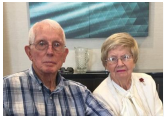




WILLIAM HERMAN "Bill" ACEBES (USA, CSM-Ret.) - Died Monday, November 22, 2021 in Hinesville, Georgia at the age of 76, surrounded by family and friends. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 29, 1945 to the late Herman and Irene Acebes. Bill served his country honorably for over thirty years in the United States Army; three years in the Republic of Vietnam; in the Berlin Brigade during the height of the Cold War and participated in the rescue of American Medical Students on the Island of Grenada in October 1983. CSM Acebes was one of the original cadre of 1st Ranger Battalion, (Plankholders) Fort Stewart, Georgia, in 1974. He served as Command Sergeant Major of 1/64th Armor, Command Sergeant Major of 1/75th Rangers, Command Sergeant Major of 2nd Infantry Division; and retired as the Command Sergeant Major of U.S. Army Infantry Center, Fort Benning, Georgia, on June 1, 1995. He was a member of Order of Saint Maurice, Order of Saint George, Distinguished Member of the 75th Ranger Regiment Association, Distinguished Member of 503rd Infantry Regiment, and Distinguished Member of the Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade. Bill was inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame in 2003 and was awarded the Doughboy Award in 2011. He was a Member of the following Ranger organizations: 75th Ranger Regiment Association, United States Army Ranger Association, 1/75th Sua Sponte Foundation, 82nd Airborne Association and 173rd Airborne Brigade Association. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hinesville Chapter #789**. He is survived by his wife Brenda Acebes, his dog Daisy, several brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law; numerous nieces and nephews; several cousins, and the thousands of Army Rangers and their family members that he truly loved. In lieu of flowers, request donations be made to 1st Ranger Battalion Sua Sponte Foundation, PO Box 60281, Savannah, GA 31420; The Liberty Humane Shelter, 279 Briarwood Circle, Hinesville, GA 31313; or S.T.A.R.S. of Georgia (Save The Animals Rescue Society), at paypal starsgeorgia@yahoo.com; or a charity of your choice. A Memorial Service was held at 1:00 PM on Friday, December 10th at the 1/75th Ranger Memorial, Hunter Army Airfield, Savannah, GA. The Thomas L. Carter Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

JOSEPH EDWARD "Joe" ACKER III - Died Sunday, October 31, 2021 at Rockingham Memorial Hospital in Harrisonburg, Virginia at the age of 75. He was a resident of Broadway, Virginia. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on August 26, 1946 in Harrisonburg to the late Mary Jo Paxton Kiser. After completing high school, Joe enlisted in the United States Army and served honorably in the Vietnam War, achieving the rank of Specialist E-5. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Harrisonburg Chapter #1061**. He later attended Madison College where he earned a Bachelor's in Theater. On June 25, 1983 he married Betty Jo Walker. Joe worked at the Harrisonburg Auto Auction and substitute taught prior to retirement. Joe possessed strong Christian faith and conviction. He loved his church, his veterans group, community theater productions, historic sites, and telling jokes. Joe is survived by a daughter, Katy Eller, and her husband Stephen of Williamsburg; a son, Michael Acker of Broadway; two grandchildren, Elise Eller and Beckett Eller. Those wishing were able view and sign the register book from 9:00 AM until 7:00 PM on Thursday, November 4, 2021, at the funeral home. A private graveside service was held at Rest Haven Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions may be

made in Joe's honor to the American Cancer Society, 420 Neff Avenue, Suite #210, Harrisonburg, VA 22801. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.mcmullenfh.com. McMullen Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



MR. AND MRS. MORRIS NEIL ADAIR AND VIRGINIA ADAIR (USA, CSM-Ret.) -

Died Saturday, August 17, 2019 in Forsyth, Georgia. Morris was 87 years of age and Virginia was 91 years of age. The cause of death is unknown. Morris was born on May 30, 1932 in Brownsboro, Texas to the late Wylie C. and Eunice May Nichols Adair. He was a retired Command Sergeant Major with the United States Army. Awards and decorations received during his 24 years of service were the Bronze Star Medal (3rd Oak Leaf Cluster and "V" device for heroism), Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal (1st Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Good Conduct Medal (1st- 4th awards), National Defense Service Medal (1st Oak Leaf Cluster), Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal with 1960 device, 1 Silver and 1 Bronze Service Stars, Combat Infantryman Badge, Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Expert Badge (Rifle), Sharpshooter Badge (Pistol-45), Overseas Bars (4). Morris was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Forsyth Chapter #946**. Morris was preceded in death by his parents; son, Mark Adair; granddaughter, Malysa Faith Adair, grandson, Michael Barrentine and his siblings, Jerry, Gayle, Jean, and Kelton. He is survived by brothers, Mike and Linda Adair and Dickie Adair. Virginia was born August 14, 1928 in Fairmont, North Carolina to the late Alton Eugene and Katie Hardin Williams. Virginia had worked numerous places throughout her career as a bookkeeper. After her retirement, she and Morris enjoyed traveling and spending time with each other. Virginia was preceded in death by her parents; siblings, Gerald Williams, Alton Williams, and Patty Leibowitz. Survivors of Morris and Virginia are their children, Carolyn and Bobby Becker of San Antonio, TX, Larry and Marcia Bunce of Salemburg, NC, Katherine and Daniel Enlow of Fort Worth, TX, Margie and Tommy Wendel of San Antonio, TX, Mitchell and Kathy Bunce of Forsyth, GA, Anita Adair Savers of Palestine, TX and Janice and Eddie Vanover of Kemp, TX, 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and 5 great great-grandchildren. Funeral services for Morris Neil Adair, 87, and Virginia Bunce Adair, 91, of Forsyth, Georgia were at 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 24, 2019 at Herrington/Land of Memory Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside services with military honors were at the Land of Memory Cemetery. Visitation was from 10:00 to 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 24, 2019 at Herrington Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the Forsyth VVA Chapter 946 Vietnam Veterans, PO Box 1144, Forsyth, GA 31029, or to the Alzheimer's Association. View online at www.herringtonfuneral.com. To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Morris Neil Adair please visit our Sympathy Store. Cemetery Details Land of Memory North US HWY 287 toward Corsicana Palestine, TX 75801.



CHARLES EDWARD "Andy" ANDERSON (USN, LCDR-Ret.) – Died Saturday, June 20, 2020 in Decatur, Alabama at the age of 83. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 23, 1936 in Breckenridge County, Kentucky. After graduating from Caneyville, High School in 1955 he enlisted in the United States Navy. Andy served in the Navy for 22-1/2 years. He climbed the ranks from Seaman Recruit (E1) to Lt. Commander (O4) and served on the USS Fort Snelling LSD-30, USS Northampton CC-1, USS LaSalle LPD-3, USS Seattle AOE-3 and USS Roanoke AOR-7. Andy was a veteran of the Cuban Missile Crisis, The Six Day War, the Vietnam War along with many other duties and missions that protect America's freedom. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Huntsville Chapter #1067**. Andy was active in The Gideon's International for over 35 years. He regularly spoke in churches, served local pastors, distributed bibles around the world and held various local and statewide leadership roles along with his wife Dixie. Andy is survived by his wife of sixty years, Dixie Elaine (née Hornback) Anderson, children David (Dana), Karen (John) and Timothy (Pamela); grandchildren Lara (Curtis), Jordan (Will), Gabriel (Sarah), Hannah (Austin), Michelle, Jennifer (Joshua), and Holly; great-grandchildren Kristyn, Madisyn, Charles, Theodore, Maximus; brothers John, Marvin; sisters, Barbara, Sandra and Reba. His father, Joseph Ezra Anderson, his mother, Sadie Ellen Laslie Anderson, and his sister Betty Ann Schumacker preceded him in death. Andy was interred at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia with full military honors. In lieu flowers, the family requested that donations be made in memoriam to The Gideon's International. Every five dollars placed a bible somewhere in the world in his memory. Donations can be made here: <https://www.gideons.org/donate> or you can send the family a card with your donation here: <https://www.sendtheword.org> Please address the card to Morgan West Gideons. P.O. Box 5111, Decatur AL, 35601.

NORMAN EUGENE ANDERSON - Died Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at the Tygart Center in Fairmont, West Virginia at the age of 75. He was a resident of Mannington, West Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 20, 1945 at Mobley, West Virginia to the late Ernest Anderson and Virginia (née Woods) Anderson. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mannington Chapter #1055**. Eugene is survived by his wife of 53 years, Jean (née Satterfield) Anderson; two children, Darla (Michael) Hamilton of Fairmont, and Daniel Anderson of Mannington; one grandson, Waylon Anderson of Mannington; three siblings, Marvin Anderson of Wilmington, NC, Betty Fisher Butcho of Rivesville, WV, and Ruth Carpenter of Rivesville, WV; and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents, Eugene was preceded in death by a brother, Robert W. Bobby Wayne Anderson. Eugene worked at Rachel and Martinka Mines and retired from Federal #2. He was a loving husband, father, and Pap. There were no visitations nor funeral services. The interment was held at the Mannington Memorial Park Cemetery at the convenience of the family. On-line condolences may be left for the family at www.mastersfuneralhomewv.com or the funeral home Facebook page.

ENRIQUE A. "Dick" AQUINO – Died Friday, October 15, 2021 in Jacksonville, Florida at the age of 69. The cause of death was the coronavirus COVID-19. He was born in Angeles City, Philippines on August 15, 1952. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Jacksonville Chapter #1046**.

ALVIN D. ARROWOOD – Died Saturday, October 30, 2021 in Littleton, Colorado at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 23, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora Chapter #1106**.



SALVATORE C. "Sal" ASSORGI - Died Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at The Gardens at Monroe in Monroe Township, New Jersey at the age of 75. He was a resident of Monroe. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Brooklyn, New York on February 1, 1946 to the late Frank and Josephine (née Titone) Assorgi. Sal came to New Jersey in 1986. He was an honorably discharged United States Army Veteran, having served during the Vietnam War as a demolition expert and sharpshooter. He returned from the service and earned his bachelor's degree in Business Administration in 1975 from The Bernard M. Baruch College in New York, NY. Sal worked as an accountant and licensed financial advisor for several businesses over the years. He most recently worked with the Bank of New York across from the World Trade Center until 9/11. Sal took immense pride in his country and in his military service and was honored to actively participate as a member of various military organizations including a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) – New Brunswick Chapter #233** and The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the US (VFW). Sal loved and was deeply loved by his family that included his wife of 35 years, his family of five children and ten grandchildren, and the numerous friends he made and kept easily. To know Sal was to love Sal, and to be loved by him. He was truly one of a kind. Predeceased by his parents, Frank and Josephine (née Titone) Assorgi; he is survived by his wife, Mickey (née Rao) Assorgi; his children, Frank Assorgi and his wife, Carrie, Vincent Schiavone and his wife, Anne, Anthony Schiavone and his fiancée, Christine Magnifico, Annie Assorgi and her fiancé, Chris Davis and Loretta Schiavone Vingara and her significant other, Ben Letson; his grandchildren, Anthony, Michael, Amanda, Matthew, Rocco, Kate, Luke, Lola, Emily and Saverio; his sister and brother-in-law, Fran and John Genovese, and their children, Nicole and husband, Steve Melendez and son John; his great-niece Madison; and his great-nephew Matthew. Visitation for family and friends was held on Friday, October 29, 2021 from 1:00 until 3:00 PM and from 5:30 until 8:30 PM at the A.S. Cole Son and Company Funeral Home, 22 North Main Street, Cranbury, NJ. Evening visitation was followed by a funeral service that began at 8:30 PM. Committal prayers, Military Honors and Entombment were held at 11:45 AM on Saturday, October 30, 2021 at the Holmdel Cemetery and Mausoleum in Holmdel, NJ. All guests were to enter through the cemetery's Holmdel Road entrance for Mr. Assorgi's services. Masks were optional for the visitation and funeral services honoring Mr. Assorgi. In lieu of flowers, contributions were appreciated and may be made in Sal's memory to Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA).



GEORGE NORMAN AUSBY – Died Monday, December 28, 2020 in Mays Landing, New Jersey at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 11, 1942 in Atlantic City, New Jersey and was the third oldest child of the late Rosalie (Ausby) Slaughter and Kato Ausby. George, was a lifelong resident of Mizpah, New Jersey and lived for a short time in Trenton, New Jersey but eventually relocated to Laureldale, New Jersey. George was a generous and giving man who cared deeply for his family, friends and anyone that he encountered. His big smile and a larger than life personality will remain with us for the rest of our days. George was educated in the Hamilton Township Public School System. He was a proud Vietnam Veteran and served in the United States Army from 1965-1967. He was trained as a combat engineer at Fort Bliss, Texas, and then served in Vietnam for 13 months as a machine gunner. After his service, from a young man until his retirement, he worked for the Hamilton Township Public Works Department and retired as a supervisor. George chose to dedicate his time and service to not only those who served their nation but also to members of the community. He served as *President and Life Member* **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825** and a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and was affectionately known as “Hard Block” with the Buffalo Soldiers Southern New Jersey Chapter. He was a proud member of the VFW Post #220 in Mays Landing, New Jersey. He organized the annual pizza party for the VFW at the Vineland Veterans Home for many years. George was an active member of the VFW Honor Guard, assisting veterans by taking them to their appointments. He also served as a community volunteer at the Mizpah Summer Youth Program. In 2018, George was given the Hamilton Township Honors and Remembers Its Veterans Award by Sen. Chris Brown. During that ceremony he also received the Vietnam Service Medal with two campaign stars, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Combat Infantry Badge and Expert Rifle Award. He was also given the Legion of Honor award from the Four Chaplains recognizing ordinary people who do extraordinary things. In his past time, George loved to golf and spent every Saturday morning golfing with his brother Charlie and other friends. He loved his grandchildren deeply and spent any time he could attending their activities. He was a member of the Just Us Men’s Fellowship at First Baptist Church in Richland, New Jersey and enjoyed the time he spent with the men of the community. George was predeceased by his mother and father, brothers Charlie, Kato, Richard and sister Katherine. He leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife, Peggy Adams-Ausby, his children, Shonna (Edwin) Corrales, Rudolph (Marie) Williams, his grandchildren, Abdul (Jamaira) Prince, Rayne Williams, Jade and Skylar Corrales. Four sisters, Ethel McNeil, Frances Blackwell, Eleanor Godbold and Evangeline (Moses) Davis, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and too many friends to count. Public pass thru viewing was held from 9:00-11:00 AM on Saturday, January 2, 2021 at Boakes Funeral Home, 6050 Main Street, Mays Landing, NJ. The funeral service was private. Friends and family were invited to the committal service with Military Honors at the Atlantic County Veterans Cemetery in Estell Manor, NJ at 1:00 PM.



JERRY D. BAKER – Died Thursday, April 22, 2021 in Garden City, Michigan at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 27, 1947. He was the loving husband of Audrey for 48 wonderful years; devoted father of Stacey (Brad) Gorman and Keith (Krystle); fun loving grandpa of Wyland, Sawyer, Merin and Jaden; cherished brother of Fred (Roxanne) and Terry. He was dearly loved and will be deeply missed by many nieces, nephews, and many friends. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Westland Chapter #387**. Visitation was held on Tuesday, April 27th from 1:00-7:00 PM with a 4:30 PM Eulogy Service at the John N. Santeiu and Son Funeral Home, 1139 Inkster Road, Garden City (Between Ford Road and Cherry Hill). The burial was private at the Great Lakes National Cemetery.



THOMAS GEORGE “Tommy” BENDER - Died Thursday, November 18, 2021 at Lyons VA Medical Center in Lyons, New Jersey at the age of 74. He was a resident of Clinton, New Jersey. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on September 20, 1947 in Somerville, New Jersey to the late William J. and Anna M. (née Moellar) Bender. Tommy was the husband of Victoria (née Stadtmueller) Bender, celebrating 5 years of marriage. The couple reunited at their 50th High School Reunion. He was a United States Army Veteran, serving from 1968 to 1974. During his time in the military, he was recognized with the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Bronze Service Stars, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Bronze Star Medal and Combat Infantryman Badge. Tommy's career spanned decades with diversified business experiences. He worked as Superintendent of New Enterprise Construction in Glen Gardner, NJ in the late 1970's and went on as President of T & P Homes, Inc. in Clinton, NJ. He also worked as a Project Manager for Kanematsu-Gosho Inc. in New York, NY throughout the 1980's. He was most recently employed by Voller's Excavating & Construction in North Branch, NJ as Superintendent. Tommy loved riding his Harley. He was a very active member of Rolling Thunder Inc. where he served as National Chairman of Government and Veterans Affairs. He participated in numerous charity rides as well as the demonstration in DC over Memorial Day weekend of 2013. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Flemington Chapter #452**. Tommy was also an avid skier. He loved people and enjoyed helping people. He will always be remembered for his sense of humor and quick comebacks. Survivors include his loving wife; Victoria Bender. Two daughters; Angela Exley and her husband James of Belvidere, NJ and Theresa Chapman and her partner Trevor Senior of Belvidere, NJ. Two step-daughters; Sherry Dray and her husband Rich of MA and Lisa Millea of NH. Six grandchildren; Troy Exley, Brook Exley, Cale Exley, Shane Exley, Liam Chapman and Riley Senior. Three step-grandchildren; Georgia Dray, Jacob Millea and Kylie Millea. He is also survived by one brother; John Bender and his wife Cheryl of FL. One sister; Carol Tomlinson of OK. Predeceased by one brother; William J. Bender Jr. who passed away in 2010. Visitation was on Saturday, November 27, 2021 from 2:00-

4:00 PM with the Funeral Service at 4:00 PM at the Scarponi-Bright Funeral Home, 26 Main Street, Lebanon, NJ. The interment was private.



DAVID GEORGE BINDER - Died Friday, September 3, 2021 at his residence in Kingsport, Tennessee at the age of 72, from complications of congestive heart failure and cancer. He was formerly of Oshkosh, Wisconsin. He was born on June 26, 1949 in Appleton, Wisconsin to the late Michael and Barbara (Fisher) Binder. He married Marilyn A. (Wright) Wilson on August 15, 1997 in Oshkosh, WI. He attended Sacred Heart Catholic School and Lourdes High School. After high school he enlisted in the United States Army and served from March 29, 1967 to June 21, 1974 with 3 tours in South East Asia. He served a tour in Vietnam from November 5, 1971 to August 9, 1972. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Oshkosh Chapter #437*. He was a mechanic at Gibson Chevrolet and Boatwork. He enjoyed riding his Harley-Davidson motorcycle every chance he got. He also enjoyed taking trips to Pigeon Forge, TN. He is survived by his wife of 24 years Marilyn; one daughter Teresa Wright; one son Shane Binder; one step-son Michael Wilson; five grandchildren Terrance (Ashley) Schroeder, Brittany Staeger and her fiancé Patrick; Taylor Ranker; Taylor Binder, and Mercedes Binder; six great-grandchildren; Abigail Joy Schroeder; Enoch Brady; Colton Brady; Kayden Ranker; Hudson Ranker; Malayah Binder; brother, Terry (Sandra) Binder; sister, Mary Hirn; several nieces and nephews. A service was held at The Military Museum on Frontage Road in Oshkosh, WI on September the 28th at 11:00 AM. The Trinity Memorial Centers Funeral Home was honored to serve the Binder family.

RONALD E. “Ron” BISHOP – Died Thursday, December 9, 2021 in Lawrence, Kansas at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 23, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member and Past-President of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ottawa Chapter #912*.



ROBERT STANLEY “Bob” BOCHENEK – Died Saturday, October 2, 2021 peacefully at home in Marshall, Michigan at the age of 73, with his wife, Lorraine by his side. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Detroit, Michigan on July 15, 1947 to a large extended Polish Catholic family. He is survived by his wife Lorraine, son and daughter-in-law Rob and Lyra and his 4 grandchildren, Jesse Simpson, Anna Simpson, Greta Bochenek and Amelia Bochenek. Bob was preceded in death by his beloved daughter, Lisa Simpson Bochenek, who died at the age of 35 in 2009 due to the autoimmune disease, scleroderma. The disease also caused the death of his granddaughter, Alexandra Simpson. In Lisa’s honor, Bob spent much of his free time raising money to support research for a cure for scleroderma. Bob is also survived by his sister Rosemary Godlewski and his brother Don Bochenek. Bob graduated from Cody High School in 1966 and that summer, was drafted into the Army for the Vietnam War but chose instead to enlist in the

United States Air Force. Early in basic training he was selected for advanced technical training, gained a top secret clearance and was deployed to Nha Trang Air Force Base in Vietnam as an Electronic Communications and Cryptographic Repairman within the 1879th Communications Squadron. Bob rose to the rank of Sergeant E4, experienced combat, received an Air Force Commendation Medal and was honorably discharged in 1970. Once back in the states Bob met Lorraine, the love of his life, and they were married in the fall of 1972. They both grew up in the same neighborhood in Detroit but did not meet until after he returned from the service. Bob was able to apply the skills he learned in the military to land a job with Sperry Univac working on supercomputers. He continued to work in the IT field until his retirement from the State of Michigan in 2017. Bob and Lorraine moved their young family from Detroit to Marshall, MI in 1984. Bob made education a priority in the family. Both Lisa and Rob graduated from the University of Michigan with degrees in Aerospace Engineering. Bob adored his four grandchildren and was their biggest fan in all their academic, athletic and musical pursuits. Bob discovered running at the age of 46 and quickly became absolutely consumed by the sport. During his career as a runner he participated in countless regional races and over 20 marathons including the Boston Marathon at the age of 55. He was appointed Calhoun County fitness ambassador during the administration of Governor Granholm. Residents of Marshall regularly saw Bob out pounding the pavement during his typical 100 miles per week training regimen. To put it mildly, the guy was a machine. Bob loved Alaska and participated in the Alaska Great Lakes project for over 15 years as a chaperone and van driver. Later he cherished his numerous trips there to visit and adventure with Rob and his family. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek Chapter #313** and the Paralyzed Veterans of America. A service will be held for Bob at Saint Mary Church, 212 West Hanover Street, Marshall MI 49068 on October 23rd at 10:00 AM followed by a military honors ceremony outside the church. Memorial contributions for Bob can be made to the University of Michigan Hospital ALS clinic <http://leadersandbest.umich.edu>. Assistance with memorials is available at the Kempf Family Funeral and Cremation Services, 723 US Hwy 27 N, Marshall, MI 49068. Leave a personal message for the family and sign the online guestbook at <https://www.kempffuneralhome.com>.



FRANCIS E. "Mickey" BOWEN (USN, RM 1st Class-Ret.) - Died Friday, August 13, 2021 in Cumming, Georgia at the age of 84. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Miami, Florida on June 8, 1937. He was a retired United States Navy veteran after 30 years of service. He also retired from the State of Florida after 20 years. He was a *Life Member* of the VFW and of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumming Chapter #1030**. He is survived by his wife, Michele M. (née Stephenson) Bowen; children, J. Dawn Brown, J. Patrick Bowen, J. Denise Martin, and J. Dana Friend; siblings, Charles Miller and Carolyn Schler; 7 grandchildren, and 1 great-grandchild; along with many other loving relatives and friends. A celebration of life took place on Thursday, August 26, 2021 at 9:30 AM at the Georgia National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requested that donations be made to the VVA Chapter #1030, P.O. Box 3088, Cumming, GA 30028. The Ingram Funeral Home and Crematory, Cumming, Georgia was in charge of the arrangements.



DANIEL LEE “Dan” BREWSTER – Died Wednesday, November 24, 2021 in Cleveland, Tennessee at the age of 74. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on November 2, 1947 in Akron, Ohio to the late Robert E. and Joann (née Perry) Brewster, both of West Virginia. Dan is survived by his loving wife, Linda, his children, Shari, Kathy, Dan Jr. (Bub) and Carla, eleven grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, along with siblings, Wayne, Robert, Jimmy, Judith Ann Brown, Jonathan, along with many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brothers David and Larry and his beloved baby sister, Darlene. Dan’s family moved to Florida when he was just a boy. He called Tampa his home for many years. He graduated from King High School in 1966 and later attended Spurgeon Baptist Bible College and went on to earn a Doctorate in Theology. Dan was led to the Lord in 1970 by Bro. QC Rollins and Bro. Larry Raynes of Tabernacle Baptist Church. He was a faithful member of that congregation until he left Tampa for Tennessee. He was steadfast in his faith until the day the Lord called him Home. He loved sharing his faith, especially with young people. Dan married the love of his life, Linda (a/k/a Red) in 1984. She was by his side on the night of his passing, reading scriptures to him. You could see the contentment on his face when she was in the room. Dan’s family was very important to him. He was the second of nine children and always endeavored to be there for them. He was a devoted father to his children and a father figure to many others. He served in the United States Navy from 1966 to 1970 with a tour in Vietnam from 1968 to 1969. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Cleveland Chapter #596*. His success in business can be attributed to his strong work ethic. He took great pride in leaving his customers satisfied. More than once, his business, Nu Life Carpet Cleaning was voted “Best Carpet Cleaning in Cleveland”. Dan retired from the business in 2021 to pursue one of his other passions...fishing! Dan was quick with a joke, a smile, a hug, a prayer and always a piece of candy for the little ones. Though our hearts are grieving, we are comforted by the knowledge that we will all be together again in Heaven. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to a ministry close to Dan’s heart, the East Cleveland Baptist Church Mission Fund. A Celebration of Life and Home going for Dr. Daniel Lee Brewster was held at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at the East Cleveland Baptist Church located 1145 Arnold Street NE, Cleveland, TN 37311 with Pastor Joe Lockman officiating. The family received friends from 5:00 PM until the funeral hour on Tuesday at the church. Military burial services were held at graveside at the Chattanooga National Cemetery - 1200 Bailey Avenue, Chattanooga, TN 37404 on December 1, 2021 at 2:00 PM. The funeral procession left promptly at 1:00 PM from Companion Funeral Home - 2415 Georgetown Road NW, Cleveland, TN 37311.



JOE JACK BRIDGES – Died Tuesday, November 9, 2021 in Waynesville, North Carolina at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 27, 1944 in Haywood County, North Carolina to the late Ben and Lenoir Bridges. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his nephew, Marty Hannah. Joe’s memory will continue to live

in the hearts of his surviving family, his loving wife, Joyce; sister, Peggy Hannah; nephew, Mitch Hannah; his three fur babies, Sadie, Sophie, and Shooter; along with a multitude of good friends. Joe was a man of strong faith and a member of Sulphur Springs Freewill Baptist Church. He loved children, fishing, and was loved by everyone in the community. His home was a wonderful place to enjoy company and share stories. He enjoyed life and his days of traveling with his beloved wife and buying junk and turning it into better junk. Joe's friendly presence will be deeply missed by everyone. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clyde Chapter #980**. Smoky Mountain Cremations and Funeral Service of Clyde was in the care of the family and the online register is available at www.smokymountaincremations.com.

JAMES L. BROWN – Died recently in 2021 at the New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home in Vineland, New Jersey at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 25, 1950. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825**.



ROBERT L. "Bob" BRYAN - Died Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at Anderson Hospital in Maryville, Illinois at the age of 76. He was a resident Edwardsville, Illinois and formerly of Carlyle, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. Bob was born in California on March 28, 1945 to the late Lowell and Eugenia (née Davis) Bryan. He married Kathleen Bryk on November 28, 1970 at Saint Mary Church in Carlyle. Bob is survived by his wife, Kathleen Bryan; their three children, LeAnn (Robert Jr.) Harris of Edwardsville, Kristina Bryan of Edwardsville, Bradley (Dana) Bryan of Saint Charles, MO; his grandchildren, Robert "Trè" Harris III, Jordan Harris, Sydney Harris, Kylie Bryan, Brooklyn Bryan, and Mia Bryan; great grandchildren, Robert "Beaux" Harris IV, Kapri Harris; and his two brothers, Wade (Diane) Johnson of Centralia and Tommy (Sandy) Bryan of Walnut Hill. He was preceded in death by his father, Lowell Bryan; his mother, Eugena York; his mother-and father-in-law, Emil and Virginia Bryk; his brother and sister-in-law, Billy Bryan and wife Sharon. Bob could often be found working in his garage, whether he was fixing something or just tinkering on little projects. He dedicated much of his time with his family and following their basketball careers. Bob proudly served in the United States Navy aboard the U.S.S. Yorktown during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Goldsmith Terry VFW Post #3523, Carlyle and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Carlisle Chapter #269**. Bob worked in maintenance at Kaskaskia College for 31 years, and after his retirement he worked at the Carlyle Nursing Home for 10 years. Visitation was held from 9:00 – 11:00 AM on Monday, December 6, 2021 at Saint Mary Church in Carlyle. Funeral Mass of Christian Burial was at 11:00 AM with graveside service at Saint Mary's Cemetery in Carlyle following the Mass. Expressions of Sympathy in memory of Mr. Bryan can be made to his family's wishes. Condolence cards and memorial donations will be received through Zieren Funeral Home, PO Box 276, Carlyle, IL 62231.



JOSEPH P. BUBELNYI - Died Wednesday, October 27, 2021 in the Sanctuary Joseph. He was a resident of South Bend, Indiana and was 76 years of age. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on March 7, 1945 in South Bend to the late Michael and Helen (née Mikusak) Bubelenyi, Sr. On November 2, 1974 Joseph married Patricia Bubelenyi, she preceded him in death on January 14, 2013. Joseph was also preceded in death by his brother, Michael Bubelenyi, Jr. Left to cherish the memory of Joseph are his loving son, Michael (Tracy) Bubelenyi; grandchildren, Nathan M. (Jen) Thompson, Nicole E. (Austin) Young, Autumn H. (Rod Krallman) Neil, Ethan M. Bubelenyi, Adam J. Bubelenyi; and great-grandchildren, Grayson Bubelenyi and Norah Young; and other cherished family. Joseph honorably served his country in the United States Navy as a Seabee in unit MCB 40 during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the American Legion, VFW, Marine Corps League, Army Navy League, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – South Bend Chapter # 1027*, and the FOP; serving as the Senior Vice and Adjunct at the VFW #9820 and President of the VVA. Joe worked for Bill Frank Nissan and retired from Gurley Leep. He was also a Reserve Police Officer with the Saint Joseph County Police for 21 years. Joe was very involved with community services and a huge advocate for veteran affairs. He held his fellow veterans near and dear to his heart. Joe loved spending as much time as he could with this family, especially at cookouts, football, Sunday dinners, bonfires, and any event involving family or veterans. He touched many lives. Visitation was from 2:00 to 6:00 PM on Monday, November 1, 2021 in Saint Joseph Funeral Home, Mayflower Road with a Funeral Service that began at 6:00 PM followed by Military Honors. Joseph was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery. Memorial Contributions may be made to the VVA #1027 or VFW #9820. Condolences for the family may be made at www.sjfh.net.



CHRISTOPHER "Chris" BUBNIS – Died Saturday, November 13, 2021 in Clearwater, Florida at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Rochester, New York. He served in the United States Army and was a Sergeant in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #20*. He leaves behinds his wife, Suzen and their families: Bubnis, Greene, Palmeri, Terpenning, Mills and Stanley. There was a private military interment at Bay Pines National Cemetery.



CHARLES ALLEN BUCKNER, JR. - Died Monday, November 8, 2021 at his residence in McMinnville, Tennessee at the age of 78, following an extended illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 4, 1943 to the late Charles Allen and Roxie C. (née Tedder) Buckner, Sr. He was a United States Army Veteran of Vietnam, Purple Heart recipient. He was a

Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – McMinnville Chapter #1112. He was a retired employee of Moore's Building Supply and Supreme Building Supply, and member of Covenant Fellowship Church. He was married to Anne Hall of McMinnville, TN on June 29, 1970. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by sister, Lois Bowman. In addition to his wife of 51 years, Mr. Buckner is survived by son and daughter-in-law, Allen and Brinda Buckner of McMinnville, TN; two grandchildren and spouse, Sara and Josh Ross and Cain Buckner, all of McMinnville, TN; two great-grandchildren, Eastlen and Gracelin Ross of McMinnville, TN; three sisters and brothers-in-law, Freda Knight of North Carolina, Elizabeth and Jack Peay of Virginia, and Betty and Gene Adams of Virginia; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins also survive. A Celebration of Life was held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, November 20, 2021 at Covenant Fellowship Church, 7225 Manchester Highway, Morrison, TN with Dean Northcutt officiating. Visitation was from 1:00 PM until time of service at Covenant. Full military honors were administered by American Legion Post #173 and VFW Post #5064. No service or visitation will be held at High's. Online condolences may be made at www.highfuneralhome.com. The High Funeral Home and High's Cremations was in charge of the arrangements.



RONALD RAYMOND "Ron" CAMPER - Died Thursday, October 28, 2021 at Genesis Medical Center – Illinois Campus, Silvis at the age of 74. He was a resident of Rapid City, Illinois and Port Byron, Illinois. Ron was born in Rock Island, Illinois. on August 23, 1947 to the late Arthur Raymond and Loraine May (née Weigand) Camper. He graduated from Alleman High School in 1965. Ron was a United States Army veteran who served two tours in Vietnam. He married Sherry Aman Claeys on May 16, 1992 at the Memorial Baptist Church, Milan, Ill. Ron retired from the State of Illinois where he served as a correctional officer for 20 years at the East Moline Correctional Center. He enjoyed keeping busy following retirement and became a driving and classroom instructor at Skiles Driving School in East Moline. He also drove a Pinks bus for Hampton Elementary School and was a volunteer Port Byron fireman for several years. Ron was a member of the First Baptist Church, Silvis and a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rock Island Chapter #299*. He formerly served on the Milan Auxiliary Police Department. Ron was also an archery and shooting instructor for the Youth Shooting Sports Association in Moline. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Sherry Camper, Rapid City, Ill.; son, Raymond Prucher, New York, NY; brother, Daniel F. (Liz) Camper, Moline; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Richard Camper. Services were held at 10:00 AM on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at the First Baptist Church, 1101 10th Avenue, Silvis, Illinois. Visitation was from 4:00-7:00 PM on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at the Wheelan-Pressly Funeral Home and Crematory, 3030 7th Avenue, Rock Island. The burial was at Rock Island National Cemetery, Arsenal Island, where military honors were presented by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #299. Memorials in care of the family. Online condolences at wheelanpressly.com.



