KENNETH C. "Ken" ANDERSON - Died Wednesday, April 6, 2022 in Oshkosh, Wisconsin at the age of 86, following a long battle with diabetes, strokes, and dementia. The cause of death was heart failure and leukemia. He was born in Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin on July 18, 1935 to the late Roy and Bel (née Kwapil) Anderson. On December 10, 1983, Ken married Jean Veldey VanKeuren. Memories of growing up in Door County include helping his Dad in the boat and bait business, plus working to buy his clothes and save for college. After graduation from Saint Olaf College, Ken served his country for 20 years in the United States Air Force. Highlights include training in an Air Commando unit, earning a graduate degree in business and earning medals. Ken's service took him to Vietnam, Thailand, Panama, Guam, England and stateside duty that included the Pentagon. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Oskhosh Chapter #437. Post retirement, he worked at Oshkosh Truck Corporation in defense program management. Further applying his education and experience, Ken next enjoyed teaching at Fox Valley Technical College. After full retirement, his all-time favorite job was volunteering in kindergarten. A devoted Christian, he served at Oshkosh Community Church. Favorite pastimes included reading, fishing, flying as a private pilot, going to Door County, and visiting family. He'll be fondly remembered for his faith, intellect, sense of humor, love of family and his many pets. Ken is survived by and his memory will be cherished by his wife, Jean and sons, Eric (Kelley) Anderson, Jon (Dolly Piette) VanKeuren and Chris (Jenny) VanKeuren, plus six grandchildren: Jake, Ashley, Faith, Crystal, Maddy and Andy. He is further survived by his brother, Wayne (Nancy); sisters-in-law: Carol Veldey (Carlton Peterson), Kate Connors, and Evie (Tim) Kane, nieces and nephews plus former daughters-in-law Kris Behm and Sarah Van Keuren. Preceding him in death are his parents and son, Mark Anderson. Funeral services for Ken were held on Saturday, April 9, 2022 at 4:00 PM in Community Church, 2351 Ryf Road in Oshkosh with the Reverend Alan Cleveland officiating. A time of visitation was held at the church on Saturday from 3:00 PM until the time of service. Full military honors were accorded by the United Veterans Honor Guard immediately following the service. The burial was in the Riverside Cemetery. In lieu of floral expressions, a memorial fund for charity was established.

<u>JOHN O. BARRETT</u> – Died recently in 2022 in Lansing, Kansas at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 2, 1948. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America** – **Leavenworth Chapter #75**.

TERRY THOMAS BEISSER - Died Wednesday, February 2, 2022 in Coteau, Louisiana at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. Mr. Beisser was born on May 3, 1945 in Fort Dodge, Iowa, to the late Thomas and Vernice (née Pingle) Beisser. He proudly served our country

in the United States Navy as an aviation mechanic. Mr. Beisser retired from Texaco and was employed with Acadiana Site Contractors. He was a hardworking, generous kind hearted man with a heart of gold and was always willing to help others.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Joyce Myers Beisser of New Iberia; daughter, Cindy Beisser Viator (Eddie) of Avery Island; son, Christopher Terry Beisser (Sheri) of Delcambre; brother, Lee Beisser of Fort Dodge, Iowa; grandchildren, Matt Beisser (Jessica Peterson), Lilly Beisser, Brandon Viator (Rosie), Brennon Viator, Sara Viator, Jacob Myers, Katilyn Johnson, Ty Johnson, and BreAnn Johnson; great- grandchildren, Owen Trahan and Jase Beisser; and a sister-in-law, Sharon Johnson.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his loving grandparents, Conrad and Anna Beisser; and his in laws, Alex and Theresa Myers.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 11:00 AM on Monday, February 7, 2022 at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Catholic Church in New Iberia, Louisiana. The pallbearers were Chris Beisser, Eddie Viator, Brandon Viator, Jacob Myers, Matt Beisser, Ty Johnson and Brennon Viator. Entombment was in the church mausoleum.

Reverend Father Ed Degeyter was the Celebrant.

A gathering of family and friends was on Sunday from 4:00 until 9:00 PM at the Pellerin Funeral Home. A rosary, led by the Men's Rosary Group, was prayed at 6:30 PM on Sunday. The visitation continued on Monday from 8:00 until 10:15 AM.

The honorary pallbearers included Charles Norman, Stan Allen, Brian Beisser, Lorell Radney, and all of his coworkers at Texaco.

Pellerin Funeral Home, 502 Jefferson Terrace Boulevard., New Iberia, LA was in charge of the arrangements.

WILLIAM OURA "Bill" BENEDICT, SR. – Died Friday, April 8, 2022 in Winneconne, Wisconsin at the age of 88, surrounded by family at his Winneconne home after a courageous battle with kidney disease. Bill was born on July 20, 1933 in Butte des Morts, Wisconsin to the late Cyrus and Pearl (née Huntington) Benedict. He graduated from Winneconne High School in 1951. Bill was a decorated veteran who served during the Korean War era and in the Vietnam War, spending a combined 22 years in the military. At 17, Bill joined the United States Air Force, serving over two years. The following year, he joined the United States Army and served for 20 years. While stationed in Germany, he met and married Gisela Damm, with whom he had three

sons. They later divorced. After leaving the military in 1973, Bill chose to settle in Winneconne. He began a second career at Oshkosh Truck Corporation, where he worked for 18 years before retiring in 1995. While pursuing a degree at Fox Valley Technical College, he met Diane Schneider. They were married on December 5, 1987, welcomed a daughter, and shared over 34 years together. In 2001, Bill was elected to the Winneconne Town Board (Supervisor, Road Commissioner, and Noxious Weed Commissioner), on which he served until 2019. When he wasn't working, Bill had a passion for riding motorcycles (and later trikes), watching westerns, volunteering, feeding and watching birds, putting together puzzles, and rooting for the Green Bay Packers, Dallas Cowboys, and Milwaukee Brewers. Bill was an active Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Oshkosk Chapter #437, American Legion Post #234 in Omro, VFW, Knights of Columbus, and Saint Mary Church. Bill is survived by his wife, Diane; children, Bill, Jr., Tom (Doreen), Jim, and Megan (fiancé Aaron Brown); grandson, Jeff (Jenny) Herbst; greatgrandchildren, Hannah, Andrew, Gracie, Isabella, and Jeffrey; brother, Dan; sister, Marion Braasch; Schneider in-laws, John (Diane), Sue, Joe, Steve (Nance), Ron (Sue), Luke (Vicki), Paul, Tom (friend Sharon Halbach), Bob, and Mary; along with many nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents; parents-in-law, Luke and Nellie (Nisler) Schneider; brothers, Delos (Arlene) and Bob (Gloria); in-laws, Roger Braasch and Arlene Benedict; and grandson, Nathaniel Herbst. The family would like to give special thanks to all the ThedaCare at Home Hospice staff who cared for Bill in recent months, especially Jolene and Kelly. In lieu of flowers, the family is establishing a memorial in Bill's name to be donated to the Old Glory Honor Flight.

ALVIN YOUNG "AI" BETHARD – Died Tuesday, September 28, 2021 in Lafayette, Louisiana at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Grant Parish, Louisiana on August 17, 1947. He is survived by one brother, George Bethard of Plattsburg, New York and two sisters and nieces and nephews, and a very large network of good and supportive friends. Al was the longest serving librarian in the history of the UL Lafayette Dupree Library, serving for 47 years, even longer than the person for whom the university library is named, Edith Garland Dupree. He continued to remain active in promoting libraries, and the good they do for the advancement of citizens, through the Friends of the Lafayette and Iberia Parish libraries and the Historic New Orleans Collection. Al served in the United States Army in the Vietnam War. After serving patriotically in the war, he moved to Lafayette where he was hired by Dr. Norman Heard of Dupree Library to be the Microforms and Periodical Librarian at the university library. During his years of service at Dupree Library he helped tens of thousands of students and faculty and area citizens with their research needs. Dr. Heard recruited Al into Civitan International where he served for decades in that organization which seeks to help persons with mental retardation and developmental disabilities through fund raising and research and through projects like the Alleman Center. He was a frequent blood donor. He also served two periods as the director of the book sales division of the local Salvation Army providing books at very modest cost to area citizens. Al was a great citizen and soldier and patriot. He served in many civic, religious, historical, patriotic, military and lineage organizations. Among them are: Sons of the American Revolution, the Jefferson Davis Camp of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, a Life Member of Vietnam

Veterans of America – Lafayette Chapter #141, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Concerned Citizens for Good Government, The Military Order of the World Wars, The Scottish American Military Society, General Society of the War of 1812, Military Order of the Stars and Bars, The Cryptic Masons of Louisiana and Grand Lodge of Louisiana Hope Lodge No. 145, the Knights Templar, the Order of the Eastern Star, American Defenders of Bataan & Corregidor Memorial Society, and Shriners International that provides health and hospital services to children. He was active in all of the above and more and served as an officer and committee chairman in many of them. He supported historic preservation through the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Friends of the Shadows and the Memorial Hall Foundation in New Orleans, where he also served on the board which operates a museum in honor of the confederates and the Confederacy, and displays artifacts of the Civil War. He proudly supported the preservation of the statue heritage of Lafayette, Louisiana and the United States. He was an active citizen-soldier in every way and stood up with courage and commitment for what he believed in and fought for the betterment of his city, state and nation until the end. He also participated in the valiant effort to save the statute of General Alfred Mouton of Lafayette's founding Mouton family. Al showed the ultimate commitment to his fellow man when he donated his body to science through the Louisiana State Board of Anatomical Services where it will be used in the training of young doctors and medical research. He was a strong Christian man and was constantly called on to recite prayers before meetings of many groups such as Concerned Citizens for Good Government, Civitan International and the Sons of the American Revolution and other organizations. His life was one of service to so many for so long. He has chosen not to have a funeral or memorial service. Eventual inurnment will be at the cemetery at White Sulphur Springs, Louisiana.

