degree from South Dakota State University. Gordy spent the majority of his career as the Corporate Training Coordinator at Lake Area Technical College, retiring in 2003. Gordy and Lynn have two children, Sarah Witt (Nathan) of Cambridge, Nebraska and Grant Osthus of Watertown and one granddaughter, Gretchen Witt. Throughout the years, Gordy has been a high school sports referee, held a commercial pilot's license, been an insurance agent, an active member of many military organizations and community and church groups, and a devoted follower of his children's various activities. However, Gordy was most proud of his instrumental role in bringing the trolley to Watertown. He cherished being the Watertown Trolley Conductor, always ready to show visitors the beauty of his city. This passion led to being honored as Grand Marshal of the Holiday Lighted Parade in 2010 and being named Watertown Ambassador of the Year in 2018. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter #1121. When Gordy wasn't at home you may have found him on the golf course if you were there at sunrise. In earlier years he would be riding his bicycle (even across lowa!) or playing tennis or racquetball. He was a life member of the Watertown Optimist Club, led several bible studies and attended countless Promise Keepers events. Attending family reunions, class reunions and organizing the annual block party were also an essential part of his life. Gordy was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents. He is

survived by his wife, children and granddaughter; two brothers, Larry (Jodi) Osthus of Des Moines, IA and Brent (Dianne) Osthus of Sioux Falls, SD and one sister, Brenda (Merlin) Smith of Sioux Falls, SD and many brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral services were at 10:30 AM on Friday, March 12, 2021 at Hosanna Lutheran Church in Watertown with Pastor Craig Werling and Pastor Janine Rew-Werling officiating. Music was provided by soloists, Hank Roso and Tami Petersen, pianist, Elaine Vanderlaan and a special pre-recorded song. \*Visitation was from 4:00-7:00 PM on Thursday, March 11, 2021 at Hosanna Lutheran Church. The burial was at Mount Hope Cemetery, Watertown, SD. Military honors were conducted by Codington County Post #17 of the American Legion and SD Army National Guard Funeral Honors Team. Following the burial there was a reception open to all at the Midwest Bible Camp dining hall, 1500 North Hwy 20, in Watertown. The pallbearers were Randy Rakness, Leroy Gunderson, Tom Erickson, Adam Smith, Charlene Kruger, Lori O'Farrell, Kobe Kettwig and Brian Norberg. The honorary Pallbearers were the Watertown Optimist Club and Gordy's Morning Men's Groups. In his own wishes, Gordy would like any memorials to be directed to the following: Hosanna Lutheran Church organ fund, 1617 14th Ave. NE, Watertown; Midwest Bible Camp, P.O. Box 545, Watertown; or the Optimist Club Ice Arena fund, P.O. Box 1632, Watertown, SD 57201. As Gordy would end every correspondence, "May all who come behind us, find us faithful." Honored to serve the family - Wight & Comes Funeral Chapel, www.wightandcomes.com.



**CHARLES ALLEN OUELLETTE** - Died Friday, December 4, 2020 in Marysville, Michigan sssssat the age of 73. The cause of death was heart disease and COVID-19. He was born on June 10, 1947 in Port Huron, Michigan to the late Charles and Irene Ouellette. He married Sara Adams on June 19, 1982 in Port Huron. Charles served in the United States Army during Vietnam. He worked for Grand Trunk Western Railroad. Charles was a member of St. Clair County Allied Veterans Honor Guard, American Legion J. Edward Mallorey Post #449, life member of DAV Chapter #12, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Huron Chapter #1083**, VFW May O'Brien Post #8465, Moose Lodge #158 and Blue Water Aerie #3702 Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is survived by his wife, Sara; children, Charles (Stephanie) Ouellette Jr., Rebecca (Tapan) Padhy and Lisa (Mike) Rydzinski; five grandchildren, Richard (Kortney) Jackovich, Katie (Zachary) Mead, Megan Rydzinski, Karan Ram and Ariyana Padhy; brother-in-law, V. William Adams; and several cousins. Graveside services were held at 2:00 PM on Friday, December 18, 2020 in Allied Veterans Cemetery, Port Huron. The arrangements were made by the Pollock-Randall Funeral Home. To send condolences, visit pollockrandall.com.

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**RONALD KEITH "Ron" PAUL** - Died peacefully on Thursday, February 18, 2021 at St. Luke's Hospital in Boise, Idaho at the age of 75, surrounded by his loving family. He was a resident of Eagle, Idaho. The cause of death was neuroendocrine cancer. Ron was born on November 27,