WILLIAM FRANKLIN CASEY, JR. - Died Friday, October 15, 2021 at Prisma Health Oconee Memorial Hospital in Seneca, South Carolina at the age of 74. He was a resident of Fair Play, South Carolina. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Oconee County, South Carolina on October 25, 1946 to the late William Franklin Casey, Sr. and Alfa (née Queen) Casey. William worked in the manufacturing industry and was a United States Army Veteran having served during Vietnam. William was a member of Oakdale Baptist Church, a member of the Fair Play Masonic Lodge #132 AFM, the Walhalla American Legion, taught RA's at South Union Baptist Church, and an active support of the Wilderness Way Girls Camp. He was also a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Westminster Chapter #1017*. William was an avid beef farmer and his greatest passion was spending time with his family. Survivors in addition to his wife, Beverly (née Whitsel) Casey of 51 years, include daughters, Lindsey Casey Gotham and husband Ed of Fair Play, and Kisha Casey Barnes and husband Thad of Fair Play; brother, Marshall Wiley of Fair Play; sisters, Pat Slaton of Fair Play, and Peggy Breazeale and husband Charles of Fair Play; four grandchildren, Braden Barnes, Ava Barnes, Aleighah Gotham and Kaidence Gotham; and numerous other special friends and family members. William is preceded in death by his parents, and sisters, Betty Glenn and Frances Wittig. A Funeral Service was held at 2:00 PM on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at the Oakdale Baptist Church with the burial in the South Union Baptist Church Cemetery. The family received friends prior to the service from 12:00 Noon - 1:45 PM on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at Oakdale Baptist Church. The family is at the residence. In lieu of flowers, memorials in William's memory can be made to the Wilderness Way Girls Camp, 175 Camp School Lane, Fair Play, SC 29643 or Fostering Faithfully, 905 East Main Street, Walhalla, SC 2961. Condolences may be expressed online by visiting www.sandiferfuneralhome.com. The Sandifer Funeral Home assisted the Casey family.

DONALD EARL CAYTON (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Thursday, August 5, 2021 at Angeles University Foundation Medical Center in Angeles City, Philippines at the age of 81. The cause of death was cardiac arrest. He was born in North Carolina on April 12, 1940. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a Past Commander and member of American Legion Post #123, Life Member of VFW Post #2485, *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887* and Past President (Beagle #1) Beagle Organization. He also was President of Alcoholics with a Mission (AWAM) here in Angeles City. In accordance with his last wishes, he was cremated on Friday, August 6, 2021 at La Pieta Memorial Chapels and Crematorium in Angeles City. Submitted and pending approval by ABMC and CFZ, the Family has requested rendering of Military Honors by VFW Post #2485 Honor Guard on Tuesday, August 15, 2021 at 10:30 AM at the Hall of Flags of Clark Veterans Cemetery (CVC), CFZ, Angeles City, and following Military Honors, he was laid to rest with an Inurnment Burial in CVC.



JAMES KENNETH CHAPPELLE – Died Sunday, December 12, 2021 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Philadelphia on December 17, 1948. He served in the United States Army from May 9, 1967 to July 9, 1970 with a tour in Vietnam from February 1968 to February 1969. He was a *Life Member* and *Past President* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Liberty Bell (Philadelphia) Chapter #266**. A celebration of James' life was held on Thursday, December 23, 2021 at the Wood Funeral Home, 5537-39 West Girard Avenue, Philadelphia, PA. The viewing was from 9:30-10:30 AM with the funeral service at 10:30 AM.

JOHN R. CLARK – Died Monday, October 18, 2021 in Kanab, Utah at the age of 79. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Salt Lake City, Utah on November 4, 1941. He served in the United States Navy from 1970 to 1974 with a tour of duty in Vietnam from 1971 to 1973. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint George Chapter #961**.



JAMES RAYMOND "Jim" CLOYES - Died Wednesday, October 13, 2021 in Whitehall, Ohio at the age of 72 after a short battle with lung disease. He was formerly of Columbus, Ohio. He was born on September 21, 1949 to the late Thomas Brown Cloyes and Marjorie (née Gere) Cloyes. He is survived by his wife Martha Cloyes; two daughters Lauren (Brian) Flinte and Lindsay (Calloway) Robertson; grandchildren Sophia Flinte, Abigail Flinte, Charlotte Robertson, and Calloway Robertson; sister Barbara Goff; and brothers Thomas Cloyes, William Cloyes, and Peter Cloyes. Devoted to his country, Jim enlisted in the United States Air Force upon high school graduation. He served in the Vietnam War 1969-1971 with the USAF's Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron nicknamed the Jolly Green Giants. Following the war, Jim graduated from The Ohio State University with degrees in Finance and Accounting, in under four years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Worthington Chapter #670**. His tenacity for numbers and algorithms brought him to Nickolas CPA located at 4308 East Main Street, where Jim partnered with Mr. Nickolas to build James R. Cloyes CPA. The address and bright green and yellow sign became synonymous with intrepid accounting, late nights, and devotion to clients' best interests. However, in order for Jim to build his practice, he had to confront the alcoholic inside. Through the support and education of Alcoholics Anonymous, Jim acknowledged his problem with alcohol, discovered faith in God of the Bible, and embodied the Jolly Green's mission to rescue "so others may live" by becoming an AA Sponsor. Jim loved people. An enthusiastic collector of things, Jim enjoyed providing for the needs of others, no matter how random or impossible the request might sound. His fearless spirit often led him to say and do things that changed the trajectory of lives for generations to come. Jim's legacy of giving whatever God placed into his hands continues today. Family and friends visited on Friday, October 22nd from 2:00-5:00 PM and from 6:00-8:00 PM at the Dwayne Spence Funeral Home,

650 West Waterloo Street, Canal Winchester, OH. A funeral service was held on Saturday, October 23rd at 11:00 AM at the Greencastle Bible Church, 2940 Amanda Northern Road NW, Carroll, OH. The graveside burial was in Lithopolis, Ohio.



JAMES EDWIN "Dusty" COLLINS - Died Wednesday July 28, 2021 in Pueblo, Colorado at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 19, 1949 in Dallas, Texas to the late Marshall Dee Collins and Julia Geneva Carroll. Survived by his wife of 35 years, Florence Ann (née Lafflin) Collins; preceded in death by his father, Marshall Dee Collins; mother, Julia Geneva Carroll; sister, Verna Mae Gerbitz Boloson; and brother, Marshall Dee Collins Jr. He faithfully served his country 20 years in the U.S. Marine Corps. After his military career, he worked 24 more years for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). James enjoyed motorcycling and was a member of the Iron Butt Association. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Woodbridge (Virginia) Chapter 617*. He was also a member of American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars (3 tours in Vietnam), Disabled Veterans of America, Sons of the American Revolution, Honda Road Riders and Virago Owners Club. There was no viewing nor any services. Cremation, Montgomery & Steward Crematorium. Memorials may be made to St Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Online condolences, www.MontgomerySteward.com.



FRANK ROBERT "Bob" COMPOSTO - Died Sunday, August 15, 2021 in Elmira, New York at the age of 82, after suffering a stroke. He was surrounded by his family, around the clock, in his final days. Bob, the eldest son to the late Frank and Helen Composto, was born on April 6, 1939 in Staten Island, NY, where he grew up and started his family. In 1974 he moved to "the country", Elmira, NY, where he lived a full and active life. Bob was a bright light to everyone. He was a loving and devoted husband to his best friend Kathy for 59 years. They enjoyed their winters in Florida, spending time with friends & family, and could never pass up a good yard sale! He was a hero to his five girls; Kathy Composto (Rod), Frannie Smith (Steve), Dori Doughty (Tom), Cari Becker (Jim) and Elizabeth Composto (Rob). He instilled strong values of hard work, integrity & the importance of family. He relished his role as a Grampa and was actively involved in the lives of his nine grandchildren (Jenny, Mark, Zach, Chelsea, Kelly, Michelle, Kimmy, Megan & Jacob) and his seven great grandchildren. He was the big brother, Bobby, to his six siblings. Predeceased by Eddie and Peggy, the others, Dottie, Helen, Richie (Amanda) and Tommy are left with decades of fond and colorful memories! He was a positive role model and father figure to so many. Uncle Bob will be dearly missed. Bob was a proud veteran of the United States Army serving from 1962-1965. During his tour in Vietnam he served as a morse code interceptor specialist. He retired from IBM in 2001 - employed as a customer service engineer for 35 years. In his retirement he enjoyed hunting, fishing, tinkering on his land & metal detecting on the beaches of Florida. As a person of faith and devout Catholic, he lived a life serving others. He volunteered his time as handy man

extraordinaire for the Dominican nuns in Elmira and routinely volunteered at the Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish food pantry. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus and volunteered with the Arctic League. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elmira Chapter #803**. He was a master craftsman, MacGyver-type, who could fix anything and inspired others to "think out of the box". He had a sense of humor, loved to tell stories, and always had a new joke to make you laugh. Remember this when you think of him and hum a tune or tell a joke to continue to spread his joy. Bob led a good life and had a peaceful death. He faced death and his mortality, as he did with his life, head on and strong in his beliefs. The family would like to thank our friends and family for their love, support and prayers. The staff at Strong Memorial Hospital and the Hospice team are appreciated for the great care they gave him over the past few weeks. To honor Bob, in lieu of flowers, please donate to your local food pantry or to The Harbor House of Rochester and do an unexpected and unsolicited act of kindness for someone. Family and friends were invited to a Mass of Christian Burial at Saint Mary Church, 224 Franklin Street, Elmira, on Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 10:00 AM. The Composto family requested that masks be worn at church. A livestream of the Mass was available through the Facebook page for Most Holy Name of Jesus Parish (<https://www.facebook.com/ElmiraCatholic>). Committal prayers and interment, with military honors, were conducted at Woodlawn National Cemetery.

RUSSELL J. "Rusty" COULBOURN - Died Tuesday, January 1, 2013 in the New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home in Vineland, New Jersey at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Salem, New Jersey on October 7, 1946. He was the father of Russell J. Coulbourn, Jr.; grandfather of Sabrina and Brianna Coulbourn; brother of Thomas H. Coulbourn, Jr. and his wife Carol of Franklinville; Beatrice L. Becker and her late husband William of Pitman; Shirley Monaco and her late husband Sam of Logan Township; Diance Bosco and her husband Anthony of Malaga; and the late Jack Coulbourn; stepbrother of William R. Thomas of Franklinville, and; uncle to several nieces and nephews. Although he was born in Salem, Russell was a longtime resident of Franklinville, New Jersey before moving to the NJ Veterans Memorial Home in Vineland in 1995. He was a 1966 graduate of Delsea Regional High School and was a heavy machine operator for Grochowski Excavating in Franklinville. Russell was a Combat Engineer with the United States Marine Corps and served honorably in Vietnam where he earned a Purple Heart after stepping on a land mine. Given the opportunity to return home after his recovery, Russell refused and instead insisted on returning to continue his tour. He loved fishing and football and in his younger years, roller skating including roller hockey and speed skating. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825**. He was a member of the SGT Anthony P. Grochowski VFW Post #2071 of Franklinville and formerly of the Franklinville Volunteer Fire Company. During his years at the VA Home, he enjoyed trips to the casino, fishing, and rides on the ferry. Russell was recently inducted as an Honorary Member of the Fire Base Nam MC Motorcycle Group. Relatives and friends were invited to his viewing on Friday, January 4, 2013 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM and on Saturday, January 5, 2013 from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM at the Barclay Funeral Home, 208 Maple Street, Clayton, NJ 08312. The funeral mass was celebrated on Saturday at 11:45 AM at the Roman Catholic Church of the Nativity, 2677 Delsea Drive, Franklinville, NJ. The interment was in Saint Joseph's Cemetery, Swedesboro. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his

memory to the NJ Veterans Memorial Home Welfare Fund, 524 North West Boulevard, Vineland, NJ 08360.

THOMAS WILLIAM COUNTS, JR. - Died Tuesday, November 23, 2021 in Broadway, Virginia at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Virginia Beach, Virginia on July 16, 1955. He was a Native American. He served in the United States Navy from June 17, 1975 to May 1, 1995. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of the America – Harrisonburg Chapter #1061**. He is survived by his wife, Roberta Counts, children, and grandchildren.



MICHAEL CULLEN CRAIG - Died Sunday, November 14, 2021 at home in Denver, Colorado at the age of 71, surrounded by his entire family after a seven-month battle with pancreatic cancer. He was born on July 14, 1950 in Deland, Florida and raised in Boonville, Indiana, by Charles and Joyce Craig, alongside his sisters Cheyenne and Kelly. Michael fought in the Vietnam War in the United States Army from 1970-1971 where he was critically wounded in action. For his service in Vietnam, he earned a Purple Heart, Bronze Star Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and a Combat Infantryman's Badge. Michael then moved to Denver, Colorado, where he was a successful Real Estate Broker for nearly 50 years. In Denver, Michael met the love of his life, Ellie, and they married after knowing each other for only three weeks; they were married for 43 years. Michael and Ellie have three daughters, Brynne, Kellyn, and Morgan. Michael was a proud member of the 11th Armored Calvary Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia, the Blackhorse Association, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lakewood Chapter #1071**, and the Denver Board of Realtors. Michael was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and brother. Michael and Ellie enjoyed spending time with friends and family, traveling near and far, attending music festivals, and golfing. There are few words that can truly speak to the volume of Michael's character, the accomplishments he achieved, and the people he impacted along the way. He was a role model and mentor to so many and was the embodiment of living life to the fullest. While his time was cut short, his legacy will live on with all of those he met along the way. Survived by his wife, Ellie Craig; daughters Brynne (Paul Sluder), Kellyn (Karsen Forsman), Morgan (fiancé Anthony Groene); grandchildren Gavin Sluder, Graham Sluder, Garrett Sluder, Graylynn Sluder, Griffin Sluder; sisters Cheyenne (John Whitehead) and Kelly (John Pike); mother-in-law Shirley Hanson; brothers-in-law, Greg Hanson (Kristy), James Hanson; sisters-in-law, Kathleen Dial, Kristine Jiménez (Dave Chambers). Michael was preceded in death by Charles and Joyce Craig, and Warren Hanson. A Military Service was held on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at 10:15 AM at Fort Logan National Cemetery, 4400 West Kenyon Avenue, Denver. A Celebration of Life was held on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 at 11:30 AM at the Platt Park Church, 1601 South Clarkson Street, Denver. There was also a reception following the Celebration of Life.

EDWARD "Ed" CRAWLEY – Died Saturday, November 20, 2021 in Forest, Mississippi at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 9, 1950 in New Orleans, Louisiana. He served in the United States Marine Corps from December 1967 to December 1971. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Brandon Chapter #1057**.

HARRY J. CULBERT – Died Sunday, December 5, 2021 in Reno, Nevada at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 11, 1941. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Reno Chapter #989**.

ROBERT L. DAVIS – Died Thursday, September 30, 2021 in Brick, New Jersey at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 25, 1945. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Brunswick Chapter #233**.



JAMES EDWARD "Jim" DAXON - Died peacefully Tuesday, October 26, 2021 at UnityPoint Health Finley Hospital in Dubuque, Iowa at the age of 74. He was a resident of Davenport, Iowa. The cause of death was heart disease. James was born on January 29, 1947 in Rock Island, Illinois to the late Mary Rita (née Dugan) Daxon and Bernard Daxon. He graduated from Alleman Catholic High School in 1965. He married Nancy Estes in February of 1967, with whom he shares a daughter, and later Sandy Lister in January of 1976. He worked as a car salesman for 40+ years in the Quad city area, and co-owned Fountainhead Tack. Jim is United States Army veteran serving with the 101st Airborne Division. He served from 1966 to 1968. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal along with Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Army Commendation Medal and received his parachute badge. James was a member of the Chevy club, the flying country club, and Silver Spurs Saddle Club. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776** and in his retirement was a part of the Honor Guard. He enjoyed spending time with his daughter, son-in-law, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He enjoyed cooking, gardening, riding horses, and watching NASCAR. He was a proud Bugler for the Honor Guard and was fond of taking his dog to the dog park. He is survived by his daughter Kristen (Paul) Decker of La Motte, Iowa; his grandchildren Tyler (JoJean), Justin (Katelyn), Austin (Courtney), Nathan, Abbey, Will, and Emma Decker; great-grandchildren Jackson and Hudson; sisters Rita Elliot, Janice (Jim) McCannon, and Kathleen Frauen, as well as nieces and nephews; his beloved dog Shiloh; as well as his first wife Nancy Barnhart, and second wife Sandy Daxon. James was preceded in death by his parents, Bernard and Mary Rita Daxon; brothers-in-law Barney Elliot, and Larry Frauen; niece Brenda Elliott-Yordy; and nephew Dale McCannon. A private family burial with military honors was held at the Rock Island National Cemetery. A celebration of life for family and friends was on November 15, 2021, at the American Legion Post #26, 702 West 35th Street, Davenport, IA from 12:00 Noon to 3:00 PM. The Leonard Funeral Home and Crematory in Dubuque, Iowa was in charge of the arrangements. The family would like to thank the wonderful staff at Finley Hospital in Dubuque.

ANITA J. DEC – Died recently in 2021 in Mays Landing, New Jersey at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on September 26, 1952. She was a veteran of the Vietnam War. She was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825**.



ALEXANDER "Alex" De La CRUZ - Died Tuesday, October 19, 2021 in Midland, Pennsylvania at the age of 86, from complications of a stroke and Covid-19. He was born on December 17, 1934 in Midland to the late Alejandro and Paula de la Cruz. He was a Petty Officer 3rd class in the United States Navy, serving on the USS Eaton during the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam War. Alex went on to a long career with Crucible Steel, Colt Industries, Midland. He was a member of Labor Union #1212, where he served as Labor Counsel, the American Red Cross, Girl Scouts, United Way, and the Knights of Columbus. A faithful member of Saint Blaise Parish, Midland, Alex was active with the church's fall festival. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862*. In addition to his parents, Alejandro and Paula de la Cruz, Alex was preceded in death by four sisters, Esperanza "Hope" Sanchez, Mary F. de la Cruz, Catherine "Kitty" de la Cruz, and Guadalupe de la Cruz; along with a nephew and niece, Frank and Sara Sanchez. He is survived by several nieces and nephews, Reynaldo (Carlene) Sanchez, Steve (Gerry) Sanchez, Amelia Juarez, Celia Sanchez, Lidia (Mark Fraser) LeMasters, Mary (Vince Lack) de la Cruz, Rachel Sanchez, Sherri Markham, Renee (Chris) D'Alessandro, Debbie (Dave) Yasick, and Darla (Nick) Handlow. Friends were received on Thursday, October 21, 2021 from 4:00 until 7:00 PM in the Schwerha-Noll Funeral Home, 600 Beaver Avenue, Midland. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Friday, October 22, 2021 at 10:30 AM at Saint Blaise Parish, Midland. Online condolences may be shared at nollfuneral.com. The family requested that masks be worn by all visitors.



DANIEL P. DeROSE - Died Thursday, May 16, 2019 at AtlantiCare in Atlantic City, New Jersey at the age of 89. He was a resident of Mays Landing, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 16, 1930 in Elizabeth, New Jersey to the late Dominick and Julia (Skodis) DeRose. He enlisted in the United States Army and later enlisted and retired from the United States Air Force. During his service he was stationed in Africa and Spain, and then California, and New Jersey. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825*. He later worked for the NJ Department of Transportation for many years until his retirement. Daniel was predeceased by his parents Dominick and Julia (Skodis) DeRose, his daughter Diane, and ex-wife Geraldine. He is survived by daughters: Lisa, Michele DeRose-Mick, Theresa DeRose, and Juliana Hurley all of Mays Landing; grandchildren: Roberto, Melanie, Timothy, Ryan, and Hannah; great-granddaughter Shelby; sister Maryanne Blewitt; and long-time friend, DJ. A viewing was held on Wednesday, May 22, from 9:00-11:00 AM at Saint Vincent de Paul Church, 5021 Harding Highway, Mays Landing, where Mass was held at 11:00 AM. The burial with military honors was held at the Atlantic County Veterans Cemetery in Estell Manor. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to VFW Post #220, 1209 Cape May Avenue,

Mays Landing, NJ 08330 or the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KA 66675-8517 or online at www.woundedwarriorproject.org.



RICHARD J. "Rich" "Mr. D." DICKHART - Died unexpectedly Sunday, October 10, 2021 from complications of COVID-19 at the Heritage Valley in Sewickley, Pennsylvania at the age of 74. He was a resident of Aliquippa, Pennsylvania. He was a resident of Hopewell, Pennsylvania for the past 47 years. He was born in Sewickley on December 6, 1946 one of two sons to the late Edward and Doris (née Tubb) Dickhart. Rich married the love of his life on November 17, 1967, Linda (née Metcalf) Dickhart. Rich proudly served in the United States Navy from 1963 to 1969 during the Vietnam War and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862** and Hopewell VFW. He retired in 2001 from McKesson, Van Waters and Rogers. Rich owned a 1967 Emerald Turquoise Impala Super Sport which he and Linda took to many car cruises. Rich and his wife were always having fun whether it be walking, dancing, roller skating and bowling. He was the classic Tinkerer of Tinkers and enjoyed planting his vegetable garden. He loved spending time with his grandchildren and attended all their activities, cheering for them at soccer, swimming, basketball, baseball and supporting Hopewell High School Marching Band. Rich was a graduate of Moon Area High School, class of 1964. Beloved husband of Linda (née Metcalf) Dickhart; loving father of Barbara "Barbie" Ann Faulkner and Jason (Christine) Dickhart; adoring grandfather of Matthew, Olivia, and Aaron; brother of Edward Dickhart; also loving nieces and nephews and many friends. Visitation was held on Thursday from 2:00-8:00 PM at Copeland's Coraopolis, 867 Fifth Avenue where the service was held on Friday at 11:00 AM. The burial was at the Coraopolis Cemetery with full military honors. The family suggested donations of desired be made to the veteran's charity of your choice.

ALLEN FREDERICK DOTTI – Died Monday, February 20, 2017 at the New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home in Vineland, New Jersey at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 18, 1950. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825**.

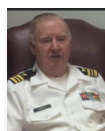


RUSSELL OWEN "Russ" DOUGLAS – Died peacefully in his loving wife's arms on the evening of Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at the age of 74. A major cardiac event precipitated his death which took place at the UW Madison University Hospital. He resided in Milton, Wisconsin. He was born on April 30, 1947 in Monroe, Wisconsin to the late Ralph and Gladys Douglas. He had two sisters, Elaine and Doris, and one brother, Ray. He grew up on the family farm in Brodhead, Wisconsin and attended Brodhead High School where he was an excellent student who ran track and was prom king. After graduation, Russ enlisted in the United States Air Force where he worked as an Aircraft Technician in Vietnam and the Philippines from 1966-1971, earned the rank of Staff Sergeant, and also the honor of an Air Force Commendation Medal while assigned to the 17th SOS. It was at Clark Air Force Base in Angeles City, Pampanga, Philippines that he met the love of his life, née Teresita Guaio Catacutan. After a year of courtship, they were

wed on November 3, 1968 resulting in a marriage that lasted 53 years. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Janesville Chapter #236*. Upon returning to the U.S., Russ's education consisted of the following degrees throughout the course of his life: Associates of Science at UW-Rock, UW Whitewater BA Business Management, MSE School Business Management, MBA Business Management, and a Blackhawk Technical College Associate's Degree in Information Technology. His career history included being an electrician at General Motors for over 23 years, an accountant at the Deerfield School district, and owning his own mobile car mechanic business. Russ had a number of joys in life. His first was being in the outdoors. He loved gardening and cultivating fruit and vegetable beds, grape arbors, and berry patches. He cherished watching birds and he had numerous feeders outside a large picture window in his home where he and his wife could watch their feathered friends and comment to each other and laugh about their doings. Another of Russ's outdoor passions included cutting wood as his children and grandchildren can heartily attest to as he enlisted their help in chopping it up, throwing it onto a rusty, old truck, and then stacking it neatly. Russ also loved to help others with handyman jobs centered on fixing vehicles and doing home improvement projects. Russ also treasured spending time with family. Having picnics at Whitewater Lake and Devil's Lake along with holiday and birthday parties at homes including his own made many beautiful memories for friends and family. He and his wife had a couple of well cared for vans that collected tens of thousands of miles as they and their kids got to travel extensively throughout the U.S. to almost every state and to national parks like Yellowstone and the Black Hills. Later in life, he treasured a very special trip back to the Philippines to visit family and recall fond memories. He was also an avid supporter of his grandchildren and could be found attending every possible grandchild's sporting, music, and graduation events with his wife. Russ had a goofy, wholesome sense of humor especially with those he loved most and he was generous of spirit as he was always willing to help and did so countless times for friends and family. It was funny and sweet to see how he could fall asleep in any given environment, but the place he loved best was in his basement on the floor, cozy and toasty, in front of his wood burning stove where he also liked to crack nuts when he wanted a tasty snack. He certainly had a mischievous streak. When he had a certain gleam in his eye, you just knew he was about to get his wife's dander up deliberately and when his mission was accomplished he'd laugh in fake bewilderment and complete satisfaction. Russ's greatest achievement centered around his family. Because he was such a humble, unassuming man, it's truly staggering to think of the multitude of lives he contributed to as not only did he bring his wife back to the United States, but he and Tess also brought back her mother and father and all eight of her siblings. Those siblings had 27 children combined, and those children had 21 children of their own with one on the way at this time of his passing. Think of the multitude of lives touched as he helped make it possible for all of these family members to contribute to the betterment of the world in areas including, but not limited to healthcare, law enforcement, social services, restaurant and hospitality services, home/domestic management, art, manufacturing, the entertainment industry, and education. Simply amazing. Russ was predeceased by his stillborn child, Russell Owen Douglas, Jr. and is survived by his siblings: Elaine Douglas, Allen, TX, Doris Lemke, Edgerton, WI, and Ray Douglas, Brodhead, WI; Spouse: Teresita (Tess) Douglas, Milton, WI; Children: Theresa (Tracy) Douglas and husband, Robert Jarzen, Janesville, WI, Rowen Douglas, Brooklyn, NY, Rose Mansavage, Fort Atkinson, WI; Grandchildren: Arianna, Jeremiah, and Caleb Mansavage, Max, Rider, Madeleine, and Jazmyn Jarzen; and Sophia Douglas. His family

would like to thank everyone for the wonderful outpouring of love and support that has sustained us during this very difficult time.

JOHN F. ECKEL – Died Monday, September 13, 2021 in Pulteney, New York at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 12, 1949. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Elmira Chapter #803**.



WILLIAM D. "Bill" EMRICH, SR. (USN, LCDR-Ret.) - Died Sunday, October 3, 2021 at Archbold Medical Center in Thomasville, Georgia at the age of 89, following a brief illness. He was a resident of Adel, Georgia. He was born in Adel on September 10, 1932 to the late Jeff Emrich and Louise (née Flowers) Emrich. He was also predeceased by his sister, LaFaye Sansbury, and loving wife of sixty-five years, Mattie Ruth Emrich. Following graduation from Cook High School in 1950, he enlisted in the United States Navy. Mr. Emrich was stationed in Korea from May 1951 - November 1952. He served two tours of duty in Vietnam: Danang (November 1968 - November 1969) and Saigon (August 1971 - August 1972.) After twenty-six years of dedicated service to the United States Navy, he retired in April 1975. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Adel Chapter #1090**. After retirement, Mr. Emrich returned to Adel and worked as Sales Manager for Adel Steel, Inc until July 1988. He then founded and served as President of Steel Building Systems, Inc., until his retirement in December, 1998. Mr. Emrich is survived by his three children, Danny (Teresa) Emrich of Adel, Bunny (Lin) Parrish of Adel, and Phil (Pamela) Emrich of Adel; grandchildren, Brandon Emrich, Nikki Emrich, Bubba (Shayla) Emrich, Dalton (Katie) Lampe, Trevor Lampe, Will Parrish, and Robin (Deron) Roberts; great-grandchildren, Drew Dobbins, Graham Emrich, Gracie Mae Emrich, and Gensie Ruth Emrich; sister, JoAnn Stone; sisters in law, Virginia Bennett and Betty Lloyd; a host of nieces and nephews, and a very special friend, Virginia Forehand of Orlando, FL. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Purvis Funeral Home with Reverend Charles Blair officiating and the VVA Chapter #1090 of Adel providing military rites. Serving as pallbearers were Brandon Emrich, Bubba Emrich, Trevor Lampe, Dalton Lampe, Will Parrish, and Hank Pitts. Honorary pallbearers were The Round Table Club and The Vietnam Veterans. Music selections are "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" and "Anchors Away." In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Cook County Boys and Girls Club, 1200 North Hutchinson Avenue, Adel, GA 31620.

FAYE R. SATURDAY EMSWELLER - Died on Friday, July 23, 2021 at Saint Joseph Hospital at the age of 75. She was a resident of Meldrim, Georgia. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on November 30, 1945 to the late Kenneth Rahn, Sr. and Martha Rahn. She was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Savannah Chapter #671**. Faye was an avid gardener. She was preceded in death by her parents, Kenneth Rahn, Sr. and Martha Rahn; her late husband, C.R. Saturday, Jr.; brothers, Kenneth Rahn, Jr., Wendell Rahn, Bernard Rahn; sons, Robert Keith Saturday and Del Saturday. Survivors include her husband, Jerry Emsweller;

daughters, Ebony Beckworth (Brian), LaJuan Taylor (Terry), Michele Spalding (Steve); 14 grandchildren; 28 great-grandchildren; step-daughters, Jenny Davis (William), Nikki Coulter (Jason), Patrick Emsweller (Tiffany), Terry Emsweller; and 7 step-grandchildren; sisters, Anne Darst (John), Sharon Hales (Dennis), Frankie Fort (Tommy), Bonnie Randle (Michael), and Paula Rahn; sisters-in-law, Rose Rahn and Jackie Rahn; and several nieces and nephews. Visitation was from 5:00 -7:00 PM on Sunday at the funeral home. The funeral was on Monday at 2:00 PM in the chapel of the funeral home. The burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Meldrim. The Thomas C. Strickland and Sons Funeral Homes - West Chatham Chapel, 901 West Highway 80, Pooler, GA was in charge of the arrangements.



JAMES AUBREY ENNIS - Died Tuesday morning, January 5, 2021 at his home in Savannah, Georgia at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Savannah to the late Jimmy Archie Ennis and the late Peggy (née Fields) Ennis. James was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps having served in the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Savannah Chapter #671*. He was a retired auto mechanic. James loved his family, fishing, and racing. Survivors include his wife, Becky (née Frawley) Ennis; his daughter, Jaime Thompson Elliott and her husband, Tim; grandchildren, Donald James Thompson, Darien Thompson and Daniel Elliott; two sisters, Mary Poss and her husband, Frank, and Donna Ennis; two brothers, David Ennis and his wife, Donna, and Donald Ennis, and nieces and nephews. The family received friends from 9:00 until 11:00 AM on Friday morning, January 8, 2021, at Gamble Funeral Service – 410 Stephenson Avenue. The funeral service was held at 11:00 AM on Friday morning, January 8, 2021, in the chapel of Gamble Funeral Service conducted by the Reverend Jonathan Brown. The interment was in the Greenwich Section of the Bonaventure Cemetery.

JAMES SHELTON “Jim” ERSKINE - Died Monday, September 20, 2021 in Sinks Grove, West Virginia at the age of 81. The cause of death is unknown. Jim was born on September 2, 1940 to the late James Hampton Erskine and Maggie Snow (née Miller) Erskine. Except for two years of Military duty in the United States Army, including service in Vietnam, Jim spent his entire life at Sinks Grove, WV. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Union Chapter #1108*. Jim graduated from Union High School where he excelled in baseball, earning the nick name of “Ernie” as in Ernie Banks. He retired from Mountain International “Kid Truck” where he enjoyed his reputation as a big rig mechanic. He was also a gentleman farmer with the emphasis on gentleman. Jim was an active member of Trinity United Methodist Church at Pickaway, WV, where he served in many capacities. He leaves behind his wife of over 50 years, Virginia Frances (née Crone) Erskine; sister, Patricia McCullum and her husband Ron; brother-in-law, Walter Crone; nine nieces and nephews, and an untold number of friends. Funeral services were held at 1:00 PM on Thursday, September 23, 2021 at the Groves-Mann Funeral Home Chapel in Union, WV with Pastor Gene Fullen officiating. The burial was in the Mount Pleasant Community Church Cemetery at Sinks Grove, WV, where the WV Honor Guard conducted military graveside rites. The family received friends on Thursday, September 23, 2021 from 12:00 Noon until the time of the service. Those wishing to send the Erskine Family online condolences or would like to sign the online guestbook, please do so by visiting www.groves-mann.com.