BRUCE LEON BEZIO - Died Wednesday, September 22, 2021 at home in Erving, Massachusetts at the age of 73, surrounded by his family after a long and valiant battle with cancer. He was born in Erving on September 28, 1947 to the late Leon and Grace (née Powling) Bezio. He grew up in Erving and attended Mahar Regional High and transferred to Greenfield Vocational High School, where he graduated in 1965. Bruce was a Vietnam Veteran and was in Vietnam from January 15, 1969 to August 20, 1970. He married the love of his life and wife of 49 years, Donna (née Rose) Bezio, on April 19, 1972. Bruce was a member of Carpenters Local 336 for 42 years. He was a member of the Greenfield MA Moose Lodge 997 for 34 years, the Montague Elks for 39 years, the American Legion Orange Post #172 for 39 years and the Orange Gun Club. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #116. Bruce played softball for many years and also enjoyed hunting, fishing, NASCAR, the races at Monadnock Speedway, storage auctions and tag sales. He also spent time bowling both 10 pin and candlepin over the years. He always supported his Granddaughter Catherine G. Bezio and her variety of interests. He loved to hear her sing. Besides his wife Donna, Bruce leaves his beloved sons, Robert L. Bezio and his wife Laura and Duane A. Bezio all of Erving. He also leaves his Granddaughter Catherine G. Bezio, his sister Debra Holmes of Turners Falls and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, Leon and Grace Bezio, his brother Francis "Sonny" Bezio, and his sisters Beverly Howard and Judy Ward. The family would like to thank Hospice, especially his nurse Annette for their care in the past few months. A graveside service with military honors was held on Saturday, October 2, 2021 at 11:00 AM at Erving Center Cemetery. There were no calling hours, per his request. In lieu of flowers memorial contribution may be made to Pioneer Valley Hospice and Palliative Care, 329 Conway Street, Greenfield, MA 01301. The arrangements were under the direction of Kostanski Funeral Home. For condolences, please visit www.kostanskifuneralhome.com.

ZOLTAN BODNAR, JR. – Died Sunday, February 27, 2022 in Mount Prospect, Illinois at the age of 72, after suffering for more than two years as a result of a non-malignant brain tumor resulting in two strokes, Zoltan's valiant struggle is over. He was born on September 22, 1949 to the late Zoltan Bodnar, Sr. and Helena Bodnar. He is released in love by his devoted wife, Deborah (née Testa) Bodnar and his loving son and business partner, Gregory Bodnar. Zoltan will be sorely missed by his family and friends, and welcomed home by his parents, Helena and Zoltan Bodnar, Sr. A United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War, Zoltan will be laid to rest with military honors at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. A Mass and Celebration of Life was held at a later date. Visitation was held on Sunday, March 6, 2022 at the Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner of Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, IL from 3:00 to 9:00 PM. A funeral service began between 6:00 and 7:00 PM. The celebrant was Reverend Father Matthew Jamison. The burial was at Abraham Lincoln Cemetery, Elwood, Illinois on Monday, March 7, 2022 at 11:00 AM and all gathered at the cemetery at 10:45 PM - The cemetery led everyone in at 11:00 AM punctually. Zoltan was a proud Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Lafayette Chapter #141 and The Saints, Volunteers for the Performing Arts. Memorials to the charity of one's choice including Wounded Warriors, World Vision and Amita Alexian Brothers Hospice or any charitable acts one is able to do is very much appreciated. Zoltan, until we meet again, May God hold You in the Palm of his Hands. This Life Tributes page has been created to make it easy for Family and Friends to share memories, photos and videos. The arrangements were entrusted to the Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, at 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois.

SULIE PAUL BOURQUE — Died Tuesday, February 8, 2022 in Duson, Louisiana at the age of 73. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 28, 1948 in Abbeville, Louisiana to the late Maurice Bourque, Sr. and Eva (née Adams) Bourque-Roam and was a long-time resident of Acadiana. Sulie spent his childhood days in Kaplan, LA and attended Kaplan High School. After high school, he volunteered to join the United States Marine Corps and served in the Vietnam War. Sulie was a proud veteran and served as a Sergeant in the United States Marine Corps. During his service, he was stationed in Okinawa, Japan. He actively supported the MIA, CVMA, and local veterans' organizations. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America — Lafayette Chapter #141. After his time in the service, during the 80's, he attended USL, known today as the University at Lafayette, in the School of Business. Sulie worked in the oil field, as well as a football referee and retired with the Lafayette City Police Department. He was an avid fisherman and enjoyed traveling with his wife, Kathy, to see anything and everything about our country's military service. Family meant everything to Sulie, and he leaves a legacy of love and

will be deeply missed. Sulie is survived by his beloved wife of 49 years, Mary Kathryn Rogers Bourque, of Duson and numerous dear nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his father, Maurice Bourque, Sr.; his mother, Eva Adams Bourque Roam; one brother, Maurice Bourque, Jr., and one sister, Alice Bourque. The family wishes to thank family and friends for all of the love and support given to Sulie and his family. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Sulie's name to Arlington National Cemetery online at www.arlingtoncemetery.mil. Online obituary and guest book may be viewed at www.fountainmemorialfuneralhome.com. The Fountain Memorial Funeral Home and Cemetery, 1010 Pandora Street was in charge of the arrangements.

GARY WILLIAM BURCH - Died Monday, February 28, 2022 in his home in Morgantown, West Virginia at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Morgantown on February 6, 1947 to the late Foster and Nellie Burch. He is survived by his wife of 51 years Tewana (TJ / Janie) Burch and sons Bryan Burch and wife Heather, Jason Burch, and wife Stephanie and step-on and Sue Burch, Fred Burch, Willis, and Sherry Burch along with several nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews. Gary met his wife Tewana Jane Anderson on a blind date on May 23, 1970, got engaged on October 23, 1970, and married on December 23, 1970. Gary went to Wiles Hill Elementary, Suncrest Junior High, and graduated from Morgantown High School in 1965. He played in the band, worked on cars, and enjoyed cub scouts and baseball as a kid. After graduation, he and his best friend Earl Strang enlisted to join the service as United States Navy Seabees. During their service, they served two tours in Vietnam from 1968-1969. Gary was part of the Mobile Construction Battalion 53. Gary and Earl both came home to an ungrateful country for which he fought. After his service, he joined the Carpenters Union where he helped build the Cumberland Mine in Kirby, PA. After its completion, he remained there with the UMWA, where he retired after 30 years. Gary was a Life Member of the Vietnam Veterans of America - Morgantown Chapter #306 where he served as President for several years and other officer positions as well. He helped the chapter organize fundraisers (Buckwheat and Forest Festivals) to collect items for veterans in rest homes and the VA Hospital. He was also a life member of VFW Post #548 of Morgantown, volunteering his time to the "Honor Guard" to salute fallen soldiers and their families. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans and received a certificate in 2017. He was a committee member for "All Veterans Parade" in April 2009 and received a certificate. Participated in Post Deployment Health for the Veterans Community Board in 2014. Volunteered at the VA Clinic in Westover, WV from the day they opened until 2018 and received the Certificate and Medal from the Department of Veterans Affairs Volunteer Services in 2017. He received the Defender of Freedom Award Certificate for support of our US Armed Forces in 2019. He also received a Quilt of Valor in 2016. He was an active member and volunteered at the Community United Methodist Church located on the Grafton Road where he participated in Kids Time, Bible School, and the Farmers Market. He was the Secretary of the Wiles Hill School Alumni Association in 2017; belonged to the University City Car Club in Morgantown, WV to show off his 1989 Ninety-Eight Oldsmobile; Life Member of the NRA; Volunteered for Monongalia County Special Olympics. Gary loved helping Veterans of all ages, he enjoyed traveling with his best friends Earl and Carol Strang and so many other VVA Chapter families. Most of all he loved spending time with family, especially watching his grandson Wesley grow up. The family received friends at the Fred Jenkins Funeral Home on Thursday, March 3, 2022, from 2:00 – 4:00 PM and from 6:00 – 8:00 PM. A pass and review was conducted at 7:30 PM by members of the Preston County Honor Guard. Gary laid in repose at the Community United Methodist Church, Grafton Road, on Friday, March 4, 2022, from 10:00 AM until the time of services at 11:00 AM with Reverends Lawrence Rebelo and Brad Bennett coofficiating. Gary was laid to rest at the West Virginia National Cemetery, Pruntytown, WV with Military Rites conducted by members of the Taylor, VVA Chapter #306, Monongalia County Honor Guards, and the US Navy Honor Guard, Mid-Atlantic. Visit www.fredjenkinsfuneralhome.com. The family would like to extend a sincere thank you to all of the Ruby Memorial Cancer Center staff and to Amedisys Hospice staff. Special thanks to Emily, Misty, Sara, Pastor Wendy, and special aides. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation in memory of Gary to the Morgantown VET Center, 34 Commerce Drive Suite 101, Morgantown, WV 26501, and/or Community United Methodist Church, 1966 Grafton Road Morgantown, WV 26508.

JOHN T. BURNS, JR. - Died Thursday, January 20, 2022 | Southampton, New Jersey at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to the late John T. Burns, Sr. and Mary Agnes Burns and has resided in Southampton for the past 60 plus years. A graduate of Brenau University with a master's degree in public administration. John was a Veteran of the United States Army serving during the Vietnam War and served in Vietnam from 1970-1971 as a medic with the 54<sup>th</sup> Dust-Off Division and was discharged as a Chief Warrant Officer II, through his years of service. Returning to Southampton, he was a Life Member of the Disabled Veterans, Vietnam Veterans of America – Bordentown Chapter #899 and a member of the American Legion. He also spent his time volunteering with the Mission of Honor. He is the Beloved Husband of Rebecca R. Burns (née Roan) of Southampton, NJ and the Loving Father of Jennifer (Alfred) Hodder, Gretchen M. Burns, John T. III (Kelly) Burns. He is the Beloved POP POP of Maryssa, Matthew, Erik, Taylor and John T, Burns IV. He is also survived by his sisters Mary T (Frank)Richardson, Elizabeth (James) Kamerdze. He was the brother-in-Law of Florence (Harold)Hoskins, Susan (the late Lyndall) Kellogg, Linda (Raymond) Szafranski, Wesley (Sally) Roan, Mary Roan, and John (Rose) Roan. He was a loving uncle of many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews. His lifelong friends David and Diane Moore who supported him throughout his journey in life. Relatives and friends were invited to his viewing on Sunday, January 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 - 9:00 PM and on Monday from 11:00 AM - 12:00 Noon at the Bradley and Stow Funeral Home, 127 Medford-Mount Holly Road, Medford, NJ, where the Funeral Service was held at 12:00 Noon. The interment with military honors was in the Brigadier General William Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Wrightstown, NJ. In lieu of flowers the family requested donations in his memory to the Vincentown Fire Company 171, 16 Race Street, Vincentown, NJ 08088 or the Mission of Honor, P.O. Box 149, Lodi, NJ 07644. (www.BradleyStow.com).