1945 in Chicago, Illinois to the late Rose (née Glidewell) Paul and was raised by his foster parents, Mary and John Cooper of West Terre Haute, IN. Ron grew up on a family farm, where he enjoyed working outdoors with his foster brother, Charlie. On the farm, he learned responsibility at a young age and developed a strong work ethic that served him well throughout his life. After graduating from West Vigo High School, Ron enlisted in the United States Army and served in the Vietnam War from 1964-1967, in the 19<sup>th</sup> Combat Engineer Battalion. Ron quickly rose to the rank of Sergeant, earning numerous awards and commendations along the way. He was invited to attend Officer Candidate School but decided to return to civilian life and was honorably discharged. Ron's military experience played an important role in his life, and he often credited the Army for teaching him the value of discipline, teamwork, sacrifice and service. He had a passionate and lifelong commitment to supporting veterans and was an active Life Member of the Treasure Valley Vietnam Veterans of America – Meridian Chapter #1025, until becoming too ill to serve. He was a true patriot who loved his country. After returning from Vietnam, Ron married his high school sweetheart, T. Katie Paul of Terre Haute, IN. At the time of his passing, Ron and Katie had been married 52 wonderful years. Katie was the love of Ron's life, the two of them were inseparable as not only husband and wife, but later working together as business partners. Early in their marriage, Ron and Katie lived in several places across the Midwest before settling in Cincinnati, OH, where they lived and raised their daughters for 10 years. Ron was a dedicated father who was deeply committed to providing for his family. He gave generously of his time and was active in the community doing volunteer work as a member of the Kiwanis Club and the Freemasons. Tona and Sheila have fond memories of their dad flipping pancakes at annual Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast fundraisers. Ron and his family moved to San Jose, California in the mid-1980s as part of the second Silicon Valley tech boom. Ron led Western US Sales for Control Data, one of the largest mainframe and supercomputing companies of its time. He would go on to lead Sales and Marketing for the Laser Printer Division at Ricoh Corporation prior to becoming an entrepreneur and founding Laser Logic Inc., an early innovator in laser printer service, supplies, and cartridge remanufacturing. The company made numerous appearances on Silicon Valley Business Journal's list of "Fastest Growing Private Companies" as he acquired several competitors and expanded the business to multiple locations throughout the Valley. Ron gave his daughters and sons-in-law jobs that afforded each of them the opportunity to get valuable work experience early in their careers. Ron and Katie owned and operated Laser Logic together for 20 years before selling the business to enjoy an early retirement. This was an enjoyable time in Ron's life as he had an opportunity to pursue some of his favorite hobbies. The couple moved to a 10-acre property in Gilroy, CA where Ron enjoyed acquiring tractors and farm equipment, and building a barn with horse stables and a riding arena for Katie. He also spent time exploring the area on his Harley Davidson motorcycle, often with Katie on the back en route to a local festival. This was also the time that Ron's grandchildren were born. Ron was a loving and dedicated grandfather who was engaged in his five grandchildren's lives from the beginning. Among fond memories are trips he took with his grandkids to Yellowstone and Jackson, WY, Sun Valley, ID and the Central California Coast. He enjoyed watching them play sports and cheering from the sidelines. After several years in Gilroy, Ron and Katie decided to move with their daughter and her family to Boise, Idaho. Those who knew Ron, know that he was not one to relax. He followed his entrepreneurial instincts and came out of retirement to start a coffee business. He operated Idaho Roasting Company successfully for seven years until his health began to

deteriorate in 2017. Idaho Roasting was sold and is still thriving today in the Treasure Valley. Ron was an outstanding husband, father, grandfather and friend. He was a man of great integrity and character, and while he had many accomplishments, the one he was most proud of was his family. He is survived by his wife, Katie Paul of Eagle, ID and his two daughters; Tona Hess, her husband Dave and their sons, Zach and Alex of Boise, ID; Sheila Pascoe, her husband Jim and their children, Kate, Anna, and Sam of Danville, CA. Ron will also be fondly remembered by his foster brothers, Charlie and Jack Cooper. He was preceded in death by his mother and sister, Beverly Hodge, and his foster parents. A memorial service was held on Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM at the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery in Boise, ID. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Ron's name to The Wyakin Foundation (https://wyakin.org), an organization that connects wounded and injured veterans to their successful and fulfilling civilian futures through education, development, and guidance. Donations can also be made to The Neuroendocrine Tumor Research Foundation (https://netrf.org), the leading private funder of research into causes and treatments of neuroendocrine tumors (NETs) in the search for a cure.



ALAN ROY "Big Al" PETERSON – Died Thursday, January 21, 2021 in his home in Forestville, California at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. Alan was born in Evergreen Park, Illinois on August 16, 1944 to the late Conrad and Irene Peterson. The Peterson family settled in Petaluma, CA in 1961. Alan graduated from Petaluma High School in 1962 and joined the United States Navy shortly thereafter. Alan was a decorated Vietnam veteran, and remained active with his local veteran friends. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Santa Rosa Chapter #223. Big Al worked numerous route driving jobs to support his family, including driving for Pepsi in San Francisco and Santa Rosa, and Suburban Propane and DeCarli Propane in Petaluma. In retirement, he enjoyed working as a Marshal at Northwoods Golf Course on the Russian River, where he held an annual Good Friday tournament. He was a beloved friend to all with a great sense of humor who loved to laugh. Alan enjoyed fishing, golfing, and the occasional good drink at any local tavern. Alan was preceded in death by his father and mother, Conrad and Irene Peterson. He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Charlene Peterson; son Michael Bernauer (Laura); daughter Laurie Carlson; three grandchildren, Alyssa Bernauer, Sarah Carlson, and Cody Carlson; brother Gary Peterson (Suzi); sister Kathy Hansen (Vern); and sister Lori Saldal (Dan). Due to COVID, a celebration of his life will be postponed until family and friends can get together. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to the Vietnam Veterans of America at www.vva.org.

**DOUGLAS PORTER** – Died Tuesday, February 9, 2021 in the Jackson-Madison County General Hospital at the age of 69. The cause of death was the coronavirus COVID-19. He was born on April 1, 1951 to the late Erskin and Audrey Porter. In addition to his parents, he was also predeceased by his sister, Vicky Lynn Porter. He was a retired factory worker, member of the United States Marine Corps, the Humboldt VFW and Smyrna Baptist Church. He was a *Life*  *Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Trenton Chapter 1124**. Mr. Porter is survived by his wife, Kay Porter of Humboldt; a son, John Shopher (Martha) of Humboldt; a sister, Deborah Sauseda of Trenton; and was loved very much by his honorary granddaughter, Jaclyn, who called him "*Pa Doug*." Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, February 13, 2021 in the Shelton-Hunt Funeral Home Chapel with burial in the Rose Hill Cemetery. Visitation hours were on Saturday from 11:00 AM until service time.