LOUIS JOHN FISKÉN - Died Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at Lake Havasu Regional Medical Center in Lake Havasu City, Arizona at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. John, as he was known to family and friends, was born on March 11, 1944 in Green Bay, Wisconsin at Bellin Hospital to the late Louis and Elfrieda Fiskén. He grew up in Shawano, Wisconsin and attended Saint James Lutheran School, and graduated from Shawano High School in 1962. John served in the United States Army, spending time in Vietnam. John was united in marriage to Audrey Stueck in 1970 and together had one son. They later divorced. John was a faithful member of Saint James Lutheran Church where he held various offices in the church, sang in the choir, and often ushered. John owned J.F. Electronics and was a co-owner of Werbelow Beverages with his brother, Dave Fiskén. Following his time working at Werbelow Beverages, John worked selling communication equipment for Baycom and later, Northway Communications. He was very involved with many civic organizations, was past president of Shawano Lions Club, and *Past President and Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Shawano Chapter #206**. He was a ham radio operator, enjoyed golfing, and traveling. John was married to Kaisu Yrjana in 2000. They lived in Shawano for many years before moving to Lake Havasu City, Arizona. They belong to Lamb of God Church in Lake Havasu City where John was actively involved. John loved to spend time with his family, his pets, attend weekly yoga, and weekly morning Bible studies. Survivors include his wife, Kaisu Fiskén, of Lake Havasu City, Arizona; his son, James (Amy) Fiskén of Shawano; grandchildren, Brandi and Joshua Fiskén of Shawano; Kaisu's children, Chantal Cowan of Oconto Falls, Ashlee (Darren) Marcus of Toronto, Ontario, Will (Leanne) Trembley and their children, Jack and Zoe of Thunder Bay, Ontario; and Kaisu's granddaughter, Michelle Johnston and her daughter, Haylee of Appleton. He is further survived by his former wife, Audrey Fiskén of Shawano; his sister, Carole Nelson of Shawano; his brother, Dave (Pat) Fiskén of Bonduel; and many nieces and nephews. John was preceded in death by his parents, Louis and Elfrieda Fiskén, and his beloved pets, Barney, Lobo, and Max. A memorial service to honor and celebrate John's life was held on Tuesday, November 30, 2021, at 11:00 AM at the Mickelson Funeral Service in Shawano. Pastor Steve Conrad officiated. Visitation began at 9:00 AM and continued until the time of service. Military Honors were conducted following the service at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Shawano. In lieu of flowers and plants, memorials to the Shawano Waupaca Disabled Veterans in John's name are preferred. "The family would like to thank the nurses, doctors, and ICU staff at Lake Havasu Regional Medical Center for the great care they gave John."



EDWIN SAMUEL FOLDOE, JR. – Died Saturday, January 4, 2014 at the New Jersey Veterans Memorial Home in Vineland, New Jersey at the age of 68 years. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Atlantic City, New Jersey on February 23, 1945. He resided in many places throughout his life - most recently the Veterans Memorial Home of Vineland. The eldest of six children, he was himself married twice and the father of four children. Edwin was a proud veteran of the United States Army, and had several places of employment, notably as a security

guard for approximately 20 years at the Shore Mall. He was an avid lover of both photography and poetry, even writing numerous poems himself, which he had published in two works. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Newfield, VFW Post #220 in Mays Landing, The American Legion, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825*. He was predeceased by his second wife Janice Mary, and his sister Ellen Leona; sister Carol Wilma; brother Timothy Gene. He is survived by his first wife Mary; daughter Tammy; daughter Tawnya (Stephen); son Joshua; daughter, Andrea (Chris); grandson Jordan; granddaughter Cailey; grandson Samuel; granddaughter Jamie; granddaughter Alyssa; sister Norma (David) Amiot, brother Roger (Debbie) Foldoe; and numerous nieces and nephews. A small graveside service, followed by interment, was held at the Atlantic County Veterans Cemetery, located in the Atlantic County Park in Estell Manor. A small gathering was held afterwards at Ye Olde Mill Street Pub in Mays Landing.



STANLEY LEE "Stan" FULTZ – Died Tuesday, December 14, 2021 in Monroe, Michigan at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Tazewell, Tennessee on January 13, 1941. He was a twin and the eldest of three children born from the union of Howard Fultz and Hazel (née Rosenbalm) Fultz. Stanley was a graduate of Claiborne High School. He would continue his studies achieving his Associate and Bachelor Degrees. He enlisted in the United States Army and served his country honorably during the Vietnam War from 1960-1964. He functioned in graves registry as a Medic being stationed Germany. Stan would meet his future wife the former Georgia Mae Earls while still in grade school. Stanley was so enamored with her beauty inside and out, of his childhood sweetheart, that he asked her mother to "save her for me". The couple were joined in marriage on June 30, 1964. Upon moving to Michigan from Tazewell in December of 1964, Stan took a position with Memorial Hospital in Monroe as a Medical Technologist. The following year he would begin an eighteen-year career as a Med Tech in the Laboratory at Riverside Osteopathic Hospital in Trenton. Stanley had a passion for fine art. On March 3, 1978, Stanley and Georgia opened the Fultz Gallery and Framing on Front Street in Monroe. The couple also owned a separate second location in Sylvania, Ohio for ten years in the 1980's. Stan was a whiz on the computer and painstakingly performed photo restoration. He was very creative and talented putting together finely framed and matted pieces for customers who many truly became lifelong friends, coming back time and time again. Passionate about his work his own home became a testament to many of his favorite pieces including much military art. They retired on June 30, 2016 after thirty-eight years. Stan was extremely proud of his military service he was a Life Member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1138 and faithfully served on Ritual Team for many years. A disabled veteran himself, Stan was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Monroe Chapter #142*, Life Member of Disabled American Veterans, and a member of the Last Two Men Club, an invitation only group of Vietnam Veterans. He also was a Life Member of the Masonic Lodge 27 Free & Accepted Masons for more than forty years, Life Member of the Scottish Rite, and member of the Shriners. Stan and Georgia were faithful members of the Monroe Missionary Baptist Church for many years. Stan made friends wherever he went. He loved to shoot the breeze and was well-known for his non-argumentative smooth

personality. He knew enough to walk away instead of fighting if he had a disagreement. He had a wonderful smile and his laugh was contagious. Stan was kind and generous, He loved classic cars owning several throughout the years although his current "baby" was a 2012 Grand Sport Corvette convertible. He was a member of the Monroe Area Street Rod Association. Stanley Lee Fultz, age 80, of Monroe passed away peacefully on Tuesday; December 14, 2021 at ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital, with his cherished wife, Georgia by his side. Stanley had been in declining health for several years. His passing was preceded by his parents; a twin sister: Stachia Riddle; and a brother: Charles E. Fultz. To cherish his memory Stan leaves his beloved wife of fifty-seven years: Georgia of Monroe; two nephews: Jeff Buchannon and Johnny Buchannon; two nieces: Jackie Buchannon-Smith and Angela Pap; numerous cousins; and several great-nieces and great-nephews. Friends gathered from 3:00 until 8:00 PM on Thursday; December 16, 2021 at the Merkle Funeral Service, South Monroe; 14567 South Dixie Highway, Monroe, Michigan where a Masonic Service was held at 7:00 PM. A Celebration of His Life was held at 12:00 Noon on Friday; December 17, 2021 also at Merkle's with Pastor Roy Southerland and Pastor Larry Head co-officiating. A procession followed to Roselawn Memorial Park in LaSalle for entombment at the Veterans Monument. Graveside services were under the auspices of Monroe Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1138. For those who desire, memorials in Stan's honor are suggested to the Shriners Children's Hospital, Masonic Lodge, or to the VFW Post #1138. Online guests may leave words of inspiration and comfort or share a photo by visiting www.merklefs.com. A special thank you to caregivers from Comfort-Keepers and especially caregivers, Pam, Kim, Mary and Peggy. Also, to the nurses and doctors at ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital and Saint Vincent Medical Center.



DAN AUSTIN FUSON - Died Wednesday evening, November 17, 2021 peacefully at his home in Dowelltown, Tennessee at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 28, 1945 to the late Joe and Ava Nell (née Groom) Fuson. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Regina Carol Fuson; sister, Helen Hankins; nephew, Robert Hankins. Dan was a member of the Snow Hill United Methodist Church. He was a former grocery store owner. Dan served in the United States Army, serving in the 4th Infantry Division in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – McMinnville Chapter #1112**. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Ramona Jane Fuson of Dowelltown; a very special great-niece and great-nephew, Aniston Jane Farler and Marshall Austin Farler; brother, Lewis Fuson of Smithville; sister, Carol (Don) Crook of Smithville; brother-in-law, Bob Hankins of Arkansas; brother-in-law, Jerry (Theresa) Farler of Alabama; sister-in-law, Jeanie (Jerry) Pack of McMinnville; nephews, Joe (Missy) Fuson of Smithville, Jacob (Kim) Crook of Liberty, Jason (Joanna) Fuson of Smithville, Keith (Sabrina) Farler of Dowelltown, James (Ashley) Pack of McMinnville, Adam Farler and Jerry Farler, Jr. both of Alabama; nieces, Cherrie Page of Dowelltown, Inez (Traye) Cope of McMinnville; Katherine (Caleb) Wade of Alabama and Dallas (David) Walker of Alabama. He is also survived by many great-nieces and great-nephews. Public graveside services were held at 1:00 PM on Friday, November 19, 2021 at Salem Cemetery with Brother Michael Hale officiating and military honors conducted by the Veterans Honor Guard. There was no visitation nor services at the funeral home. Family and friends met at the cemetery for the

graveside service at 1:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, the family asked that donations be made to the Salem Cemetery Fund, in memory of Dan and those can be made by calling or going by the funeral home. The DeKalb Funeral Chapel was in charge of the arrangements.

ROBERT D. GALLANT, SR. – Died recently in 2021 in North Bend, Oregon at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 13, 1946. He is survived by his wife. He was a veterans of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Roseburg Chapter #805**.

LARRY L. GARRISON – Died Sunday, July 11, 2021 in Alpharetta, Georgia at the age of 84. The cause of death was dementia. He was born on November 10, 1936. He served in the United States Air Force from October 5, 1959 to May 31, 1980. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumming Chapter #1030**.



DONALD LEE "Don" GIBBS (USAF, 1SG-Ret.) - Died Sunday, October 3, 2021 in Supply, North Carolina at the age of 66. He was former of Richmond, Kentucky and Southern Pines, North Carolina. The cause of death was cancer. Donald was born on February 14, 1955 in Hampton, Virginia to Irwin Gibbs and Vivian Gibbs, of South Dakota. He graduated from Pinecrest High School in Southern Pines; North Carolina then joined the United States Air Force after graduation. After retiring from the Air Force, he moved to Southern Pines where he had various jobs while working at Fort Bragg. He began military duty at Pope Air Force Base and was promoted to Sr. Master Sgt. of 53rd APS. The Commanding Officer, Captain John R. Ritner described Don as a prolific writer who accomplished much during his tenure. He helped his unit win the award Outstanding Aerial Port Squadron. He also worked along with the 82nd Airborne Division during Desert Shield/Storm. Don was recognized as Component Outstanding Non-Commissioned Officer and held office of First Sgt. of 53rd MAPS, Pope AFB. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Richmond Chapter #1066**. Don was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. He was a Christian who witnessed to all who would listen and an active member of First Baptist Church, Shallotte. He loved to fish even though times were not so profitable. Don had a giving heart to those in need and helped anyone in need financially or other. The nicknames for Don were Poppy, the favored, DonGyver, because if it was broken, a piece of tape, rubber band, gum wrapper, or straw could fix it. Many have sent regards, letters, and calls to tell him how much they appreciated him over the years. He will be greatly missed. In addition to his parents, survivors include his wife of 44 years, Sherol Shelton Gibbs of Supply; children, Kristy Webb of Berea, Kentucky and Clint Gibbs and wife Emily of Richmond, Kentucky; brothers, Mike Gibbs and wife Patty of Sioux City, Iowa, Larry Gibbs and wife June of Oak Ridge, Tennessee; three grandchildren, Rebekah, George, and Kaylor; several nieces, nephews, grand nieces, and grand

nephews. A Memorial Service with Military Honors was held at graveside at 11:00 AM on Monday, October 11, 2021 at Madison Memorial Gardens. Brother Sammy Frye of Carthage, North Carolina officiated. The Combs, Parsons and Collins Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. www.cpcfh.com.



JOHN H. GIRTING, JR. - Died Saturday, November 27, 2021 in Heritage Valley Hospital, Beaver, Pennsylvania at the age of 77. He was a resident of Midland, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in East Liverpool, Ohio on September 12, 1944 to the late John H. Girting, Sr. and Veronica (née Younciak) Girting. A graduate of Lincoln High School, Midland, he was a United States Air Force Veteran, serving during the Vietnam Conflict. He was retired from Nova Chemical, Monaca, where he was employed as a lab technician. He was a member of Saint Blaise Parish Family, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #8168, American Legion Post #481, Midland Sportsman's Club and a *Life Member* of the **Beaver County Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. John loved the outdoors and spending time with his grandchildren. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Darcey J. Adkins in 2013 and his grandson, Kai Chandler in 2017. He leaves behind his cherished family, wife; Kathy Diamond Girting, son and daughter-in-law; Stephen J. and Michelle Girting, South Beaver Twp., daughters and son-in-law; Haley L. and Quinn Logan, Hemet, CA and Johnna S. Girting, Calcutta, OH, 14 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren, sisters and brothers-in-law; Kathy "Sissie" Epley, Midland, Carol and Paul DiGiacomo, Ohioville, Terri and Sam Vojnovich, Ohioville, brothers; Ron "Sonny" Girting, Industry, Joseph Girting and his companion, Sara, Charlotte, NC. Friends were received on Wednesday from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the D. L. Williams Funeral Home, 848 Midland Avenue, Midland. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Thursday at 12:00 Noon at Saint Blaise Parish, Midland. The interment was in the Beaver Cemetery.



RICHARD F. GOLA – Died Tuesday, October 12, 2021 in Manville, New Jersey at the age of 80, after a long battle with cancer, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on October 4, 1941 in Passaic New Jersey to the late Frank and Laura Gola. He was raised in Wallington NJ graduating from Wallington High School in 1959 where he was a 4-year varsity football player. From 1967-1968, he served in the Vietnam War in the United States Army, where he was awarded the Bronze Star. From the late 1970's thru 2018, he was involved with the Boy Scouts of America. He was a recipient of the Silver Beaver Award. He retired from Barclay Brand Ferdon, South Plainfield NJ. Richard was actively involved in the VA and a local gun club. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Flemington Chapter #452**. Richard is survived by his wife Marianne, his son and daughter-in-law, Richard "Rick" and Tracey Gola, his daughter Heather Filipski and two granddaughters, Amanda and Emily Filipski. He is preceded in death by his parents Frank & Laura and brother Joseph Gola. The viewing w held on Friday, October 15,

2021 from 5:00-8:00 PM at the Ketusky Funeral Home, 1310 Brooks Boulevard in Manville, NJ. The Funeral service took place 8:00 AM from the Ketusky Funeral Home followed by a 9:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church (Christ the Redeemer Parish) located at 98 South 2nd Avenue in Manville, NJ. The burial was private. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to your local VA or VFW Post in Richard's name. Our Veterans are our nation's "true" National Treasure.

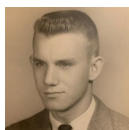


MICHAEL T. "Mike" GREEN - Died Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at home in Moline, Illinois at the age of 74, surrounded by family. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related prostate cancer. Mike was born on January 5, 1947 in Monmouth, Illinois to the late Wayne and Helen (née Taylor) Green. He married Marcia K. Lewis on October 14, 1972 in Moline and were blessed with two children. Mike grew up in Roseville, Illinois and graduated from Roseville High School in May of 1965. He was a United States Army Veteran, serving a year tour in Vietnam. Mike began his law-enforcement career working in the Rock Island County Jail. In 1970, Mike was sworn in as Deputy with the Rock Island County Sheriff's Department, as Lieutenant in charge of warrant division, Jail Administrator, and as Under Sheriff, retiring in 1990 as Sheriff. He went on to serve as the Public Safety Manager at the Quad City International Airport until 2000. Mike finished his career of public service with the U.S. Marshal's Service as Court Security Officer until he was diagnosed with Prostate Cancer from Agent Orange. Mike was a long-time member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Moline, serving on the Board of Elders and *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rock Island Chapter #299*. Survivors include his wife, Marcia; children, Michele Green (Tony Vondracek), LeClaire, IA and Nathan (Jill) Green, Highlands Ranch, CO; grandchildren, Dane, Sam, Will and Miles, Bella, Celia and Olivia; sister-in-law, Melinda Green, Monmouth, IL; in-laws, Vicki and Tony Hamilton, Greg and Kathy Lewis and Mark and Sue Lewis and many nieces and nephews. Mike was preceded in death by his mother, father, brother, Gary, and brother-in-law, Greg Allison. The funeral service was at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Moline. Visitation hours were from 3:00-6:00 PM on Monday at the Rafferty Funeral Home, 2111 1st Street A, Moline. The burial was at the National Cemetery at the Rock Island Arsenal with military honors by Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter #299. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Holy Cross Lutheran Church.



CHARLES ERNEST "Chuck" GREGG - Died Sunday, June 20, 2021 on Father's Day at Clarehouse of Tulsa, Oklahoma at the age of 75. He was a resident of Owasso, Oklahoma and formerly of Caney, Kansas. The cause of death is unknown. Chuck was born on July 17, 1945 in Tucson, Arizona to the late Joe Gregg and Barbara June (née Graves) Gregg. The family moved to Caney, Kansas, where Chuck would later graduate from Caney High School. He joined the United States Marine Corps and served his country during the Vietnam War. Sergeant Gregg returned from Vietnam in 1966. He and Marcia Sanders were married later that year. The couple had two daughters Robbi and Jimmi. Chuck was honorably discharged in 1967 and returned to Caney,

Kansas, and later to Topeka, Kansas, where he joined the ranks of the Kansas Highway Patrol. In 1974, the Greggs moved to Ponca City, Oklahoma, where they owned and operated Gregg's Ponca City TruValue Hardware Stores. It was in Ponca City where Chuck married Onie Adkins on December 30, 1982. Chuck and Onie owned several other successful businesses. After retiring early, Chuck and Onie lived in various places, including Breckenridge, Colorado, Lake Hudson area of Pryor, Oklahoma and Port Isabel, Texas. The couple spent the last several years in Owasso, Oklahoma. Chuck was a proud veteran and was a member of the American Legion for 54 years. While a member of the American Legion, he was elected Legionnaire-of-the-Year and the Oklahoma State Commander of the American Legion. During his tenure as State Commander, he was appointed by the governor to the War Veterans' Commission, Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs in which he was responsible for seven Veterans Centers and State Service Offices. According to Chuck, any of his success in life, both in business and the military, was due to the Marine Corps and their high standards. The USMC motto "Semper Paratus" (Always Faithful) says it all. He was also a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ponca City Chapter #750**. He is survived by his wife, Onie of the home; three daughters, Robbi Gregg Herrman and husband, Paul of Gridley, Kansas, Jimmi Gregg Stevens and husband, Scott of Bonita Springs, Florida and Connie Goad and husband, Carl of Ralston, Oklahoma; nine grandchildren, Nathan, Logan and Ella Herrman, all of Gridley, Kansas, Rachael "Jane" Watkins-Waner and husband, Bryan of Midwest City, Oklahoma, Delaney Cornforth of Fort Myers, Florida, Brady Goad and wife, Bailey, Jason Goad, Cale Goad and Casey Goad and wife, Tiffany, all of Ralston; and one great-granddaughter, Tilly Goad. He was preceded in death by his father, Joe Gregg and his mother, Barbara Hollingsworth and by one brother, Mark Gregg. Funeral services for Chuck were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 26, 2021, at Arnold Moore and Neekamp Funeral Home with interment at Sunnyside Cemetery, Caney, Kansas. Visitation was held on Friday, June 25th from 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM with family receiving guests from 6:00-8:00 PM. The services and interment were entrusted to the Arnold Moore and Neekamp Funeral Home and Cremation Service of Bartlesville, Oklahoma. The family recommended donations in Chuck's memory to Saint Jude Children's Hospital or Clarehouse of Tulsa. To leave an online condolence, visit www.honoringmemories.com.



JERRY M. GRIMES – Died Saturday, April 24, 2021 in Robertsdale, Alabama at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 18, 1940. A 1958 graduate of Vigor High School, Jerry served in the United States Air Force as a Chinese linguist, and graduated from Howard Payne University in 1966. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Robertsdale Chapter #864**. He is survived by his brother, Bill (Dorothy) Grimes; his wife, Ann Grimes; two children, Kim (Larry) Marshall and Jerry (Tracy) Grimes; three grandchildren, Caleb (Megan) Marshall, Jordan (Campbell) Marshall, and Declan Grimes; and six great grandchildren, Ethan Marshall, Cameron Marshall, Camilla Marshall, Noah Marshall, Benjamin Marshall, and Nora Marshall.



LEONARD P. "Guzy" GUZMAN - Died peacefully Monday, September 27, 2021 at home in Mosinee (Town of Knowlton), Wisconsin at the age of 72, under Hospice care surrounded by family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 22, 1949 in Stevens Point, Wisconsin to the late Robert and Julia (née Wiernik) Guzman. Leonard graduated from PJ Jacobs High School in 1967, He worked at Vetter Manufacturing until 1968 when he enlisted in the United States Air Force. He served for four years including 1 year in Vietnam. He was honorably discharged in 1972 as a SSGT. Returning to civilian life Leonard went back to work at Vetter. He found the love of his life at Club L&A. He married Catherine (née Zinda) a year later June 15, 1974. They purchased the family farm in June of 1975 where they raised their family. Leonard left Vetter in 1980 to dairy farm full time. He spent the next 40 years on the farm and moved to Mosinee in 2015. He enjoyed hunting and fishing. Loved to watch westerns Gunsmoke John Wayne and the Lone Ranger to name a few. He especially liked to watch sports with his wife the Packers Badgers and forever a diehard Dodgers fan. Leonard was a proud Vietnam veteran; he was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Plover Chapter #115**. He received an Honor Stone at The High ground Veterans Memorial Park in 2017. He went on an Honor Flight in 2019 with his oldest daughter Jessica as his sponsor. Survivors include wife Catherine. Children and grandchildren include Jessica (Marc) Powell son Michael. Abraham Guzman, Matthew (Tracy) Guzman children: Jonah, Megan, and Eric. Amanda (Nate) Sennhenn children: Riley, Samuel, and Julia. Brother Alvin Guzman El Paso, Texas. Leonard was preceded in death by his brother, Conrad Guzman and a sister Gloria Olszewski. The Guzman Family would like to thank Aspirus Hospice especially Jason, Julie, Donna, and Matt for their kindness and compassion these past weeks. A Mass of Christian Burial for Leonard was held on Saturday October 2, 2021 at 11:00 AM at Saint Bartholomew Catholic Church in Millcreek. Reverend Father Packi officiated. Visitation was held on Saturday from 9:30 AM until the time of service at the church. The burial with full military honors was in the parish cemetery. The Pisarski Funeral Homes were honored to serve the family. For online condolences please visit www.pisarskifuneralhome.com.



LEE ALLEN HALLMAN (USN, CDR-Ret.) - Died Sunday, October 3, 2021 at home in Tuscaloosa, Alabama at the age of 95. The cause of death was a stroke. He was born on August 9, 1926. Survivors include his wife of 37 years, Mary (née Nell) Hallman; daughters, LaVondra Hallman Dobbs, Covington, LA; and LeAn Hallman Shockney (Doug), Chelsea, AL; son, Lee Allen Hallman II aka Chet (Susan), Southside, AL; sister, Faye Price (Danny); brother-in-law, Charles Caddell (Linda); grandchildren, Lindsey Nicole Hallman Casey (Josh), Tyler Ellis Dobbs, Tanner Lee Hallman, Carson Hallman Shockney, and Jeremy Allen Dobbs; great grandchildren, Kennedy Scout Casey and Colin Grey Casey; plus numerous nieces and nephews. He served in the United States Navy from 1944 to 1977 and retired at the rank of Commander. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tuscaloosa Chapter #301**. Services were held at Noon on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at the Tuscaloosa Memorial Chapel Funeral Home with Brother Gary Youngblood officiating. The burial was in the Tuscaloosa Memorial Park. Visitation was held prior to services

from 10:30 AM to 12:00 Noon at the funeral home. The pallbearers were his four grandsons; Bryant Anderson and Brian Butler. The honorary pallbearers were Lee and Lucy Sellers, John and Cindy Merrill, Debbie and Allen Abston, Willie Parr, Dennis Hawkins, all past and present Tuscaloosa County employees, American Legion Post and Auxiliary #34, West Alabama Officers Association, USS Alabama Commissioners and employees. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to USS Alabama Battleship Commission, Tuscaloosa's Veteran Park or a charity of your choice.



TERRY L. HASKINS, SR. - Died peacefully in Chesterfield, Virginia at the age of 71, surrounded by his family on December 3, 2021. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 1, 1950. Terry was preceded in death by his grandmother, Bessie Leatherman; father, Joseph Masko; brother, Mike Masko; and mother and father-in-law, Jean and Howard Beck. He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Mary Beck Haskins; children, Terry Jr. (Wanda), Tommy (Shannon) and Wendy O'Connell; grandchildren, Josh, Nick, Harley, Katlin, Maci and Aiden; great-grandchildren, Blake, Liam and Colton; siblings, Sheila Johnson and Teresa Hoy; brother-in-law, Billy Beck (Pat); and sisters-in-law, Terry Reams (Brent) and Ann Jones. Terry was a proud United States Marine veteran who served a Tour of Duty in Vietnam and was an avid member of the Disabled Vietnam Veterans Association. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Richmond Chapter #78**. He retired from Dominion Virginia Power after 25 years of service. The family received friends from 600 to 8:00 PM on Friday, December 10, 2021 at Bliley's-Chippenham, 6900 Hull Street Road. A funeral ceremony was held at 12:30 PM on Saturday, December 11, 2021 at Centralia Presbyterian Church, 4625 Centralia Road. The interment was in Dale Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Centralia Presbyterian Church.



JOHN JOSEPH HAWKES – Died Saturday, October 19, 2019 in Potrero, Costa Rica at the age of 69. The cause of death was lung cancer. John was born in Vancouver, British Columbia on July 28, 1950. He moved to Point Roberts, Washington just before his teen years and lived with his grandfather and grandmother. At age 16 he became a real estate agent and did very well. The Vietnam War started and he then enlisted in the United States Marine Corps., thinking it was the Merchant Marines. He left the USA and moved to Australia thereafter and his son Jonathan was born to his wife Gaye. He returned to the U.S. where his son Shandor was born; however, he soon separated from his wife and sons. John then ended up in the diamond drilling and fishing businesses. He lived in Blaine for a while and then moved to Sausalito, California to operate a

fishing dock for a local Bellingham company. While in Sausalito he met his second wife Linda and they were married in Point Roberts in 1983. John continued to do some diamond drilling work and then he took a job as manager of a fishing dock in Alaska. He lived with Linda in Seward and worked for two companies there until moving back to Washington and buying his home in Custer. John drove trucks for some time until Linda passed away. He then met Eileen, his widow, in 2005 and they were married shortly thereafter. He was commander of the American Legion Post #86 in Blaine on three occasions. John was diagnosed with cancer in his lung in 2013 and he battled that until the end. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bellingham Chapter #165**. John is survived by his wife Eileen, his mother Yvonne, his two sons, three brothers and two sisters, three grandsons and one stepgrandson. He will be missed by all. A celebration of life was held at the American Legion Post #86, 4580 Legion Drive, at the corner of Birch Bay-Lynden and Blaine Roads at 1:00 PM on November 23, 2019.



JAMES "JJ" HEDGEBETH – Died Friday, October 15, 2021 in Wilmington, North Carolina at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 27, 1944. He served in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wilmington Chapter #885**. The funeral services were at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at the Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church; 4925 New Centre Drive – Wilmington, North Carolina. The burial was in Greenlawn Memorial Park. Visitation was at 5:30 PM on Tuesday at the funeral home.

JANET L. HELD – Died recently in 2021 in Denver, Colorado at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on August 10, 1948. She is survived by her sister. She was a veteran of the Vietnam War. She was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton (Oklahoma) Chapter #751**.

JOHN HERNANDEZ – Died recently in 2021 in Lindsay, California at the age of 66. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 7, 1955. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dinuba Chapter #643**.



WILLIAM ORVILLE HERRING - Died Sunday, November 7, 2021 in Independence, West Virginia at the age of 79, following a battle with cancer. He was born on January 22, 1942 to the Edith (née Thaxton) Herring and Orville Herring. In addition to his parents, Mr. Herring was preceded in death by three brothers James, Charles, and Frederick Herring and one sister, Eloise Holsinger. He is survived by his sister, Mary Lou Marrara, of Bonita Springs, Florida and will be deeply missed by several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. Mr. Herring served as Platoon Leader with the 363rd Transportation Company of the United States Army during the

Vietnam War. He entered the service in February 1967 and at the time of his honorable discharge in September 1968 had earned the rank of E-5 Sargent. Mr. Herring was awarded a letter of commendation, the prestigious Presidential Bronze Star Medal, and a Purple Heart. Following his military service, William settled in Warren, Ohio and pursued a lengthy career with Alcan Aluminum Corporation. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Masontown Chapter #977** and a dedicated member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Fraternal Order of the Eagles, and the Preston Country Club. William enjoyed hunting, fishing, golf, and family gatherings. Mr. Herring, who lived a modest life, will be most remembered for his humility, sense of humor, shy nature, and loyalty to family and friends. Friends and family were received at the Browning Funeral Home located at 201 East Main Street Kingwood, WV on Friday, November 12, 2021 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. A Christian Service of Resurrection, led by Pastor Joe Lamm was celebrated at 11:00 AM at the Browning Funeral Home on Saturday, November 13, 2021, followed by burial with military funeral honors at Maplewood Cemetery in Kingwood, WV. In lieu of flowers, the family requested a donation to the VFW Post #1589, 8477 Veterans Memorial Highway, Masontown, WV 26542.



RICHARD JOHN "Dick" HILOSKY - Died Tuesday, September 7, 2021 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, New Jersey at the age of 77, after a long illness. He was a resident of Kendall Park, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Johnstown, Pennsylvania on June 6, 1944 to the late John Michael and Laura "Beatrice" (née Hunt) Hilosky. He was raised in Hawthorne, NY and has been a resident of South Brunswick for over 32 years. Dick was a graduate of Briarcliff High School class of 1962. Upon graduation he enlisted in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War and served aboard the USS Leonard F. Mason (DD-852) stationed in Long Beach, CA. He recently enjoyed many ship reunions held throughout the country hosted by fellow shipmates. In 2019 he and his family hosted a reunion in Philadelphia which, unfortunately, was the last reunion he could attend due to the COVID outbreak. He retired with over 30 years of service as an auditor with IBM, Dayton. He also retired at Ehrlich with 19 years of service as a commercial salesman. Dick enjoyed coaching his children's soccer and baseball teams. He was also a co-founder of the South Brunswick Pop Warner PAL football league and was an avid hunter. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Brunswick Chapter #233**. Son of the late John Michael and Laura "Beatrice" (née Hunt) Hilosky, he is survived by his wife of 42 years Mary Jean (née Sisco) Hilosky. Two sons and a daughter-in-law John Francis and Lindsay (Volkland) Hilosky, Matthew Richard Hilosky, a daughter Katelyn "Katie" Jean Hilosky and four granddaughters Lacie Jane, Blakely Hope, Paisley Jean and Maisie Grace Hilosky. He is also survived by his niece Beverly Dannor of New York and his sisters-in-law Kathleen Bubnis and Patricia Roberts and his brothers-in-law Francis (Skip) Sisco and Pete Sisco. He was predeceased by his sisters June Hilosky and Joan Dannor and his father and mother-in law Francis and Catherine "Jean" (Dowgin) Sisco and two brothers-in-law Michael Sisco and Dan Dannor. Funeral Services were private with burial in the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery.



HENRY G. "Red" HOERCHLER, JR. - Died Sunday, October 31, 2021 at HSHS Saint Elizabeth's Hospital in O'Fallon, Missouri at the age of 77. He was a resident of Breese, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 6, 1943 in Breese to the late Agnes (née Hilmes) Hoerchler and Henry G. Hoerchler, Sr. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his step-mother, Eileen, (née Blackburn) Hoerchler; son-in-law Troy Crocker; brothers, Donald Hoerchler, Robert Hoerchler, and Daniel Hoerchler; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Virgil and Leonarda (née Rosen) Wempe; sisters-in-law and brother-in-law, Martha Hoerchler, David Wempe and Dwang Wempe. Red is survived by his wife, Mary Louise, (née Wempe) Hoerchler, of Breese, whom he married on January 8, 1966 at Saint Dominic Catholic Church in Breese; children, Lisa Hoerchler of Lebanon, Michele (friend Tom Schulte) Athmer of Breese, Krista (Bryan) Gonzalez of Breese, and Jaime (Ricky) Gonzales of Breese; grandchildren, Ryan (Lauren) Athmer, Kendra Athmer, Maddyson (friend Tyson Thole) Athmer, Cortney (Kyle) Walker, Chelsea (friend Keegan Anderson) Crocker, Trenton Rush, Evan Tibbs, and Trinity Gonzales; great-grandchildren, Carter Schrage, Tatum Walker, and Karsyn Anderson; sister, Kathy Ruff of Centralia; sister-in-law and brother-in-law Cindy Hoerchler of Breese and Virgil "Sonny" Wempe, Jr. of Bossier City, LA; and numerous nieces and nephews. Red was a veteran of the United States Army. He worked for General Motors in Saint Louis, MO and then transferred to the Bowling Green, KY plant where he retired in 1997. He was a member of Saint Dominic Catholic Church in Breese, former Sergeant-at-Arms for the Breese American Legion Post #252, Breese American Legion Post #252 Hall Manager for 19 years, Sons of the American Legion, St. Joseph Hospital Auxiliary, and Breese Historical Society. He was also a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Breese Chapter #269**. Red enjoyed Breese Junior Legion Baseball, his tomato garden, playing cards, fishing, and spending his time with family and friends. The Funeral Service was held on Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 7:30 PM at the Moss Funeral Home in Breese with Deacon Linus Klostermann officiating. The interment took place at a later date at Saint Dominic/Saint Augustine Cemetery in Breese. Visitation hours were held on Thursday, November 4, 2021 from 4:00 to 7:30 PM at the Moss Funeral Home in Breese. In lieu of flowers, plants, and other gifts, memorials may be made to Breese Junior American Legion Baseball or Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital and will be received at the funeral home or by mail, Moss Funeral Home 535 North 5th Street, Breese, IL 62230, who was serving the family. Expressions of sympathy can be sent to the family at www.mossfuneralhome.com.