TERRY K. BURT – Died Friday, March 25, 2022 in Sparks, Nevada at the age of 74, after many struggles with his health. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 9, 1947. He chose to finish out his time on earth at the Northern Nevada State Veterans Home where he was well cared for and had many friends. Terry was a proud veteran of the Vietnam War and worked as a skilled carpenter at Lawrence Livermore Laboratory until his retirement to Nevada. He was very active in veterans causes and spent his time enjoying the fraternity of his fellow servicemen and women, in travelling and in shooting sports and support of political causes. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Carson City Chapter #388**. He is survived by his sister, Nancy, his brother Boyd, loving nieces and nephews and his godson, Jason.

He was laid to final rest at the Northern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery on April 21<sup>st</sup> at about 11:00 AM.

MICHAEL ALEXANDER CALDWELL (USA, CW2-Ret.) – Died Thursday, April 21, 2022 at his Linden, Tennessee home at the age of 70. The cause of death was from a lawn mower accident. Michael was born in Anchorage, Alaska on September 9, 1951 to Jacqueline Arline (née Caskey) Caldwell and the late Lieutenant Colonel Boley Harvey Caldwell III (US Army retired). Where does one start with the many accomplishments Michael has achieved in his time here? He made it a lifelong career to serve and protect by enlisting in the United States Army where he fought in the Vietnam War and over the years became a CID agent. After retiring from the Army, his dedication to the armed forces didn't end. He was a lifetime member of the VFW, Chairman of the Perry County Veterans Association, Commander of American Legion Post #176, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Linden Chapter #1123 - Perry County and a member of the CIDAA (CID Agents Association). Following his service in the Army, he continued to serve and protect by becoming a Dallas (TX) Police Officer. After moving to Tennessee he served as a volunteer Shelby County (Memphis, TN) Sheriff until moving to Linden, TN. The achievements do not stop there. He was a member and Past Master of the Bartlett Masonic Lodge #211, as well as a member of other Masonic organizations such as Al Chymia Shrine, Volunteer Chapter 414 National Sojourners, Memphis Scottish Rite, Rosemark York Rite Bodies, West Tennessee Forest Tall Cedars of Lebanon, and Emerald Isle Council Allied Masonic Degrees. During his quiet time, he enjoyed nothing more than spending time with his family and loving on his sweet grandchildren. He loved being outdoors and would often go camping and fishing or just stay at home working on the farm. CW2 Caldwell leaves behind his wife of 39 years Timothy Ann (née McNeely) Caldwell; sons Christopher Miles Caldwell (April) and Matthew Edward Chalmers Caldwell (Nicole); siblings Cathy Lynn Caldwell Powers (Kyle), Patrick Harvey Caldwell, Timothy Mason Caldwell, and Mark William Caldwell (Norma); five beautiful grandchildren (Addyson, Connor, Abigail, Aiden, and Reese) and many nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held on Saturday, May 14, 2022 at 1:00 PM at 2863 Lego School Road, Linden, TN. An additional Masonic service was held on Sunday, May 15, 2022 in Bartlett, TN, at the Bartlett Masonic Lodge. The Adair Funeral and Cremation Services was assisting the family with the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children in Saint Louis, MO, (4400 Clayton Avenue, Saint Louis, MO 63110) or to a charity of your choice.

THEODORE WINFIELD "Ted" CARTER - Died Thursday, April 1, 2021 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. Theodore was born in Santa Monica, California on October 23, 1942 to the late Neil and Jeanette (née Berg) Carter. After attending high school in Boone, Iowa he enlisted into the United States Navy. He served as a

gunfire controlman, onboard the USS Gainard based at Newport, Rhode Island. When he returned home, he married the love of his life Joan Bachman April 4, 1965. After serving in the Navy he worked for Northwestern Bell Telephone and worked as a lineman until he started ABC Disposal Systems in 1976. It was there at ABC Disposal where he found his passion and formed many friendships. He was an At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – lowa. He enjoyed joy rides in his classic cars, making his yearly trip to the Iowa State Fair and loved stopping for ice cream. Some of his most fond memories were the cruise and trips to Mexico. Most importantly he cherished the time spent with his family. Theodore is survived by wife Joan Carter; children Wendy, Trenton (Suzanne), and Chad; grandchildren Ramsey, Jaxson, Emry, and Maggie. He was preceded in death by his parents Neil and Jeanette. A public visitation was held from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on April 9 at the Cedar Memorial Chapel of Memories Stateroom. A private family service was held at the Chapel of Memories with burial following at Cedar Memorial Park Cemetery. A live stream of this service was available for viewing at 10:00 AM on April 10, 2021. The service was available for viewing on the Cedar Memorial website under the obituary for Theodore Carter, under the video tab. Following the continued guidance from health officials, physical distancing must be practiced which requires a limited number of people allowed into the visitation at one time. The use of facemasks or shields was required. Memorials may be directed to the Dennis and Donna Oldorf Hospice House of Mercy, Indian Creek Nature Center, or a local chapter of the VFW.

**DAVID R. CASE** — Died Friday, April 8, 2022 in Grosse Pointe, Michigan at the age of 80. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 18, 1942 to the late Earl and Marcela Case. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and family man to his extended family of seven brothers and sisters and multiple nieces and nephews. He is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Joanne, and his adoring children, Amy, Jeff (Suzanne), and Mike, and three precious grandchildren, Elle, Clio, and Cael. His siblings, Joanne (David, deceased), Jane (Andy, deceased), John (Marilyn), Earl (Peggy), Joyce (Jon), and Marty (Lisa) will all miss him dearly. He is predeceased by his brother Edward (Janet) and his wonderful parents, Earl and Marcella Case. In his younger years, he enjoyed coaching his boys' Little League teams and also attending his children's multiple activities such as soccer, tennis, choir, and theater. Simple pleasures were important to him: cooking/grilling, eating BBQ and desserts of any kind (especially pie), hearing or telling jokes, and visiting with friends and family. He loved traveling with his family to Arizona, South Carolina, Hyannis Port, Florida, the Cayman Islands, Seattle, and, of course, his beloved Up North Michigan. He proudly served his country during the Vietnam War in the United States Army and continued his affiliation with veteran organizations. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Clinton Township Chapter #154. He was a proud graduate of the University of Detroit High School, '60 (Go Cubs!) and Wayne State University, '67, majoring in political science and business. In his long career, he established his own recruiting firm, Case and Company, successfully placing hundreds of quality candidates into high-level positions, mostly in the auto industry. He often advised family members, friends, and even the occasional stranger that he met in in a Kroger's checkout line in their own searches for an entry level position or a

career change. He is leaving his family with a loving legacy of peace, kindness, gentleness, patience, and devotion to each and every one of us. Donations may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #154 - 18025 15 Mile Road, Clinton Township, MI 48035. Visitation hours were held on Tuesday from 3:00-8:00 PM with Prayers at 7:00 PM. Military Honors were at 6:30 PM at the A.H. Peters Funeral Home, 20705 Mack Avenue at Vernier Road. Grosse Pointe Woods. Instate viewing was from 9:30 AM on Wednesday until the time of the Mass at 10:00 AM at Saint Paul-on-the-Lake Catholic Church, 157 Lake Shore Road, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI. On Tuesday at 6:30 PM the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #154 on 15 Mile Road in Clinton Township will be performing the Honors.

**LESTER CHAPMAN** – Died Monday, March 1, 2021 in his home in Salisbury, North Carolina at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 4, 1943 in New York City, New York the oldest of three sons, born to the late Richard Lester and Bertha (née Smith) Chapman. Lester was a proud Marine. He joined the United States Marine Corps in 1968 and served his country during the Vietnam War. After being honorably discharged in 1970, he went on to serve in the Marine Corps Reserve until 1974. Lester was employed as a Certified Nurse's Assistant with the Veterans Administration hospitals in Brooklyn, New York and Salisbury, N.C, where he would later retire in 1988. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Concord Chapter #909. Lester is preceded in death by his wife Patricia Chapman, brother Dennis Chapman, stepson Taye Badger, and step-granddaughter Cieara Badger. Lester is survived by his daughter Denise Evelyn Chapman, granddaughters Danica and Damaris Chapman; brother Michael Robert (Cecilia) Chapman; sister-in-law Gloria (Dennis) Chapman; stepdaughters Erika Badger, Jenine Badger, and Ayesha Badger and their children Ebony Livingston, Rahlovel Livingston, Lanae Badger, A'nalah Badger, Rashad Badger, Tyree Badger, and Omari Badger; brother-in-law, Arthur Lambert; sister-in-law, Eunice Noel; and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral Services and Military Rites were held on Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM at Salisbury National Cemetery. Public viewing was held on Monday, March 15th at the Rowan Funeral Services from 10:00 AM-5:00 PM. The Rowan Funeral Services was in charge of the arrangements for the Chapman family.

JOHN W. COLBURN - Died Monday, November 1, 2021 at Rochester, New York General Hospital at the age of 74 after a brief illness. He was a resident of Rochester. The cause of death is unknown. His youngest brother, Paul, was there at his passing. John was born in

Niagara Falls, New York on August 27, 1947 to the late Wesley Colburn and Nina (née Forney) Colburn. He grew up in Youngstown, NY. Mr. Colburn was a member of 4H Club learning electrical work from his father. John and Tom Tower wired Wesley Colburn's garage as their senior 4H project. He graduated from Lewiston Porter High School in Youngstown, NY. Mr. Colburn joined the United States Navy during his senior year in high school and served aboard the USS Diamond Head during the Vietnam War. He remained in the Naval Reserves while attending Niagara County Community College and remained active until his retirement. John earned an Associate Degree in Science Technology from Niagara County Community College and a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Technology from Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT). He worked at RIT as an engineering technician. Mr. Colburn also worked at several Rochester, NY companies including Kodak as an engineer. John was the sexton at Christ Lutheran Church in Rochester for several years until the church was sold. While at Christ Lutheran Church he also served as a Boy Scout troop leader. He was very active in the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Healy Post, and served as their Chaplain. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Rochester Chapter #20. John worked as a lifeguard at several locations including the Hidden Valley Club and the Rochester YMCA. Mr. Colburn was a Certified Pool Operator when he oversaw the operations at the Hidden Valley Club pool. He was very proud of teaching various "Water Babies" programs Currently Mr. Colburn was delivering the Democrat and Chronicle newspaper as well as other newspapers and magazines. He enjoyed delivering the papers and his customers spoke well of him. He had many friends at the Parkside Diner and in the Rochester area. Mr. Colburn is survived by his sister, Marie (Colburn)Bathrick (Erie, PA), his brothers, Lawrence Colburn (Carla Caputo) (Bensalem, PA), Paul Colburn (Youngstown, NY) and his niece, Sabrina Colburn (Bensalem, PA). He will be interred at Acacia Park, North Tonawanda, NY near his father and grandmother. The arrangements were entrusted to the Hardison Funeral Homes, Inc.