**ROBIN G. RAY** – Died Christmas Day, Friday, December 25, 2020 at Wesley Medical Center in Wichita, Kansas at the age of 71, succumbing to COVID-19. He was born in Haysville, Kansas on March 13, 1949 to the late Robert Gibson Ray and Maryaline Joyce (née Bannon) Ray. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Erin Michelle Ray; and his brother, Arlyn Deen Ray. Survivors include his sister Marcy Ray of Wichita and brother, Terrill Ray of Alexandria, VA. He graduated in 1967 from Haysville Campus High School. As was customary of the times, Robin was inducted into the United States Army on May 28, 1969 and proudly served his country in Vietnam. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Kansas**. In 1974, he joined the VFW where he served in numerous positions at post, district and state levels. A viewing was held on Sunday, January 3, 2021 from 12:00 Noon – 4:00 PM at the Smith Mortuary in Haysville. A graveside service took place at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> at the Douglass Kansas Cemetery. The family asks that you wear a mask and socially distance. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate a monetary gift be given to VFW Post #6957, P. O. Box 123, Haysville, Kansas 67060.



**CLEVE ARCHIBALD RICE** - Died Monday, December 23, 2019 at home in Wilford, Idaho at the age of 83, surrounded by family. He was formerly of Saint Anthony, Idaho. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 25, 1936 in Saint Anthony to the late Raleigh Cleveland and Eva (née Archibald) Rice. He was the 2<sup>nd</sup> of two children. His older brother Donald Rice preceded him in death in 2014. Cleve graduated from South Fremont High School in 1954. He then went on to graduate from Utah State University with a degree agricultural economics. He also participated in ROTC. He then joined the United State Air Force where he flew B-52 Bombers. In pilot training his call sign was "HotBox 88." After 6 years of military service, Cleve began working for United Air Lines and eventually retired as a Captain in 1996. Since retiring he has devoted his time to volunteering with the American Legion where he held many positions, including State Commander, and served on the board of directors for Boys State. He was also deeply involved with organizing the annual Cowboy Poetry event in Saint Anthony. He was a *Life*  *Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ucon Chapter 972**. Cleve is survived by his children, Mikel Gail Rice (Chris) of Pocatello, ID; Julee Ann Rose of Twin Falls, ID; Mindy Sue Maupin (Terry) of Boise, ID; Angelee Prano of St. Anthony, ID; David Glen Rice (John Williams) of Phoenix, AZ; Gloria Hope (Kevin) of Teton, ID; and Judy Hayden (Jeff) of Hazen, ND. He is also survived by 6 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother and his wife Marcella Rose Rice. Funeral services were held on Monday, December 30, 2019 at 11:00 AM at the Wilford LDS Chapel. The family received friends on Sunday from 5:30 until 7:00 PM and on Monday from 10:00 until 10:45 AM both times at the church. The interment was in the Wilford Cemetery with military rites by the Saint Anthony Veterans and the Air Force Honor Guard. The arrangements were under the direction of the Bert Flamm Mortuary. The family suggested in lieu of flowers, donations can be made through the Bank of Idaho, Saint Anthony branch for 2 memorial funds, as per Cleve's final wishes, for Saint Anthony Cowboy Poetry or American Legion Boys State.



**MIGUEL RIOS** – Died Thursday, February 4, 2021 in El Paso, Texas at the age of 80. The cause of death was cancer. Miguel was born in Chihuahua, Mexico on September 5, 1940 to the late José and Concepcion Rios. He was a member of the Catholic church and was a devout parishioner at Our Lady of the Light Chapel. He lived most of his life in southern California and was a renowned opera singer and traveled the world. His inspiration came from a movie "Yo Pecador", the life story of Franciscan Priest Jose Mojica. He performed all over the world and for many dignitaries to include a visit to the Vatican with Pope Paul II. Miguel served in the United States Army and was stationed in Europe with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Division as a Chaplain's Assistant. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – El Paso Chapter #574. He is preceded in death by his parents Jose and Concepcion Rios and brothers Armando, Juan, and Salvador. Miguel was the most generous and loving brother and uncle, he brought a lot of joy into our lives. He leaves behind his loving sister Maria Teresa (Terry) Grijalva (Mike), and brother Guillermo Rios (Marie), his loving nephew Adrian Borunda (Kathleen), nephew Nathan Hardee, niece Lauren Borunda, loving niece Christina Contreras (Sam), niece Catrina Ayala, nephew Cameron Zarate, and several other nephews and nieces here and in Ciudad, Juarez and Chihuahua. He also leaves behind his loving cousin Rosa Maria Lasso (Hugo) and their family. Miguel was president of the Long Beach Opera Guild for over 20 years. Thank you to all of his friends and neighbors who loved him here in El Paso and a heartfelt thank you to a group of very special people from Long Beach, California, and surrounding areas, and all his friends from Bacis Restaurant, Huntington and the Long Beach Opera Guild. Due to the pandemic, we will be having a private memorial.



**RONNIE L. "Ron" RUSSELL** - Died Tuesday, June 16, 2020 at his home in Battle Creek, Michigan at the age of 71, surrounded by his loving family and friends. The cause of death is unknown. Ron was born on December 28, 1948 in Albion, Michigan to the latte Lloyd and Lois (née Gridley) Russell. He graduated from Tekonsha High School in 1967 and remained friends with his classmates from Tekonsha schools for the rest of his life. Ron served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War, attaining the rank of Sergeant, and was honorably discharged in 1970. Ron became "Brothers" with his fellow F-Troopers in Vietnam, John Schreckengost, Larry Johnson, Al Mix, Lester (Woody) Woodward, Jack Lawrence, Gary (Doc) McKnight, Rob Koller, and Mike Shannahan. On June 3, 1989 he married Jan Fultz Woods in Burlington. Ron retired from Statler Ready Mix in 2007 after several years as a truck driver. He also worked for many years at Clark Equipment in Battle Creek. Ron was a member and past Post Commander of the Battle Creek American Legion and a member of the Athens VFW Post #5319. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek Chapter #313. Ron enjoyed farming with his father for many years, playing cards, bowling, and driving his Corvette. When he was younger, he enjoyed dirt bike racing, and at one time he was the Michigan state champion in enduro racing. Ron loved spending time with his family especially time with his children and grandchildren. He is survived by his wife Jan; children, Monica (Eric) Blakeslee, Bradley (Michele) Russell, and Jackie Woods; grandchildren, Corey Hinton, Haylee Dotson, Chandler Wood, Bradley Russell, Colton Russell, Kaden Russell; siblings, Ken Russell, Larry (Glenys) Russell, Nancy Hamon, and Randy Russell. He was preceded in death by his parents. Ron's family wishes to thank Pat MacDonald, his friend and tireless caregiver during his last days. Visitation took place from 3:00-6:00 PM on Sunday, June 21, 2020 at the Kempf Family Funeral and Cremation Services 723 Old US Highway 27 North, Marshall, MI \*\* Due to COVID-19 there were marked entrances and exits to follow for visitation\*\*. Funeral services celebrating his life took place at 11:00 AM on Monday, June 22, 2020 at the Kempf Family Funeral and Cremation Services, 723 Old US Hwy 27 N with Pastor Douglas Fleury officiating. Interment with Military Honors was at 1:00 PM at Fort Custer National Cemetery. Memorial contributions are requested to Disabled American Veterans (https://www.dav.org/) or to the Humane Society of South-Central Michigan (http://www.hsscm.org/). Memorials can be mailed to the Kempf Funeral Home, PO Box 519, Marshall MI 49068. Please leave a personal message for the family and sign the online guestbook at http://www.kempffuneralhome.com.