ROY LEE HOLLINS – Died Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at Travis Air Force Base in California at the age of 81. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Lawton, Oklahoma on April 20, 1940. He served in the United States Army with one tour of duty in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawton Chapter #751**.



FRED PAUL HOLTON - Died Wednesday, July 28, 2021 in Blaine, Washington at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. Fred was born on July 14, 1945 on Bastille Day, as he always told anyone who asked his birth date, to the late Preston and Grace Holton and grew up in Anacortes, Washington. At age 19, he joined the United States Army and became an expert rifleman and earned a Bronze Star. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bellingham Chapter #165**. Fred is survived by his wife of 31 years, Eleanor Holton, his daughter Rhiannon Witt, and his grandchildren Cory Witt, Caden Williams, and Carina Williams. He is preceded in death by his parents and brother, Frank Holton. Fred will be dearly missed by his friends and family. At his request there were no services. His ashes were scattered beside those of his parents and brother at a private gathering.



THOMAS J. "Tom" HUDNER, JR. (USN, CPT-Ret.) - **Congressional Medal of Honor Recipient** died peacefully Monday, November 13, 2017 at home in Concord, Massachusetts at the age of 93. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Fall River, Massachusetts on August 21, 1924. He was the beloved husband for 49 years of Georgea (née Farmer) Hudner; father of Kelly Fernandez and her husband Keith of La Jolla, CA, Stan Smith and his wife Leslie of Weston, Shannon Gustafson and her husband Joe of Sherborn, and Thomas III and his wife Jennifer of Concord; Grandfather of Julie Crabb, Andrew and Scott Fernandez, Austin and Madison Smith, Joe, Kelly, Max and Zachary Gustafson, Lily, Thomas IV and Reese Hudner; Great-Grandfather of Charles Hudner Kahekiliokaione Crabb; Brother of Mary Hammer and her husband Thurston of Concord, Philip Hudner and his wife Sally of Westport and the late James and Richard Hudner. He served in the United States Navy during the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He retired at the rank of Captain and was the recipient of the prestigious Congressional Medal of Honor. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Stoneham Chapter #837**. Family members and friends gathered for visiting hours on Wednesday, November 15th in Holy Family Parish, Monument Square, Concord Center from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. His funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, November 16th in Holy Family Parish at 10:00 AM. A memorial service to celebrate his life was held locally at a later date. The burial took place at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA. Concord's Town Flag flew at half-staff on Wednesday and Thursday in honor and recognition of his faithful military service and for being selected as Concord's Honored Citizen in 2010. In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to New England Center for Homeless Veterans, 17 Court Street, Boston, MA 02108. The arrangements were under the care of the Dee Funeral Home of Concord.



PAUL JON HYNDMAN - Died Friday, October 8, 2021 at Sanford Hospital, Fargo, North Dakota at the age of 78, surrounded by his family. He was a resident of West Fargo, North Dakota. The cause of death was the coronavirus – COVID-19. He was born on October 3, 1943 in Cando, North Dakota to the late John and Juanita (née Gerrard) Hyndman. He spent part of his childhood in Perth, North Dakota and then in 1948 moved to Rolla, North Dakota. He graduated from Rolla High School in 1961. From there he went to the University of North Dakota to attend college, where he played football as a walk-on. He was on the 1964 Hall of Fame team. In 1966 he enlisted in the United States Army where he served his country in Vietnam and was very proud of his service. He worked for local vets and their families to make sure they received their benefits. He received the National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, R.V.N. Campaign Medal with 60-device, Army Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with 1st Oak Leaf Cluster. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Fargo Chapter #941*. In 1972, he returned to U.N.D. to receive his degree in business. At this time, he met his wife of 48 years Dianne Hogenson. They were married in 1973 in Cando. They were the proud parents of three children. He worked in manufacturing and took the postal exam in 1982 then finished his career in Kenmare, N.D. as postmaster. Paul and Dianne loved their U.N.D. sports, traveled some, and retired to West Fargo in 2012. Paul was very proud of his grandchildren and their sports and academic accomplishments. He is survived by his wife, Dianne; daughters, Shawna Scheffler of St. Clair, Michigan, Joline (Ryan) Sinner, Casselton, N.D.; son, Michael of Minot, N.D.; 4 grandchildren, Kaia Scheffler, Nick Martin, Reed Sinner, and Casey Sinner; cousins, Bruce (Sandy) Gerrard and Andrew Gerrard. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Juanita; brother Jack; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. Visitation was held on Thursday, October 14, 2021 starting at 10:00 AM at the West Funeral Home, West Fargo, ND. The Memorial Service was on Thursday, October 14, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the West Funeral Home, West Fargo, ND. The burial was held on Friday, October 15, 2021 at 2:00 PM at the North Dakota Veterans Cemetery, Mandan, ND.



CARLOS IRVIN - Died Sunday, October 10, 2021 in Southport, North Carolina at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. Carlos was born on July 20, 1946 in Chester, Pennsylvania to the late Charles Leonard Irvin and Dorothy Mae (née Selby) Irvin. Carlos Irvin is predeceased by his father and mother Charles Leonard Irvin, Sr. and Dorothy Mae Selby Irvin, and his sisters Linda Marie Irvin and Amelia Irvin. He is survived by his wife Charlene (née Barlock) Irvin; his brothers Quentin Irvin, Alphonse Irvin, and Dr. Anthony Irvin and William O. Irvin; his sister Renee Irvin and his sons Gabriel Atchison and Jordan Dykes. He is also survived by many cousins and extended family members from both his and his wife's family, including his Mother-in-Law, Sister Edythe Davis. He will be missed by Friends In-The-Fellowship and comrades in Pennsylvania and North Carolina. Carlos was also befriended by Pastor Brian Monroe of First Baptist Church in Southport, NC and members of the congregation have expressed sorrow at his passing and joy for his Homegoing. Carlos graduated from Chester High School and attended Bethune Cookman University in Daytona, Florida as a Business Major. Carlos served his country in the United States Army. He served honorably in the Vietnam War, and he also served deployments to Korea and Germany. When honorably discharged from the US Army, he joined the Pennsylvania National Guard. He was called to serve in Operation Joint Forge in Bosnia-Herzegovina and received a US Army Commendation Medal for superior performance and an Army Achievement Medal. He was proud to serve and was a member of the 1-104th Cavalry and had a membership with the Historical Society of "The Wolfpack". He was always humble as a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Wilmington Chapter #885*. He served in VVA Chapters in Pennsylvania and Wilmington, NC. He was always conscious of the needs of veterans no matter what war or employment they served. "Welcome Home" was a known greeting he used with Veterans. He was honorably discharged from the National Guard, having served the United States of America for over 20 years. Carlos is a retired employee of the Philadelphia Water Department. Upon retirement, he relocated to Southport, NC with his wife Charlene, and enjoyed the quiet he found there. A celebration of life was held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 in the Peacock - Newnam and White Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Brian Monroe officiating. The service was broadcast via Facebook Live on the funeral home's Facebook page. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.peacocknewnamwhite.com for the Irvin family. The Peacock - Newnam and White Funeral and Cremation Service, Southport, North Carolina were in charge of all the arrangements.



JERRY WAYNE JOHNS (USA, CSM-Ret.) – Died Sunday, October 18, 2020 in Ponca City, Oklahoma at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 12, 1947 in

Blackwell, Oklahoma to the late Ula Wayne Johns and Mary Mildred Johns. Jerry was a graduate of Blackwell High School, class of 1965. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1967 and after the completion of his training, he arrived in Vietnam as a Ranger/Special Forces (Green Beret). He served in combat with the 4th Battalion 9th Infantry Regiment, "MANCHU". During his service in combat, he was awarded the Bronze Star (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster), the Purple Heart (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Army Commendation Medal (with "V" Device with 5 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Air Medal (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster), the Meritorious Service Medal (with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster), the Army Achievement Medal (with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters), the Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Ribbon, the NCO Development Ribbon, the NCO Development Ribbon, the Army Service Ribbon, the Vietnam Service Ribbon, the Vietnam Campaign Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the Expert and Combat Infantryman's Badges, the Air Assault Badge. He rose through the ranks from Private to Command Sergeant Major, the highest rank of non-commissioned soldier in record time. The soldiers under his command were his top priority and loved being in the field with them. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Ponca City Chapter #750**. In addition to his parents, Jerry was preceded in death by his brother Tommy Harold Johns and his son Justin Wade Johns. He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Sylvia Kathleen (née Smith) Johns and mother of his children, Cheryl Lynn Johns (Oder). His children Cassie Johns, Amber Johns, Robert Johns and wife Janelle, Emily Wilkinson and Jeffrey Skaggs. His grandchildren Brianica Williams, Kiara Velez (Johns) and husband Melvin Velez, Jerome Bacon, Dailon Bacon, David Bacon, Tarron Dixon, Nevaeh Johns, Marquis Wallace, Milik Wallace, Miangel Wallace, Mechelle Marshall, and Grace Wilkinson, and Kayla Skaggs. His great-grandchildren Jeremiah Velez, Gabriella Speight, Gracelynn Speight and Jordan Bowen. And countless friends, neighbors, and Soldiers whose lives he touched with grace and made them forever better having known him. Jerry's unconditional love, fathomless compassion, unparalleled leadership and whip-quick wit will live on in the hearts of his children and grandchildren, who would give anything for just one more boat ride with their Daddy and Granddad. Graveside services were held at the Blackwell Cemetery on Friday, October 30th at 2:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: Vietnam MANCHU Association, ATTN: Dan McKinney, Treasurer, 14268 East Millbrook Drive, Effingham, IL 62401 or the Ponca City Humane Society, P.O. Box 1671, Ponca City, OK 74602. "RANGERS LEAD THE WAY - KEEP UP THE FIRE".

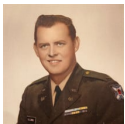


JOHN F. JOHNSON, JR. - Died Sunday, November 7, 2021 peacefully at home in Croton-on-Hudson at the age of 74, surrounded by his loving family following a long, valiant fight with cancer. John was born in Ossining, New York on November 30, 1946 to the late John F. Johnson, Sr. and Jean (née Anderson) Johnson. John was a graduate of the Ossining High School class of. He then entered the United States Army in 1966 and served in Vietnam with the 18th Engineers. He then went to work with the railroad and retired from Metro-North in 2007 as a Locomotive Engineer after 37 years. He was a proud member of the Ossining Fire Department Independent Hose Company No. 6 and was an Ex-Captain. He was also a *Life Member* of the American Legion Post #506, **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #49** and the VFW Post #1041. John is survived by his loving wife Mary (née Gibson) of 52 years; his two daughters Patrice (Dan)

Monaghan and Kristin (Angelo) Manichean. He is also survived by his three grandson's Angelo (AJ) Manichean, Kyle Peter Monaghan, and Gino Manicchio. He is predeceased by his son Peter John in 1975. John is also survived by his sisters Jeanne (Paul) Stymiloski, Kathy (Fred) Maus, his sister-in-law Rosemary (Roger) Gurka, his nieces and nephews, Bob, Mike, Dawn, Christopher, Laurie, Amy, Jessica, Ashley, and Marissa along with many great-nieces and great-nephews. Memorial visiting hours were held on November 11, 2021 from 4:00 – 8:00 PM at the Dorsey Funeral Home. The funeral mass was celebrated on November 12, 2021 at 10:30 AM at Holy Name of Mary Church in Croton.



JOHNNY LEE “Loco” JOHNSON - Died Sunday, October 10, 2021 at West Roxbury VA Medical Center in Boston, Massachusetts at the age of 71. He was a resident of Rochester, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 27, 1950 in Springfield, Illinois to the late Henry John and Barbara (née McLain) Johnson. He is also preceded in death by one brother, Robert Eugene Johnson. Survivors include his companion Patsy Creviston of Rochester; one daughter, Dawn Bailey of Springfield; four grandchildren, Lexie Hartle, Destinee Mason, Bryce Mason, and A'Laya; goddaughter, Rebecca Kenna of Missouri; best friend, Joe Schmidt of Springfield, and his dog and most faithful companion, Dakota. Johnny lived in the Springfield area most of his life and is a graduate of Lanphier High School. He was a United States Army veteran, serving during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #534**. Johnny was a professional over the road truck driver, having traveled throughout the US and into Canada, retiring after 32 years of service. Prior to that for 14 years, he drove for the Springfield City Bus Company. He loved riding motorcycles and enjoyed restoring old cars. Visitation was held from 11:00 AM –1:00 PM on Saturday, October 16, 2021 at the Staab Funeral Home – Springfield. The Funeral Service was at 1:00 PM on Saturday, October 16, 2021 at the Staab Funeral Home – Springfield. The burial was in the Irish Grove Cemetery, Middletown, IL where military honors were conducted. Memorial contributions may be made to the B.A.C.A. organization (Bikers Against Child Abuse) Springfield Chapter, PO BOX 20338, Springfield, IL, 62708 an organization that he held close to his heart.



DANIEL GRAYSON “Dan” JONES (USA, CW4-Ret.) Died in his sleep Sunday, November 21, 2021 in Woodstock, Virginia at the age of 91. The cause of death is unknown. Dan was born on September 13, 1930 in Washington, DC to the late Daniel Hardy Jones and Helen K. (née Sparshott) Jones. He is survived by his wife, Judith Jones; his sister Beverly Mayo, and his children, Debra Hunt (Rob), Gary Jones (LeeAnn), Micki Zerkel (Ronnie), and Bill Jones (Cassandra); nine grandchildren, Jeremiah, and Josh Hunt, Justin Koontz, Shelby Flick (His Iggy), Ryan Zerkel, Grayson, and Charlotte Jones, Nicole Zipp, Dan Jones, and; seven great-

grandchildren, Kara, Briona, Haylee, Nathan, Davy, Lia, and Peyton. Dan married Judith (née Nevin) Jones on February 26, 1961, having just celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary this past February. Dan attended Western High School in Northwest Washington DC. He joined the United States Navy right after high school and served for three years. Afterwards he transferred to the United States Coast Guard serving two years in the Korean War. After returning to the States, he continued his military service, transferring to the United States Army Reserves, where he served until he retired with a total of 40 years of service and a rank of Chief Warrant 4. After his service in Korea, Dan joined the Metropolitan Police Department. He worked several years on the force in D.C, but left the department for a short time, moving to Jupiter Florida and joining the police force there with his brother-in-law, Glenn Mayo. After a year in Jupiter, Dan returned to the Metropolitan Police Department where he worked until he was injured and retired in 1969. Dan and his wife, Judith loved to travel, never hesitating to jump in the station wagon or pickup and drive across country on a moment's notice. Dan and Judy have traveled to all 50 of the beautiful states within this Country, many of them several times. They love to drive so much that even while they were living in Florida for a few years, they would drive up to Edinburg, VA for their Dentist appointments, then turn around and drive back to Florida. Dan loved to fish and spend time on his many boats that he owned at one time or another. He could always be found tinkering out in the garage in the boat or working on trailer lights. Dan also loved to hunt and spent many a cold morning sitting out under a tree, or in later years inside the truck with his father-in-law and / or sons waiting for that elusive buck to walk by. Dan was an active member of Grace Baptist Church of Woodstock, a Master Mason in the Cassia Lodge No. 143 of Woodstock, a member of the local American Legion and the VFW. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Woodstock Chapter #936*. Dan and Judy liked to attend many of the local dinners around the Valley, especially oyster dinners. Dan possessed a very outgoing personality. He had a knack for walking up to any stranger and starting a conversation. With a few minutes he would know everything about the person. Dan and Judy loved to remodel old houses, having completely redone two houses, one in Edinburg and the other in Quicksburg. There was not a thing that they could not do, anything from plumbing and electrical work to framing and drywall. They could have easily had the first fixer-upper show on TV. Services were held at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at the Grace Baptist Church for close friends and family. Pastor Kenneth Sparks officiated. The burial was in Sunset View Memorial Gardens with military honors. The pallbearers were his grandsons, Jeremiah, Josh, Justin, Ryan, Grayson and Dan. The family received friends on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 from 6:00-8:00 PM at the Dellinger Funeral Home in Woodstock. There was a Masonic Service at 7:00 PM.

DOUGLAS EARL JONES – Died Friday, December 3, 2021 in Jacksonville, Florida at the age of 84. The cause of death was the coronavirus COVID-19. He was born in Kinston, North Carolina on October 30, 1937. He served in the United States Air Force from August 29, 1956 until he retired. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Jacksonville Chapter #1046*.



MIKEL L. KENYON - Died Sunday, October 24, 2021 at the Dwight D. Eisenhower Medical Center in Leavenworth, Kansas at the age of 76 after a long battle with cancer. Mikel was born in Yale, Oklahoma on September 18, 1945 to the late Fred T. and Silva (nee Stevens) Kenyon, Sr. Mikel attended Leavenworth High School. Mikel joined the United States Navy on June 17, 1964, after his service in the Army National Guard. He had a tour in Vietnam, stationed at DaNang and earned the Vietnam Campaign Medal, National Defense Service Medal and Vietnam Service Medal. He was honorably discharged on December 5, 1966. Mikel was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Leavenworth Chapter #75**, VFW Post #56, and AM Vets and the Fraternal Order of Eagles #55. After his career in the Navy, he managed several restaurants in his early years and then became self-employed as an independent painter. Mikel enjoyed traveling, collecting antiques and old signs. People in town would drive by his residence and would honk and wave at Mikel sitting on his porch. Mikel is survived by his mother, Silva Kenyon. Sisters, Becky (Bob Williford) Scanlon and Cindy (Vernon) Ferguson and brothers, Freddy Kenyon Jr and Douglas Kenyon all of Leavenworth. 20 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, and brother Jerry Kenyon. Visitation was held on Monday, November 1, 2021, at the funeral home from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. A Memorial service was held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 9:30 AM at the funeral home chapel with Pastor Sam (Gary) Sanford, officiating. Burial with military honors were accorded at the Leavenworth National Cemetery at 11:00 AM. Memorials in his name may be directed to the VAMC, "Golden Age Games", c/o Pastor Sam Sanford. The Belden Larkin Funeral Home was entrusted with the arrangements.

EDWARD L. KIRKLAND – Died Wednesday, November 4, 2020 in Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee on February 19, 1946. He served in the United States Army from 1965 to 1967 with a tour of duty in Vietnam 1965. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Chattanooga Chapter #203**.



DENNIS BRIAN "Denny" KLAPMEIER - Died Thursday, September 16, 2021 in Pine City, Minnesota at the age of 77, after a battle with bladder cancer. He managed his illness with strength and grace to the very end and died peacefully in his sleep. He was born on December 22, 1943 in Braham, Minnesota to the late Marsden and Dorothy Klapmeier. After graduating from the University of Minnesota School of Agriculture, he joined the United States Navy serving his country on the USS Shangri-La Aircraft Carrier. He then attended the Saint Paul Barber School and worked as a barber for several years. Throughout his life he pursued other careers in farming, a supervisor at Fingerhut, a forester and an over the road truck driver. He had many hobbies to include airplanes, tractors, four wheelers, motorcycles, snowmobiles, horses and walking in the field with his dog, Ellie. In addition to his many hobbies, he went on a mission trip to Russia, and most recently completed his goal of traveling to Israel where he spent 10 days. He was a member

of the Color Guard, American Legion Post #201, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mora Chapter #684** and the Cattlemen's Association. He was united in marriage to his high school sweetheart, CherylAnn Irene Smith, on January 28, 1967, at Grace Lutheran Church in Mora. He was preceded in death by his parents, Marsden and Dorothy Klapmeier; brother, David Klapmeier; and sister-in-law, Linda Fouts. He is survived by his loving wife, CherylAnn Klapmeier; daughters, Cathy (Bert) Peterson and Kimberly (Darrin) Freetly; grandchildren, Kaitlyn (Heather) Freetly, Todd (Melissa) Clark, Hannah Huff (Jake Brytowski), Braden and Emmitt Freetly; great-grandchildren, Kiya, Caysen, Isaiah, Ellcey and Cyenna; sister-in-law Debbie Klapmeier; nieces, Andrea Fix and Lisa (Devin) Wagner; nephew, Jason Klapmeier; many great nieces and nephews; aunt, Donna Smith; first cousins, Sharon (Denny) Holmstrom, Sheila (Jeff) Fagerstrom, Glenda (Steve) Sims, Kirk (Jean) Smith, Kirby (Marsha) Smith and Dean (Cordia) Swenson. We wish to extend our gratitude to the hospice staff at Saint Croix Hospice for their wonderful care. A memorial service was held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, September 28, 2021 at the Open Arms Church of God, 406 Pine Street, Grasston, MN. Visitation was held one hour prior to the service.



JOHN W. KRAFT, JR. - Died Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at Beebe Healthcare Center, Lewes, Delaware at the age of 75. He was a resident of Lewes but formerly of Red Hill, Pennsylvania. The cause of death was cardiac arrest. John was born in Sellersville, Delaware on December 14, 1945 to the late John W. Kraft, Sr. and Sara M. (née Hauck) Kraft. He was the husband of Beryl B. (née Bierschenk) Kraft, of Red Hill. He was a graduate of Boyertown High School and was a United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Nassau Chapter #1105**. John worked as a self-employed carpenter. He is also survived by his daughters: Sandra Rementer and husband George, of Red Hill; Susan Mulvehill and husband Michael and Shawn Kraft and husband C.J. Smith, all of East Greenville. There are also grandchildren: Halie and Rylie Smith and Marissa and Christopher Rementer; and great-granddaughter, Hazel Rementer. A funeral service was held on Friday, August 20, 2021 at 11:00 AM at the Mann-Slonaker Funeral Home, 222 Washington Street, East Greenville, PA 18041. Calling time was from 10:00-11:00 AM. The burial was in Keelors Union Cemetery, Obelisk, PA. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to the Red Hill VFW Post #5954, 401 Main Street, Red Hill, PA 18076. Online condolences may be offered at www.mannslonakerfuneralhome.com.



RICHARD DENTON "Rocky" LANE - Died peacefully on Friday, November 26, 2021 at his home in New Ulm, Minnesota at the age of 88, with his wife by his side. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 9, 1933 in Yankton, South Dakota to the late Audrey Nelson. His family moved to New Ulm where he graduated from New Ulm High School. After high

school, Rocky joined the United States Navy, where he served in the Korean War in 1955. He served our country for 20 years, until retiring in 1984. Rocky was united in marriage to Diane Kastner on June 20, 1998 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in New Ulm. Throughout his life, Rocky worked for M&R Paving, Walner Construction, and the City of Mankato. As a proud veteran, Rocky was a member of the DAV, New Ulm American Legion, New Ulm VFW, Comrades of Valor, Sleepy Eye Sportsmen's Club, St. Peter Last Man Club, and a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Mankato Chapter #999**, enjoyed hunting, fishing, car rides, and watching the deer in the backyard of his home. Rocky will be missed by all who knew him. Rocky is survived by his wife, Diane Lane of New Ulm; children, Debbie (Jerome Sack) Jones, Alan Lane, John (Rhiannon) Schroeder, Tanya (Tim) Leskey, Tamara (Chris Kliner) Schroeder and Nicole Schroeder; grandchildren, Stacy (Justin), Jeremy (Elisa), Anika, Alex, Hannah, Lauren, Brayden, Ashlynn, Hunter, Gavyn, Logan and Gage; great-grandchildren, Tyler, Rylee, Reagan, Katie, Flynn; brother, Floyd Drill; sisters-in-law, MaryLou Lane, Lois Drill and Betty Drill; brother-in-law, Larry Konakowitz; his dog, Cricket; many other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Florence; his son, Jeffrey Lane; his brothers, Ronny Lane, Darwin Drill, Roger Drill, Wally Drill, Denny Drill and Harvey Drill; his sisters, Joyce Engels, Carol Konakowitz and Sharon Drill; and his dog, Queenie. A funeral service was held at 11:00 AM on Friday, December 3, 2021 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in New Ulm with Pastor Kathy Ulland-Klinkner officiating. The burial was in the Soldier's Rest section of the New Ulm City Cemetery. The Comrades of Valor provided Military Honors at the cemetery. Visitation was from 4:00-7:00 PM on Thursday, December 2, 2021 at the Minnesota Valley Funeral Home – North Chapel in New Ulm and continued one hour prior to the funeral service on Friday at the church. To leave an online condolence for his family, or to sign the guestbook, go to: mvfh.org. Blessed be his memory.



DOROTHY VIRGINIA "Sue" LENNON - Died Sunday, January 17, 2021 at Atria Assisted Living in Salisbury, Maryland at the age of 91. She was a resident of Salisbury. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on September 24, 1929 in Baltimore, Maryland to the late Richard Waterman and Elizabeth Dora (née Bandel) Waterman. Sue and her late husband William met at Salisbury State College and married on May 18, 1951. William then enlisted in the United States Air Force on June 20, 1951, and they traveled the world until he retired in June 1971, bringing them back to Salisbury. While William was in the military, Sue stayed home to raise their 3 children. She spent many hours volunteering, keeping veterans particularly nearest to her heart. She was a former member of Saint Andrew Methodist Church in Salisbury. She was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Eden Chapter #624**. Sue is survived by her children, William (Shannon) Lennon and Richard Jay (Sharon) Lennon all of FL; Tina (Stuart) Stetson of Schertz, TX; grandchildren, William, Tammy, Carly and Amber; a sister, Marion Waterman Moore of Centreville, MD and multiple great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents and her husband William E. Lennon, Jr., Sue was preceded in death a sister, Ann Elizabeth "Rooney" Macielag. A private

service was held at the Eastern Shore Maryland Veterans Cemetery in Hurlock, MD where she was buried with her husband.



MICHAEL ANTHONY "Mike" LEPEILBET (USA, BG-Ret.) – Died Saturday, November 20, 2021 in Corning, California at the age of 73, after an extended illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 3, 1948. He is survived by his wife Linda, five children and eight grandchildren who will love and miss him always. General LePeilbet enjoyed a long, satisfying military career. He proudly rose through the ranks, beginning in 1966 as a private (E-1) to becoming a Brigadier General in later years. He served his country in the United States Army, the National Guard, and the California State military reserve. After his retirement, Michael continued his commitment to community service by working with Boy Scouts, the American Legion, Masons, Shriners, VFW, the senior senate, and many other organizations. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Forsyth (Georgia) Chapter #946*. His desire was to help others. We salute you "General" and we thank you for your service.



FREDERICK A. "Fred" LESTER - Died Monday, December 6, 2021, in Lawrenceburg, Indiana at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Aurora, Indiana on May 21, 1948 to the late Chester R. Lester and Geneva (née Combs) Lester. He served his country as a member of the United States Army during Vietnam. Fred served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam war, where he honorably served with the 1st Cavalry at Bien Hoa, South Vietnam as well as Phuoc Vinh. He was very patriotic, and was a member of the Southeastern Indiana Honor Guard. Fred would work with and mentor struggling veterans appointed by the Southeastern Indiana Veterans Treatment Court. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora Chapter #71*. Fred was an extremely intelligent man, he served on the city council. He enjoyed playing guitar, and was amazing at it. He was in several bands and played with Lonnie Mack, George Smith and Dick Martin. He worked at Hillrom, at Seagram's, and was at the Trading Post. He was very good at repairing instruments and had a shop in Aurora. He collected musical instruments and boots. Fred loved to help people and will be greatly missed. Fred is survived by his children, Anthony Zinser of Aurora, IN, Mathew (Joni) Zinser of Morrow, OH, Connie Jean Lee of Aurora, IN; dear friend, Sherry "Lucy" Lester Zinser; grandchildren, Logan & Layla Zinser (fiancé Devyn Burke), Isaiah & Jonah Zinser and Lazarus Warner. He was preceded in death by his parents. Friends were received on Friday, December 10, 2021 from 12:00 Noon - 2:00 PM at the Rullman Hunger Funeral Home, 219 Mechanic Street, Aurora, Indiana. The funeral service was held at the funeral home at 2:00 PM. The interment was in the River View Cemetery, Aurora, Indiana. Military graveside services were conducted by

the Southeastern Indiana Honor Guard. Contributions may be made to the Southeastern Indiana Veterans Treatment Court or Southeastern Indiana Honor Guard.



EDWIN W. LEWIS, SR. - Died suddenly Monday, November 15, 2021 at his home in Savannah, Georgia at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. Edwin was born in Evanston, Illinois on October 11, 1943 to the late Victor and Anne (née Ward) Lewis. He was educated at the Taft School in Watertown, Connecticut and at Tulane University in New Orleans, Louisiana. In 1969, Edwin married Gloria DeCapua of Allegany, NY. They have two children. He worked as an Executive Compensation Consultant for several companies before ending his career with his own company, Lewis Consulting International. Edwin served his country with the United States Air Force where he earned the rank of Captain. He is a veteran of the Vietnam War and received multiple awards including The Distinguished Flying Cross. Edwin was a loving husband, father and grandfather. Generous to a fault, he was willing to help anyone in need and loved to cook for everyone. He was an avid fisherman, a baseball and football enthusiast, and an accomplished tennis player. Edwin never met a stranger and he loved animals, especially his granddogs. He was a *Life Member* of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and **Vietnam Veterans of America – Savannah Chapter #671**. In addition to his wife Gloria, Edwin leaves behind his son, Edwin Lewis Junior (Beth) of Woodstock, GA; daughter Catherine Riley (C.H.) of Mt Pleasant, SC; and four grandchildren Trey Lewis, Emily Lewis, Cooper Riley, and Charlotte Riley. Edwin was preceded in death by his parents, Victor and Anne Lewis, his brother Victor Lewis Jr., and his sister Dianne Lewis Hall. Graveside service with military honors were held at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 in Beaufort National Cemetery with Reverend Gabe Cummings officiating. Please visit www.foxandweeks.com to sign our online guestbook.



RICHARD R. "Rich" LITWIN - Died Thursday, September 23, 2021 at the Maine Medical Center, Portland, Maine at the age of 74, after a brief illness. He was a resident of Old Orchard Beach, Maine. The cause of death was pancreatic cancer. He was born in Holyoke, Massachusetts on October 4, 1946 to the late Stanley E. Litwin, Sr. and Stella B. (née Chliszczyk) Litwin. He was raised in Chicopee and was a member of the first graduating class of Chicopee Comprehensive High School in 1964. After high school, he enlisted in the United States Army, serving in the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Biddeford Chapter #1044**. Upon return, he graduated from University of Massachusetts Amherst in 1973. Rich worked in insurance auditing for over 30 years. In 1993, he moved from Chicopee to Old Orchard Beach which he lovingly called home for the remainder of his life. In the years following his retirement, he was a tireless advocate for veterans and was actively involved with the local VFW and the Maine Military Museum and the Learning Center in South Portland. Above all, he

loved spending time with his grandkids, golfing and especially going to see live music, a lifelong love he has passed on to his beloved family and friends. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his two brothers, Robert Litwin who served in the U.S. Army and died in the Vietnam War and Stanley E. "Stas" Litwin, Jr. and sister Kathleen E. "Kitch" (Litwin) Collins. He is survived by his wife of 13 years Faith (née Hall) Litwin; three loving children, Jeffrey Litwin of Easthampton, Mass., Kristen Procon of Ludlow, Mass. and Sara Campbell and her husband Trevor of Hampden; his six grandchildren, Hayley, Jillian, Kyle, Brady, Julian and Elliott; his brother John "Jack" Litwin and his wife Diane of Georgia; his sisters Dorothy Densmore, Patricia Zak and Sandra Besaw and her husband William, all of Chicopee, Mass.; first wife Cathy Litwin; his sisters-in-law, Terry Sullivan of Washington and Sandra "Sandy" Litwin of North Myrtle Beach, S.C.; and many dear nephews, nieces, cousins and extended members of the Litwin family. A special thanks to the Old Orchard Beach Police, Fire and EMS for their concern and outstanding service. Richard was buried at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Agawam, Mass. in a private service. A celebration of life service was held at Memorial Park in Old Orchard Beach on Sunday, October 10, 2021 at 3:00 PM with a reception following at the VFW Post #7997. The Dennett, Craig and Pate Funeral Home, Saco respectfully handled his arrangements. Memorial donations may be made in his name to the Maine Military Museum, 50 Peary Terrace, South Portland, ME 04106.



FRANK T. LOGAN III (USAF, Lt.Col-Ret.) - Died Tuesday, November 23, 2021 in Framingdale, New York at the age of 89. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 30, 1932. He was a proud United States Air Force Veteran serving over 20 years. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Hicksville Chapter #82**. Beloved husband of 60 years to Barbara. Loving father of Frank T. IV (Cathy), Jennifer, Robert (Jacklyn) and Laura (Kathy). Treasured grandfather of Robert (Brenda), Valerie Schlosser (Steven), Rebecca (Kris), Melanie, Frank T. V and Frederick and great-grandfather of Derek, Naomi, Brody, Mila, Travis, Maverik and Nathan. Dear uncle and father figure to Agnelo Azulay, Ramona Azulay, Sheryl Franklin, Scott Gipson, Tony Shipman and Craig Shipman. The family received visitors on Saturday, November 27th from 1:00-6:00 PM at the Arthur F. White Funeral Home, Inc., 315 Conklin Street, Farmingdale. The Funeral Service was on Saturday, November 27th at 3:30 PM at the funeral home. The cremation was private. In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Frank's memory to the Veteran's Association; cdceportal.va.gov/donate online, or Cure PSP; <https://www.psp.org/>.



WILLIAM W. "Billy" LOMNICKI – Died Friday, December 3, 2021 in Levittown, New York at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 17, 1945. Beloved husband of Bernadette and the late Nancy R. Lomnicki. Devoted father of Loriann Lomicki (the late Anthony), Diana (Christopher) Fannin, Nicole Saporito and predeceased by son Eric William

Lomnicki and Joseph Saporito. Cherished by Brian Beehler who Billy considered a son. Adored grandfather of Jake, Juliette, Isabella, and Carter. Dearest brother of Barbara Perino (the late Eugene) and the late Marianna and Jay Rodrigue. Loved godfather, uncle, and friend to many. Billy was a proud United States Army Vietnam Combat Veteran. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Hicksville Chapter #82*. He also spent many years fishing, protecting beach access, and coastal conservation. Family received friends on Monday and Tuesday from 2:00-4:00 PM and from 7:00-9:00 PM at the Charles J. O'Shea Funeral Homes, 603 Wantagh Avenue (Exit 28N SS PKWY) Wantagh, NY. The Mass was celebrated on Wednesday at 10:30 AM at Saint Ignatius Loyola Roman Catholic Church in Hicksville, NY. A private cremation took place afterwards. The burial of ashes was on Friday at Calverton National Cemetery Calverton, NY.