<u>TERRY L. COLEMAN</u> – Died Sunday, April 3, 2022 in Sycamore, Ohio at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 20, 1947. He is survived by his wife. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Fostoria Chapter #440**.

SAMUEL CECIL "Sam" COTTRELL - Died Monday evening, April 4, 2022 at his residence in Pownal, Vermont at the age of 76, surrounded by his family. The cause of death is unknown. Sam was born on February 25, 1946 in Troy, New York to the late Cortland C. Cottrell and Margaret (née Stearns) Cottrell. Sam was raised on a farm in Hoosick Falls, NY. In 1963, he graduated from Hoosick Fall Central School and in 1965, Sam graduated from Hudson Valley Community College with an Associate of Arts Degree in Construction Technology. In 1966 Sam joined the United States Navy Seabees and served two tours of duty in Vietnam. First with Mobile Construction Battalion 5 and the second with Seabee Team 0511. On June 22, 1968 Sam married the former Doris Mason at the Second Congregational Church in Bennington. This past June, they celebrated 53 years of marriage. Following the service, he went to work for the Agway Building

Department as a Construction Supervisor. It was at Agway, that Sam met his future business partner and close friend, Stuart Hoskins. In 1973, Sam along with Stu, Hos-Cot Builders, Inc. was established for the purpose of providing construction services to the agricultural and commercial market. The partnership lasted 40 years when Stuart retired in 2014. Sam was a member of the National Frame Builders Association where he served on the Board of Directors for 10 years and as Chairman for 2 years. Sam was named to Rural Builder Hall of Fame in 2018. He was Past Master of the Van Rensselaer Lodge # 400 Free and Accepted Masons. He was a member of Vision Works and Envision Dairy in 2008. In 2016, Sam became a Partner in High Meadows Dairy Farm. He was also a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Bennington Chapter #601. Besides his passion for farming, building things, new business ventures and his family, Sam also enjoyed Corvettes, Harley Davidson Motorcycles and fishing. Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Doris Cottrell of Pownal, VT. A daughter, Julie and her husband Justin of Newmarket, NH. Two grandsons, Keenan "Skeezix" and Cooper "Scooter" of Newmarket. Two brothers, James Pratt (Philomene) of St. Albans, VT and William Cottrell (Diana) of Hoosick Falls, NY. Along with several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was pre-deceased by a son, Kenneth Cottrell. Friends visited the family at the Mahar and Son Funeral Home on Sunday, April 10, 2022 from 2:00 to 5:00 PM. The funeral was held from the Mahar and Son Funeral Home on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM. The burial was in the family lot at Park Lawn Cemetery. If friends desire contributions in memory of Samuel C. "Sam" Cottrell may be made to either the Kenneth Cottrell Scholarship Fund, the Pownal Rescue Squad or Vermont Paws and Boots through the office of the Mahar and Son Funeral Home 628 Main Street, Bennington, VT 05201. Guest book condolences may be made at www.maharandsonfuneralhome.net.

WALTER CLAY "Tex" DeHART, JR. - Died Wednesday, February 17, 2021 in Spartanburg, South Carolina at the age of 71. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 12, 1949 in Corpus Christi, Texas to the late Walter Clay DeHart, Sr. and Wilma (née French) DeHart-Ritter. He was the husband of Cinda (née Reichman) DeHart, He honorably served his country in the United States Army and retired after 20 years of service. Walter was a longtime member of the Boiling Springs American Legion, Post #200, the VFW, and a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Landrum Chapter #1049 and the DAV. Walter and Cinda would have been married for 50 years on August 14, 2021, in addition to his wife, he is survived by his son, Justin Dale DeHart; grandson, Colton Dale DeHart; and nephews, Jason and Jimmy DeHart. He was predeceased by brothers, James and Leslie. The family would like to express their sincere thanks to the staff of Interim Hospice for their loving care. A visitation was held on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-5:00 PM at the Dunbar Funeral Home. The Boiling Springs American Legion, Post #200 performed the military honors. In lieu of flowers, the family asked that all would display an American flag in Walter's honor.

JOSEPH FRANKLIN "Joe" DILLARD - Died unexpectedly on Sunday, April 17, 2022 in Conover, North Carolina at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 19, 1946 in Richmond County, Georgia to the late Oklis Dempsey Dillard and Carrie Eleanor (née Pollard) Dillard. Joe served as pastor of New Life Christian Fellowship of Conover since 1982. He was a United States Army Veteran serving in the Vietnam War. Joe had a lifelong passion of helping veterans. He helped start and was the Director of Community Relations of the Veterans Stand Down for Catawba County in 2011. He initiated, developed was the President and Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Catawba County (Conover) Chapter #1136. They opened as the largest chapter in NC. He was also in the process of starting a new chapter in Fayetteville. Joe was the treasurer of Catawba County DAV Chapter #34. He was the Vice-President of the North Carolina State Council of Vietnam Veterans of America. He was honored to be a part of and serve the Veteran community. He was a mentor and encourager to so many people. If you knew him, you loved him and you knew that he loved you too. On Easter Sunday, Joe spoke at a Sunrise service. His final words were "We are alive in Christ." He left us just moments later. The family takes comfort in knowing that he is now with Christ and preached the gospel until the very end. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Kathleen (née Harwell) Dillard of 42 years. Those left to cherish his memory are his wife of 12 years: Linda (née Elliott) Dillard, of the home; sons: Joseph Chadwick Dillard, of Conover, Jason Harwell Dillard and wife Kerri (née Thornburg) Dillard, of Newton; daughter, Christina Eleanor Dillard Sigmon and husband Scott Miller Sigmon, of Newton; grandchildren, Lauren Dillard, Meredith Dillard, Hunter Sigmon and fiancée Clowee Younce, Holden Sigmon, Hayden Sigmon, and Cole Dillard; stepchildren, James Dean Elliott of Conover and wife Alicia Elliott, of Newton, Edward Cameron Elliott, of Conover, Melia Elliott Coffey and husband Cliff Coffey, of Greenville, NC; stepgrandchildren, Adam Cameron Elliott, Chelsea Elliott Perkins, Greyson Elliott Coffey, Olivia-Grace Abagail Coffey, James William Elliott, Anna Elizabeth Elliott, and Sophia Coffey Lyles and husband Michael Lyles, and; step-great-grandchildren, Phoebe Elliott, Nathanyel Perkins, Elliott Jay Lyles, and Jossette Lyles. A service to celebrate Joe's life was held on Thursday, April 21, 2022 at 4:00 PM at the Mount Olive Lutheran Church in Newton. Reverend Steve Disher officiated. The burial with military honors by American Legion Post #16 followed at the Conover City Cemetery. The family received friends prior to the service from 2:00 to 3:45 PM at the Mount Olive Lutheran Church. Those serving as pallbearers were Hunter Sigmon, Holden Sigmon, Hayden Sigmon, Cole Dillard, Ryan Harwell, and Jeff Harwell. Memorials may be made to Vietnam Veterans of America- Catawba County Chapter #1136, 2405 Saint Johns Church Road NE, NC 28613. Condolences may be sent to the Dillard family at Conover, www.bennettfuneralservice.com or to the family at P.O. Box 1185, Conover, NC 28613. The Dillard family was in the care of the Bennett Funeral Service of Newton.

JAMES EUGENE "Jim" DUNNING (USMC, 1LT-Ret.) - Died Saturday, February 16, 2019 at the Salem VA Medical Center, Salem, Virginia at the age of 80. He was a resident of Forest, Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Muskegon, Michigan on January 22, 1939 to the late Harold "Chum" and Rosalie (née Sandh) Dunning. Jim entered the United States Marine Corps on his seventeenth birthday. He served as a Marine Guard at the US Embassy in Athens, Greece before becoming a Recon Marine. During his career in the Marine Corps, Jim attended 22 schools and fought during the Vietnam war, where he was awarded a battlefield commission. After the Vietnam war, while awaiting his commission to come through, he became a Marine drill instructor for Navy pilots, AOCS Class 23-68, at NAS Pensacola, Florida. He proudly served our country for 20 years, retiring after several more tours of duty around the world as a Recon Marine. Jim earned numerous medals, awards and commendations during his 20-year military career. After retirement from the military, he studied Shotokan karate earning a 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree Black Belt, and received recognition featured in Who's Who in American Martial Arts, 1984-1985 edition. Jim was a founding member of the Marine Corps League Detachment #759 in Lynchburg, VA and continued to be active in the League for 28 years. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lynchburg Chapter #196. Jim was a loving father and grandpa who loved to take his children and grandchildren camping and fishing, especially for largemouth bass. He also enjoyed deer hunting, reading and fixing things. Jim is survived by his six children, Dino Dunning of Forest, Douglas Dunning (Diane) of Lynchburg, Diana Taylor (Glenn) of Madison Heights, Sarah Harris (Chip) of Vinton, Major John Dunning, USA, of Camp Humphreys South Korea and Mary Mutter (Josh) of Lynchburg; 11 grandchildren, Whitney Hatcher, Bobby Dunning, Marshall Reynolds, Christopher Dunning, Coty Reynolds, Andie Rose Dunning, Jacob Mutter, Colby Harris, Colton Mutter, Sienna Harris and Nikolai Mutter; five great grandsons, two great granddaughters and former wife, Virginia Dunning of Lynchburg. Jim is also survived by five brothers, Bill, Pat, Doug, Shawn and Tim Dunning. A memorial service was held at Heritage Funeral Service and Crematory on Saturday, February 23, 2019 at 4:30 PM. The family received guests immediately after the memorial service until 6:00PM.