**GEORGE E. SANFORD II** (USAF, CMS-Ret.) – Died Thursday, March 4, 2021 in West Henrietta, New York at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Alliance, Ohio on December 26, 1947. Survived by his loving wife of 39 years Charlotte; children Julia (Matt), Mary (Terry), Kassy (Tom), Jerry (Lisa); sisters Kay (Harry), Beverly; grandchildren Chris, Elijah, Wyatt, Ashley, Delaney, Kinley; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. George was a proud and decorated United States Air Force veteran. He was a retired Chief Master Sgt. (E9) and worked for 32 years in Civil Service as a Communication Management Specialist. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20**. After retiring, George worked as a substitute teacher in Ohio and then Charles Finney High School in Penfield, NY. He also loved coaching both football and basketball at Finney. He also worked at Lowes in Henrietta. George was an active member of the United Methodist Church. He served as the District President of the United Methodist Men for Genesee Valley. George positively impacted many lives, and especially the youth in every community where he and Charlotte lived. George loved and was loved by all he came into contact with. He never met a stranger. A Celebration of Life was held for family, friends, and all whose lives he touched on April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 2:00-4:00 PM at the Wesley United Methodist Church at 2009 Dewey Avenue in Rochester, NY. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Veterans Outreach Center or the Vietnam Veterans of America in his memory. To leave the family condolences, please visit: www.MillerFuneralandCremationServices.com.



PHILIP MERLE "Phil" SAVAGE - Died Monday, January 18, 2021 at his home in Athens, Michigan at the age of 77. The cause of death was brain cancer. Phil was born on December 13, 1943 in Battle Creek, Michigan to the late Robert J. and Elizabeth "Betty" (née Proefrock) Savage. He graduated from Battle Creek Central in 1962 and Northwestern University in 1983. On June 12, 1964 he married the former Teana Teller in Battle Creek. Phil served in the United States Air Force and went on to work for the Pennfield Police Department, both from which he retired. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek Chapter #313. When not working, Phil enjoyed hunting, playing guitar, woodworking, watching stock car racing, old movies and telling stories. In addition to his wife of 56 years, Phil is survived by his children, Stephanie Hutchinson of Waterville, ME and Sean (Trish) Savage of Battle Creek; grandchildren, Ryan Hutchinson, Taylor Hutchinson, Ericha Holmes, Alishia Fox and Mariah Ayres; 16 greatgrandchildren; and his siblings, Lynn (Debi) Savage, Cindy Chambers and Leoda Burge. He was preceded in death by his parents. A private graveside service was held at the Fort Custer National Cemetery in Augusta. Memorial donations are suggested to the charity of one's choice.

JANET RAE "Jan" SCARLETT-ROGERS – Died Saturday, August 1, 2020 in Hendersonville, Tennessee at the age of 67. The cause of death was cancer. She was born in Culver City, California on February 10, 1953. She was the loving wife of Ray Rogers. She was a *Life Member* of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Hendersonville Chapter #240. A gathering of family and friends was held at the Hendersonville Funeral Home on Saturday, August 8, 2020 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM followed by a Celebration of Life in Hendersonville Funeral Home on Saturday, August 8, 2020 from 1:00 to 2:00 PM. The interment was held in the Hendersonville Memory Gardens also on Saturday, August 8, 2020 from 2:00 to 3:00 PM.



**KAREN MARIE (***née Wonick***) SEE** – Died Wednesday, December 16, 2020 in Gallatin, Tennessee at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. She was born in Iowa City, Iowa on January 21, 1942. She is survived by her loving husband, Fred. She was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Hendersonville Chapter #240**. Visitation was held in the Hendersonville Funeral Home Room Chapel on Tuesday, December 22, 2020 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM and on Wednesday, December 23, 2020 from 12:00 Noon to 1:00 PM. A Celebration of Life was in the Hendersonville Funeral Home Room Chapel on Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at 1:00 PM.