NELSON E. LUCE (USA, MAJ-Ret.) - Died Friday, August 27, 2021 in Pensacola, Florida at the age of 92. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Portland, Maine to the late Earl Chester Luce and Elmina (née Hutchinson) Luce. The Luce's settled in Cape Cod, Massachusetts in 1634. The Hutchinsons, Colonial Governor of Massachusetts, Thomas Hutchinson under King George II. In the Revolutionary War, the English were defeated and the family exiled to Maine. Major Luce was USA Medical Service Corp. (ret), Dustoff 46. His military assignments were: Korea: 25th Medical BN in support of 25th Infantry Div. Flight School: Camp Wolters, TX, transitioned into H-19 helicopters, Ft. Rucker, AL. Germany: 421st AA Company, 3rd Platoon, Ausberg, TDY trips: Iran, Tanzania, Yugoslavia, six months' duty on Project Hope, off coast of Chili. Alaska: Artic Test Center, Ft. Greeley, AK. Test pilot CH47 (Chinook). Wrote 37 engineering change proposals. Vietnam 1967-68: Platoon Leader 4th Platoon, 45th AA Co. Lai Khe, direct support 1st Inf. Div. (The Big Red One). Nui Dat, Supporting three battalions of Australians. Received orders 1968 to head up USAAVNS, Dept. of Rotary Wing, Multi-Engine Branch, Ft. Rucker, AL. TDY U.S. Army Ski Team, St. Moritz, CH. Wrote two articles published in Aviation Digest Magazine. Retired at Ft. Rucker, AL. Awards: The Distinguished Flying Cross w/2 OLC. 23 Air Medals, Bronze Star, numerous other awards and citations. He was an *At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Florida*. Survived by his loving wife, Vivian, adult children from previous marriage, grand and great-grandchildren. Youngest daughter Heidi predeceased him, and dear friends and neighbors. Heartfelt thanks to his primary physician, Dr. Katherine Price, Ascension S/H Clinic Perdido Bay. Kindred at Home Nicole and Michael PT's for their continuing assistance. To his wonderful caregivers, Sassy, Theresa, Barbara, Tawanna and Donna. Inurnment took place at 10:30 AM on Thursday, September 9, 2021 at the Barrancas National Cemetery with full military honors. The funeral procession left Oak Lawn Funeral Home at 10:00 AM.



GARRY BINGHAM MALLERNEE (USA, CW4-Ret.) - Died Sunday, December 19, 2021 in Kannapolis, North Carolina at the age of 72, after a courageous battle with cancer. He

was born in Cadiz, Ohio on March 14, 1949 to the late Eugene and Jean Mallernee. In his own words, he was excited about his "bright, shiny future in heaven". He will be dearly missed and was an inspiration to all who knew him. Garry was a Purple Heart veteran who proudly served in the United States Army, including two tours of duty as a helicopter pilot in Vietnam, retiring from military service in 1985. Following retirement from the Army, he had a second career with James River Equipment (John Deere). Garry was preceded in death by his parents, Eugene and Jean Mallernee of Cadiz, OH. First among the surviving family is his loving wife Joyce, who still calls Garry her "Sweet Baboo" after 53 years of marriage. He was the cherished father/father-in-law to Lori and Matthew Woodle and Wendy and Scott Blackwelder. He was a beloved grandpa to Bradley Blackwelder, Samantha and Josh Adams, Courtney and David Layton, Allie Woodle, Emma Woodle, Caleb Blackwelder, Joshua Blackwelder, and Harrison Woodle. He was also a doting great-grandpa to Piper Layton. Also surviving Garry are three brothers: Donnie Mallernee (Grace) of Bowerston OH, Dennis Mallernee (Susan) of Cadiz, OH, and Bill Mallernee (Luann), also of Cadiz, OH. He was also close to his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Tom Stewart (Lynn) and Cindy Harkins (James). Garry was blessed to have numerous nieces and nephews, great-nephews, and great-nieces on both his and Joyce's sides of the family. He was exceptionally proud of all of them. Garry was a longtime member of Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church in Kannapolis, serving over the years as a Sunday School Teacher and Church Council Member. He will be fondly remembered in the community as an advocate for fellow veterans. He served as *President* and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Concord Chapter #909**, and as a Vice-Commander of American Legion Post #115. A Memorial Service to celebrate Garry's life was held at 2:30 PM on Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church conducted by Reverend John Futterer. The family received friends in the church commons from 1:00 to 2:30 PM. The inurnment was at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, December 29, 2021 at the Salisbury National Cemetery Annex, 501 Statesville Boulevard, Salisbury, NC with military graveside rites conducted by the US Army and the Cabarrus County Veteran's Honor Guard. The family left from Whitley's Funeral Home in Kannapolis at 10:15 AM. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in Garry's memory to Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church Youth Group, 101 Vance Avenue, Kannapolis, NC 28081. The family would also like to encourage everyone to consider being an organ donor. Garry's double lung transplant in 2011 gave the family a bonus 10 years with him. The Whitley Funeral Home served the family of Mr. Mallernee. Online condolences may be sent to www.whitleysfuneralhome.com.



MICHELLE GAYLE MALLIN - Died Tuesday, October 19, 2021 in The Denver Hospice, Denver, Colorado at the age of 51, following a lengthy fight with Leiomyosarcoma cancer with her husband and close friend at her bedside. She was a resident of Littleton, Colorado. She was born in Long Island, New York on October 22, 1969 to Robert Mallin and the late Hedy Mallin. She shared her childhood between Anchorage, Alaska, and Long Island, New York. After completing her education in New York, she worked for a large publishing company that later relocated her to Colorado. This is where she fell in love with the various veteran and first responder charities she is so widely known for supporting. It is also where she met her husband, Dean, who she married on October 27, 2019. Michelle is most known for the love and

commitment she put into helping create the Honor Bell to pay tribute to veterans at their passing. She was a member of the Elks and an *Associate Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora Chapter #1106**. She actively participated in both organizations to support veteran causes. She was also a longtime member of the Colorado Patriot Guard Riders who she stood in honor with for funerals at Fort Logan National Cemetery. She also applied her innumerable skills and talent to the support of organizations researching, treating, supporting and educating others about Leiomyosarcoma. She is survived by her husband, Dean Brown of Highlands Ranch, Colorado; her father, Robert Mallin of Littleton, Colorado; sister, Allison Stern of Plainview, New York; other siblings; several aunts and uncles; and many friends. Although she never had children of her own, there are many children and grandchildren whom she loved very much and considered as her own. She was preceded in her passing by her mother, Hedy, in 2007.



HAROLD WAYNE MASH (USA, SGM-Ret.) – Died Thursday, September 23, 2021 in Conroe, Texas at the age of 80. The causes of death were Parkinson's disease, heart disease, diabetes, cancer, stroke and dementia. He was born on August 15, 1941 in Chicago, Illinois to the late Edna and Bronzie Tabor. Harold joined the United States Army at 17 and was honorably discharged in 1970. He remained active in the Army Reserves and National Guard, and retired in August 2001 as a Sergeant Major. While doing that, he managed to obtain a college degree, work as a deputy in Charlotte, N.C., and a State ABC Officer for the State of North Carolina. He was hired as an Investigator for the Federal Government, USDA, where he retired after 35 years. He was dedicated to doing his best, always loyal and kind, with a strong proponent for ethics and personal responsibility. He attempted to lead by example and always stood ready to help anyone. He was a member of NARFE, lifetime member of 173rd Airborne Association, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Columbus Chapter #1127**, Sergeants Major Association, and Special Forces. Harold was a loving and devoted husband and will be dearly missed by his wife, Rose Marie. He was extremely proud of his seven children: Allen and Pam Mash of Conroe; Tammy and Dave Perry of California; Patricia Mash of Arizona; Marie Catherine Mash of Texas; Christine and Rick Summerow of Texas; David and Rita Mash of New Jersey; and Billy and Chris Mash of Missouri. He leaves behind 18 beloved grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren, as well as many loving cousins, nieces, nephews, other family members and countless friends. He was preceded in death by his parents: Edna and Bronzie Tabor; brother, Robert Tabor; and his beloved aunt and uncle, Daune and Anna Kirkpatrick. He leaves a deep abyss in our hearts and will be greatly missed.

DAVID JOHN MATHE - Died Monday, October 4, 2021 at his home in Butternut, Wisconsin at the age of 75. He was a resident of Glidden, Wisconsin and formerly of Oshkosh, Wisconsin. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 9, 1946 in Oshkosh to the late Norbert and Delores (née Kloiber) Mathe. After his schooling he entered the United States Navy, serving his country during the Vietnam War from 1964-1968. David worked for A.P. Nonweiler Company and as a cabinet maker before working for Oshkosh Truck until his retirement. On February 4, 1989 he married Diane (Stutz) Voight. The couple moved to Glidden in 2010. David was a lifetime member of the Glidden VFW and American Legion, a president of the Glidden Lions Club, and a

volunteer for Catkins Animal Rescue. He was also a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Hurley Chapter #529*. He was an avid hunter & fisherman, enjoyed watching the Packers and traveling, and especially enjoyed spending time with his family and friends. He is survived by his wife Diane of Glidden, (6) children: William (Becky) Voight of North Dakota, Thomas (Jamie) Voight of Ripon, Kathryn (Chuck) Nourse of Oshkosh, Eric (Becky) Mathe of Oshkosh, Jeffrey (Ray) Wyatt of Sheboygan, and Sheri (Tom) Beacham of Oshkosh, (11) grandchildren, (16) great-grandchildren, his sisters-in-law: Nancy (Robert) Jungwirth, Joni Stutz, and Linda Mathe, both of Oshkosh, and many nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Michael Mathe, and brothers-in-law Jim and Jerry Stutz. A memorial visitation was held at the Glidden VFW Hall on Saturday October 9, 2021 from 2:00 until 4:00 PM. Military honors were accorded at 4:00 PM. A memorial visitation was also held at the Poklasny Funeral Home on South Park Avenue in Oshkosh on Monday October 11, 2021 from 3:00 until 5:00 PM with a memorial service at 5:00 PM. The Reverend Tim Greenwald officiated. The interment was in the Sacred Heart Cemetery in Oshkosh. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Catkins Animal Rescue in Park Falls were greatly appreciated. Birch Street Funeral Service in Park Falls and Poklasny Funeral Home in Oshkosh assisted the family.



JOSEPH EDWARD "Joe" MAVERO - Died Monday, October 4, 2021 at the University of Pennsylvania Medical Center - Presbyterian Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania at the age of 71. He was a resident of New Brighton, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 26, 1950 in Rochester, Pennsylvania to the late Frank W. and Rita M. (née Colella) Maverro. He was a member of the Saint Cecilia Roman Catholic Church, Rochester, Our Lady of the Valley Parish. He was a United States Navy Veteran of the Vietnam War, a Life Member and Chaplain of the Rochester VFW Post #128, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862*, the New Brighton American Legion Post #19, the Rochester SOI Lodge #1070, and the Rochester Wolves Den. He coached Rochester Football for 40 years, and was known as Coach Mav, he also coached and umpired for 45 years for Rochester Baseball, coached Girls Softball, was a member of the Rochester Quarterback Club, and Roundball Club, and was a linesman for the Rochester High School Football for several years. He is survived by one son, Daniel J. Maverro, Texas, two daughters and a son in law, Amanda Lynn and David Bokash, Harmony, PA, and Bernadette F. Maverro, New Brighton; six grandchildren, Tanner, and Addison Bokash, Kingston Maverro-Smith, Manuel Davison, Jalen and Joseph Maverro,; two sisters and a brother in law, Monica R. and Al Mannerino, Rochester, and Patricia J. Maverro, New Brighton; one brother and two sisters in law, C.J. and Sonya Maverro, Beaver, and Lisa Maverro, Moon Twp.; four nephews, one great niece, two great nephews, and numerous cousins. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Vincent and Daniel Maverro. Friends were received on Thursday, October 7, 2021 from 2:00-4:00 PM and from 6:00-8:00 PM in the William Murphy Funeral Home, Inc., 349 Adams Street, Rochester. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday, at 10:00 AM in Saint Cecilia Roman Catholic Church, Rochester. Officiating was his nephew, Reverend Father Christopher Mannerino. The interment was in Saint Cecilia Cemetery. A Wake Service was held

Thursday at 3:30 PM in the funeral home. There was a White Rose Service Thursday at 7:30 PM, presented by the Vietnam Veterans of America. Memorial Contributions can be made to the Saint Cecilia Roman Catholic Church, 628 Virginia Avenue, Rochester, PA 15074.

STEPHEN O. MAY - Died Monday, June 8, 2020 in Clearwater, Florida at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 27, 1945 to the late Otis G. and Shirley C. May. Stephen was a proud member of the United States Marine Corps. He completed two tours of duty in Vietnam. He was retired from the Conrail Police Department. He was a member of the North Reading Rotary Club. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Florida**. Stephen was predeceased by his parents and his sons, Stephen C. May and Michael J. May. Stephen is survived by his three grandchildren, Serenity, Mahalia and Michael, Jr., his brother Otis and his wife Mary, and his ex-wife and close friend, Shirley May.

MAC A. MCCARTHY – Died recently in 2021 in Mechanicville, New York at the age 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 30, 1946. He is survived by his wife, Nancy. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fort Ann Chapter #79**.



BENJAMIN C. "Ben" McDOWELL - Died peacefully Tuesday, May 11, 2010 in Vineland, New Jersey at the age of 64. He was formerly of Williamstown, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 24, 1945 in Audubon, New Jersey and raised in Camden, New Jersey. His humor and smile could fill a room with laughter. An outgoing and lovable man who loved the occasional practical joke encompasses Ben's life. Ben proudly served his country in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War where he received the Vietnam Service Medal & National Defense Service Medal. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825**. After his active military time, Ben worked for the Budd Company in Philadelphia for more than 20 years. Away from his work, Ben enjoyed spending time casting his line for the catch of the day, tending to his garden and hosting the summer family gatherings. Ben will be sadly missed by all who knew and loved him. Family Ben is the beloved husband of 38 years to Elizabeth (née Storer); loving father of Elizabeth Hughes, Paul McDowell, Charles McDowell, William Hughes, Bruce Hughes, Dave Hughes, Rose Hughes and Anthony Hughes; dear brother of Thomas & John McDowell; special brother in law of Mary Orsini and Cathy Ollis; cherished uncle of Andrew Orsini; grandfather of 18 and great-grandfather of 8; also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, family and friends. Ben is predeceased by his parents Clarence & Lillian McDowell; his children Michael and Nickolas McDowell and his grandson Jose Estremera. Farewell Service Viewing was on Sunday from 6:30 to 9:00 PM and on Monday from 8:30 to 9:15 AM in the McGuinness Funeral Home, 573 Egg Harbor Road, Washington Township. The Funeral Mass was on Monday at 10:00 AM in Our Lady

of Peace Parish at Saint Mary's Church, Main Street, Williamstown. The interment was in the Gloucester County Veteran's Memorial Cemetery, Williamstown.



ANDREW SCOTT MCGOWAN, SR., Ph.D. - Died Thursday, March 4, 2021 in Bronx, New York at the age of 81, due to complications from cancer. He was born on January 7, 1940 in Avoca, Pennsylvania to the late Andrew C. and Teresa (née Scott) McGowan. Scott was educated at Fordham University (Ph.D., P.D. and M.S.), Niagara University (M.A.) and the University of Scranton (B.S.), graduating Magna Cum Laude, class of 1961. He taught English at Harrison High School, New York from 1965-1967. From 1967-1988, he was a school counselor and chair of the counseling department at Roosevelt High School, Yonkers, NY. He also worked as head counselor in an after school program for disadvantaged youth. From 1988 until his retirement in 2014, he was a professor in the College of Education, Department of Counseling and Development, at Long Island University (LIU), C.W. Post Campus, where he was named Senior Professor in 2010. As chair, he led the Counseling & Development Department in its successful CACREP accreditation process. During this period, he also served for three years as LIU's Coordinator of the Tactical Officers Education Program at the US Military Academy, West Point. Scott's scholarly contributions include over 240 published works in refereed journals, chapters in scholarly books, and educational television, where he was the moderator/ creator of three television series, most notably "American College Focus," which appeared on PBS. Over a period of 18 years he served as editor of a number of counseling journals, most notably two terms as the editor of the Journal of Counseling & Development, the flagship journal of the American Counseling Association (ACA). Scott was the former President of the national Counseling Association for Humanistic Education & Development (C-AHEAD), past President of the Westchester/Putnam/ Rockland Counseling Association and the NYCA chair/ representative to the North Atlantic Region of ACA. Throughout his long career, Scott received many honors and awards including the ACA Hitchcock Distinguished Professional Service Award; the NYCA Patterson Award for Distinguished Professional Services and Contributions to the Counseling Profession; the C-AHEAD's Hollis Publication Award; the ACA Distinguished Counselor Award; the David Newton Award for Excellence in Teaching (LIU's most prestigious award for instructional excellence); the Outstanding Faculty Award from the US Military Academy, West Point; the University of Scranton O'Hara Alumni Award; and the Fordham University, College of Education and Information Sciences Alumni Achievement Award. A former United States Army Captain (in December of 1962 he reported to Fort Ord, CA and was honorably discharged in June of 1965), he was awarded the US Army Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #49*. Scott is survived by his wife of 46 years, Marian Kearney McGowan. He also leaves his son, Andrew S. McGowan, Jr., his wife, Katy and their daughters, Isabella, 13, and Ariela, 10. Also surviving is his sister, Marianne McGowan and her husband, Richard Scaramozza, of Brookline, MA. Scott is also survived by many loving cousins and in-laws. A funeral mass was celebrated on March 9th at Saint Barnabas Roman Catholic Church, Bronx, NY. Interment followed, with military honors, at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Valhalla, NY. In lieu of flowers, the family had asked that donations be made in Scott's name to

either (1) The Woodlawn Boys & Girls Club, PO Box 289, Bronx, NY 10470 or (2) the Disabled American Veterans organization via the website DAV.org.



DAVID A. "Mac" McMASTER (USMC, CPT-Ret.) – Died Friday, May 28, 2021 in Bellingham, Washington at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 23, 1950 to the late Lt. Colonel William "Mac" E. McMaster, Sr. and Christine (née Wilson) McMaster. At age 18 he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and turned 19 in a remote mountain gun emplacement in Vietnam. He celebrated his first Marine Corps birthday while there, and never forgot the sight of a helicopter hovering while a Marine jumped out and brought he and his three fellow grunts a piece of Marine Corps birthday cake. After his enlistment was up, he entered college and graduated from the University of Washington. He then went back into the Marines, eventually retiring as a Marine Corps Captain. He had over 24 years of service to our country, and when people thanked him for his service he would say, "It wasn't always a pleasure, but was always an honor." It is perhaps fitting that he left us on Memorial Day weekend, as he always honored those fallen Veterans. To him that day meant so much more than a three-day weekend. Many people knew him around town as the Marine who, with a scrappy bunch of guys from the Daniel B. Bartle Marine Corps League, saved the Whatcom Memorial Day Parade. He also proudly served several years as the local community officer for Whatcom County Toys for Tots. During that time, he taught many people to loudly project the Marine Corps "ooh rah". We would be at a stoplight in town and suddenly we would hear "ooh rah" from a car next to us. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Bellingham Chapter #165*. He leaves behind his wife Betty (née Cruikshank) McMaster; brother-in-law Bob Cruikshank; daughters Jennifer (Chevalier) Morgan and Susie Chevalier; granddaughters Mikela Puig and Alina Puig; niece April Cruikshank; and his two beloved furry kids Summer Day and Angel Mae. He is also survived by his sister, Christine Ann (McMaster) Dietsch, and her two daughters, his nieces, Coleen Dietsch-Krubl (Athens, Ohio) and Cairen Dietsch-Jones (Chicago). He was so happy to be Uncle David to Alexa and Brynne Dietsch-Jones and John Carlton and Lisbeth Dietsch-Krubl. He was preceded in death by his older brother, William (Bill) E. McMaster, Jr.; and his parents, Lt. Colonel William (Mac) E. McMaster, Sr. and Christine (Wilson) McMaster. Thank you to all the caring medical providers that kept this Marine alive in spite of all of the health issues that Agent Orange gave him. And a special thank you to Phillip Carroll and Jose Ledesma, two young Marine Veterans that would come visit him and listen to his stories about the Marine Corps when he could no longer get out to meet them elsewhere. He enjoyed their visits tremendously. Mac's ashes were placed at Greenacres Memorial Park, 5700 NW Drive, Ferndale on Friday, September 10, 2021 at 2:00 PM in the Veterans' Section.



ANNIE LEE MEENS - Died Tuesday, November 30, 2021 in Moody, Alabama at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on September 17, 1951. She served in the United States Army from June 1974 to June 1977. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Gardendale Chapter #416**. She was an accomplished evangelist and military veteran. She gave her family the life that she was unable to live. She is survived by her husband, James Meens, Sr., daughter, Shakila Meens, and son, James Meens, Jr. While a hard-working, loving and compassionate woman she was also an unforgettable wife, mother, grandmother and woman of God. The Davenport and Harris Funeral Home in Birmingham, Alabama was in charge of the arrangements.



ROBERT L. "Bob" MILLIKEN, JR. - Died Monday, November 15, 2021 in Coatesville, Pennsylvania at the age of 77, surrounded by loved ones. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in South Bend, Indiana on May 8, 1944 to the late Winifred (Milliken) Lant and Robert L. Milliken, Sr. He was the beloved husband of Patricia Milliken with whom he shared 53 years of marriage. He served in the United States Navy from 1962 to 1970 and was deployed in Vietnam in 1966 and 1967. After active duty he attended Charleston Institute of Technology and received his degree in Mechanical Engineering. After college and moving to Pennsylvania, he served four years in the Active Reserves. Throughout his professional career Bob served in various leadership positions and at the time of his retirement was president of Underground Services, a subsurface utility engineering firm. Post-retirement, he stayed within the industry working with InfraMap Corp as a consultant. He was an active member of the American Society of Highway Engineers (ASHE) and served as Delaware Valley president in 2007-2008. Bob also was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers where he received the 'Engineering Manager of the Year' award in 2012. In the spirit of service, after his retirement, Bob served pro bono as the Interim Executive Director of the Chester County Association for the Blind and was an active member of the Coatesville Area Lions Club, serving as the president from 2016-2017. Bob was a member of Olivet United Methodist Church and has served on various committees during his 45 years as a member and served as a member of the trustees. He was a member of the Brandywine-Goddard Lodge #383, as well as the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Valley of Reading, Pennsylvania. He also served as president of the Chester County Consistory Club, a division of the Scottish Rite. As a proud veteran, he was a *Life Member* of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, and **Vietnam Veterans of America – Major Louis F. Guillermin Memorial Chapter (Phoenixville) Chapter #436** organizations. He loved boating and held a U.S. Coast Guard Captains License along with a 100 ton, Masters Certificate. By virtue of the admirable and generous accomplishments

above, Bob epitomized service, family, friendship, and patriotism. He is a true hero to all who have known him. In addition to his wife, Bob is survived by his children: Lori Burns (Chris), and Rob Milliken (Melanie); a beloved granddaughter, Brenna Burns; brothers: Keith Lant (Peggy), John Milliken (Karen), Mike Milliken (Kari); sisters: Sandy Ellis, Donna Wysocki (Mike), and Janet Simbeck (Donny); and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brother Paul Lant. A visitation for family and friends was held from 4:00 until 6:00 PM on Sunday, November 21, 2021 at the James J. Terry Funeral Home, 736 East Lancaster Avenue, Downingtown, PA. A private Memorial Service took place at 11:00 AM on Monday, November 22, 2021 at James Terry Funeral Home, Downingtown, Pennsylvania, where friends were able to view via the ceremony livestream. The interment was held privately at the Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Olivet United Methodist Church, Coatesville or the Masonic Dyslexia Center for Children, Reading, PA.

ROBERT R. MITCHELL –Died Tuesday, October 19, 2021 in Bidwell, Ohio at the age 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 25, 1942 in Columbus, Ohio. He served in the United States Army from March 1971 to December 1973. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Gallipolis Chapter #709*.



FRANK MOFFELL, SR. (USAF, SMGT-Ret.) - Died Friday, November 12, 2021 in Camden Wyoming, Delaware at the age of 86, surrounded by family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born March 6, 1935 in Bay Springs, Mississippi to the late Vallie Mae (née Charles) Moffett and Booker T. Moffett. Frank moved to New Orleans, LA where he met his high school sweetheart, Hilda. They were married on February 8, 1958, after he joined the United States Air Force. Frank's military career spanned 27 years from February 20, 1956, through February 28, 1983, where he retired with honors. He was recognized for his service and received many medals including, the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service, Air Force Commendation, and Vietnam Service Medals. He served two tours in Vietnam. He was based overseas in England, Korea, Thailand, Japan and Okinawa and stateside in South Carolina, New Jersey and California before settling in Dover, DE at the Dover Air Force Base with his family. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dover Chapter #850*. Frank and Hilda celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary in February. Out of their union came 3 children, 6 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren which they loved dearly. Frank and Hilda enjoyed traveling. They went on cruises, traveled to Paris, and love visiting family in New Orleans, LA. Frank and Hilda always made time to support their sons, Frank Jr., and David's Sporting events. Rhonda, followed in her father's footsteps, by joining the United States Air Force. They loved spending time with their grandchildren especially during holidays and major milestones. Frank was a true family man who was generous and compassionate. After retiring from the military, Frank attended and graduated from Delaware Technical Community College with an associate degree in HVAC. He went to work at the Dover Air Force Base as a civilian in Housing Maintenance. Frank was just a phone call away when friends needed help. Anyone who knew Frank knows he was a "Jack of all trades" – He knew how to make and fix just about anything from repairing automobiles to making his own BBQ grills...

And he made the best BBQ ribs around! He bartended for Governor Pete du Pont. He was an avid outdoors man. He enjoyed planting and sharing his garden, sitting out on the front porch, hunting, and fishing with family and friends. Frank regularly attended Holy Cross Catholic Church in Dover, DE. He served as an usher for 20 years. He was a member of the Kent County 850 Vietnam Veterans of America. Frank leaves to cherish his memory, his loving wife Hilda; his children, Rhonda Moffett, Frank Moffett Jr. (Danielle), David Moffett; his grandchildren, Anthony Stokes II, Terence Stokes, Jade Moffett, Jordan Moffett, Frank Moffett 3rd, Daniel Moffett; six great-grandchildren; Aunt Gertie Fox of Jackson, MS and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends.



FRANCIS JAMES "Jim" MORAN - Died Tuesday, January 5, 2021 in Little River, South Carolina at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Hartford, Connecticut on August 7, 1946. He was a long-term resident of Washington, PA and later of Boiling Springs, SC. Jim is survived by his wife, Trudy Moran; three daughters, Kelli Whitfield McClain, Peggy Lowenstein, and Jennifer Revis; his son, Jimmy Moran; as well as eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was also survived by his sisters Diane Suttles of Boiling Springs, SC and Pamela Randolph of Washington, PA, two stepsisters, nieces and nephews, and other family. Jim was a Vietnam Veteran in the United States Army serving in the 18th Military Police Brigade. He remained in contact with several of the veterans he served with. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Landrum Chapter #1049*. Jim was an avid golfer who enjoyed playing with his golfing buddies and drinking a sweet tea after a round at Colonial Charters. He could make conversation with anyone and never met a stranger.



LARRY EUGENE MORRIS - Died Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25, 2021 in Springfield, Illinois at the age of 72. The cause of death was cancer. Larry was born on April 1, 1949 in Springfield to the late Eugene and Patricia (née Marion) Morris. He married Patricia Gibson in 1987, and she preceded him in death on July 19, 2009. He then married Tami Bering on May 14, 2016, and she preceded him in death on July 21, 2019. He also was preceded in death by his father; grandparents; sisters, Yvonne Sronce and Dorothy, Barbara and Joyce Morris; and numerous aunts and uncles. Larry enlisted in the United States Navy and then the United States Army, serving for more than 20 years, including several tours in Vietnam. Stateside, he served as a military police canine officer at Naval Station Norfolk in Norfolk, Virginia, prior to moving to Missouri and eventually back to his hometown of Springfield. Larry was a well-decorated veteran with many medals, including the Silver Star and Bronze Star. In recent years, he was active in the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Honor Guard, Vietnam Veterans Memorial and Disabled Veterans activities. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #534*. He is survived by one daughter, Robin (Rick) Hollander; two grandchildren, Matthew Lee and

Christina (Christopher) Miller; five great-grandchildren, Sully, Minka, Mayim, Zane and Kati; his mother, Patricia Sronce; three brothers, Gary (Donna) Crompton, Jim (Angie) Sronce and his best friend whom he called a brother, Denny Bierbaum; one sister, Karen Gamboa; four aunts, Barbara Seward, Mary Ellen (Charles) Clemons, Theresa Smith and Margaret Millar; and several nieces, nephews and cousins, including Tommy and Wanda Harbour. Cremation was accorded and a private family burial was held at Camp Butler National Cemetery in Springfield, with military services provided by the Interveterans Burial Detail of Sangamon County. Larry's family met friends during a luncheon in his memory at 1:00 PM on Friday, December 3, 2021 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars at 2349 Stockyard Road in Springfield. Memorial contributions may be made to Veterans of Foreign Wars, 2349 Stockyard Road, Springfield, IL 62702. Curry Funeral Home in Pawnee was serving the family of Larry Morris. Online condolences may be expressed at www.curryfh.com.



WATSON T. "Sonny" MOSEBAY, JR. - Died Tuesday, January 17, 2012 in the hospital of cardiac arrest at the age of 70. He was a resident of Ventnor City, New Jersey. Watson was born in Washington, Pennsylvania on November 28, 1941. That was a happy day for the Mosebay family. He is survived by a loving sister, Helen Mosebay Shepperson; his maternal aunt, Madelyn Carter, and uncle, Albert Carter, Sr. Also included are many cousins, all over the USA, and other countries, and many, many friends. Watson graduated from Washington High School, in Washington, PA, and received his BS in Political Science from Washington and Jefferson College, Washington, PA in 1965. Right out of college, he was drafted into the United States Army. He didn't like that so he decided to be one of, "the few, the proud" and joined the United States Marine Corps. After boot camp, at Camp Lejeune, SC, where he turned 25, he was sent to Vietnam, where he served 13 months, 3 days. When "Sonny" returned from Vietnam, and finally became a civilian, again, he joined the Xerox Corporation where he became one of its top sales reps. Later he would join Ayrest Pharmaceuticals, where, again, he excelled. When Sonny's mother became ill, he returned to New Jersey, and has remained in South Jersey ever since. Watson's great love was the Marine Corps, and he was a member of many military organizations, and always encouraged vets, and their wives, to do all they could do to advance the cause of veterans, and especially the ones who had/have seen combat. He was a life member of the VFW, the MOC, the American Legion, and quite a few others; and he always participated in any way he could. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825*. He used to say, "Once a Marine, always a Marine. And that requires all you can give of your time and money." Watson Mosebay, Jr. liked people, and people liked him. He was a wonderful son, brother, and friend. He was also a great patriot. Services were held on January 23, 2012 at Central United Methodist Church at 11:00 AM, 5 Marvin Avenue, Linwood, NJ. A viewing was held one hour before the service at 10:00 AM. The burial was in the Atlantic City Cemetery, at Pleasantville, NJ, Greenwood Section, following church service. A gathering/repast was held back at Central United, in Linwood, after burial. It would be Watson's fondest wish that any and all would consider donating as much and as often as you can to Vet organizations such as VFW Post

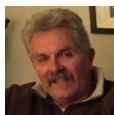
#220, Mays Landing, NJ, or the Military Order of the Cooties, or the American Legion, or any organization that takes good care of vets. Watson thanks one and all for your prayers. The arrangements are entrusted to and written condolences may be sent to: www.Adams-Perfect.com.



JAMES R. "Jimmy" MULLEN - Died Thursday, December 2, 2021 in Braddock, Pennsylvania at the age of 73. He was former of Oakland/Uptown, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania on August 9, 1948. He was the beloved husband and best friend of Carmella E.; father of Shana Mullen, Jeff (Lisa) Pennetti and Dana (Shawn) McFarland; grandfather of Isabella, Shawn and Ireland McFarland, and Milan Pennetti. Jimmy served as a United States Marine Combat Veteran in Vietnam, and was a Purple Heart recipient. He was an active member and Honor Guard of Vietnam Vets, Inc. (VVI) and AMVETS Post #60. He was also a member of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862*, DAV #76, Italian War Veterans, The VFW and the American Legion. He was also retired from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. Memorial contributions may be made in Jimmy's name to Vietnam Vets, Inc., P. O. Box 97765, Pittsburgh, PA 15227. The arrangements were under the direction of the Frank F. DeBor Funeral Home.

LEO LEIGHTON MURPHY – Died Thursday, September 23, 2021 in Angeles City, Philippines at the age of 89. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born on April 28, 1932. He served in the United States Army. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Angeles City Chapter #887*.