RAIFORD LEE "Bill" ENNIS, JR. — Died Thursday, April 28, 2022 at home in Savannah, Georgia at the age of 74, after an extended illness. The cause of death was dementia. Mr. Ennis was born in Savannah, Georgia at the old Telfair Hospital on December 12, 1947 to the late Raiford Lee Ennis, Sr. and Henrietta (née Autry) Ennis. He was a graduate of Jenkins High School. He was a Vietnam Veteran of the United States Air Force and served his country proudly. He served with the Savannah Police Department, retiring in 2007 after 32 years of service. He received several awards and accomplishments during his law enforcement career. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police, he was a Mason, and a member of the DAV. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America — Savannah Chapter #671. He married the love of his life, Neva M. Wells Ennis on June 2, 1967. Mr. Ennis was preceded in death by his parents,

Raiford Lee Ennis, Sr. and Henrietta Autry Ennis; his brother, Jesse A. Ennis; and grandson, Aaron Michael Ennis. He is survived by his wife, Neva W. Ennis; his son, Billy and two daughters, Alyssa and Katie; his sister, Judy Ohirogge; two grandchildren, Brandon Ennis (Kat) and Kayla and JC Vasquez; mother-in-law, Nell Tuten; eight great-grandchildren, Maddox, Hayden, Kendra, Braiden, Jayden, Nina, Nessie, and Elisio; brother and sister-in-law, Mike and Jan Wells; several nieces and nephews; other family members; and his devoted and faithful baby, Thunder. A funeral service was held at 3:00 PM on Sunday, May 1, 2022 at the Baker McCullough Funeral Home, Hodgson Memorial Chapel, 7415 Hodgson Memorial Drive, Savannah, GA 31406. The family received friends from 2:00 PM until the time of the service. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to GHC Hospice or the 200 Club of the Coastal Empire.

RICHARD KENNETH "Rick" FARLOW - Died Friday, February 5, 2021 at the Richard L. Roudebush Veteran's Medical Center in Indianapolis, Indiana at the age of 71. He was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana on January 3, 1951 to the late Anna (née Zimmer) Farlow and Loren Vernon Farlow. He married Michele (née Smith) Farlow, the love of his life. Rick served in the United States Army and was in the 155<sup>th</sup> Assault Helicopter Company in Ban Me Thuot, Vietnam. He retired from the Department of Defense as a Counterintelligence Agent. Rick was a Life Member of China Post #1, the VFW, Vietnam Veterans of America – Santa Rosa (California) Chapter #223 and the American Legion. Rick believed in protecting his family, friends, and country. He lived life to the fullest, traveling the USA on a motorcycle, in an RV, and in his plane. But Rick's favorite place was with his wife, family, and friends who brought joy, laughter, and love to his life. Rick is survived by his wife, Michele; brother, Ron (Sandy) Farlow; daughters, Angela (Guy) Hunt, Michelle Woods, Katie (Patrick) Courson and Courtney (Adam) Ciciura; stepsons, Philip (Jenna) Jackson and Tim (Anne) Jackson; and 11, and one on the way, grandchildren. A celebration of life was held on Saturday, February 20, 2021 at 1:00 PM at the Ferguson-Lee Chapel of Thorne-George Family Funeral Homes in Bedford with China Post #I officiating. Military rites will be accorded by American Legion Gillen Post #33 of Bedford. Calling hours were held on Saturday from 11:00 AM to the time of service at the chapel. Please wear bright colors (or motorcycle shirts) to celebrate Rick's life. In lieu of flowers, please donate to your local animal shelter or to make a difference, the Dr. Otis Bowen Veteran's House., E-Donate to 7288 Veteran's House (www.indianapolis.va.gov). Online condolences may be made to the family at www.Ferguson-Lee.com.

<u>BERNARD FUSCHINO</u> – Died Wednesday, April 6, 2022 in Deerfield Beach, Florida at the age of 75. The cause of death was bladder cancer. He was born on Staten Island, New York on May 6, 1946. He served in the United States Navy from November 22, 1965 to October 30, 1967. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Allenhurst Chapter #12**.

MICHAEL CARL GAST (USN, MCPO-Ret.) - Died Monday, April 18, 2022 at the FirstHealth Moore Regional Hospital at the age of 76. He was a resident of Whispering Pines, North Carolina.

The cause of death is unknown. Michael was born in Birnamwood, Wisconsin on September 28, 1945 to the late August William Gast and Viola (née Hansen) Gast. Michael served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He retired after 22 years of service as an E9 MCPO. Michael was an active member and Commander of the American Legion Post #12- Carthage. He also was a part of the VFW John Bond Post #7318, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – West End Chapter #966** and Servant Leader. Michael is survived by his wife, Belen H. (née Salimbao) Gast; children, Ai Michelle Ybarrondo, and Thomas Michael Gast; stepson, John Joseph Squires; sisters, Eloda McCarthy and Sandy Gill. Michael was preceded in death by parents and sister Pam Lona. Visitation was held on Monday, April 25, 2022 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at the Boles Funeral Home, 425 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Southern Pines, NC. The graveside service was held at Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery, 8220 Bragg Boulevard, Spring Lake, NC on Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at 10:00 AM with Reverend Dr. J. Billy Graham officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the American Legion Post #12-Carthage and the Moore County Animal Shelter. Services were entrusted to the Boles Funeral Home of Southern Pines.

DAVID LAWRENCE GIFFORD - Died Tuesday, April 26, 2022 at his residence in Waynesville, North Carolina at the age of 72. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Pennsylvania on March 3, 1950 to late Charles Frederick and Teresa Ann (née Cutri) Gifford. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Kevin Gifford. David proudly served his country in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War and then served 14 years in the Army Reserves. He retired from the Air Force and was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Cullowhee Chapter #980. David's strength and determination were two of his most amazing qualities. In the difficult moments of life, he always had a funny remark or story that lifted the mood of the room. David was and will forever be a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and brother. David is survived by his wife of 28 years, Kim Gifford; two daughters, Beth Atwood, and her husband, Aaron, of Bethel and Stephanie Moberg, and her husband, Greg, of Franklin; two sisters, Terri Barrett, and her husband, Tom, of Scranton, Pennsylvania and Lisa Barrett, of Moosic, Pennsylvania; four brothers, Gregory Gifford, and his wife, Carol, of Uniondale, Pennsylvania, Charles Gifford, and his wife, Ann Marie, of Moscow, Pennsylvania, Gary Gifford, and his wife, Maria, of Blakely, Pennsylvania and Mark Gifford, of Scranton, Pennsylvania; three sisters-in-law, Karen Keefer, and husband Richard, of Easley, South Carolina, Kelly Wright, husband Jeff, of Easley, South Carolina and Michelle Gifford, of Scranton, Pennsylvania; two granddaughters, Montanna Atwood, and her finance Tyler Reece and Tara Zaremski; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. A private burial was held. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Saint Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 Saint Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, Gary Sinise Foundation, PO Box 40726, Nashville, TN 37204, or K9s for Warriors, 114 Camp K9 Road, Ponte Vedra, FL 32081. The care of Mr. Gifford was entrusted to the Wells Funeral Home of Waynesville.

<u>JAMES C. "Jimmy" GOULD</u> - Died Thursday, September 9, 2021 at home in Hamilton, New Jersey at the age of 73, surrounded by his loving family. He was a resident of Trenton, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Trenton on December 20, 1947 to the late James M.

and Margaret (née Csato) Gould. He was a lifelong area resident. A graduate of Northern Burlington High School, James was a Purple Heart Recipient who served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He retired from the State of New Jersey after many years as an Auto Mechanic. Jimmy as he was known by friends and family was an avid NASCAR fan, he also liked restoring antique cars. In his spare time, he enjoyed crabbing and saltwater fishing. Jimmy was a member of the Rolling Oldies Club, VFW, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Bordentown Chapter #899, Bordentown Senior Citizens, and was affiliated with Groveville Methodist Church. Most of all he enjoyed spending time with his family. He was the son of the late James M. and Margaret Csato Gould, husband of the late Lolita J. Gould, brother of the late Margaret Wood, and Jane Shinn, and predeceased by his companion Jeanne Vacca, he is survived by his two children and their spouses, James E. and Diana Gould, and Tomi-Anne Gould and Archie Croux; two sisters, Beverly Aroniss, and Susan Lake and her husband J. Christopher Migliacci; two grandchildren, James M. and Michael A. Gould, and good friends, Marty Ludwick, Ron Franks, Jordy Ludwick, and Valentin Hoenisch; as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, and other family members. Visitation for family and friends was held on Thursday, September 16, 2021 from 9:30-11:30 AM at the Buklad-Merlino Yardville Memorial Home, 30 Yardville-Allentown Road, Yardville. Funeral Services were held at 12:00 Noon at the Groveville United Methodist Church, 447 Church Street, Groveville, NJ 08620, with Pastor Scott Clifton officiating. The burial was in the church cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, 1235 South Clark Street, Suite #910, Arlington, VA 22202, or a charity of the donor's choice.

JAMES CECIL "Jimmy" GRAHAM - Died Friday, March 25, 2022 peacefully at home in Cleveland, Tennessee at the age of 73, surrounded by his loving family. He fought a brave battle with ALS. He was born in Cleveland on September 2, 1948 to the late Charles F. and Clura (née Gammill) Graham. He served as a Medic with the United States Army from 1969 until 1971. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Cleveland Chapter #596. James was a graduate of Lee College (University) and was retired from Senior Insurance Solutions. He was a member of the Civitan Club and Optimist Club and had won Optimist of the year award in 1985. He was an educator and ordained minister and served at several churches throughout his life. He attended Peerless Road Church. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles F. and Clura Gammill Graham; and brother, Leon Graham. Survivors include his wife, Sandy Graham; children, Melissa Brown (Jerry) and Jimmy Graham (Dee); grandchildren: Abby Brown, Laney Brown, Henry Brown, Ella Graham, and Elin Graham; sisters, Norma Davis and Dallie Wyatt; brother, Edward Graham (Sonja); special cousin, Clarence Gammill; and several nieces and nephews. The funeral was held at 7:00 PM on Monday, March 28, 2022 at the Westwood Baptist Church with the Reverend Steve Smartt, Reverend Danny Smartt, Reverend Clarence Gammill and Chaplain David Smartt, all co-officiating. The interment was held at 1:30 PM on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at the Chattanooga National Cemetery with nephews, Chad Smartt, Christian Smartt, Wayne Thomason, Will Thomason, Tyler Greeson, and Nolan Davis serving as pallbearers. Scott Graham, Mike Plumley, Jacob Anderson, Mike Wooten, Erick Graham, and Chad Davis served as honorary pallbearers. The service concluded with military honors. His family received friends from 4:00-7:00 PM on Monday at the church prior to the service. The family suggested that memorials may be made to Operation Compassion, 114 Stuart Road NE, Cleveland, TN 37312. His family would like to thank Jim's special caregivers, Jan, Jocelyn, and Mindie and also to Hospice of Chattanooga for their assistance. We invite you to send a message of condolence and view the Graham family guestbook at www.fikefh.com.