DAVID ALAN SHEPARD - Died Thursday, February 4, 2021 in Dickson, Tennessee at the age of 73, following a valiant battle with cancer. He also has Alzheimer's disease and dementia. David Alan Shepard was born in Nashville, Hickman County on October 6, 1947 and grew up in Dickson County. After graduating from Dickson High School in 1965 he attended and played baseball for the University of Tennessee at Martin. After graduating from college and ROTC in 1969 he served in the United States Army in Vietnam, earning the Bronze Star with Valor. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dickson Chapter #950. David met his wife Martha in UT Pharmacy School in Memphis in 1971. They married in May 1974. David and Martha bought Hamdorff Pharmacy in Dickson in 1981, renaming it Dickson Apothecary. David also worked for the VA Hospital in Nashville for 22 years counseling veterans and was the first certified clinical pharmacist in the VA system. David won many awards during his lifetime, including the Tennessee Pharmacy Association Bowl of Hygeia for Community Service - 1998, the Tennessee Pharmacy Association Outstanding Pharmacist of the Year - 2000, the Tennessee Pharmacy Association Lifetime Achievement Award - 2012, the Tennessee Pharmacy Association Barbara McAndrew Herald Award - 2016, the CASA Champions for Children Award -2017, and the Dickson County Good Scout Award – 2019. David served Dickson as Vice Mayor and on the Dickson City Council for over 20 years. David was a State Representative for 16 years and was a strong advocate for education, health, mental health and veterans care. He served on local boards for many years including Bank of Dickson, Dickson Community Clinic, Clement Railroad Hotel Museum, and the Jackson Foundation. Later in life he continued to serve, being elected to the Dickson County Commission in 2018 and was appointed to the UT Board of Trustees by former Gov Bill Haslam in 2017. David was an avid golfer and lawn mower and loved to travel the world. Upon retirement from pharmacy he began sharing his expertise on medical mission trips to Belize, Guatemala, and Haiti with wife Martha. David is survived by wife Martha Frazier Shepard, children Chris (Mandy), Stacey Levine (Ethan), and Ben (Kitzie); six grandchildren Clara Levine, Jack Shepard, McCall Shepard, Lucy Levine, Ford Shepard, and Roan Levine; and five siblings Randy, Dennis, Ricky, Donna, and Susan. David was preceded in death by his parents Patricia and MO Shepard. A private family service is planned with burial in the Dickson Union Cemetery. Ed White will officiate. A Celebration of Life event will be scheduled and announced later when it is safe for friends to gather together. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you give back to the Dickson Community that he loved so much: The Clement Railroad Hotel Museum, the Dickson First United Methodist Church, and Dickson County Habitat for Humanity. The services were under the direction of the Taylor Funeral Home, Dickson, TN.



GARY R. SHULER - Died Wednesday, November 25, 2020 at the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center Community General Osteopathic Hospital at the age of 80. He was a resident of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 8, 1940 in Harrisburg to the late Elmer Shuler and Pauline M. (née Peirce) Shuler-Hockenberry. On July 14, 1971, he was united in marriage with Edith A. (née Jacobs) Shuler, with whom he had shared a devoted union of nearly 50 years. Gary enlisted in the United States Navy in 1959 and honorably served his country for 20 years prior to his discharge in 1979 as a Quartermaster. Following his discharge, he worked in retail at Karns Quality Foods and Festival Foods before retiring from Ingram Micro. Gary earned an Associates degree in Business from Penn State. A member of Eshleman-Pankake-Wolf VFW Post #9639, he was a former Post Commander and was actively involved in the Honor Guard. He was also a Life Member of the Vietnam Veterans of America - Harrisburg Chapter #542. Gary enjoyed Bowling, often participating in Leagues, and taking cruises with Edith – two of their most memorable destinations were the Bahamas and Western Caribbean. An avid sports fan, he rooted for Penn State Football and was a season ticket holder for the Harrisburg Senators. Gary also found contentment in quiet times spent watching television and reading. In addition to his wife, Edith, he is survived by his son, Gary R. Shuler, Jr., of Florence, KY, and his significant other, Kelly D. Dickens, and daughter, Cynthia L. Shuler, of Harrisburg. He is also survived by his sisters, Sandra M. Shuler, of New Cumberland and Marilyn L. Fry, of Dauphin. His Funeral Service was held at 11:00 AM on Thursday December 3, 2020 at the Jesse H. Geigle Funeral Home, Inc., 2100 Linglestown Road, Harrisburg, with Reverend Dr. Keith A. Blank, officiating. Interment with Military Honors conferred by his fellow Honor Guard members of VFW Post #9639 in Woodlawn Memorial Gardens. The family received friends during his viewing from 10:00 to 11:00 AM prior to the service. In keeping with current health guidelines, attendees are encouraged to exercise proper precautions including the wearing of face coverings and appropriate social distancing. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to either the American Heart Association at heart.org or the American Diabetes Association at diabetes.org.



JOSÉ MARIA "Joey" SONORA – Died Thursday, February 18, 2021 in Ferndale, Washington at the age of 69. The cause of death was coronary arrest. José was born in Manila, Philippines on August 18, 1951 to the late Dr. Jesus and Purification Sonora. He was the youngest, and the only boy in the family, as he had four older sisters, Benita, Jesusa, Rosemarie, and Theresita. José immigrated to the United States where he joined the United States Navy and served ten years as Electrician Mate on aircraft carriers. He left the Navy as Petty Officer First Class. He joined Federal Civil Service as an electrician working on submarines in Alameda, CA. Jose was transferred to Jacksonville, FL to work on fighter jets, and did so for twenty-six years. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Bellingham Chapter #165. He retired to Bellingham, WA to be close to his sisters and brothers-in-law, Benita and Donald Lipayon and Rosemarie and David Loomis. His last few years were spent on his five-acre farm enjoying life to the fullest. He loved planting and fishing and enjoyed good cooking. He is survived by his sons, Joseph, who is a realtor, and Jeffry, who is a film preservationist in the Philippines, and his daughter, Sam Jeline, who is a graduate of Cal Poly and is a Sociologist in California. He may not have been the sweetest guy, but he would fight tooth and nail for his family and friends. Rest in Peace Joey.