JAMES DWAYNE MYRICK - Sunday, October 18, 2021 in Hallettsville, Texas at the age of 70. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Big Spring, Texas on December 7, 1950. He served in the United States Army from March 25, 1970 to January 11, 1971 with a short tour of duty in Vietnam of four months and twenty-four days. He was on permanent disability and retired June 11, 1971. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Hallettsville Chapter #854*. A committal service with Military Honors was held at 11:30 AM on Saturday, November 20, 2021 at the Fuller Cemetery (East of Hallettsville, County Road 132 off of Highway 90-A). The Thiele-Cooper Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



PETER R. NELSON - Died Tuesday afternoon, October 12, 2021 at Saint Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, Michigan at the age of 76. He was a resident of Monroe, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 3, 1945 in Iron Mountain, Michigan to the late Robert and Lois (née Johnson) Nelson. He graduated from Dundee High School in 1964 and enlisted in the United States Navy on February 4, 1966. Peter served his country during the

Vietnam War and was honorably discharged on January 15, 1970, earning the National Defense Service Medal. On July 30, 1966, Peter married Linda S. Bird in Dundee, MI. Together, they raised two children, Lisa and Eric. Peter had a long career with Ford Motor Company, working at the Rawsonville Plant for 36 years before retiring in 2001. He enjoyed the outdoors and the freedom of riding his Harley. He also enjoyed collecting model cars, ballroom and country western dancing with his wife Linda, and the challenge of assembling large jig-saw puzzles. Peter was a member of Redeemer Fellowship Church, the National Rifle Association, a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Monroe Chapter #142*, American Legion Post #225, and a former member of the Christian Motorcyclist Association. At his church, Peter operated their food closet program for several years and was also involved in the food distribution program at MCOP. Surviving Peter are his wife of 55 years, Linda Nelson; his two children, Lisa (Tony) Moisan of Ypsilanti, MI and Eric Nelson of Willis, MI; a sister, Sally (Dick) Juba of Shakopee, MN; and grandson, Peter Moisan of Kentwood, MI. Private graveside services were held at Rath Cemetery. Monroe VFW Post #1138 performed military honors in conjunction with Pastor John Pippo who provided rights of committal and words of comfort. All were invited to attend a memorial celebration of Peter's life at Redeemer Fellowship Church on Saturday, October 30th at 11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers, Peter's family encourages potential donors to support Disabled American Veterans for the continued assistance of those who sacrificed in service to our country. Online condolences and special memories may be shared with the family by visiting the obituary page at www.bacarellafuneralhome.com.



ARTHUR GRAFTON "Art" NORMAN - Died Tuesday, November 23, 2021 in Lebanon, Tennessee at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 28, 1945. He is preceded in death by his son, Scott Norman. He is survived by his wife, Sue Norman; son, Steven Norman; stepdaughters, Susan Applegate and Shari James; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. Norman was a Vietnam veteran serving in the United States Navy receiving the Purple Heart and Bronze Star and later serving as a Merchant Seaman. After retirement he was a Wal-Mart Greeter. He was a member of the Cainsville Community Church. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lebanon Chapter #1004*. Visitation was held in the Cainsville Community Church, 16365 Cainsville Road, Lebanon, TN on Tuesday November 30th at 4:00 PM until the funeral service at 6:00 PM at the church. Brother Jim Newman officiated at the service. Graveside service with full military honors were held on Wednesday December 1st at 2:00 PM in the Veterans Cemetery, 7931 McCrory Lane, Nashville, TN. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in Mr. Norman's memory to the Cainsville Community Church. The Partlow Funeral Chapel was in charge of the arrangements. www.partlowchapel.com.



JAMES J. "Jim" O'BRIEN - Died Tuesday, March 21, 2017 unexpectedly at his home in Billerica, Massachusetts at the age of 65. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Boston,

Massachusetts on March 27, 1951 to the late Joseph F. and Alicia (née Curran) O'Brien. Jim lived in Somerville, Woburn and Burlington before moving to Billerica in 1992. Mr. O'Brien served as a Corporal in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War (1968-1971), and as a Specialist in the United States Army supporting NATO from 1974-1976. Following military service, Jim worked as a Heavy Equipment Operator for the Burlington Department of Public Works (DPW). Jim was a former commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Solomon Post in Billerica, as well as, the Burlington American Legion, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Stoneham Chapter #837**, in addition to being a member of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) and would volunteer helping homeless veterans in Boston with his daughter Erin O'Brien. Jim lovingly nicknamed himself "Jungle Jim" and was famously known for his love and pride for his daughter, his quick wit, swift dance moves, charismatic charm, stubborn Irish temper and big heart. His love for his Marine brothers kept him fiercely loyal to the core by serving the families of his fellow vets ensuring they received the benefits to which they were entitled. Jim is survived by one daughter, Erin O'Brien of Lowell who shared his love of dance, quick wit, humor, big heart and charm; three sisters, Patricia Madison and her husband Dan of Baltimore, MD and Jay Arnaudet and her husband Gerry of Marshfield Hills, MA and Leita O'Brien of Somerville; his former wife Sheila Cuniff and her husband Paul of Billerica as well as several nieces, nephews and friends. Visiting hours were held on Sunday at the Sweeney Memorial Funeral Home, 66 Concord Road, Billerica from 1:00 – 4:00 PM. A Funeral Mass was held on Monday at the Immaculate Conception Church, 3 Fayette Street, Lowell at 9:30 AM. The burial was in the Fox Hill Cemetery, 130 Andover Road, Billerica. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the VFW Solomon Post, 12 Phiney Street, Billerica, MA 01821.



PATRICK J. "Pat" O'CONNOR - Died Sunday, October 17, 2021 in Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. Patrick was born on April 6, 1948 in Viroqua, WI to the late Forest and Irene (née Smith) O'Connor. He spent the first 18 years of his life in Viroqua, where he delivered milk and scooped ice cream at his family business, the Viroqua Dairy. He attended Viroqua High School and made many life-long friendships before graduating in 1966. He then enlisted in the United States Army and served his country for three years as a paratrooper. He served in Vietnam in the 101st Airborne Division, 173rd Airborne Brigade, and then ended his service as a Green Beret in the 5th Special Forces Group. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wisconsin Rapids Chapter #101**. He returned home to attend LaCrosse State University. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration, then continued his education at Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa where he earned his Doctor of Chiropractic degree. After beginning his chiropractic career in Viroqua, he relocated to Wisconsin Rapids, where he met and married the love of his life, Patti. In 1982, their first child, Katie, was born. This year, they also purchased and renovated the building where he practiced as a chiropractor for over 30 years before retiring. In 1986, the year Kelli was born, Pat and Patti purchased a three-story home which was built in 1901. A total restoration project was undertaken to restore this former boarding house to its original grandeur. 1990 saw the arrival of their son, Ryan. It was also the year they began to pursue an interest in cranberry farming. After several years of research and

information gathering, they officially began Seneca Red Cranberry Co., LLC with their partners, planting their first vines in 1998. Pat was a one of a kind individual who had a wide range of interests. He was a proud veteran whose years of service shaped him into a dedicated patriot. He was an excellent marksman who was proud to earn his place on the State of Wisconsin High Power Rifle Team, competing in the National Rifle Championship at Camp Perry, Ohio from 1980-1984. Patrick loved shooting and was always thrilled to mentor others in the sport. He also enjoyed hunting and spending time outdoors, a passion he passed on to his children. He was an avid music lover who loved to dance with his beloved wife. He was known for his quick-witted sense of humor, his no-nonsense personality, and bold approach to life. He was persistently productive, self-driven, and woke up every day with a plan. He always had a project of some sort: from building and later renovating a hunting cabin to flipping a condemned building (despite his family's skepticism) to designing and constructing a wide array of hunting blinds, he was a skilled craftsman and go-getter. Pat was a very social person who was known for his story-telling. He loved talking to people and enjoyed finding common ground in conversations. He was never happier than when he was spending time with his family and friends at the cabin. Pat was preceded in death by his father, Forest; his mother, Irene; his brothers, Jim and Mike; sister, Kathleen; sister-in-law, Maureen; and mother-in-law, Naomi Saeger. Pat is survived by his wife, Patti; his three children, Katie (Mike) Polich, Kelli (Jason) Schiltz, and Ryan; his sister, Bette; his grandchildren, Riley, Joe, Jack, Sam, and Mackenzie; several nieces and nephews; sister-in-law, Mae; and father-in-law, Victor Saeger. Patrick will be lovingly remembered by family and friends as a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend. Private family services were held at Pioneer Cemetery.



EDDIE ARNOLD ODOM - Died peacefully Monday, March 16, 2021 at Tidewell Hospice, Inc. in Lakewood Ranch, Florida at the age of 77. He was a resident of Sarasota, Florida. The cause of death is unknown. Eddie was born on November 2, 1942 in Big Sandy, Tennessee to the late Aldrich and Olena Odom. After surviving Polio at the age of 10, Eddie would become a standout baseball player in Dearborn Heights, Michigan. He would go on to graduate from Fordson High School in Dearborn, Michigan. Eddie earned college degrees from both The University of Michigan and Midwestern Bible College. He enlisted in the United States Army in 1967 and served in the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Huron Chapter #1083**. After returning from Vietnam, Eddie married Colleen Mack of Dearborn Heights in 1969. He went on to work at Ford Motor Company for 29 years. After his faith and family, the biggest passion in his life was baseball. He coached for many years and enjoyed teaching the game of baseball to young people. Eddie was a dedicated follower of Christ who supported many charities throughout his life. A couple of his favorites include Life Challenge Ministries and Prison Fellowship. In lieu of flowers we ask that you donate to them or a charity of your choosing in Eddie's name. Eddie is survived by his wife of 50 years Colleen Mack, daughter Dr. Tiffany Kim (Dr. Ryan Kim) of Saginaw, MI, son Joshua Odom of Sarasota FL, and brother Howard Odom (Nancy) of Northville, MI. He was also blessed with 2 grandsons, Hudson and Griffin Kim. He is preceded in death by his parents Aldrich and Olena Odom along with his brother

Hubert. A private service was held on April 3rd at the Sarasota National Cemetery. There was a public memorial in Michigan.



KENNETH F. "Buzzy" PALMER - Died Friday, November 12, 2021 in Aliquippa, Pennsylvania at the age of 77, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Latrobe, Pennsylvania on April 26, 1944 to the late William E. Palmer and Lillian "Chip" (née Christopher) Palmer. He was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps with the rank of Staff Sargent proudly serving his country in Vietnam. He retired after 33 years of service with the United States Army Corps of Engineers as a Master, Derrickboat Monallo Crane Operator. Buzzy was a member of the Aliquippa Ukrainian Club, Celtic Reds Athletic Club, and American Legion Unionville Post #512. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**. He is survived by his wife Lisa (née Kotun), his daughters Kim Hogue (John Irwin) and Tessa (Mike) Beckett, his son Vincent (Amanda) Palmer, his sisters Donna Clark, Darlene "Toots" DeAngelo, his brothers, William 'Booty' and Sue Palmer, Rick and Sherry Palmer, Wayne and Rita Palmer, his grandchildren, Ryan, Krista (Eric), Jada, Colten, Charlee, Sadie, his great-granddaughter Jasmine, his mother-in-law, Irma Kotun, in addition to several nieces and nephews and the Kotun Family. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brothers-in-law, Larry Clark, and Donald DeAngelo, infant granddaughter Kara, and his father-in-law John M Kotun. Buzz loved hunting and fishing, having a beer with his buddies, spending time at his camp on the Allegheny River near Warren, PA, but most of all, spending time with those he loved the most, his family. Friends were received on Monday, November 15, 2021, from 3:00 to 7:00 PM at the Tatalovich Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc., 2205 McMinn Street, Aliquippa, PA, where a service was held on Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 9:30 AM, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, Hopewell Township. The Beaver County Special Unit conducted military honors on Tuesday at 9:15 AM. In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to Buzzy's favorite charities, Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, Shriners Hospital for Children or the American Cancer Society, as children held such a special place in his heart.



MEADIE MARIE (née Strickland) PANNELL- 79, of Falls Mills, VA Died Friday, October 22, 2021 in Falls Mills, Virginia at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on February 28, 1942 in Gary, West Virginia to the late Willie Clarence Strickland and Myrtle (née Blaylock) Strickland. Meadie was a resident of Falls Mills, VA for 43 years and a homemaker. She was also a member of the Brushfork Baptist Church. She was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Princeton (West Virginia) Chapter #628**. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Freddie Kyle Pannell; daughter, Dreama Pannell; brothers, Charles Phillips and John Strickland; and sisters, Shirley Asbury, Nell Mawalls, and Alice Blankenship. Survivors include sister, Lexie Rose of Cleveland, Ohio; special sister-in-

law, Susie Garvin of Princeton, West Virginia; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 2:00 PM at the Cravens-Shires Funeral Home Chapel in Bluewell with Reverend Wes Lambert officiating. The burial was at the Grandview Memory Gardens in Bluefield, VA, where friends and family served as pallbearers. Friends came to visit prior to the services from 1:00-2:00 PM on Wednesday at the funeral home. Online condolences will be accepted at www.cravens-shires.com. The Cravens-Shires Funeral Home in Bluewell was serving the Pannell family.



JOHNNY PAPPAN – Died Wednesday, January 6, 2021 in Ponca City, Oklahoma at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. Johnny was born on July 24, 1952 in Bakersfield, California to the late Thelma Louise Pappan, adopted and raised by Johnnie and Alpha Violet (née Gilliland) Pappan. Johnny grew up in Florence, Kansas. He attended high school in Borger, Texas. He joined the United States Army and served in Vietnam from 1971-1972. After serving his country he attended Okmulgee Tech and Oklahoma State University. He retired from many years of welding to enjoy his time with his archery brothers and sisters. He recently married Sandra Dee Manthei on June 13, 2020 in Ponca City, OK. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ponca City Chapter #750*. He is preceded in death by his mother, Thelma Louise Pappan Newell, parents, Johnnie Lee and Altha Violet Pappan and brother Michael Leroy Angel. Survivors include, wife Sandy Pappan and man's best friend Tippy, of the home, daughter Sara Louise Bacon of Oklahoma City, OK, sons Johnny Lee Pappan of Florissant MO, Jason Lee Pappan (Chambers) of Portage WI, his pride and joy granddaughters Kaitlyn Mae Bacon and Breana Rose Bacon, Destiny Chambers and Kierra Chambers, siblings Danny Forrest Angel (Nancy) of Neosho MO, Bonnie Arand of Hodgen OK, Jan Newlin of Ponca City, OK, Terri Weatherly of Ponca City, OK and Dana Davis of Newport, IN, favorite Niece Stephanie Richardson of Newkirk, OK and numerous nephews, nieces, cousins and more friends than he could count. The celebration of life was at 3:00 PM on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at the Kaw Pow Wow grounds in the community building, 12613 East Ferguson Avenue, Kaw City, OK. The burial was at the Washunga Cemetery. The care was under the direction of the Trout Funeral Home and Crematory. In lieu of flowers the family has requested donation be made to The Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758516. Topeka, KS 66675.

MILTON C. PETTAPIECE, JR., MD - Died Friday, December 3, 2021 in Bethel Park, Pennsylvania at the age of 85. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Camden, Maine on June 22, 1936. He was the beloved husband of Susan (née Finch) Pettapiece; dear father of Lauren Pettapiece, stepfather of Colby Conner, Erin Conner, and Jessica Conner (Tym) Burman; brother of Patricia (Stuart) Snyder. Dr. Pettapiece served his country in the United States Air Force during Vietnam as a Flight Surgeon. He practiced Pediatric Ophthalmology in the Oakland area of Pittsburgh. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862*. A private service was held later in Maine. The arrangements were entrusted to Freyvogel-Slater Funeral Directors in Bethel Park. www.slaterfuneral.com



GARY DOUGLAS PETTIGREW - Died peacefully Friday, September 10, 2021 at home in Ferndale, Washington at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. Gary was born in Bellingham, Washington on May 8, 1946, on his brother's birthday. Gary grew up with one foot in Bellingham and one in Acme where he spent much time with his Grandmother Naomi Galbraith Pettigrew and his Galbraith cousins. In Bellingham he loved spending time at his Grandfather Erving Easton's jewelry store after school as well as learning all about boating from him, just one of his lifelong loves. Gary attended Bellingham schools, graduating from BHS in 1964. He attended Bellingham Technical College and worked in logging before joining the United States Army and spending a year in Vietnam. After his return from overseas he began his 34-year career in telecommunications. Over the years with PNB, USWest, Qwest and Century Link he continued learning new skills, always signing up for classes that were offered him by the company. After his retirement from Century Link he worked for the Whatcom County Parks Department at Hovander Park briefly and then at the Plantation Rifle Range for several years which was a perfect fit for him as it was the place where he became a skilled marksman as a teenager and target shooting became a lifelong hobby. Gary was also an Amateur Radio Operator for most of his adult life and also enjoyed fishing. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bellingham Chapter #165**. The most important thing to Gary was his family. He met the love of his life, Linda, in 1970 and they married in November of 1972. In 1976 and 1978 they were blessed with two daughters and began a life of love and fun and making so many great family memories vacationing and camping. He was a very hands-on Father, going to recitals, soccer games, 4H events, etc. In 2013 they welcomed a Grandson into their lives. Quinn was a joy to Gary in the face of Gary's illness. Gary and Linda also enjoyed traveling, including cruises to Alaska, trips to Israel, England, Italy and Ireland, and a Panama Canal cruise. Gary will always be remembered for his kindness and caring for others, especially those with special needs, his big smile and friendliness to others -he never met a stranger and his immense love for his family. He leaves behind his wife, Linda, his daughters, Julie and Kelly (Steve Murray) Pettigrew, his grandson, Quinn, his niece, Leigh Alexander and nephew, Clay Davis. The family wishes to offer many thanks to Whatcom Hospice for the loving care that Gary received from them and also to the Whatcom Fire and Rescue EMTs who came and gently and cheerfully helped us when Gary fell many, many times. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, September 22nd at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church at 11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 1720 Harris Avenue, Bellingham, WA 98225. You may share memories with the family at www.westfordfuneralhome.com.

WILLIAM LOUIS "Bill" PIEPER – Died Friday, September 27, 2019 in Charlotte, North Carolina at the age of 69. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 12, 1950. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Concord Chapter #909**. The funeral arrangements were under the care of the Willis-Reynolds Funeral Home in Newton, North Carolina.

FLOYD D. PIERCE, SR. - Died Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at the Pickering House in Baltimore, Ohio at the age of 72. He was a resident of Baltimore. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 20, 1947 to the late Lloyd and Betty (née Baucher) Pierce, Sr. He worked for 40+ years at Anchor Hocking and served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Faith Memorial Church, the Baltimore VFW, and a member of the American Legion Post #144. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lancaster Chapter #1045**. Floyd enjoyed spending time with his friends and family and will be greatly missed. He was survived by his three sons, Floyd "Dan" (Kimberly Austin) Pierce Jr., Matthew (Pamela Kasler) Pierce, and Joseph (Amy) Pierce; grandchildren, Haiden A. and Abigail P. Pierce; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and loving wife of 53 years, Donna A. Pierce. Caring Cremation has taken place through the Johnson-Smith Funeral Home. Memorials in his name can be made to a charity of your choice. Online condolences can be made at www.funeralhome.com.



FRANK A. PIONTEK - Died Friday, November 5, 2021 at Saint Joseph Regional Medical Center at the age of 72. He was a resident of South Bend, Indiana. The cause of death was stomach cancer. He was born in Chicago, Illinois on August 22, 1949 to the late Josephine (née Lucic) Piontek and Harry Piontek and grew up on the East Side of Chicago. He had twin brothers, Michael and Joseph. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in December 1967 and served in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – South Bend Chapter #1027**. He entered into marriage with Susan Lee in April 1982. Together, they raised three children: Jason, Anna (Christopher Sloan), and Rachel. Frank worked as a healthcare consultant for Holy Cross and Trinity Health Systems in South Bend. He was an author of many scientific publications and an expert on biostatistics. An active leader, he enjoyed encouraging younger family members, including his grandchildren and a beloved niece. He was an avid golfer, keen writer and philosopher, and tireless advocate for veteran's access to healthcare benefits. Frank had a unique point of view and challenged others to use their voices for change as he did. A memorial celebration was held on Friday, November 12, 2021 at 12:30 PM at Blue Heron at Blackthorn, 5440 Nimitz Parkway, South Bend, IN. Memorial contributions in Frank's honor may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America at <https://vva.org/>. Online condolences for the Piontek family may be left at www.palmerfuneralhomes.com.



HARRIS DANIEL "Dan" PLANT – Died Tuesday, October 5, 2021 at the Canterbury Assisted Living Center in Middleburg, Florida at the age of 91. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Pace, Florida on April 28, 1930 to the late John Harris Plant and Lucy Loumattie (née Beasley) Plant. He lived in Florida most of his life and lived in the Clay County area for over

40 years. Dan was a veteran who served 21 years in the United States Army. Dan has lived in Korea, Vietnam, Germany, Japan and Cuba. He was able to travel and live in distinct locations while enlisted in the U.S. Army. After his time of service, he worked for over 15 years at NAS/Jacksonville Naval Air Station in the Avionics Division. He was a very active member of the VFW-8255 in Middleburg. He was *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Orange Park Chapter #1059*. He was a very devoted husband, father and grandfather, also known as “Papa Dan” to his family and friends. Dan was preceded in death by his parents John Harris Plant and Lucy Loumattie Beasley; wife of over 25 years, Lena Lucille Plant and granddaughter, Lena Groth. He is survived by his six children including his son Harris Daniel Plant Jr.; Step-daughters, Sabrina Whitmer and Donna Younis; 19 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. The arrangements were under the care of Russell Haven of Rest Cemetery, Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2335 Sandridge Road, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. Family and friends may share their condolences at: www.RHRFH.com.



NORBERT W. “Rufus” POHL - Died Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 2:24 AM at Reading Hospital in Reading, Pennsylvania at the age of 74. He was a resident of Mount Penn, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Reading on November 14, 1947 to the late Robert M. and Mary Louise (née Heinzman) Pohl. He was the husband of Mary A. (née Hardinger) Pohl. He was a United States Air Force Veteran serving in the 37th SPS K-9 dog handler unit during his two tours of duty in Vietnam (1967-1970). Mr. Pohl was a foreman/superintendent at Central Door & Plywood and Eastern Millwork until his retirement. He was the Vietnam Veterans Motorcycle Club current PA President; lifetime member of DAV Chapter #10 and a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Temple Chapter #131*, POW/MIA organization, VFW Reinholds Post #6759, Vietnam Dog Handler Association, Liederkrantz Club; All Harley Drag Racing Association, previously raced go-kart, midgets, sprint cars, and drag bike series at Maple Grove. In addition to his wife, Mr. Pohl is survived by his daughter Lynelle L. Rushing, wife of Leon Rushing and his grandson, Ryan A. Rushing of Henderson/ Nevada. Also, his granddaughter, Megan L. Weidenhammer, wife of Richard Weidenhammer, and his great grandson Logan Weidenhammer of Muhlenberg Township. He is also survived by his sisters Christine L. Vaccaro of Muhlenberg Township; Michele L. Pohl of Alsace Township and was preceded in death by his nephew Lance Vaccaro, March 6, 2008. A Celebration of Life Tribute Service was held at the Bean Funeral Homes and Crematory, 3825 Penn Avenue, Sinking Spring on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at 11:00 AM. The interment with Military Honors rendered by the United States Air Force Honor Guard and the Topton American Legion were accorded at the Charles Evans Cemetery. The family received relatives and friends at the Bean Funeral Homes and Crematory from 10:00-11:00 AM. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Spike’s K-9 Fund at spikesk9fund.org in memory of Mr. Norbert W. Pohl. Online condolences may be made at www.beanfuneralhomes.com.



MARION LaFAY POLK (USCG, CPO-Ret.) - Died Monday, December 6, 2021 in Alexandria, Louisiana at the age of 72, after a brief illness. The cause of death is unknown. Marion was born in Winnsboro, Louisiana on November 25, 1949 to the Charles Benjamin Polk and Helen June (née Hill) Polk. He graduated from Pearl River Central High School in 1967, and entered the United States Coast Guard. Marion retired from the U.S. Coast Guard as a Chief Petty Officer in 1989 after 20 years of service. His service in the Coast Guard included the command of his own unit as well as service as executive officer in four different Coast Guard units. After his military career, he worked as a support enforcement officer for the state of Louisiana until he retired. Marion became a dedicated veterans advocate and began working closely with AMVETS Post 7-LA. He was elected AMVETS National Commander at the 73rd national convention in Norfolk, VA in August 2017. He served as commander of the 250,000-member organization for one year. PNC Polk served in command position at every AMVETS echelon. Marion served three terms as Commander of the AMVETS National District III, an area that included Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. He was recognized as both AMVETS Recruiter of the Year and AMVETS Commander of the Year. As AMVETS National Commander, he led the entire organization through the high profile #PleaseStand campaign raising awareness of the importance of patriotism. He testified March 6, 2018, before the House and Senate Veterans Affairs committees. PNC Polk was a frequent presence at Post 7-LA, his home post. His leadership and love for his post was well-known among its members. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Alexandria Chapter #1131**. Marion enjoyed working with his hands and woodworking, he was a great cook in both competition and enjoyed cooking for his friends and family. He loved NASCAR and one of his biggest thrills was being able to attend races and his friendship with NASCAR driver Clay Greenfield. Marion loved his country and helping his fellow servicemen and women. He was married to Beverly, his best friend for over 20 years. He loved spending time with his grandchildren and spoiling them. Marion was a selfless person, always willing to put others before himself. Marion is preceded in death by his parents, Charles Benjamin Polk and Helen June Hill Polk, and twin brother, Charles Ray Polk, Sr. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Beverly (née Leavines) Polk; brother, Thomas V. "Tommy" Polk (Luci); sisters, Judy Lynn Polk Fullerton (Greg), Linda Arlene Polk Vines (Ricky), and Patricia Ann Polk Murphy (John); his children, Toby Polk, Ronnie Polk, Sabrina Whaley, Mary Rogge (Matt), Melissa Isaac (Chris); grandchildren, Tristan Whaley, Brandy, Eric Townsend, Christopher Lloyd Jr., Layla Dupuy, Kait Burns (Zachary), Jeremy "JJ" Dupuy Jr., Alexis Clark, and Maddison Rogge; great-grandchildren, Hadley Burns, Benjamin Burns, and Riley Burns; along with numerous nephews, nieces, countless cousins, and many other family members, including his AMVETS family of Post 7-LA. Services for Marion LaFay Polk were held at 12:00 PM on Saturday, December 18, 2021 in the chapel of John Kramer and Son Funeral Home with Reverend Ricky Vines officiating. The interment was follow in the Alexandria Memorial Gardens. Visitation was held from 4:00 until 7:00 PM on Friday, December 17, 2021 and resumed from 10:00 AM until the time of service on Saturday, December 18, 2021. Pallbearers honored to serve were Christopher Lloyd, Jr., Jeremy "JJ" Dupuy, Jr., Jeremy Vines, Jeremy Kelly, Kenny Baxley, and Kelly McFarlain. In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made to AMVETS Post 7-LA, 3409 England Drive,

Alexandria, LA 71303. To extend online notes of condolence to the Polk family, please visit www.KramerFunerals.com.



DONALD CARL "Don" PRINGNITZ - Died Wednesday, August 18, 2021 at home in Grand Haven, Michigan at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 7, 1946 in Courcelles, Belgium to the late Carl and Azema (née De Vos) Pringnitz. After the family's move to the United States, and upon graduation from high school, Don proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1965 to 1967, during the Vietnam War. He moved from Cloverville, MI to Grand Haven in 1963 and worked as a CNC machine operator for Herman Miller, retiring in 2008. Don was a member of and attended Saint John Lutheran Church and was also a *Life Member* and chairman of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Munising Chapter #237**, spearheading fundraising efforts in Munising, MI. Don was a lifetime member of the VFW SGT Alvin Jonker Post #2326, and member of the American Legion, Charles A. Conklin Post #28. In the community, he was known as being a "social butterfly" who enjoyed meeting up with the guys for coffee, and traveling up north to the Upper Peninsula to his vacation home in Munising. Don is lovingly remembered and missed by his life partner and friend, Janet Purwin of Grand Haven; his son, Ryan Pringnitz (Ana Baker) of Portage, MI; his brother, Darnell (Nancy) Pringnitz of Grand Haven; and his niece, Lisa (Mike) Lepo. In addition to his parents, Carl and Azema Pringnitz, Don was also preceded in death by his son, Kyle Pringnitz in 1989; and his nephew, Todd Pringnitz in 2019. The Memorial Service for Don took place at 2:00 PM on Monday, August 30, 2021 at the Klaassen Family Funeral Home with Pastor Kurt Wenzelburger officiating. Full Military Honors were accorded by the VFW SGT Alvin Jonker Post #2326. Visitation was held one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. The interment was at the Lake Forest Cemetery. A luncheon was held at the VFW SGT Alvin Jonker Post #2326 following the service. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Saint Jude's Children's Research Hospital or the Grand Rapids Veterans Home.



JOHN JOSEPH PTAK, JR. – Died Tuesday, May 19, 2020 in Forsyth, Georgia at the age of 76, following a battle with cancer. He was born on May 26, 1943 to the late John Joseph Ptak, Sr. and Josephine (née Fiduccia) Ptak. He was also predeceased by his grandparents, Dominick and Josephine Fiduccia; his son, John Joseph Ptak III, and; one brother, Robert James Ptak. A member of Maynard Baptist Church, John loved God and his church family. He served in the Vietnam War with the United States Army and loved his military brothers and sisters. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Forsyth Chapter #946**. John enjoyed hunting; fishing, NASCAR and you could often find him in his tree stand reading his bible. Survivors include his wife Jeannie Ptak; two daughters, Judy Christine Montes of Schaumburg, IL and Jennifer J. Lear of Gordon, KY; and six granddaughters, Rebecca, Emily, Judy, Amie, Crystal, and Alexis; two surviving sisters, Patricia Ptak Baehr and her husband Ed, of Glen Ellen, IL and Donna M Ptak Tamaski of Hanover Park IL. "Papa, we love you and miss you." –John's

Granddaughters. Services were held at a later date. The Monroe County Memorial Chapel had charge of the arrangements.



MICHAEL F. RADER (USA, COL-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, September 15, 2021 in Robert Lee, Texas at the age of 73, surrounded by his loving family. He was a resident of San Angelo, Texas. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Fort Worth, Texas on April 24, 1948, to the late George and Lavern Rader. COL Rader served in the United States Army initially, and then in the United States Air Force totaling 31 1/2 years of active service. He met and married the love of his life, Marvie Askew in Aviano, Italy who was serving as a nurse in the United States Air Force. He and Marvie were blessed with 47 years of marriage and two beautiful children, Jonathan George Rader and Jennifer Burkman. Some of his Air Force assignments and responsibilities consisted of the following: 1. Pilot training at Laughlin Air Force Base, Texas. May 1970 - Nov 1970 2. Travis Air Force Base, California serving as executive manager of the Law Enforcement Function, Security Police Unit. November 1970 – August 1972 3. Korat Royal Thai Air Base, Thailand serving as senior officer responsible for all base defense activities and law enforcement. August 1972 - November 1973 4. Aviano Air Base, Italy serving as executive manager of administration and reports function for the Security Police Unit. November 1973 – December 1975 5. Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska as operations officer for a unit of more than 500 personnel providing law enforcement services. December 1975 – 1979. 6. Izmir Turkey served as counterintelligence /security officer. September 1979 – December 1981 7. Luke Air Force Base, Arizona as commander and chief of the Security Police Unit. December 1981 – June 1988 8. Tinker Air Force Base, Oklahoma as police chief. June 1984 – June 1988 9. Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio as deputy chief of security police. June 1988 – October 1990 10. Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada as police chief. June 1992 – 1995 11. Randolph AFB, Texas as chief of security police. June 1995 – November 1997. 12. Tucson, Arizona, served as program manager, job developer, employment consultant for the Department of Veteran's Affairs. April 1998 – 2003. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – San Angelo Chapter #457**. COL Rader touched and impacted many lives with his kindness, wisdom, friendship, generosity, and leadership.



MICHAEL H. RALEY - Died Saturday, October 2, 2021 at his home near Corydon, Indiana at the age of 72. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on June 20, 1949 in Rosine, Kentucky to the late Joyce Pendleton Raley and Clara Marie (née Leach) Raley. He was formerly employed at Johnstone Supply and Plumbers Supply Co. both in Louisville, was a volunteer for the Robley Rex VA Medical Center in Louisville, was a past department commander of the MOPH for the State of Kentucky and the MOPH Bluegrass Chapter #146 in Louisville, and was a United States Army veteran of the Vietnam War, where he was a member of the 82nd Airborne Division having been awarded the Purple Heart Medal, the Bronze Star Medal and the Army Commendation Medal. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Louisville**

Chapter #454. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Sandra Sue (née Davis) Raley; his brother, J.C. Raley; and his sisters, Nancy Dennison and Patricia Raley. Survivors include his daughters, Melissa Johnson (Allen) of Lexington, Kentucky and Kimberly Dawson of Corydon; his “other daughter”, Patti Traughber; his grandchildren, Rebecca Alcorn (Chris), Ryan Johnson, Kristin Johnson, Brett Dawson (Michaela), Stephanie Marlow (Katie), Megan Dawson, Stephan Traughber, Casey Traughber (Derek), and Dalton Burden; his great grandchildren, Elijah, Cami, Ryder, Harper, Jaxon, Sunny, River, and Tob; and his loving companion, Gwen Pyle. Funeral services were at 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at the Beanblossom-Cesar Funeral Home in Corydon. Chaplain Kyle Lankford officiated. The burial was in the Perseverance Chapel Cemetery near Corydon. Visitation was from 4:00–8:00 PM on Tuesday and after 10:00 AM on Wednesday at the funeral home.