ROBERT CLIFTON "Sarge" GRANT (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at Butler Memorial Hospital in Butler, Pennsylvania at the age of 77. He was a resident of Cranberry Township, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 12, 1944 in New Brighton, Pennsylvania to the late Charles and Dorothy Grant. A 1963 graduate of Rochester High School, Robert played football, and later in life, went on to coach both football and basketball for his alma mater. He had a distinguished 31-year career in the United States Army, proudly serving during the Vietnam War where he earned the Silver Star, Bronze Star, and three Purple Hearts. Robert was active with the VFW #128 in Rochester, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Freedom Chapter #862, and the Monaca American Legion #580. He was a life member of the Purple Heart Association, and the National Guard. Robert also served with the 28th Signal Society, VFW National Home for Children, and was a past Commander for both District 25 and Post #128. He was a faithful member of Faith Community United Methodist Church, Rochester. Robert will be greatly missed by his wife of 25-years, Veronica Grant; step-daughter, Sandra (Kevin) Kopac; brother, Richard Grant; sisters, Karen Erath and Roni Lynn Hicks; brother-in-law, Joseph Thomas; and grandchildren, Madison and Emma Kopac. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Darlene Hovancik; and brother-in-law, Ronald Erath. Friends were received on Thursday, April 21, 2022 from 4:00-8:00 PM in the Noll Funeral Home, Inc., 333 Third Street, Beaver. A service, with full military rites by the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter #862, was conducted on Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at 2:00 PM at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies, Bridgeville. Online condolences may be shared at nollfuneral.com.

MICHAEL MELVIN GREENSPAN (USAF, LtCol-Ret.) - age 82, of Houston, Texas Died Wednesday, March 2, 2022 in Houston, Texas at the age of 82. The cause of death is unknown. Michael was born in New York City, New York on January 19, 1940 to the late Alexander and Fay (née Cohen) Greenspan. He died the Methodist West Hospital with his loving wife Joanne at his side. Education was very important to Michael. He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Ball State University and a Master of Science degree from Golden Gate University. He proudly

served in the US Air force for 21 years in varying capacities. He served as Base Commander, Executive Support Squadron Commander, Air Operations Officer and Electronic Operations officer. He is a Vietnam Veteran. He received several awards and medals in his Air Force career. He especially loved his position as Editor of the Air Force Navigation Magazine. He was a *Life* Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Richmond Chapter #343. He is predeceased by his parents and a sister, Karen. He is survived by his wife Joanne (Ivey) Greenspan, his three daughters Amy (Ken) Matthews, Tammy (Ray) Still, Lilith Mensi, and his son, Daniel. His two grandchildren Rebekah and Micah Still will miss him dearly. He is also survived by his brother Jason Alexander (Daena) and their children Gabe and Noah. A Celebration of Michael's life took place on Tuesday, March 8th at 11:00 AM at the Memorial Oaks Funeral and Cemetery, 13001 Katy Freeway, Houston, TX. A reception was held following the service at Austin Square, 14703 Eagle Vista Drive, Houston, Texas. In lieu of flowers please remember Michael by making contributions to the National Kidney Foundation, Serving South Texas, 133 Old Spanish Trail, STE G #339 Houston Texas, 77054 or The National Scleroderma Foundation, 300 Rosewood Drive, Danvers, MA 01923. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.memorialoaksfunerals.com for the Greenspan family.

Campus at the age of 75. He was a resident of Silvis, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. David was born on August 9, 1946 in Moline, Illinois to the late Joseph P. and Lucille P. (née Keegan) Gustaf. He was married to Theresa Lakner for 20 years. David worked at Rock Island Lines until they shut down and retired from the Rock Island Arsenal as an armament mechanic. He enjoyed fishing and shooting pool. He was known as a jokester, always had a smile on his face, and loved making people laugh. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Moline Chapter #669**. Survivors include his son Jim (Wendy) Gustaf of Fenton, IL; grandchildren Melanie and Alex Gustaf; sisters Linda (Craig) Dugan of Bellville, MI, Joann Vervaecke of East Moline, and Cindy Johnson of Silvis; sisters-in-law Lyn Gustaf of Monmouth, Annette Gustaf of Colona, and Donna Gustaf of PA. David was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Ron, Steve, Dan, and Joe and a sister-in-law Marilyn Gustaf. Per his wishes he was cremated, and a celebration of life was held on May 7, 2022 at the Eagles Club in Carbon Cliff. The Schroder Mortuary in Silvis assisted the family with the arrangements.

<u>JAMES F. HALL</u> - Died recently in 2022 in University Park, Iowa at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 13, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was an *At-Large Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Iowa**.

**MARTIN HANDELMAN** - Died Friday, April 1, 2022 in Manalapan, New Jersey at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Brooklyn, New York on September 22, 1943. He served in the United States Navy from April 30, 1963 to April 29, 1965. He was a *Life Member* of

**Vietnam Veterans of America – Allenhurst Chapter #12**. A graveside service was held on Sunday, April 3, 2022 from 11:00 AM at Mount Sinai Cemetery, Route 79, Marlboro, New Jersey. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.bloomfieldcoopermanalapan.com for the Handelman family.

ION L. ITES - Died Wednesday, March 23, 2022 in Harlingen, Texas at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 10, 1946 in Buffalo Center, Iowa to the late Leon R. and Virginia (née Jasperson) Ites. Jon proudly served in the United States Army and was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He attended Iowa State University and was a graduate of Mankato State University in Mankato, Minnesota. He was a Land Surveyor and served as County Engineer of Buena Vista County, Iowa for 22 years until his retirement. In his leisure time, Jon enjoyed golfing and watching any sport on TV. The activity of which he was most proud of, was being a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Harlingen Chapter #856. He was also a member of Wesley United Methodist Church of Harlingen. Jon was preceded in death by his parents, Leon R. and Virginia J. Ites; his brother, William Ites; niece, Azur Gabrielson; and brotherin-law, Kenyon Gabrielson. Left to treasure his memory is his loving wife, Sally Ites; his children, Matthew Ites (Kassandra Gray), Cristina Ites (Cody Hunter); stepchildren, Josh Schwartz (Becky), Siera Hilliard (David), Doug Bonnesen (Courtney Johnson), Kurtis Bonnesen (Ashlnn), Tiffany Bonnesen (Howard Henkelveg); grandchildren, Aiden Lee, Peytynn and Matthew Ites; Ethan, Lexi, and Jesse Cole, Kayden, Keagan, and Karli Schwartz, Payton and Audrey Hilliard, Brynlee and Kal Bonnesen; his siblings, Kathy Gabrielson and Gary Ites; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Ken and Mary Hansen; and his cats, Muffin and Precious. The Ites family wishes to thank ComForCare Home Care, Harlingen Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Valley Baptist Medical Center, and most of all, the Harlingen VA Outpatient Clinic for their compassionate care. Jon's family and friends gathered to celebrate his life on Saturday, March 26, 2022 at 10:00 AM at the Wesley United Methodist Church, 1406 East Avenue, Harlingen, Texas. Honorary pallbearers were Rodney Fink, Michael Jackson, George Wagman, Leonard Lopez, Adrian Perez, and Sam Cardenas.

THOMAS JELLICK — Died peacefully on Sunday, February 13, 2022 in Wrightstown, New Jersey at the age of 89. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Republic Pennsylvania on September 12, 1932 to the late John and Teresa Jellick. He was a longtime resident of the Wrightstown community. At the age of 16, Thomas enlisted in the United States Army. Because he was underage, the Army sent him back home. Thomas waited until he reached the legal age and then re-enlisted. At the end of his enlistment with the Army, Thomas enlisted in The United States Air Force, serving in "Country" during the Vietnam War. He retired from the Air Force in 1973 after over 22 years of service. Thomas accepted a job as a postman in the Bordentown Post Office. He retired in 1995 after 20 years of dedicated service. He was a *Life Member* and past *Chaplain* of Vietnam Veterans of America — Bordentown Chapter #899, the American Legion and

FW Cookstown, Disabled American Veterans, Thomas enjoyed fishing, gardening, all types of music and the outdoors. But his greatest joy in life was his family. Son of the late John and Teresa Jellick, he is predeceased but his sibling's, Valentine Jellick, Marie Girgus and Andrew Spike. He is survived by his beloved wife, Genevieve J. Jellick, his loving children, Barry Jellick and (Lisa Openshaw), Teresa Jellick and (Drew LaFrennie), Helen Jellick and husband (Gary Liedtke) his granddaughter, Olivia LaFrennie, and many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Donations in lieu of flowers may be made to Sand Hills Community Wellness Center, 57 Sand Hills Road, Kendall Park, NJ 08824. http://sandhillswellness.com/. A Celebration of Life Service was held on Thursday February 24, 2022 at 11:00 AM at the Bordentown Home for Funerals, 40 Crosswicks Street, Bordentown NJ 08505. Calling hours were held on Thursday morning from 10:00 AM until the time of the Service. The burial was at the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Cemetery, Wrightstown NJ. To watch Thomas's service live-streamed, please click on the link below: https://my.gather.app/remember/thomas-jellick. The arrangements were under the direct care and supervision of Robert L. Pecht, Bordentown Home for Funerals, 40 Crosswicks Street, Bordentown, NJ 08505. Please go to Thomas's Book of memories page at www.Bordentownhomeforfunerals.com for arrangement information and direction, to upload a picture, order flowers or offer condolences to the family.