**RICHARD CURTIS STEEN** – Died Thursday, January 14, 2021 at the University of Maryland Shore Medical Center in Easton, Maryland at the age of 77. He was a resident of Saint Michaels, Maryland. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 5, 1943 in Dover, Delaware to the late Harrison T. and Nell Louise (née Burris) Steen. Richard served honorably in the United States Air Force for four years as SSGT E-5, EOD Specialist. He married the former Linda L. Moore on September 14, 1968 and they made their home in Millington, MD, before moving to St. Michaels in 1976. Richard worked as an insurance representative for 44 years until his retirement. He was a member of the Methodist Church, VVA, VFW, American Legion, Elks, and the Miles River Yacht Club where he was a Past Commodore and Honored Service Member. He was also Past Commander of the EOD Organization. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Easton Chapter #648. He is survived by his wife, Linda L. Steen; son, Troy M. Steen (Leslie); daughter, Stephanie Kealy; grandchildren; Ashby T. Steen, Brodie M. Steen, Mattilin Rose Kealy, and Lily Louise Kealy. Also, brothers Ron Steen, (Janice) and their family and Ray Steen (Debby) and their family; sister-in-law, Donna Moore and her family; and brother-inlaw, Rick Moore and his family. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his mother-in-law, Betty Jane Chavies. The burial was private. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.



**DENNIS E. STEPHEN, JR.** (USA, SGM-Ret.) – Died Thursday, February 25, 2021 in Port Sainte Lucie, Florida at the age of 79. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on September 12, 1941 in the U.S. Virgin Island of Saint Thomas to the late Helen F. Hodge Fleming and the late Dennis E. Stephen, Sr. Dennis attended catholic school in the Virgin Island prior to moving to New York City at and early age with his mother and siblings. As a child, Dennis made comparisons of what NYC would be like as compared to life on the island. He often recalled how happy he was when the day arrived to leave the island. He headed to NYC with his grandmother in charge of the group of children which consisted of his grandmother's son Rudy, his cousin Merle, his brothers Giles and Lorne and his sister Laverne. Dennis attended Public School #26 and then entered James Fennimore Cooper Junior High School. While going through school, he always had a part time job. His longest tenure was working in the New York Public Library System. He also worked on Wall Street, the financial capital of the world. In 1959, Dennis graduated from Seward Park High School and enlisted in the United States Army, which began a military career that would span 26 years. He was 17 years old. Fifty percent of his military time was spent overseas; three years in France, five years in Germany, two years in Korea, one year in Thailand, and two years in Vietnam. His military specialty was combat arms which consisted of infantry and armor. He rose from the rank of Private E1 to First Sergeant E8 and culminated his enlistment with attendance at the United States Army Sergeant Majors Academy. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Sainte Lucie Chapter #566. While in the military, he completed his civilian education at the University of Maryland. After dedicating 26 years to defending our country, he retired from the military in 1985. He worked in the corporate world for years prior to retiring from GS4, formerly Wackenhut, in 2012. In his life journey he was married four times and fathered a daughter (Angela Stephen) and a son (Roderick Stephen). His children provided him with four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Today we say goodbye and we love you for the last time in this life as you move on to join other family members who preceded you in death. Our many loving moments together will never let you be forgotten. The loved ones you are leaving behind will never forget those special times spent together. Dennis leave to cherish his memories; his wife, Darlene Stephen; a son, Roderick Stephen (Danyelle); a daughter, Angela Stephen; four grandchildren, Kea'nah King, Nijeal Stephen, Londyn Stephen, and Prince Stephen; two great-grandchildren, Keyon King and Londyn Stephen; four brothers, Giles Stephen (Marlene), Lorne Stephen, Verne Flemings, and Vernon Flemings; two sisters, Laverne Waters and Sandra Flemings; one stepdaughter, Myra Minter (Ryan) and step-granddaughter, Lexas Jennings; and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. A visitation was held on Friday, March 12, 2021 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon with a service at 12:00 Noon at the Haisley Tribute Center 2041 SW Bayshore Boulevard, Port Sainte Lucie, Florida. The burial was in the Rolling Oaks Cemetery.



**ROBERT CLYDE "Bob" STEPHENSON** – Died peacefully Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at his home in Appleton, Wisconsin at the age of 73, surrounded by his family, after a brief yet courageous battle with leukemia resulting from exposure to Agent Orange during his service in Vietnam. Bob was born on October 23, 1947 in Appleton to the late Clyde and Elayne Stephenson. Bob graduated in1965 from Appleton High School and had a life-long career in the electrical/construction trades. Prior to becoming a journeyman electrician and working for Stephenson Electric, Bob proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1967 to 1969. During that time, he served in the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne (Detroit riots), followed by the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne in Vietnam from 1968-1969. During his service in Vietnam, he earned three bronze stars for his courage and bravery. Bob was a true patriot and very proud of his country and service in the military. He continued to serve by volunteering for multiple veteran organizations such as the Military Veterans Museum in Oshkosh, Veterans Court of Outagamie County, and was a member of the VFW, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Brillion Chapter #351** and the American Legion. Bob retired from Faith Technologies in 2006 after many years of working in the electrical trade. He gave his time to Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) of Wisconsin, serving on the apprenticeship committee. Bob loved this role as he would help guide many people into success in the electrical field. He spent the last few years working at Lowe's in the electrical department, making numerous friends and helping anyone who needed it. Bob met the love of his life, Martha Vanderhyden, in 1969 and were married September 26, 1970 and went on to have three children. Together they raised their family and recently celebrated 50 years of marriage. Bob was preceded in death by his parent's Clyde and Elayne Stephenson. Bob is survived by his wife, Martha Stephenson, children, Rob (Lena) Stephenson, Tim Stephenson, and Sara (Tom) Lornson, daughter-in-law, Dorothy Stephenson, and grandchildren, Emma Stephenson, Jonathon Steindorf, Luciano Stephenson, Vincenzo Stephenson, Serafina Stephenson, Ella Lornson, Owen Stephenson, Jacob Lornson, and Olivia Stephenson. He is also survived by his siblings, Dr. Larry (Carol) Stephenson, Rollie (Sue) Stephenson, Jim (Lisa) Stephenson, and Patti Stephenson, and numerous nieces and nephews for whom he cared deeply. Bob had a love for his Lord, Jesus Christ, and he deeply loved his family and friends. Bob lived his life with integrity. He will be remembered for being easygoing, selfless, compassionate, faithful, and kind. His quick wit and humor brought joy to many who knew him. He was the world's best father, husband, grandfather, brother, and friend. To know him was to love him, and he will be missed dearly. Funeral services were held on Saturday, March 20, 2021 at Calvary Chapel, 2136 East Newberry Street, Appleton, WI and officiated by Pastor Dwight Douville. Visitation was from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon, with service and military honors immediately following. Bob's family would like to thank Dr. Coenen and the staff at the VA Clinic in Appleton for the excellent care they provided to Bob over the years. They would also like to thank the staff at Heartland Hospice for the kind and gentle care they provided throughout this short, but very difficult time. Bob may have lost his last battle with cancer here on earth but won the war as he is now in heaven with our Lord and Savior.