HENRY JOSEPH RAUEN - Died Saturday, November 6, 2021 at the Avantara in Watertown, South Dakota at the age of 77. He was a resident of Watertown. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 4, 1944 in Gary, South Dakota to the late Joseph and Myrtle (née Bublitz) Rauen. He grew up in Altamont, South Dakota and graduated from Clear Lake High School. He proudly served in the United States Army. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter #1054**. Henry married Rita Kay Haider on November 11, 1966 at the First United Methodist Church in Watertown. The couple lived in Watertown where Henry was Founder/Owner of Rauen Steel Construction for 50 years. He enjoyed spending time with his family, telling stories and sharing a free opinion. He also enjoyed reading, particularly World War II books, and was an avid hunter and fisherman. Henry is survived by his wife Rita; their daughter Tori (Shannon) Isaacson of Watertown; two grandchildren Taylor Rauen Johnson and her fiancé Kole Finneman, and Savannah Rauen Isaacson; one great-granddaughter Maya Rayne Johnson; his siblings, Mary (Gordon) Severson of Hugo, MN, Marcia (Francis) Parker of Circle Pines, MN, Julie (Robert) Seckler of Woodbury, MN, Carl (Margaret) Rauen of Benton, KY, Rita (Robert) Smith of Coon Rapids, MN, and Anita (Terry) Kenyon and Roger (Rhonda) Rauen of Gary, SD; his brothers-in-law, Clifford Haider of Carlisle, IA, and Leslie (Gertrud) Haider of Kirby, TX; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Myrtle Rauen, and one brother Vincent Rauen. Funeral services were at 1:30 PM on Thursday, November 11, 2021 at the First United Methodist Church in Watertown with Reverend Abigail Ozanne and Reverend Clifford Haider co-officiating. Military Honors were conducted by Frank H. Adams Post #750 of the VFW, Codington County Post #17 of the American Legion, Northeast South Dakota Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #1054 and South Dakota Army National Guard Funeral Honors Team. Visitation was from 4:00-7:00 PM on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at the Wight and Comes Funeral Chapel in Watertown. The burial was at the South Dakota Veterans Cemetery, Sioux Falls, SD. The pallbearers were Mike Winter, Clifton Haider, Leslie Haider II, Bill Wolf, Brad Severson and Derrick Rauen. In lieu of flowers please make donations to Prairie Lakes Hospice, 401 9th Avenue NW, and Glacial Lakes Humane Society, P.O. Box 1701, Watertown, SD 57201 or a charity of your choice. The arrangements were made by the Wight and Comes Funeral Chapel, www.wightandcomes.com.

JOHNNY EUGENE REED - (75) born Feb. 26, 1946 Died Thursday, September 23, 2021 in Knoxville, Tennessee at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Knoxville on February 26, 1946 to the late Rufus and Carrie Reed. He is survived by his loving wife Judy (née Haynes) Reed, daughter Dortha "Susie" Howard, daughter and son in law Carrie and Richard King, three grandsons Robert Howard, Logan Howard and Tommy King, Sister and brother-in-law Carolyn and Ray Jones, Brother and sister-in-law Timmy and Donna Reed, several loving nieces and nephews, and very special little buddy Jack. Preceded in death by parents Rufus and Carrie Reed, Brother James Reed, Sisters Mary Ruth Reed and Phyllis Holloway. He served in the United States Army from May 15, 1964 to May 13, 1966. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Knoxville Chapter #1078**. Lifelong member of Bright Hope Lodge and Kerbella Temple. He spent many years with System 81 Express and Milan Express and was currently driver of Knox County Schools bus 80. Friends and family gathered to celebrate his life on Tuesday October 5th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Weaver Funeral Home on Western Avenue with a Masonic Service at 8:00 PM. A short private graveside service took place at the East Tennessee Veterans Cemetery on John Sevier Highway the following day on October 6th at 12:30 PM. The family asked in lieu of flowers to please make a donation to the Shriners Hospital for Children or to the Shrine Circus fund through Kerbella Temple in Johnny's name. Condolences were welcome at weaverfuneralservices.com. Weaver Funeral Home 5815 Western Avenue, Knoxville, TN.



RAYMOND J. "Ray" RILEY - Died Sunday, October 13, 2019 at The Veterans Medical Center in Syracuse, New York at the age of 87. He was a resident of Auburn, New York. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born in Auburn on November 17, 1931 to the late George and Mildred (née Close) Riley and had been a life resident. Ray was a veteran of three branches of service during his 17-year career in the military. He served honorably in the United States Army, Air Force, and Navy during the Korean and Vietnam Wars. Ray was a former member of the VFW, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Auburn Chapter #709**, and the American War Dogs. Ray previously did construction and worked on the railroad for Conrail for several years. He was one of the original cooks at Hunter's Diner. Ray was an avid gardener and especially was proud of his ivy plant which was more than 50 years old. He is survived by his children, Raymond (Rhonda) Riley Jr., Michael (Gabriella) Riley, and Amba Hyde; several grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a sister, Patricia (Frank) Greenwell; two brothers, Robert (Karen) Riley, and George (Ann) Riley; as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins; beloved canine friend, Pricilla, and feline companions "the terror twins," Binks and Oliver. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his wife, Shelia (Heath) Riley in 2017; three sisters, Fran, Marion, and Doris; step-brother, Jack; as well as other relatives. Friends were invited to join the family at 11:00 AM on Saturday in Lakeview Cemetery in Cayuga for a graveside service. Contributions may be made in Ray's memory to the American War Dogs, c/o Monument Fund, 3 Baker Avenue, Auburn, NY 13021.



ARDIE RAY ROBERTS – Died Monday, September 27, 2021 in the Summit Nursing Home in Boyce, Louisiana at the age of 75, surrounded by his family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 13, 1945 in Lecompte, Louisiana to the late Robert C. Roberts, Sr. and Edna Mae (née Burns) Roberts. He was raised in Cheneyville and Hineston, Louisiana. Ardie was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, and uncle. He served in the United States Navy during his tour in the Vietnam War and in the Army National Guard during his tour in Operation Desert Storm. He retired after 27 years of military service. He was very proud of his service to his country and wore his Vietnam Veteran hat everywhere he went. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Alexandria Chapter #1131*. He loved life and always had a smile on his face and laughter in his heart. Ardie never met a stranger and was always welcoming to anyone who came to visit him. Ardie is preceded in death by his parents, Robert C. Roberts, Sr. and Edna Mae Burns Roberts. Those left behind to cherish his memory are his loving wife of 25 years, Audrey Roberts; his children: Stacie Norris, John Bradley Roberts (Sarah), Bonnie Brady (Michael), and Jason Roberts; his stepchildren: Jason Morgan (Melissa), Robert Morgan (Leslie), and Stacy Morgan; the mother of his children, Nancy Verzwuyvelt Laprairie; sixteen grandchildren; two great grandchildren; his sister, Elizabeth "Lizzie Mae" Luttrell (Doug) and his brother, Robert "Bobby" Roberts, Jr. (Ruth); along with a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Funeral services were held at 3:00 PM on Sunday, October 3, 2021 in the Wilda Baptist Church with Reverend Joey Rudisill officiating. Committal service was in the New Hope Cemetery under the direction of White Oaks Funeral Home, Alexandria. Military Honors were conducted by the United States Army National Guard. Visitation was held in the Wilda Baptist Church on Sunday, October 3, 2021 from 1:00 PM until time of the service at 3:00 PM. The pallbearers were John Bradley Roberts, Jason Roberts, Jonathan Norris, Todd Brady, Robert Morgan and Michael Howell. The honorary pallbearers were Robert "Bobby" Roberts, Jr., Bill Crawford, Ricky Roberts, and Michael Brady.



RUSSELL SAMUEL "Sammy" "Russ" ROBINSON - Died Saturday, June 20, 2020 at the Shore Memorial Hospital in Somers Point, New Jersey at the age of 76, after a struggle with cancer. He was a resident of Pleasantville, New Jersey. He was born at 6:00 AM on Thursday, December 23, 1943 in Winston Salem, North Carolina, the firstborn of the late Russell T. and Naomi (née Carter) Robinson. He was one of this nation's finest – who honored us with service—giving his very best, Russell, affectionately called Sammy, Raspberry, Razzmatazz, Razz or Russ of Pleasantville, NJ was a good son, brother and husband. He attended elementary schools in Winston Salem, NC and Atlantic City, NJ. A 1963 graduate of Atlantic City High School. Russell advanced his educational pursuits at the Atlantic Cape Community College, Stockton University and a number of training schools. During his lifetime, Russell was employed with various businesses within Atlantic City and New York. Russell was a retired disabled veteran. He served in the United States Army in the Vietnam War. He received high distinctions as a member of the

Atlantic County Veterans Advisory Board; serviced three years as Commander of the Atlantic County American Legion; life member and three-years Past Commander of the American Legion Mainland Post #81 (Pleasantville); five years Past Senior Vice-Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars District 16; life member and ten years Adjutant/Quartermaster of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Bruce Gibson Post #6594 (Pleasantville); life member of the Disabled American Veterans Steven Villo Chapter #70 (Northfield); and *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Pleasantville Chapter #825* (Mays Landing). Russell was a meticulous, conscientious individual who was also very caring. He loved and devoted himself to his family, friends and associates. Russell is notorious for playing cards and watching Sci-Fi movies. His passing has changed the dynamics of our small world. Russell (Sammy) was preceded in death by his brother, Ronald and sisters, Thelma and Janice Richardson. He leaves to always love and cherish his memory his wife, Audrey; Stepdaughter, Angelita Cherry (Ronnie) of Winston Salem, NC; seven Brothers: Larry, Eddie and Michael of New York City; Donald (Louise) of Lumberton, NC, Darwin of Philadelphia, PA, Stephen (Tammy) of Pennsauken, NJ and Gregory Kimbrough of Winston Salem, NC; four Sisters: Patricia King (David) of Pleasantville, NJ, Sandra Robinson of Atlantic City, NJ, Beverly Robinson of Bayside, NJ and Kimberly Gaddy of St. Albans, NY; Aunt, Alice of Winston Salem, NC; Sister-in-Laws: Marsha Rooks and Cheryl Wiggins (Schwab); Brother-in-Laws: Clayton Davis and Arthur Gray; Step Grandchildren and Step Great Grandchildren; along with a host of cousins, nieces and nephews.



CLYDE R. "Blackie" "Doc" ROSIN - Died Tuesday, November 30, 2021 in De Pere, Wisconsin at the age of 73, after a long battle with cancer. The son of the late Oscar Rosin and Betty (née Schubring) was born on April 24, 1948 in Green Bay, Wisconsin. He graduated from Wrightstown High School and married Kristine A. Boogaard on February 10, 1968. He was then drafted into the United States Army and served his country honorably from 1968-1970, including a tour in Vietnam. Clyde started his career as a milkman for White Clover Dairy in Holland Town and retired from Greiner Trucking in Freedom. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – De Pere Chapter #224* and VFW #7692 and spoke at a lot of colleges and local schools about the reality of Vietnam. He is survived by his children: Kurt (Courtney) Rosin of New Franken and Carrie Rosin (Joe Parrish) of Wrightstown; grandchildren: Morghan (Daniel Hitchcock) Rosin, Hunter and Keegan Rosin; mother Betty Rosin; siblings: Dave (Kathy) Rosin, Linda (Mark) Schnell, Dale (Pat) Rosin; mother-in-law Carolyn Mill; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and special friend Chris Baker. Clyde was preceded in death by his wife Kristine and his father Oscar; father-in-law: Robert Mill; sister-in-law Ann (Dennis) Mosgaller; mother-in-law Kristine Springate. Family and friends visited at the Cotter Funeral Home, 860 North Webster Avenue, De Pere, on Saturday, December 4 from 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM. A service was held at 3:00 PM. The burial was in Arlington National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family collected donations that were contributed to a veteran's cause. Our family would like to thank the caregivers at Edenbrook of Green Bay, Aurora BayCare Medical Center and Bellin Hospital for their compassionate care to Clyde.



GARY ALBERT RUBY - Died Saturday, July 31, 2021 in Ponca City, Oklahoma at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 14, 1947 in Ponca City to the late Walter and Josephine Ruby. Gary was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Kathy and his wife, Gayle. He is survived by many cousins, nieces and nephews. Gary served and retired from the United States Army and was a lifetime member of the VFW. He was also a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ponca City Chapter #750*. Gary was an avid OU fan-go boomer sooners. A memorial service was held on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 10:00 AM at the Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery.

RONALD BRUCE “Ron” RULON – Died Thursday, March 25, 2021 in Lakeland, Florida at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Vineland, New Jersey on December 5, 1942. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825*.



CURTIS LEE RUMBAUGH – Died Thursday, September 30, 2021 at Leconte Medical Center in Sevierville, Tennessee at the age of 64. He was a resident of Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. The cause of death was the coronavirus COVID-19. He was born on February 21, 1957. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War from October 28, 1974 to June 22, 1977. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Knoxville Chapter #1078*. He leaves to cherish his memories, wife, Deborah C. Rumbaugh, son, Leo (Dawn) Rumbaugh, daughters, Jamie (James) Stretch and Elizabeth English-Quinty, grandchildren; Brooklyn, Logan, Alexia, and Aiden Loposser, Brittan Rumbaugh, Elissa, Tia, and Chaz Stretch, and Abbigale, Ethan, and Evangeline Quinty. The family assembled at the East Tennessee Veterans Cemetery, 5901 Lyons View Pike, Knoxville, TN at 8:30 AM for a graveside service with full military honors. The final interment was at the East Tennessee Veterans Cemetery, 2200 East Governor John Sevier Highway, Knoxville, TN. The arrangements were made by Jarnigan and Son Mortuary.

STANLEY D. SCZEPKOWSKI, JR. – Died recently in 2021 in Bentley, Michigan at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 4, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Sterling Chapter #390*.



ROBERT J. “Bob” SEES, JR. - Died Wednesday afternoon, November 24, 2021 at Licking Memorial Hospital in Newark, Ohio at the age of 75. He was a resident of Frazeyburg, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 5, 1946 in Coshocton, Ohio to the late Robert J. and Betty Jean (née Clough) Sees, Sr. and was a 1964 graduate of Coshocton High School. Bob

retired in 2000 from the maintenance department of General Electric Company of Coshocton where he had 35 years of service and he was a former member of the United Steelworkers Union. He was also Scout Master for Boy Scouts Troop #112 of Frazeytsburg for many years. Bob was very patriotic and was proud to be an American. He proudly served our country in the United States Navy for nearly four years during the Vietnam War and afterwards, was a member of the Ohio National Guard. He was a member of Wakatomika Post #6193 VFW; American Legion Post #29; Muskingum County Veterans Association and a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Newark Chapter #55*. He was proud of our United States Flag and had presented dozens of flags to the families of deceased veterans while participating in Military Honors. He assisted in the placing of flags on the graves of veterans at Frazeytsburg Cemetery for many years and was always present for parades and school programs where our veterans were being honored. He will be greatly missed by our community. Surviving is his loving wife of 54 years, Sandra K. (née Myers) Sees whom he married May 12, 1967; on son, Kevin (Mindy Novaria) Sees of South Zanesville, Ohio; a daughter, Nikki (Dustin) Matchett of Dresden, Ohio and four grandchildren, Marissa Sees, Ethan Sees, Hudson Matchett and Weston Matchett. Also surviving in one brother, Robin Sees of Coshocton; two sisters, Roberta Snouffer of Bridgeport, Ohio and Betty Ann (Mark) McIntosh of Wheeling, West Virginia; several nieces and nephews and the mother of Kevin's children, Stephanie Sees of Frazeytsburg. Calling hours were from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on Monday, November 29, 2021 at the Frazeytsburg Chapel of Vensil and Chute Funeral Home, 110 West Third Street. Funeral services were at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, November 30, 2021 at the funeral home with Pastor Dan Wells officiating. Bob was laid to rest, with Military Honors at the Frazeytsburg Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Muskingum County Veterans Association.



JACKIE PATRICK SEGURA (USA, MSGT-Ret.) - Died Monday, November 22, 2021 in Saint Martinville, Louisiana at the age of 82. The cause of death unknown. Jackie was born on March 13, 1939 in New Iberia, Louisiana to the late Jack Segura and Marie (née Melancon) Segura. He honorably served and retired with the United States Army as a Master Sergeant. He was a faithful life member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Cursillo #315. He was also a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lafayette Chapter #141*. Jackie was a devout Catholic and a parishioner of Saint Rita Catholic Church where he served as a Eucharistic Minister. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend. His hobbies included hunting, fishing, tending to his fish, and letting his dog, "Krissy" swim in the pond. He was an avid fan of LSU and UL sports. Family was everything to him and he cherished his time spent with them, especially watching his grandchildren grow into the extraordinary individuals they have become. He is survived by his wife, Mary Margaret P. Segura of Saint Martinville; sons, Terry Segura (Diane) of Bandera and Mark Segura (Dawn) of Saint Martinville; daughters, Bethany Duplechain (Felix) of Loreauville and Robynne Laperouse (Jeffery) of St. Martinville; grandchildren, Courtney Simar (Jeremy), Megan Duplechain (Trent), Danielle Delahoussaye (Brendon), Brittany Koenning (Stefan), Jesse Duplechain, Jack Segura, James Segura (Emerson), Kristen Laperouse (Trey), Noah Segura (Fernando), Jude Duplechain, Amanda

McCarty (Austin), Sydni Duplechain and Leah Duplechain; great grandchildren, Annie, Harvey, Elijah, Jeffery, Gracelyn, Evan, Margaret, and two on the way, Aimes and Sawyer; and sister, Sonja Saddler. He was preceded in death by his father, Jack Segura; mother, Marie Melancon Segura; brothers, Johnny Segura, Bracey Segura, Alife "Al" Segura and Paul Segura; and sister, Anna Rae Peltier. A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, November 27, 2021 at Saint Martin de Tours Catholic Church in Saint Martinville. The family requested that visiting hours be observed at the funeral home from 2:00 PM until 10:00 PM on Friday, and continue on Saturday from 7:00 until 9:30 AM. A rosary was prayed at 7:00 PM on Friday. Reverend Father Bill Melancon officiated at the Mass of Christian Burial. The Lectors were Courtney Simar and Megan Duplechain. The gift-bearers were Amanda McCarty, Sydni Duplechain and Leah Duplechain. The interment was in Saint Michael Cemetery Mausoleum in Saint Martinville where a full military service by the United States Army was accorded. The pallbearers were Jesse Duplechain, Jack Segura, James Segura, Noah Segura, Jude Duplechain and Nick Gonzales. The Pellerin Funeral Home of Saint Martinville, 112 New Market Street, Saint Martinville, LA was in charge of the arrangements.



DOUGLAS WILSON "Doug" SHELDON, JR. - Died Friday, November 19, 2021 at Copper Health, Oro Valley, Arizona, of respiratory failure after a long illness. He was a resident of Tucson, Arizona. He was born on March 8, 1942 in Staten Island, New York to the late Douglas W. Sheldon, Sr. and Barbara (née Sherwood) Walsh. He was the husband of Zelma (née Holtzople) Saylor Sheldon, his wife of 43 years. Doug was a 1960 graduate of Buena High School, Sierra Vista, AZ. Doug served in the United States Air Force, is a Vietnam Veteran, served in the United States Army Reserves, and Air National Guard. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tucson Chapter #104**. He worked for the U. S. Department of Defense, DTNSRDC and contractors. In addition to his wife, he is survived by son, Christian Douglas Sheldon, of Fuquay-Varina, NC, daughters; Patricia Elizabeth Sheldon, and Celeste Michele Sheldon, of Germany; two grandchildren, Caya Sophia Sheldon, of Germany, and grandson, Rylan Douglas Sheldon, of Fuquay-Varina, NC; sister, Deborah S. Walsh, of Tucson, AZ; brothers, Brian Sheldon and family from Brookline, MA, and Gregg Sheldon and his wife, Elizabeth and family, of Henniker, NH; and step-son Jason Patrick Saylor and wife Ronel, of Hedgesville, WV. A Memorial Service was held on December 18, 2021 at the Sanctuary United Methodist Church, 7620 North Hartman Lane, Suite #100, Tucson, AZ at 10:00 AM.

GARRY PHILLIP "Phil" SHELTON – Died Saturday, August 21, 2021 in Dickson, Tennessee at the age of 74. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related lung cancer. He was born in Charlotte, Tennessee on September 17, 1947. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dickson Chapter #950**. Private services were held. The Taylor Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



FRANK THEODORE SHEPHERD, JR. (USAF, SSG-Ret.) - Died Thursday, September 2, 2021 in Battle Creek, Michigan at the age of 88. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 2, 1933. Mr. Shepherd was a Retired Staff Sergeant of the United States Air Force and served during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Battle Creek Chapter #313**. Visitation was held at the T. M. Hughes-Perry Mortuary on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 from 3:00 to 7:00 PM. Private Funeral Services were held. The arrangements were made by the T.M. Hughes-Perry Mortuary, LLC.

DON EDWIN SIMPSON – Died Thursday, May 24, 2018 in Forsyth, Georgia at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 11, 1943 in Cartersville, Georgia to the late Clarence and Geneva Simpson. His wife, Carol (née Adsit) Simpson preceded him in death. He was a retired truck driver and a veteran of the United States Army, serving during Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Forsyth Chapter #946**. Don is survived by his children, Dan Simpson (Patsy) of Forsyth, Randy Simpson of Forsyth, Fred Simpson (Christina) of Forsyth, Cathie Davis (David) of Milledgeville and Donna Simpson of Milledgeville; sister, Angie Gilmer (Doug) of Cartersville; brother, Doug Simpson (Angie) of White and Gary Simpson (Darlene) of Cartersville; twelve grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren. Graveside services were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, June 16, 2018 at Monroe Memorial Gardens. Reverend Doug Gilmer officiated over the services. The family greeted friends following the service at the graveside. The Monroe County Memorial Chapel had charge of the arrangements.



DANIEL L. SIMS - Died Sunday, October 10, 2021 at 5:00 PM at his home in Edinburg, Illinois at the age of 72, surrounded by loved ones. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on February 16, 1949 in Shelbyville, Illinois to the late William Thomas and Geneva Mary (née Smith) Sims. He married Nancy Cline on June 22, 1968 in Taylorville, IL. He worked as a sheet metal worker for the Union Local #218 in Springfield. He was a Veteran of the United State Army during Vietnam, he was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #534** of Springfield, IL, NRA, American Legion Post #257, DAV Chapter #15, VFW Membership at large. Daniel enjoyed traveling, telling a good joke and visiting with family. He loved sharing nose kisses and knuckle sandwiches with his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He had many special animals. He is survived by his wife, Nancy Sims of Edinburg, IL; Daughter: Michella Gibbons of Wyoming, MI; Son: Charles Patrick "CP" (Jackie) Sims of Springfield, IL; Grandchildren: Bryan (Nicole) Brown of Hawaii, Sean and Connor Gibbons of Michigan, Heather (Devon) Wicker of Taylorville, IL; Daniel Thomas Sims of Taylorville; Great-Grandchildren: Brantley, Braden, Liam, Luna, Charlotte "Charlie"; Sister: Pug (Leland) Graven of Findlay, IL; Brother: Jessie (Frances) Sims of Hilliard, FL; several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ten sisters, three brothers, several nieces and nephews. Visitation was held on Sunday, October 24, 2021 from 4:00-6:00 PM at the Sutton Memorial Home in Taylorville. The memorial service was held immediately following the visitation starting at 6:00 PM at the Sutton Memorial Home in Taylorville with Sister Rose McKeown officiating. The inurnment was held at a later date.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society P.O. Box 22718 Oklahoma City, OK 73123-1718 or Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #534 P.O. Box 4181 Springfield, IL 62708-4181. The Sutton Memorial Home in Taylorville assisted the family with the arrangements.



NICKY L. SMARTT - Died Saturday, October 2, 2021 in Knoxville, Tennessee at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born August 15, 1946 in Knoxville to the late Nick and Bernice Smartt. He was a 1964 graduate of Rule High School. A veteran of the United States Army, served his basic training at Fort Benning, GA. He was trained in jungle warfare at Fort Polk, LA. Nicky went on to serve in Vietnam from 1967-1968 as a Combat Infantryman with the 1st Calvary Division. He received 4 Bronze Stars with Valor, Air Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with 4 Bronze Stars. Nicky was a lifelong member of the 1st Calvary Division Association, 100% Disabled Veteran, and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Knoxville Chapter #1078**. He was preceded in death by parents, Nick and Bernice Smartt; brother, Fred Smartt. Survived by his wife of 55 years, Jacquolyn Monday Smartt; children, Brent and Amy, Barry and Tammy, and Vicki Rockwell Smartt; grandsons, Evan and Derek Smartt; granddaughters, Shelby R. Smartt Dyer (Riley), Allison Bailey Smartt Noe (Jeremy) and Josy N. Smartt. Family received friends at Weaver's Chapel on October 11th from 5:00-7:00 PM followed by the service. Family and friends met on October 12th at the East Tennessee Veterans Cemetery on John Sevier Highway at 12:15 PM for a 12:30 PM interment service. The family requested that masks be worn. Condolences are welcome at weaverfuneralservices.com. Weaver Funeral Home, 5815 Western Avenue, Knoxville, TN.



JIMMY LEE STANSBURY - Died Thursday, April 29, 2021 in Griffin, Georgia at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 28, 1945 to the Hugh and Josephine Stansbury. He was also predeceased by his brother, Bob Stansbury and sister, Betty Butcher. Jimmy was a proud veteran of the United States Army. He was a member of the VFW, American Legion and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Forsyth Chapter #946**. He also volunteered for "We Honor Vets" hospice program and Horses and Warriors. He is survived by his loving wife, Mary Anne Stansbury, daughter, Morgan McConnell (Shawn); grandchildren, Elizabeth Jordan Robinson (Michael), Molly Victoria Jones; brother, Sam Stansbury (Shirley), and sister, Carolyn Bell (Bob). Visitation was held on Monday, May 3, 2021 from 2:00 until 3:30 PM at the Conner-Westbury Funeral Home. A funeral service was at 3:30 PM in the Chapel of Conner-Westbury Funeral Home. The family asked that contributions be made to Saint Jude's Children's Hospital in memory of Mr. Jimmy Stansbury.

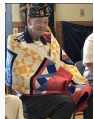


EDWARD S. "Ed" STASZEWSKI - Died Friday, September 17, 2021 at his home in Clinton, Iowa at the age of 74. The cause of death was a heart attack. Ed was born on October 29, 1946 in Wildflicker, Germany, the son of Stanislaw and Stanislaw (née Mielczarek) Staszewski. Ed immigrated to the United States when he was four years old. He was a 1965 graduate of Clinton High School and graduated from Saint Ambrose College, with his degree in criminal justice. Ed married Mary Long on July 2, 1968 in Clinton at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He had been employed as Corporal with the Clinton Police Department for more than 27 years, he was also the director of the Clinton County Department of Veterans Affairs for the past several years and was the Community Service Representative for the Department of Corrections. Ed also worked at Eagles for years. Ed was a member of the AMVETS and the American Legion. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776**. He was active with Trees Forever, the Izaak Walton League, Pheasants Forever and was a master gardener. He was very active with the Iowa Department of Natural Resources Hunter Safety Program and Boy Scouts of America and was an Eagle Scout. He is survived by his wife, Mary of Clinton; daughter, Chris (David) Cleary of Clinton; son, Brian (Angela) Staszewski of LeClaire, IA; grandchildren, Ryan Cleary, Koby Cleary, Addison Staszewski, Jacob Staszewski and Claire Staszewski; two great-granddaughters, Audrey and Anna Cleary and his sister, Kasu (Larry) Rickertsen of Clinton. Ed was preceded in death by his parents, brother, John and a sister. Visitation took place on Thursday, September 23, 2021 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at the Clinton Chapel Snell Zornig Funeral Home and Crematory. Services were held on Friday, September 24, 2021 at 10:30 AM at Prince of Peace Catholic Church, Clinton. Online condolences may be expressed by visiting snellzornig.com. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Izaak Walton League or the AMVETS.



ROGER WALTON STEMBRIDGE, JR. - Died Tuesday, October 13, 2020 Juliette, Georgia at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. Roger was born in Milledgeville, Georgia on May 11, 1947 to the late Mildred (née Cox) Stembridge and Roger Walton Stembridge, Sr. and was preceded in death by his first wife, Virginia Stembridge. He was retired from the Macon Bibb County Police Department as a former policeman and bailiff. Roger loved the police department and at one time trained blood hounds for the Macon Police Department for tracking purposes. He was also employed by Snow's Memorial Chapel as a licensed funeral director and embalmer where he worked for over 38 years. Roger was a United States Vietnam Marine Corps veteran having served from 1968-1969 and a Drill Instructor from 1969-1970 at Parris Island. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Forsyth Chapter #946**. Today it is my sad duty to convey to you The passing of a Marine veteran. Some of you may have met my brother-in-law, Roger Stembridge. Those of you that didn't have that privilege will never know What a kind and generous gentleman he was. I know not the appropriate words to tell you of his good and great

qualities. Born and bred in the State of Georgia, He personified the “good ole’ southern boy”. He praised when praise was due and chastised with fairness. He succumbed to whatever it was that killed him; But he did not die alone. Veterans that did not know him personally Grieve at his passing. Having known him, as my brother-in-law, as a veteran and a Marine that liked to tease this “doggie” I will miss him most. My heart goes out to my younger sister, praying that she shall peace in knowing he is at rest. My Brother has gone on point Long live my brother!!!! Ramon Gonzales 13 October 2020. Roger is survived by his wife, Emma Gonzales Stembridge; daughter, Andrea Murray (Erik); granddaughter, Autumn Murray; sister, Katherine Norris; nephews, Benjamin and Jeffrey Norris. Memorial services were held on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 2:00 PM at the First Christian Church. Pastor Will Johnson officiated. In lieu of flowers the family requested that donations be made to the Macon-Bibb Law Enforcement Foundation, Attn: Patrick Goff, PO Box 6437, Macon, GA 31208-6437. Visit www.snowsmacon.com to express tributes. The Snow Memorial Chapel, Bass Road was charge of the arrangements.



RODNEY A. “Rocky” “Rod” STEVES (USA, 1SG-Ret.) - Died Monday, November 15, 2021 at his residence in Millville, Pennsylvania at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 13, 1943 in Corning, New York, a son of the late William A. and Virginia E. (Wheeler) Steves. Rodney graduated from Painted Post High School class of 1961 in Painted Post, New York. Rodney then joined the United States Army in 1961 and deployed to many locations including Germany (three tours), Korea (two tours), and served three tours during the Vietnam War where he received his Bronze Star. Throughout his 20 years of service, he received many honors and recognitions; he finally retired from the Army in 1982. Retirement didn’t come easy to this soldier. Because he enjoyed learning, Rodney made the decision to pursue further education. But sitting in a classroom just wasn’t his style. He found more enjoyment serving as a guest speaker in college and high school classes, sharing stories of his military career and answering questions related to his experiences in Germany and Vietnam. Never one to sit still, he worked at Hotel Magee, spent twelve years at Geisinger Medical Center in Security, and finally retired as a Corrections Officer at Coal Township State Correctional Institution so he could focus his time and energy on his grandchildren. Over the years, Rodney was known to others as a soldier, a post commander, and a devoted friend and family member. Those who knew him called him Rocky or Rod, Uncle Rocky, Grandpa Rocky, and Rod the Guard, but the role he enjoyed most was Papa. He enjoyed traveling and spending time with his grandchildren who always came first. Papa loved quiet moments pulling his grandchildren around the yard in a wagon, taking them for walks to feed the ducks, fishing, playing chess, teaching them how to blow whistles with blades of grass, and writing in their journals to share stories and words of advice. Papa possessed a quiet sense of humor and was always eager to greet his grandchildren with a funny story or joke. Rodney was involved in the community and held memberships with the Danville Moose, Corning Painted Post Masonic Lodge #168, Millville Fire Company, VFW Post #804 Bloomsburg, and Millville American Legion Post #564. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pennsylvania**. Throughout his employment and community involvement, he served with honor and pride and made many friends along the way. He was a strong advocate of getting

involved, making a difference, and finding ways to support those in need without the expectation of recognition or personal gain. He took pride in sharing his knowledge and educating others on all topics related to patriotism and serving our God and country, stressed the importance of standing behind one's convictions and beliefs, and setting aside personal differences to support those in need and defend those who are being mistreated. Rodney is survived by his wife the former Dorothy J. Hartman, whom he married July 29, 1967, two children; Bruce M. Steves wife Karey of Spring Hill, Florida, Patricia M. Gochenauer husband Ryan of Greencastle, Pennsylvania, four grandchildren; Gabriel, Ethan, Logan, and Noah, two brothers Michael Steves of Benton, Arkansas, Everett R. Steves wife Christine of Painted Post, New York, four sisters; Patricia Tyler husband Jim of The Villages, Florida, Cynthia Steger husband John of Tully, New York, Cheryl Lundgren husband Terry of Painted Post, New York, Calli VanOort husband Jan of Atlanta, Georgia, and two sisters-in-law Charleen Hartman of Mount Union, Pennsylvania and Connie Andrews husband Milton of Quarryville, Pennsylvania. Rodney is also survived by a large extended family which includes several nieces, nephews and cousins, and Linda and Michael Childs of Swainsboro, Georgia, Frank Heintz or Benton, Pennsylvania, and Karl and Trish Krzyz of Kitchener, Ontario. Rodney is preceded in death by his sister-in-law Vanessa Steves. A celebration of life was held on December 7, 2021 at 10:00 AM at the Millville American Legion Post #564, 259 Legion Road, Millville, PA with Chaplain Greg Moore officiating. The burial was at the convenience of the family at Fort Indiantown Gap. The family received friends on December 7th from 9:00 AM until time of service at the Legion. Family and friends may send online condolences to bunnellfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Millville American Legion Post 564 (notation: Rodney Steves/Wheelchair Van), 259 Legion Road, Millville, PA 17846. If you are able, giving the gift of a blood donation in memory of Rodney is appreciated. The Bunnell Funeral Home Inc., Millville handled the arrangements.