KENNETH MICHAEL "Mike" JENNINGS - Died Monday, March 28, 2022 at Indian Path Community Hospital at the age of 74. He was a resident of Kingsport, Tennessee. The cause of death is unknown. Mike was born on August 1, 1947 in Kingsport to Mary Kate Jennings and the late Kenneth Eugene Jennings. He proudly served our country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. Mike retired from Eastman Chemical Company in 2002 after 26 years of dedicated service. He was preceded in death by his father, Kenneth Eugene Jennings; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Theda and Sam Click. Survivng are his loving wife of 50 years, Frances Jennings; mother, Mary Kate Jennings; numerous sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces and nephews. Graveside services were conducted at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, March 30, 2022 at Mountain Home National Cemetery, Mountain Home, TN with Reverend Layton Bentley officiating. Military honors were provided by the American Legion Hammond Post #3 of Kingsport and Post #265 of Gate City. Family and friends were asked to assemble at the cemetery for the service. The Carter-Trent/Scott County Funeral Home, Weber City, VA served the family.

BETTY ANN KLEBER-DuMONT - Died peacefully Monday, March 21, 2022 at her home in Trenton, New Jersey at the age of 76, with her loving husband by her side. The cause of death was cancer. She was born in Osceola, Arkansas on April 21, 1945 to the late Charles and Elizabeth Kleber. She was a long-time resident of the Trenton-Hamilton community. Upon Graduating from Trenton Cathedral High School, Betty Ann began her career in the clerical department for the NJ Department of Civil Service Commission and then later in her career she

transferred to the Department of Environmental Protection. She retired in 2003 with 40 years of dedicated service. Betty Ann was a proud parishioner of Sacred Heart Church and served as a Eucharistic Minister. She was a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America -Bordentown Chapter #899 and an Associate member of Burlington County F.O.P. Lodge # 2. Betty Ann's greatest joy in life was spending time volunteering for the VVA Chapter #899; where she would organize the annual Christmas party, cooking in the kitchen during chapter meeting or planning chapter events. Daughter of the late Charles and Elizabeth Kleber, she is predeceased by her loving Aunt and uncle Mary and Andy Mankovich, her brother, Charles I. Kleber Jr., she is survived by her beloved husband, Brian F. DuMont, her cousins, Mary Ann Burke, Rita Mich, Larry Morris, brother-in-law, Michael and (Beryl) DuMont, her special friends, Barbara and (Art) Giori, and many other cousins. At the family's request donations may be made in Betty Ann's name to the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #899, PO Box 263, Bordentown, NJ 08505. A Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated on Saturday April 2, 2022 at 10:00 AM at Sacred Heart Church, 343 South Broad Street, Trenton, NJ. Calling hours were held on Friday evening from 6:00 - 8:00 PM with services at 7:30 PM at the Bordentown Home for Funerals, 40 Crosswicks Street, Bordentown, NJ. The burial was private. The arrangements were under the direct care and supervision of Robert L. Pecht, Bordentown Home for Funerals, 40 Crosswicks Street, Ann's Book Bordentown, NJ. Please go to Betty of memories www.Bordentownhomeforfunerals.com to upload a picture, light a candle, order flowers and a gift from our Sympathy Store or offer condolences to the family.

Baltimore, Maryland at the age of 72. He was known affectionately as Elvis John. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Baltimore on June 16, 1947 to the late John Paul Knapp, Sr. and Constance (née Panicho) Knapp. He was the beloved husband of Deborah Knapp; loving father of Wendy Ingram, Johnny Knapp III, Michael Knapp, and Lisa Knapp; cherished brother of Danny Knapp, the late Joseph Knapp, and the late Allan Knapp. John is survived by seven grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and many other loving family and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents John Knapp Sr. and Constance Knapp (nee Panicho). He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Edgemere Chapter #965**. Friends visited the family at the family-owned Bruzdzinski Funeral Home P.A. 1407 Old Eastern Avenue, Essex at Route 702 (beltway exit 36) on Thursday, April 7, 2022 from 2:00 to 4:00 PM and from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. The funeral service was held at the funeral home on Friday, April 8, 2022 at 10:00 AM. The interment was in the Gardens of Faith Cemetery.

<u>JOHN ANDRE LEMOS</u> – Died Thursday, March 31, 2022 in Santa Rosa, California at the age of 78. The cause of death was self-inflicted wounds, death resulting. He was born in Petaluma, California on February 19, 1943. He served in the United States Air Force from September 21,

1964 to September 20, 1968 with a tour of duty in Vietnam from 1965 to 1966. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Santa Rosa Chapter #223**.

**GEORGE WILLIAM "Bill" LONDRIGAN** - Died Wednesday, March 30, 2022, at his home in Corunna, Michigan at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. Bill was born in Owosso, Michigan on January 4, 1948 to the late George and Velma (née Sprehe) Londrigan. He attended New Lothrop Elementary School and Corunna High School, graduating in 1966. He then completed Michigan State University's course in the Institute of Agricultural Technology program. He proudly served in the United States Army from 1969 to 1971, during Vietnam. He was stationed at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas with the military police unit. Bill was employed as a mail carrier at the Flushing Post Office, later transferring to the Owosso Post Office, retiring in 2003. He also farmed for all his life. Bill was a member of Flushing Knights of Columbus and a lifelong member of Saint Robert Catholic Church, serving as usher for several years. He was also a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Davison Chapter #175, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Mid-Michigan Old Gas Tractor Association, Flushing Historical Society, and the Michigan Centennial Farm Association. Some of the interests he enjoyed were watching sporting events, farming, traveling, and gatherings with family and friends. Bill is survived by his sister, Ann (Everett) Niemann. He was preceded in death by his parents, and brothers, Eddie and Ralph. The Funeral Mass was at 11:30 AM on Wednesday, April 6, 2022 at Saint Robert Catholic Church. Reverend Father Prabhu Lakra was the main celebrant. The burial was in the Saint Robert Catholic Cemetery. The family received friends at 10:00 AM on Wednesday at the church until the time of Mass at 11:30 AM. A Rosary was said at the church at 11:00 AM. If desired, memorial contributions may be made to Twin Township Ambulance or Hazelton Township Fire Department.

TERRANCE WILLIAM LYONS (USAF, CMSgt-Ret.) - Died Saturday, April 2, 2022 at Eden Hill, Delaware at the age of 72. He was a resident of Smyrna, Delaware. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 27, 1949 in Cumberland, Maryland to the late Edward Thomas Lyons and Rita Ursula (née Mellott) Lyons. Chief Master Sergeant Lyons served our country in the United States Air Force for over 30 years, from 1969 to 1999. Among his many awards was an Army Medal of Achievement. After his retirement he served as a CASA, Court Appointed Special Advocate. In 1984, he was stationed at DAFB, then in 1998, he was married to Catharine Hazzard, in 2000, they moved to Smyrna together. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dover Chapter #850. Mr. Lyons was a Volunteer for MMC, Asbury UMC Smyrna Church greeter. He enjoyed spending his free time outside in the yard, mowing grass, or putting around in the garage woodworking. Everyone that knew him agreed he was a master storyteller. He was very proud of his two grandsons and loved spending time with them. He also enjoyed traveling to the mountains of West Virginia and Western Maryland. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in

death by his brother, Thomas Lyons. Mr. Lyons is survived by his wife of 23 years, Catharine Lyons of Smyrna; children, Christopher Patrick Lyons (Tiffani) of Lesage, WVA, Shannon Davis (Doug Norton) of Smyrna, Rian Davis of Magnolia, DE; niece, Rebecca Lyons; nephew, Bryan Lyons (Joelle); sister-in-law, Barbara Lyons of Cumberland, MD; and grandchildren, Spencer, and Jonathan, and great-nephew, Jackson. Services were held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, April 7, 2022 at the Asbury United Methodist Church, 20 West Mount Vernon Street, Smyrna, DE. Friends visited one hour prior. The interment was held at 11:00 AM on Monday, April 18, 2022 at the Delaware Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Bear, DE. For those unable to attend the funeral service there was a livestream on www.torbertfuneral.com, it can be found under the "Upcoming Livestreams" tab and viewed by clicking on their name. In lieu of flowers, the family suggested contributions be made to Modern Maturity Center Meals on Wheels program.

CALVIN CHARLES MAHLMANN — Died Saturday, April 2, 2022, in Houston, Texas at the age of 80. He was a resident of Wharton, Texas. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 16, 1941 in Richmond, Texas to the late John and Elsie Mahlmann. Being the only son of four siblings, Calvin enjoyed working on the family cotton and milo farm in Damon with his Dad. In addition to farming, Calvin mastered many skills, including woodworking, welding, plumbing, electrical, carpentry, equipment and engine repair that he would use throughout his lifetime. He graduated from Needville High School in 1959 and then attended Wharton County Junior College. It was during this time that he met his future bride, Mary Frances Starustka of Richmond, on a blind date. After graduating from Sam Houston State University with an agronomy degree, his Dad gave them permission to marry once the cotton-picking season was complete. They married on October 10, 1964, in the First Presbyterian Church in Rosenberg. With the draft activated for the Vietnam War, Calvin joined the United States Air Force on January 3, 1966. He was assigned to Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines and completed one tour in Vietnam. Once stateside, he served with the 866<sup>th</sup> Radar Squadron in Tonopah, Nevada before being honorably discharged in May of 1969. Returning to Fort Bend County, Calvin worked for 30 years at Houston Lighting and Power, W.A. Parish Plant as an Instrument and Control Technician while also continuing to help his parents on the farm. Calvin was happiest when he was outdoors. He was always in his shed, tinkering on his tractors or working on a new project. Often saying that he was born with a hoe in his hand, he dearly loved tending to his vegetable gardens along with his fruit and pecan trees. He would intentionally overplant so he would have the opportunity to share with others. It was also not uncommon for him to collect and plant acorns, waiting patiently for them to grow over the years. Also, during the spring and summer evenings, he enjoyed watching the purple martins take advantage of the houses he put up. For many years, Calvin enjoyed being a member of the Houston Classic Chevy Club. Being so proud of his 1957 Chevy Bel-Air, 2-door hardtop, he and Mary would join in on car cruises across the state as well as enter various car shows. He was also a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – El Campo Chapter #1069. Calvin's faith was first and foremost, followed by his love of family. Being a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Rosenberg, and then later a member of First in Wharton, he served in multiple capacities, including Elder, Deacon and Trustee. Further,

he would quietly tend to the needs of the church grounds, including mowing, shredding, and general maintenance. At home, he led by example, attending church each Sunday as well as leading the family in prayer before each meal. He led a full and long life as a devoted husband, father and grandfather. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Mary Frances (née Starustka) Mahlmann; sister, Delores Mahlmann Bain of Needville; his daughters: Jennifer Lynn Jeffery and her husband, David of Garwood and Adriane Lynette Vanzo and her husband, Michael of La Vernia. He is also survived by his grandchildren: Allen William Jeffery of Lubbock; Elizabeth Leigh Jeffery of Garwood; Anthony August Vanzo and Jonathan Michael Vanzo of La Vernia. He is preceded in death by his parents, John and Elsie Mahlmann; his sisters, Carolyn Freeman and Vera Parcell; brother-in-law Jimmy Bain; and nephew, Chris Parcell. Services were held on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 2:00 PM at the First Presbyterian Church in Wharton with the Reverends Debbie Cenko and Charles Teykl co-officiating. The interment was at the Davis Greenlawn in Rosenberg with military honors. The pallbearers were Bob Riley, Bruce Dornak, David Jeffery, Allen Jeffery, Anthony Vanzo and Jonathan Vanzo. Visitation was from 5:00 – 7:00 PM on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at the Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapel, 3900 B.F. Terry Boulevard, Rosenberg. Memorials may be given to the First Presbyterian Church of Wharton, 1602 John Knox Street, Wharton, Texas, 77488 or Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services, P.O. Box 140888, Austin, Texas, 78714-9981. Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the family at www.davisgreenlawnfh.com. The arrangements were under the direction of the Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home, 3900 B.F. Terry Boulevard, Rosenberg, Texas.