**RONALD R. THOMAS** – Died Wednesday, November 18, 2020 in Clyde, Michigan at the age of 79. The cause of death was COVID-19 and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was born on July 23, 1941. He served in the United States Air Force. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Huron Chapter #1083**.

**ROBERT L. UPDEGRAFF** – Died Sunday, November 8, 2020 in Columbia, Pennsylvania at the age of 64. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania on September 25, 1956. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lancaster Chapter #1008**.



**TERRY L. WILLISON, SR.** - Died peacefully Tuesday, March 2, 2021 in his home in Ulrichsville, Ohio at the age of 72, while surrounded by his family, following a long battle with cancer. He was born in Dover, Ohio on July 19, 1948 to the late Robert D. and Doris I. (née LeMasters) Willison and a graduate of the former Tuscarawas-Warwick High School in Tuscarawas. Following his graduation, Terry joined the United States Army and proudly served his country during the Vietnam War. After his honorable discharge, Terry began a career working for the former Miller Studio in New Philadelphia from where he retired as a Supervisor. Terry had

a love for baseball and was a longtime umpire for the Uhrichsville Little League, District 4 and had also served as a Little League Coach for teams sponsored by both Spring Electric and Truck Sales and Service. He was also a Life Member of the Vietnam Veterans of America - New Philadelphia Chapter #857 and had also bowled in the Twin City Merchants League at Alpa Lanes in Uhrichsville. On September 26, 1970, Terry married Lois Ann (née Johnson) and together shared over 50 years of marriage before his passing. Also surviving are his two sons, Terry (Kasey) Willison, Jr. of New Philadelphia and Greg (Becca) Willison of Massillon; four grandchildren, Samantha Willison, Lexa (Holly) Oyler, Maxwell Willison and Austin Kraft-DeSantis; his sister, Cheryl (Ed) McPherson; his brother, Robert (Michael) Willison and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, a sister, Tresa Virtue, also preceded him in death. In keeping with his wishes, Terry is to be cremated through the care of the Linn-Hert-Geib Funeral Home and Crematory at New Philadelphia and a Memorial Service honoring Terry was held on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 10:30 AM in the funeral home. The burial was in Union Cemetery at Uhrichsville where the New Philadelphia VFW conducted military graveside honors. The family received friends and family in the funeral home on Monday, March 8, 2021 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. The family requested that to honor Terry's service to his country, memorial contributions be made to either the Vietnam Veterans of America – Chapter #857, P.O. Box 170, New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663, or, Community Hospice, 716 Commercial Avenue SW, New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663.

**ODELL "Ranger" WILSON** – Died Friday, December 18, 2020 in San Diego, California at the age of 64. The cause of death was the coronavirus COVID-19. He was born on June 22, 1956. He served in the United States Army with the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division in Vietnam. He was a dedicated Airborne Ranger and served in the Honor Guard. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – San Diego Chapter #472**. He was an advocate for the homeless veterans. In Marathons, he carried the POW/MIA Flag calling cadence while he ran.



**LEONARD C. WITT** - Died Monday, September 7, 2020 in West Alexandria, Ohio at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 17, 1944 in Berea, Kentucky to the late Dave and Hester Witt. Leonard was also preceded in death by an infant sister. He was a member of Germantown Eagles, VFW Post #1977 in Camden, the DAV chapter in Lewisburg. He was also a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97**. Leonard is survived by his wife Millie; daughter Jean Rogers and husband Kenny Rogers; brother Glen Witt and wife Rhonda of Fla.; sister Marilyn Combs and husband Henry Combs of W. Alexandria. Leonard served several years as a member of the honor guard of Miamisburg, W. Carrollton, and Preble Co. Visitation was held from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM with funeral to follow at 12:30 PM on Tuesday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at the Rogers Funeral Home in New Lebanon. The interment with military honors was at the Dayton National Cemetery. Condolences may be expressed online at www.RogersFuneralHomes.com.

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DENNIS K. WOHLFORD - Died Sunday, September 27, 2020 at his home in Louisville, Nebraska at the age of 72, with his loved ones at his side. He was formerly of East Moline, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. Dennis was born on October 30, 1947 in Mankato, Minnesota to the late Jerit and Virginia (née Rhonie) Wohlford of Fairmont, MN. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He married Ella Spurr on April 22, 1989, in Moline, IL. She died July 8 2016. Dennis worked as a mechanical engineer for Sigan Plastics for 20 years. He later worked at the Rock Island Arsenal. He enjoyed wood working and had been a member of the VVA Honor Guard. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rock Island Chapter #299. Survivors include his daughters, Bonnie (Scott) Hansen, Omaha, NE, and Mandy (Chad) Korte, Louisville, NE; 11 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren; brothers, John (Becky) Wohlford, Monticello, MN, Bill (Patricia) Wohlford, Bettendorf, IA, and Robert Wohlford, TN; and nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife; son, Jason Wohlford, and granddaughter Olivia Allvin. Memorials may be made to VVA Chapter #299. Graveside services were at 2:00 PM on Friday October 9, 2020, at the Rock Island National Cemetery, where the VVA #299 conducted military honors. Visitation hours were from 4:00-6:00 PM on Thursday at the funeral home, with a time of sharing at the conclusion of visitation.