JUDGE ROBERT W. "Bob" STEWART - Died Sunday, September 12, 2020 in Athens, Ohio at the age of 70, with his wife and two daughters by his side – after living the best life possible and waging a courageous 10-year fight against cancer. Known to most as Bob, he was born on October 5, 1949 in Racine, OH. His family later moved to Athens, where he was raised and achieved the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America. He graduated from Athens High School in 1967; Ohio University in 1971, with a bachelor's degree in business administration; and the University of Toledo College of Law in 1974, with a juris doctor degree. He was the presiding judge of the Athens County Court of Common Pleas, Probate/Juvenile Division. Bob began his legal career in the United States. Army Judge Advocate General's (JAG) Corps, as a trial counsel and advisor. He returned to Athens in 1978 and entered private practice, where he worked until 2003, when he was elected to the bench. He went on to serve three consecutive terms as probate/juvenile judge. He also served as a magistrate in that court for over 20 years while in private practice. Bob was an active member and leader of many civic and nonprofit organizations, including a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Athens Chapter #100**; AMVETS; the American Legion; the Athens County Bar Association; the Ohio State Bar Association Board of

Governors and Council of Delegates; the Athens County Foundation; Delta Tau Delta Fraternity; Athens Symposiarch; Prom Impact; United Appeal; and many more. He was also a faculty member of the Judicial College of the Supreme Court of Ohio. Bob received numerous awards for his work, among them the President's Award from the Ohio Association of Juvenile Court Judges, in recognition of his extraordinary contributions to the justice system; the Wiseman Award from the League of Women Voters of Athens County, in recognition of his commitment to the welfare of local children; and the Champions for Children Award from the Athens Court Appointed Special Advocates Program, in recognition of his tireless effort to support, serve, and protect local children. Bob was also a 33-time recipient of the prestigious Father of the Year Award, in recognition of his deep love for his two daughters and his unwavering support of them. As the selection committee put it in early 2020, "He has always been there for Riley and Rachel, present and involved, and he has succeeded beyond measure in helping raise independent women who are themselves a reflection of his generosity and fundamental decency." Bob, upon accepting the award, said it was his most important achievement. He also considered himself the luckiest man on Earth, to be married to his wife, Machele, for 38 years. Theirs was a relationship filled with love, affection, laughter, mutual respect, adventure, patience, compassion, and selflessness. Their marriage was clear and convincing proof that love is expressed every day in acts large and small. It was listening to each other's stories, it was making dinner and dancing in the kitchen, it was holding hands and traveling, and it was always – always – doing what was best for their family. Bob's friends remember him as humble, courageous, gentle, loving, principled, wise, genuine, witty, inspirational, and the epitome of a gentleman. He dedicated his life to serving his family, friends, and community. Ultimately, he earned – in how he lived and treated others – the admiration and respect that he received from so many. In addition to his wife, Machele, those left to cherish his memory are his daughters, Riley (Matt) Lichtenstein and Rachel (Bryce) Duke; grandson, Landon Lichtenstein; brother, Eddie Stewart; mother-in-law, Nancy Matthews; brother-in-law, Michael (Ann) Matthews; sister-in-law Loretta Stewart; and aunt, Debbie (Chip) Horvath. He was welcomed home into the loving arms of his parents, William and Louise Stewart; son, Gavin Stewart; brother, Jim Stewart; and father-in-law, Robert Matthews, all of whom predeceased him. A celebration of his life was planned at a later date. In lieu of donations, please send your memories of Bob, and your stories about him, to his family. The messages can be sent to JudgeStewartFamily@gmail.com or to the Athens County Court of Common Pleas, mailed to the attention of his devoted friend and court administrator Debbie Gibson, who will deliver the messages to the family. The address is 1 South Court Street (Second Floor), Athens, Ohio 45701.



BOBBY STILES - Died Friday, September 25, 2020 in San Angelo, Texas at the age of 90. The cause of death was heart failure. Bobby was born on January 30, 1930 in Stamford, Texas to the late Thomas and Orilla (née Hall) Stiles. He lived in East Texas his family relocated to Corpus Christi where he graduated from High School. Bobby always had a very strong work ethic. As a

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boy, he delivered groceries on his bike and took one to two items from the store to people for 5 cents. He also delivered newspapers on his bike for "The Liberty" in Corpus Christi for 5 cents. As a young teenager he was also active in Boy Scouts and worked as a lifeguard in the summers. At the age of 19, Bobby joined the United States Air Force in Corpus Christi and went to Lackland Air Force Base for basic training where he was stationed for two years. He married Dorothy Jean Stiles, of Corpus Christi on August 17, 1951 and they shared 63 years before she preceded him in death. In December of 1951, he traveled by ship for 21 days to his next station in Nagoya Japan for 18 Months. He was stationed at numerous Air Force bases during his military career including, Brooks AFB, Kelly Travis AFB, Fairfield AFB, Shepherd AFB, Tacoma Washington, Iowa Park in Wichita Falls, TX, including a tour of Okinawa with Security Services and would retire after 20 years with his last station being Goodfellow AFB in San Angelo. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – San Angelo Chapter #457*. After his retirement he went to work in the information technology industry as a computer programmer for Pool Company, M-System, GTE, Ethicon, and SAISD as a Substitute Teacher. Bobby Attended ASU and lacked two courses to graduate. During his lifetime, he served as a Boy Scout Assistant and later Scout Master for his son Robert, he remained very active in the community, coaching numerous sports teams including football, baseball and soccer and was also very active in the local Vietnam Veterans Chapter. Bobby married the love of his life, Bette Jo Holder on May 7, 2017 and they shared almost four amazing years together. Bobby was a loving husband, father and grandfather who devoted himself to his family, country, and community. Bobby was a very patient, kindhearted and giving soul with a great sense of humor and amazing smile. In his spare time, he enjoyed dancing, traveling and being with his family. Bobby also had the talent to fix anything that was broken. His kindness and generosity and great sense of humor will remain in our hearts forever and we will dearly miss him! He was preceded in death by his parents and first wife, Dorothy, and three brothers. He is survived by his loving wife Bette Jo Stiles; his daughter, Katherine Hargrove (Robert) and their daughter Stacey Obregon (Lio), his great-grandchildren, Carson and Emma; Stephen (Natalie) his great-grandchildren Railee, Danae Hargrove, and Ayden Hargrove; Daughter, Linda Wade (Patrick) and their sons, Robert and Daniel Hillin; Daughter, Nancy Wallace (Rudolph) and their son Nicholas; and his son Robert Stiles (Gwen) and their son Benjamin. The family received friends for visitation from 7:30–9:30 PM on Monday, September 28, 2020 at the Harper Funeral Home. The Funeral Service was at 2:00 PM on September 29, 2020 at Glen Meadows Baptist Church with Reverend Scott Cotton officiating. The interment was at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens. Family and friends may share condolences and sign the online register book at www.harper-funeralhome.com.

WILLARD C. STOREY - Died Monday, August 10, 2020 at the Southern Ohio Medical Center at the age of 69. He was a resident of Portsmouth, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 14, 1950. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – South Shore (Kentucky) Chapter #1006*. The arrangements were made the F.C. Daehler Mortuary in Portsmouth, Ohio.



JERRY WAYNE TAYLOR - Died Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at Select Specialty Hospital in Nashville, Tennessee at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 2, 1948 to the late Norman Lee Taylor and Lorene (née Taylor) Patton and was also preceded in death by his brother, Boyd Lee Taylor and good friend, Ben Dalton. Jerry was a United States Army veteran, serving in the Pentagon and was a Certified Public Accountant. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lebanon Chapter #1004*. He is survived by his wife, Glenda Russell Taylor; son, Jeff Taylor and daughter, Whitney Parsley and her husband, Tony all of Watertown; grandchildren, Brittany Witham of Hendersonville, Alyssa and Brody Parsley; sister, Sharon Widuch and her husband, George of Nashville; and his faithful companion, Bitzi. Funeral services were at 2:00 PM on Sunday, September 26, 2021 at the Hunter Funeral Home with Brothers Thurman Seber and Tim Robinson co-officiating. Visitation was held from 4:00-8:00 PM on Saturday and from 10:00 AM until service time on Sunday. The pallbearers were Tony and Brody Parsley, Jeff Taylor, Jim Jackson, Jimbo Robertson, Steve and Scott Armstrong, John Labbous. The interment with full military honors was at the Wilson County Memorial Park in Lebanon. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Forbes Children's Fund at Wilson Bank and Trust.

WILLIAM JOHN "Bill" TAYLOR – Died Sunday, March 31, 2019 in La Pine, Oregon at the age of 81. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 16, 1938. He is survived by his wife, Vivian. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – La Pine Chapter #821*.



HOWARD PAUL TETER (USMC, GnySGT-Ret.) - Died Saturday, April 3, 2021 in Vineland, New Jersey at the age of 84, after a long illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 30, 1936 in Saint Martins, Maryland. He was a member of the first graduating class of Stephen Decatur High School. During high school, he loved playing baseball and pursued this passion even after graduation. It was important to him that both his girls attempt to catch a ball. He joined the United States Marine Corps in 1955 and served his country honorably for 20 years, retiring as a Gunnery Sergeant. He was a *Permanently Hospitalized Veteran Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825*. He was married to his wife, Penny Teter, for more than 55 years. After retiring from the Marine Corps, Howard drove his family in a motor home across the US to California and back to visit relatives and national parks. He shared his love of the outdoors through camping trips, hikes, and canoeing. Both outdoor and indoor gardens flourished under his care. Howard is survived by his loving wife, Penny Teter (nee Leader) of Runnemede, NJ. He was the loving father of Elizabeth, and Susan (Fred); devoted grandfather of Timothy Montney and Joan Amaya; and cherished brother of Fay McCabe, Frances Marell, and John E. Teter. Howard is predeceased by his brother Cyrus Teter, and sisters Florence Cowart, and Charlotte Teter. The funeral service was private at the convenience of the family. Howard was buried with military honors at the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Memorial Cemetery. The family asked that memorial gifts be directed to Community Bible Church of Barrington NJ or Haddon Heights Baptist Church of Haddon Heights NJ. The funeral

arrangements were under the direction of DuBois Funeral Home, 700 South White Horse Pike, Audubon, NJ 08106. Condolences and memories may be shared at DuboisFuneralHome.com.



SCOTT WILLIAM THOMAS - Died Saturday, November 20, 2021 at Mass General Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts at the age of 74. He was a resident of Westfield, Massachusetts. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Springfield, Massachusetts on January 6, 1947 to the late Howard and Doris (née Devereaux) Thomas. He grew up in West Springfield, graduated from West Springfield High School, and earned his Associate's Degree in Business at Holyoke Community College. Scott worked as an Accountant Executive for Werner Trucking and Crete Trucking for many years. A United States Navy Vietnam War Veteran, recipient of the Bronze Star with Valor and the Purple Heart, Scott was a member of the VFW Post #3272 in Avon, CT. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Westfield Chapter #219**. Gregarious, warm, funny and brimming with kindness he was generous by nature. Anyone who knew him or met him loved and respected him. He was an avid reader, enjoyed time spent visiting Ogunquit, Maine and Vermont with Linda, golfing and working in his yard and gardens. He was the beloved husband of 26 years to Linda M. (née Goyette) Thomas; loving father of Justin W. Thomas and his partner Terrence Trapp of Windsor, MA and Derrek J. Thomas and his wife Kristin of Hayden, ID and devoted grandfather to their children, Benjamin and Grace; caring brother of Mary Jane Carey and her husband Craig of Palm Bay, FL. His brother Gary H. Thomas (deceased) and his wife Carol (Goyette) Thomas of Westfield, MA. Four nephews Alan Carey, Sean Carey, CJ Thomas (deceased) and Jonathan Thomas. Calling hours were on Monday, November 29th from 4:00-6:00 PM at the Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home, 1043 Westfield Street, West Springfield. There was a Funeral Home Service on Tuesday, November 30th at 10:00 AM followed by a Committal Service at 11:00 AM at the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery, 1390 Main Street in Agawam. In lieu of flowers donations in Scott's memory may be made to the Avon VFW Post #3272, PO Box 297, Avon CT 06001 or Saint Jude's Children's Hospital. For more information please visit www.toomeyobrien.com.

GALE E. THORNE - Died Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 9:50 AM in Lancaster, Ohio at the age of 73, with his family by his side. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 10, 1948 in Williamsport, Ohio to the late James Harman, Sr. and Betty Jane (née French) Keister. Gale graduated from Fairfield Union in 1966. He proudly served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Trinity United Church of Christ in Baltimore, as well as VFW Post #1516, American Legion Post #11, AMVETS Post #1985, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lancaster Chapter #1045** and the Lancaster, Ohio Veterans Burial Detail. Gale was a beloved father, grandfather, and friend who will be greatly missed. Gale is survived by Pat Chapman and her children, Mary Kay and Nick Conti; son, Thomas Thorne of Wellston and his children, Aiden, Ansen, and Ryan; son, Dustin (Theresa) Thorne of Florida and his son, Michael Joseph; step-daughter, Twila Fields and her children, Alan, Alisha, Jaydayle, and Brianna; step-

son, Eric Duey; several great grandchildren; brother, Tom Thorne; and many nieces and nephews. He will be following his lovely wife, Shelia Thorne and his brothers, Jim Thorne and Glenn Thorne. The funeral service took place at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, December 14, 2021 at the Sheridan Funeral Home. Visitation was held from 4:00 PM until the time of service on Tuesday. Memorial contributions may be made to Saint Jude Cancer Research Hospital.



DONALD CARLSON "Don" TIDWELL - Died Tuesday, November 16, 2021 in Sioux Falls, South Dakota at the age of 78, after a short illness. He was a resident of Rapid City, South Dakota. The cause of death is unknown. Don was born on August 10, 1943 in Camden, South Carolina to the late Carson and Ruth (née Merritt) Tidwell. Don was the brother to 2 younger sisters, Mary and Wanda. Don graduated from Camden, SC in 1961 and then attended business college in Columbia, SC for 2 years. In 1963, Don joined the United States Air Force, attending basic training in Austin, TX. After basic training Don was choosing sites to be stationed at and wrote down Gettysburg. To his surprise, he ended up in Gettysburg, SD not Pennsylvania. Don met the love of his life, Karen (née Thompson), in Gettysburg, SD. They were married one year later in 1965. Don was called to serve in Vietnam and was honorably discharged in 1967. After a short stay in Gettysburg they moved to South Carolina. Don worked at the Wateree Plant during his time in South Carolina and son Douglas Carson was born. Don, Karen and Douglas moved back to South Dakota where Don worked at the Gettysburg Radar Base until May 1970 when they moved to Rapid City. Shortly after moving to Rapid City, Don started as a firefighter. Don proudly served his community with the Rapid City Fire Department for 25 years. In that time, he also worked part time jobs with Freed's and Gambles. After his retirement Don worked as an insurance inspector for several companies. Don was an active member of the VFW Post #1273, where he was a lifetime member. He held several positions including Post Commander 1985-86 and proudly volunteered for the Honor Guard. Don was also a member of the American Legion Post #22, Moose Lodge and an honorary member of the DAV, where he drove many veterans to doctor appointments. He was also a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rapid City Chapter #463*. The Serenity Prayer guided Don for 30 + years. In his spare time, Don coached his son's baseball team, the Yankees, for 3 years. He also enjoyed hunting and fishing, in his younger years. As Don got older he found Bingo. Whether Don was playing or calling Bingo, he was having a good time and drinking coffee. Don leaves behind his loving wife of 56 years, Karen, sister Wanda (Jackie) Lyles, brother-in law Roger Worley, nieces Tammy, Ann, and Heather and nephew Gary "Sam". He was preceded in death by his son, Douglas, parents Carson and Ruth, sister Mary Worley, father and mother-in-law George W. and Cornelia Thompson, sister-in-law Ida Fulkerson and brother-in-laws Bob Fulkerson, Sam Schalk and John Zweber. A Celebration of Life was held for Don on Wednesday, November 24th at 10:00 AM at the Kirk Funeral Home. The burial was at Black Hills National at 11:30 AM. A Luncheon was at Noon at the American Legion Post on Saint Patrick Street.



RALPH R. "Bud" TRAUTMAN - Died Monday, November 1, 2021 in Ambridge, Pennsylvania at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Sewickley, Pennsylvania on March 24, 1943. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ann Trautman and a brother, Charles Trautman. He is survived by his wife, Karen Trautman, children, Brenda (Brian) Rogers, stepchildren, David (Karen) Vodenichar, Dayna (Ed) Dierdorf, grandchildren, Chelsey (Ryan) Holt, Roni Vodenichar, Daniel Dierdorf, Kurt Dierdorf, great-grandchildren, Alexis, Isabella, and Noah Holt, brother George (Rosemary) Trautman, Pat Celeste, and his faithful service dog, Muffi. Ralph was the former owner of Bud's Auto Repair in Economy for 50 years. He was a disabled veteran of Vietnam serving in the United States Marines. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862*. The family would like to thank the Good Samaritan Hospice for their loving care. The burial was held on March 24, 2022, in the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies. The arrangements were made by The Kasper Chapel of Alvarez-Hahn Funeral Services and Cremation, LLC.



BERNIE VELASQUEZ - Died peacefully Sunday, November 15, 2020 in San Elizario, Texas at the age of 90. The cause of death was the coronavirus COVID-19. Bernie was born on August 30, 1930. He served in the United States Army for thirty years. He did a tour of duty in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – El Paso Chapter #574*. A visitation for Bernie was held on Monday, November 30, 2020 from 8:30 to 10:30 AM at the Funeraria Del Angel Evergreen East, 12400 East Montana, El Paso, TX. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.evergreenfheast.com for the Velasquez family.



FARID ULLAH, M.D. - Died Friday, September 24, 2021 in Fernandina Beach, Florida at the age of 83, surrounded by his family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born and raised in Peshawar, Pakistan on February 3, 1938. In 1960 he graduated from the prestigious Khyber Medical University in Pakistan, where he was employed as a Professor of Pharmacology. He came to America in 1962 to complete an internship at Albany Memorial Hospital in New York, followed by a residency in Internal Medicine at New York Methodist Hospital and the Appalachian Regional Hospital in West Virginia. In 1968 he completed a Fellowship in Cardiology at the VA Medical Center. Dr. Ullah served in the United States Army from 1969 to 1971. During this time, as the only Army Cardiologist, he successfully established the first Intensive Care Units and Cardiac Departments at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield in Georgia. He was a *Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Yulee Chapter #1088*. In 1971, Dr. Ullah moved to Fernandina Beach and began shaping the city's medical profession and culture. He was instrumental in the creation and implementation of the Fernandina Beach and Nassau County Emergency Medical

Services Division where he served as the Medical Director until he retired. During his private practice of fifty years, Dr. Ullah treated generations of patients and became a respected pillar of the community. As a tireless medical professional and dedicated leader in humanitarian equality, he volunteered innumerable hours of training, teaching and mentoring medical professionals from all disciplines. On August 18, 2020 the Fernandina Beach City Commission honored Dr. Ullah with a proclamation for his outstanding service and transformational contributions to the city's medical profession. In presenting the proclamation, Mayor John Miller expressed the city's sincere appreciation and gratitude to Dr. Farid Ullah for his lifetime of unlimited contributions and devoted care to the betterment of all lives he touched, taught and saved. Miller added, "I hereby encourage all citizens to gratefully recognize and humbly acknowledge the immense significance and incalculable improvements Dr. Ullah made in the medical profession throughout the course of his long and distinguished career". Dr. Ullah married his beloved wife, Sue in Albany, New York in 1965. Together they raised two beautiful daughters and became the proud grandparents of five wonderful grandchildren. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Susan C. Ullah; his daughters, Dr. Cami Ullah Jordan (Louis) and Tracy Ullah Voorhees (Jay); his grandchildren, Andrew Jordan, Cole Jordan, Hadley Voorhees, Carter Voorhees, JJ Voorhees and his siblings, Maurice Lazarus (Shanaz), Dr. Nargis Nazir (Nazir) Duri Haleem (Haleem) and Farouque Khattak. He will be missed by all, especially by his faithful, beloved dog Millie. Those closest to Dr. Ullah will miss his strong sense of loyalty to family and friends, his warm generous heart and his gift of storytelling. A viewing was held on Thursday, October 7, 2021 from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at the Oxley-Heard Funeral Home, 1305 Atlantic Avenue, Fernandina Beach for those who would like to pay their respects. A service was held for family and friends on Friday, October 8, 2021 at 1:00 PM at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 1830 Lake Park Drive, Fernandina Beach, Florida 32034. Donations may be made in Dr. Ullah's name to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation or the American Heart Association.



DONALD HALL VAN ORSDEL - Died peacefully Saturday, December 4, 2021 at home in Talbott, Tennessee at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 23, 1943 in Los Angeles, California to the late Maxwell Van Orsdel and Helen (née Hall) Van Orsdel. He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Kathleen; brother Max Van Orsdel of Rocklin, Calif.; stepsons, John Scott (Chris) Wallrich of New Hampshire and Jeremy Wallrich of North Carolina. Donald graduated from El Dorado County High School in 1961. He served 43 years in the United States Air Force and the Department of Defense. Don was active in Morristown, Tennessee, veteran organizations, enjoyed model railroading and reading. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Morristown Chapter #1073**. A private graveside service was held at 10:00 AM on Monday, December 13th at the East Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery in Knoxville, with Vietnam Veterans of America officiating. The family would like to thank Amedisys Hospice for their wonderful care of Don. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to the charity of your choice. The Farrar Funeral Home, Jefferson City, Tennessee was in charge of the arrangements.

DAVID L. "Dave" VOISIN – Died Friday, October 8, 2021 in Macomb, Michigan at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 23, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Clinton Township Chapter #154**.



MICHAEL M. WALKER – Died Wednesday, November 10, 2021 in East Amherst, New York at the age of 72. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born in Buffalo, New York on June 28, 1949. He was the dearest father of Lisa (Jim) Cox and Susan (Blaine) Witt; devoted grandfather to Owen and Todd; he was predeceased by siblings, and survived by his former wife Irene Walker, nieces, nephews and his special companion Marcia Murphy. Michael was a *Life Member* and *Past President* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tonawanda Chapter #77** and the Western District Director of the NYS Council of Vietnam Veterans. Michael dedicated his retirement to the well-being and recognition of all veterans. The family was present on Wednesday, November 17th from 2:00-4:00 PM and from 6:00-8:00 PM at the (Amherst Chapel) Amigone Funeral Home, Inc., 5200 Sheridan Drive (corner Hopkins Road). Family and friends were invited to celebrate a Mass of Christian Burial on Thursday, November 18th at 11:00 AM in Saint Mary Church, 6919 Transit Road, Swormville, NY. The interment was held on Monday, November 22nd at 11:00 AM in West New York National Veterans Cemetery, 1254 Indian Falls Road, Corfu, NY. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to VVA Chapter #77, 47 Main Street, Tonawanda, NY 14150. Share condolences online at www.amigone.com.



DANIEL MICHAEL "Dan" WELCH - Died Sunday, November 7, 2021 in Erie, Pennsylvania at the age of 73, surrounded by loved ones after battling Parkinson's Disease for almost 30 years. He was formerly of Oil City, Pennsylvania and Franklin, Pennsylvania. He was Born on July 17, 1948 to the late Thomas and Helen Veronica (née Reid) Welch. He is survived by his long-time companion, Arline Lang of Franklin, PA, two children, Thomas Welch and Danielle Welch Zimmer, of Erie, PA, his brother, Patrick, of Oil City, PA, his sister, Mary Ann Welch Cooper, of Cohutta, GA, two grandchildren, many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas and Helen Veronica Reid Welch and his wife, Martha Poulter Welch. Daniel was a gifted photographer, lover of the outdoors, music, animals, and a fantastic storyteller. He worked tirelessly to build a fulfilling life for his family, even when faced with the innumerable challenges of Parkinson's Disease in his later years. Daniel served 21 months as an E-3 in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War on the U.S.S. Oxford and

U.S.S. Kitty Hawk. When returning to the states, he attended college at Arizona State University to seek out a career in photography. While a photographer, he worked at the Derrick in Oil City, and with the Associated Press. He also was known for his work capturing life in Amish Country and as a wedding photographer. In order to care for his family, he also worked for Conair in Franklin and at Seaway Electric in Erie, PA. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Chattanooga (Tennessee) Chapter #203**. He is remembered for being a caring, gentle, and selfless father, grandfather, husband, friend, and partner. Even when Parkinson's was doing its worst, he put others before himself. The family would like to extend its immense gratitude to the following organizations: the Cleveland Clinic Neurological Institute for a swift initial diagnosis and then later a life-changing surgery that allowed Daniel to experience one of his life-long dreams: to see Alaska; Northshore Neurology's team for always looking for a way to treat and support; and finally the outstanding team at the Erie Veterans Affairs Medical Center that stood by him until the end. We are forever grateful for their expertise and compassion. A memorial gathering was held at The Reinsel Funeral Home at 116 Bissell Avenue in Oil City, PA on Saturday, November 20th from 2:00-4:00 PM. Condolences may be sent to www.reinselfuneralhome.com. If you wish to contribute a photo, story, or music to the memorial gathering, please visit danwelch.squarespace.com. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider making a donation to the Michael J. Fox Foundation in Daniel's honor.



LIVINGSTON N. WELLS – Died Monday, August 24, 2020 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama at the age of 80. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Moss Point, Mississippi on October 15, 1939. He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1960 to 1974 with tours in Vietnam from 1962 to 1964. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Tuscaloosa Chapter #301**. The funeral service was held on Friday, August 28, 2020 at 11:00 AM at the Brown Memorial Presbyterian Church. Dr. Joseph Scrivner officiated. The burial with full military honors was held on Monday, August 31, 2020 at 11:45 AM in the Alabama National Cemetery, Montevallo, Alabama with Rollins' Mortuary directing. He laid-in-state at the church one hour prior to service time. Public viewing was held on Thursday, August 27, 2020 from 12:00 Noon until 5:00 PM at the Rollins Mortuary. Donations can be made to: Tuscaloosa VA Medical Center Designation: Community Living Centers, 3701 Loop Road, East Tuscaloosa, AL 35404.

JOHN R. WERNER – Died Friday, December 10, 2021 in Somerdale, New Jersey at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 6, 1947. He served in the United States Army from September 1967 to August 1973 with a tour in Vietnam from 1968 to 1969. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Somerdale Chapter #1068**.

LESLIE GEORGE "Les" WESTON – Died Sunday, September 19, 2021 in Fort Gibson, Oklahoma at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in 1943. He served in the United

States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Broken Arrow Chapter #216**.

JOSEPH E. WILLIAMS – Died recently in 2021 in Rock Hill, South Carolina at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 13, 1946. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Pleasantville Chapter #825**.

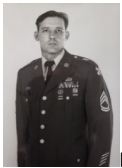
BILLY RAY WISE – Died Sunday, April 4, 2021 in Bellingham, Washington at the age of 70. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 2, 1951. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bellingham Chapter #165**.



RICHARD COLEMAN WRIGHT - Died unexpectedly Friday afternoon October 22, 2021 at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Nashville, Tennessee while awaiting his regularly scheduled Doctor's appointment. Mr. Wright was 77. He had collapsed from an apparent heart attack outside the physician's office. He was a resident of Mount Juliet, Tennessee. He was born on February 7, 1944 at the former McFarland Hospital in Lebanon, Tennessee to the late Coleman Bryan Wright who died at the age of 92 on March 6, 2009 and Roggie Ruth (née Donoho) Wright who died at the age of 78 on July 27, 2000. Mr. Wright was a 1962 graduate of Lebanon High School and attended Tennessee Technological University and completed his Bachelor of Science degree at the North Carolina State University in Raleigh, North Carolina while serving in the United States Army. He received his education in Signal Officers Advance Courses at the Monmouth College in Long Branch, New Jersey. Following military service, he received his Master of Business Administration from Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro. Mr. Wright was inducted into the United States Army in Nashville on January 12, 1967 and his second induction was at Fort Gordon, Georgia on January 12, 1969 and was honorably discharged with the rank of Captain at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey on April 18, 1972 making his total service to our country six years, ten months, and 29 days including his R.O.T.C. training at Tech. His overseas service was two years, nine months and seventeen days in Indochina and Vietnam. For his meritorious service he was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, Sharpshooter Medal, the Missile Defense Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Bar, the Army Special Operations Forces Medal, Vietnam Commendation Medal with a 60 device and Vietnam Service Medal with three bronze service stars. His Major Command while in the Army was First Signal Intelligence for Surface to Air Missiles. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lebanon Chapter #1004**. In Mount Juliet at the Saint Paul United Methodist Church on November 7, 1986, Mr. Wright was united in marriage to a Paducah, Kentucky native, the former Theresa Belcher. Mr. Wright was a longtime Operations Manager for the former Cain-Sloan Department Store located at Fifth and Church Street in Nashville and after the store's closing was Operations Manager for the Elan-Polo Corporation before retiring on December 31, 2016. Mr. Wright was baptized into Christ at the Carthage Church of Christ and at the time of his death he and his wife attended the Grace United Methodist Church. Surviving in addition to his wife

Theresa, of almost thirty five years, is Mr. Wright's brother, Stephen Wright and wife Sharon of Cookeville; two nieces, Jennie Littrell and husband Michael of Cookeville, De'Ann Laufenburg and husband Gary of Cooper City, Florida; five nephews, Elijah Wright and wife Carolyn of Cookeville, Jacob Wright and wife Joy of Gardendale, Alabama, Richard Hannon of Pell City, Alabama, Steven Hannon and wife Jan of Freeport, Florida, Jeffery Hannon and wife Patricia of Jacksonville, Florida; twelve great and great-great nieces and nephews. Mr. Wright was at the Carthage Chapel of Sanderson Funeral Home where his funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon October 29th. His pastor, Reverend Jeff Strezoff of the Grace United Methodist Church, officiated at the 3:00 PM services. The burial was in the Wright family lot in the Garden of Gethsemane at the Smith County Memorial Gardens. A Service of Remembrance from the Grace United Methodist Church on North Mount Juliet Road was Sunday afternoon October 31st at 1:00 PM. The Wright family had requested memorials go to the Grace United Methodist Church Trustees, 2905 North Mount Juliet Road, Mount Juliet, Tennessee 37122.

ROY WAYNE YOUNG – Died Saturday, September 25, 2021 in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio on July 18, 1949. He served in the United States Marine Corps from August 21, 1967 to February 28, 1969 during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Knoxville Chapter 1078**.



EDWARD M. "Ed" ZACOT (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Sunday, July 18, 2021 in his home in Enola, Pennsylvania at the age of 73, with his family by his side. The cause of death is unknown. Ed, a native of Keyser, West Virginia was born on November 21, 1947 to the late Harry Kidwell and Louise Zacot. Ed was a highly decorated soldier, serving in the United States Army for 16 years before medically retiring. During his career, he served in various overseas duties including multiple tours in Vietnam, South Korea, and Germany, where he earned the Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, multiple Bronze Stars, as well as other various unit and personal commendations. After retiring from active duty, Ed continued to serve his country for another 24 years through his work with the US Army Logistics Innovation Agency where he helped to develop and field systems designed to facilitate delivery of critical combat payloads, which ultimately improved combat effectiveness and saved soldiers' lives. Ed was a member of the Enola Sportsmen's Association, a member of the American Legion Post #751 Enola, and the Mechanicsburg VFW. He was also a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Williamsburg (Virginia) Chapter #957**. Ed is survived by his wife Yepun C. Zacot; his children Diana Kraus of Keyser, WV, Jason Whitlock of Keyser, WV, Chimi Zacot of Alexandria, VA, Edward Faulkner of Waxhaw, NC, Francine Binnert of Albuquerque, NM; his brother Joseph Zacot of Keyser, WV; and sister Deborah Vanderbeck of Burt, NY. He was preceded in death by his brother, Francis (Butch) Zacot. Funeral services were held on Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 11:00 AM in the Richardson Funeral Home LLC located at 29 South Enola Drive,

Enola, PA. A visitation hour was held from 10:00 AM until time of service in the funeral home. The burial was in the Arlington National Cemetery.



ALPHONZO ZIEGFELD ZANDERS, JR. (USA, CSM-Ret.) - Died Friday, November 5, 2021 at home in Leland, North Carolina at the age of 81. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 1, 1940. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and retired at the rank of Command Sergeant Major. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Wilmington Chapter #885**. The funeral service was held on Thursday, November 11, 2021 at 12:00 Noon at the New Christian Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, 2283 South NC Highway 11 in Rose Hill, NC. The interment was in the church cemetery. Left to cherish his memories are his wife, Wanda Gail (née Chasten) Zanders; four children: Dellaleah McKay, Robertino Zanders, Sr. (Cornelia), Marcus Batts and Toccara Batts Barnes (Kevin); eight grandchildren, four brothers-in-law, three sisters-in-law; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends that will miss him dearly.



JOHN JOSEPH ZIELINSKI - Died peacefully Thursday, October 28, 2021 in Livonia, Michigan at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. John was born in Detroit, Michigan on April 15, 1950 to the late John and Helen Zielinski. He was also predeceased by his sister, Catherine Zielinski. A loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle, he is survived by his beloved wife of 39 years, Cheryl (née Schwendenmann) Zielinski, his son Eric Zielinski and his wife, Amanda (Shafer) Zielinski, and their three children, Lucas, Daphne, and Everett, and his daughter Jessica (Zielinski) McLean and her husband Donald McLean and their two children, Maxwell and Evelyn. He is also survived by his sister, Elizabeth (Zielinski) Gajda and is the uncle to many nieces and nephews. He was a dear friend and military brother to many. John was a dedicated Roman Catholic with a very strong faith and love for God. He was a proud United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War (1969-1970) and was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Plymouth Chapter #528** and the Plymouth VFW Post #6695. He was a passionate outdoorsmen and sports enthusiast, with a strong love of hunting, fishing, and golf. A visitation for John was held on Friday, November 12, 2021 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at Harry J. Will Funeral Homes, 37000 West Six Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152 with a rosary at 7:00 PM. A funeral-in-state was on Saturday, November 13, 2021 at 11:00 AM at Saint Colette Catholic Church, 17600 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152 with a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30 AM. Contributions in John's memory may be made to Capuchin Soup Kitchen and Vietnam Veterans of America. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.HarryJWillLivonia.com for the Zielinski family.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord! And let perpetual light shine upon them! May they rest in peace! Amen! May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace! Amen!