**CHARLES L. "Butch" WOODS** - Died Monday February 8, 2021 at his home in Woodstock, Virginia at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 2, 1947 in Woodstock to the late June E. Woods. He was a 1965 graduate of Stonewall Jackson High School and a United States Navy veteran of the Vietnam War. He retired as a custodian in the Shenandoah County School System and also worked as a security guard at Andros in Mt. Jackson. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Woodstock Chapter 936**. Butch is survived by his "adopted" family: Carroll H. "Bud" and Wanda Wilkin, Carroll D. and Kristie Wilkin, Tracy and Carla Plaugher, all of Woodstock, Trey and Pam Burke of Winchester, Allison Wilkin of Woodstock, Jameson and Alayna Burke, beloved "boys", Zeke and Shad, numerous friends along with his family of First Baptist Church in Woodstock. A memorial service was held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America - Chapter #936, 4457 Supinlick Ridge Road, Mount Jackson, Virginia 22842.



**THEODORE C. "Ted" YANUS** - Died unexpectedly on Friday, September 18, 2020 in Geisinger Wyoming Valley Medical Center, Plains Township, Pennsylvania at the age of 71. He was a resident of Wyoming, Pennsylvania and formerly of Larksville, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related cancer. He was born in Kingston, Pennsylvania on February 11,

1949 to the late Theodore and Helen (née Benoski) Yanus. His loving wife is Eleanor (née Gustitus) Yanus. Ted and Eleanor would have celebrated their 51<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary on September 20, 2020. He was a graduate of Larksville High, Class of 1966 A United States Navy veteran, Ted honorably served his country during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Larksville American Legion Post #655 and a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Thornhurst Chapter #1035. Prior to his retirement, he was employed for 20 years as a truck driver by Bolus Freight Systems in Scranton. In addition to his parents, Ted was preceded in death by his son, Theodore Yanus; and his brother, Michael Yanus. Surviving, in addition to his wife, Eleanor, Ted is survived by his daughter, Candy Yanus and her husband, Carlo Telesco, Plymouth; his grandson, Carlo Telesco; his granddaughter, Tara Pachtman and her husband, Dan; two great-grandsons, Christopher and Dean Pachtman; his sister, Kathy Flaherty and her husband, Jack, Hanover; and several nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral services were held at 9:30 AM on Thursday from Bednarski Funeral Home, 168 Wyoming Avenue, Wyoming, with a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM in Saint Monica Church, 363 West Eighth Street, West Wyoming. The interment was in Saint Joseph's Cemetery, West Wyoming. Military honors were conducted by the AMVETS Honor Guard of Greater Pittston. Family and friends visited from 6:00 to 9:00 PM on Wednesday at the funeral home. Those attending the visitation and the funeral service were required to wear a face covering and abide by the CDC state social distancing requirements.



ALONZO A. "AI" YOUNG, JR. – Died Friday, January 15, 2021 in the The Villages, Florida at ALONZO A. "AI" YOUNG, JR. the age of 77. The cause of death was heart failure. Al was born and raised in Wildwood, Florida on June 18, 1943. He graduated as Valedictorian of Robert E. Lee High School in Wildwood, and briefly attended Florida A&M University in Tallahassee before joining the military. He served in the United States Army as a Staff Sergeant and fought in the Vietnam War. He was a decorated veteran who was awarded a Purple Heart, a National Defense Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, Bronze Star Medal, and Army Commendation Medal. After his military service he worked for Amtrak (Jacksonville), Sprint Telephone Company (Ocala) and the United States Postal Service (Wildwood). At the time of his death, he was an active Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Oxford Chapter #1036. A kind and gentle man with a quick wit, Al could often be found reading a good mystery novel, watching sports, or hitting the open road on his motorcycle. His family will remember him as a loving husband, no nonsense father, and soft-hearted grandfather. Al is survived by his devoted wife of 30 years, Eunice Young, his sister, Antoinette Young-Haynes (Melvin) and brother James A. Young. Cherishing precious memories are his children: Don A. Young (Alice) of Coleman, FL, Kurtis "Kip" Young (Hope) of Snellville, GA, Karusha A. Sharpe, Esq. (Keith) of Tallahassee, FL and Kimberly A. Young of Riverview, FL; twelve grandchildren; fourteen great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Alonzo A. Young, Sr. and Gertrude Young, and two sisters. A private memorial service was held at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL on February 12, 2021. Funeral arrangements were handled by the Neptune Society Cremation Services, Summerfield, Florida.



CURTIS WILLIAM "Curt" ZEARLEY - Died Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at Sanford Medical Center at the age of 71, due to long-standing health issues and complications related to COVID. He was a resident of Mandan, North Dakota. Curt was born in Bismarck, North Dakota on March 27, 1949 to the late Miner and Violet (née Thorp) Zearley and resided in the Bismarck-Mandan area his entire life. He enlisted during the Vietnam War and served as a United States Navy Seabee from 1968-1970. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – New Town Chapter #487. He married Linda Schmidt on September 15, 1972 and had three children: Ryan, Biana (Smolich), and Ross. He was employed at Burlington Northern Railroad for 20 years and later became a Millwright in the 1990's. He loved to travel and was always planning his next trip. He loved to talk about his time in Alaska, Hawaii, and even traveled back to Vietnam. Although he primarily lived his adult years in Mandan, he always yearned to farm. We thank the Schmidts for welcoming him onto their farm and letting him live out his dream. He is survived by his mother, Violet and three siblings: Clifford, Sharon Johnson, and Marcie White. He is preceded in death by two brothers, Doug and Jeff. The family of Curt would like to extend their gratitude to the staff at Sanford and Miller Pointe for his care. He has been cremated and no services will be held at this time. Due to no services being held at this time, the family requested no flowers.

## 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 GODTU, REST IN PEACE!