<u>LANCELOT ARTHUR McKELLEGET, JR.</u> – Died Wednesday, January 26, 2022 in Suwanee, Georgia at the age of 82. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Alexandria, Virginia on October 12, 1939. He served in the United States Army from January 4, 1962 to December 14, 1964 during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Cumming Chapter #1030.** 

PAUL A. McQUADE - age 74 of Beaver Prairie, Died Friday, April 29, 2022 Saint Elizabeth's Hospital in O'Fallon, Illinois at the age of 74. He was a resident of Beaver Prairie, Illinois, formerly of Carlyle, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Breese, Illinois on May 25, 1947 to the late Jack and Hilda (née Hilgemann) McQuade. He married Karen Schneider on December 19, 1970. Paul loved his country and proudly served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Beckemeyer American Legion Post #1227, a Life Member of Clinton County Vietnam Veterans of America – Highland Chapter #269, and the Carlyle VFW Post #3523. Paul (Prairie Dawg) was a truck driver and had millions of miles on the road. He enjoyed working on the family farm, tractor pulls, and Allis Chalmers tractors. Paul loved traveling the country on his Harley Davidson and telling stories about his adventures on the road. Paul is survived by his wife, Karen McQuade; his three children, Stephanie McQuade, Jason McQuade and wife Machell, and William Jackson McQuade and special friend Natalie; his grandchildren, John Timmermann and wife Brooke, Clay Timmermann

and special friend Tierney, Chance McQuade, and Isabella McQuade; his step-granddaughter, Cassandra; his great grandchildren, Elaina and Haven Timmermann, and a third great grandchild soon to be born; his step-great-grandchildren, Aldon and Cheznee; his siblings, Julian McQuade, Edward McQuade and wife Margie, JoAnn Varel and husband Bill, and a sister-in-law, Susie McQuade. Mr. McQuade is also survived by many in-laws, nieces, nephews, good buddies, and his beloved basset hound, Shorty. Mr. McQuade was preceded in death by his parents; a grandson, Andrew McQuade; and his siblings, Leonard McQuade, and Ray McQuade and his wife Linda, and Eileen McQuade. A Funeral Service was held at the Zieren Funeral Home, 1111 Clinton Street, Carlyle, IL on Monday, May 2, 2022 with Reverend Father George Mauck, officiating. The interment with military honors were conducted at Saint Felicitas Cemetery in Beaver Prairie. Visitation hours were held at the Zieren Funeral Home on Sunday, May 1, 2022 from 4:00 - 6:00 PM and on Monday, May 2, 2022 from 9:00 - 10:00 AM. The Vietnam Veterans processed through at 5:00 PM on Sunday evening. Expressions of sympathy in memory of Mr. McQuade were suggested to the Clinton County Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #269, or to the charity of the donor's choice.

WAYNE ANTHONY MITCHELL – Died Saturday, February 12, 2022 in Sandston, Virginia at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on November 13, 1945 to the late Carl Mitchell and the late Sally (née Chambers) Mitchell. Wayne was preceded in death by his son Rueben Mitchell and is survived by his wife Bettie, a son, Rahsan, and a grandson, Tavon, of the home. He is also survived by two sisters, Carolyn Freeman (Ernest) of Philadelphia, Jannese Allen (Claude) of Gaithersburg, MD, and by his nephews Michael Ballard, Alexander Allen, Christian Allen and nieces Karla Ballard, Lila Allen and Joi Allen. Wayne served his country in the United States Army doing two tours in Vietnam. He was an At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – North Carolina. He enjoyed hunting and fishing and tried to instill an appreciation of the outdoors to many that he met. Wayne's energetic sense of humor will be missed. He loved animals, especially dogs. In lieu of flowers, the family informs that any monetary donations will be delivered to the Colonial Capitol Humane Society in New Bern, NC. Remains rested at Scott's Funeral Home, 115 East Brookland Park Boulevard, where the viewing was held on Friday, February 18, 2022 from 12:00 Noon until 3:00 PM, followed by the cremation.

<u>DONALD W. MOHR</u> - Died Thursday, September 30, 2021 in Mount Holly, New Jersey at the age of 75. He was formerly a resident of Manhattan Beach, California and Bordentown Township, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Weehawken, New Jersey on January 20, 1946 to the late Suzanne (née Hodul) Mohr. Donald has lived in Bordentown for the last 46 years, bringing great times to anyone who was fortunate to call him family and friend. A Computer Operations Supervisor by trade, Donald was a Vietnam Veteran in the United States Army with the 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division and a staunch *Life Member* and longtime *Treasurer* of **Vietnam Veterans of America** – **Bordentown Chapter #899** as well as having served as the **Vice-President of the New Jersey State Council of Vietnam Veterans of America**. He was Bordentown's

Hometown Hero for 2018 and was also an associate member of the Fraternal Order of Police Burlington Lodge #2. He was a great man and will be missed by all. Predeceased by his mother, Suzanne Hodul, Donald is survived by his son; Keith and daughter-in-law Kristina Mohr of Manhattan Beach, CA, his daughters; Kelly Ann Mohr of Las Vegas and Melissa Sprague and son-in-law Tim Sprague of Fieldsboro, his sister-in-law; Irene Mohr of Moonachie NJ, and his grandchildren; Myles McCloud, Katelyn Sprague and Ashlee Sprague. A visitation with the family was held from 10:00 AM until 12:00 Noon on Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at the Peppler Funeral Home, 122 Crosswicks Street, Bordentown, NJ. The interment was held at the Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veteran Cemetery located in Wrightstown, NJ at 12:30 PM. In lieu of flowers, donation of checks can be mailed in Donald's name to VVA Chapter #899, P.O. Box 263, Bordentown, NJ 08505.

TERRY JOSEPH MORRIS, SR. - Died Tuesday, April 19, 2022 in Carroll, Ohio at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. Terry was born in Wheeling, West Virginia on April 4, 1946 to the late Joseph H. and Jean K. Morris. He was a graduate of Bridgeport High School, after high school he joined the United States Navy serving during the Vietnam War. He worked for NCR after his honorable discharge and then began his own business, then worked for Emerigitech where he traveled many places installing and providing education on the enhanced 911 service. He married the love of his life Theresa in 1968. He first joined the Brookside Cadet Core in 1958 beginning his journey in the fire service. He served at the Barton Volunteer Fire Department and then Greenfield Twp. Fire Department where he ended his career retiring as Chief from Chief 560 in 2016. Terry was a man of many skills, teaching paramedic classes through Eastland Career Center, was a CPR and first Aid Instructor, and served as the Fiscal Officer at Fairfield industries. He was a member of numerous clubs, Carroll Lions club as the treasurer, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Carroll Chapter #1045 as their secretary and treasurer, the American Legion, AMVETS, and Lancaster Veterans Burial Detail which held a special place in his heart to serve. Terry was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and a figure you could depend on to be there when needed; he was a mentor, but most of all a friend to many. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his son, Terry J. Morris, Jr., daughter-in-law, Stacey Morris; and nephew, Brian Henke. He leaves behind his loving wife of 53 years, Theresa Morris; son, Joseph Morris; daughter, Tammie (John) Koetz; grandchildren, Zachary (Kate) Morris, Evan (Ashton Soliz) Morris, Hayden (Ali Crouch) Morris, Donavan Trimble, Shealyn Benton, Caleb Benton, Taylor (Dylan) Burch, Avery Brown, Marcus Koetz, Brandon Koetz, Becky, Alyssa, and Matthew Morris; great-grandchildren, Luca Morris, Harper Burch and on the way, Parks Eugene; sisters, Sue (Mike) Markus and Kathy Hicks; sister-in-laws, Nancy (Vince) Johnson and Charlotte (Ray) Oberle; many wonderful nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews. A visitation was held on Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00 and from 6:00-8:00 at the Dwayne R. Spence Funeral Home, 650 West Waterloo Street Canal, Winchester, OH 43110. A funeral service followed the next day on Tuesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM at the funeral home. The burial was at the Lithopolis Cemetery. A gathering was held at the Greenfield Township Fire

Department after the burial, for friends and family. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to any of the various organizations he was associated with.

DONALD CHARLES "Don" MORVAI – Died Wednesday, December 15, 2021 in Brentwood, Tennessee at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 9, 1946. Don is survived by his wife of 48 years, Karen; twin sons, Chris (Shap) and Jeremy; grandson, Lucas and brother Ronald (Janet) Morvai. Don worked in the surety bond business for over 40 years, spending the last 9 years with Great American Insurance Company. He had been a member of the Brentwood Baptist Church since 2003. He was a 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant in the United States Army from May 1969 through June 1972 serving in Vietnam as an Infantry Platoon Leader. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Franklin Chapter #1140. Don will be remembered as a loving husband, father, grandfather, and brother. He will be respected for his service to his country in Vietnam. He touched the hearts of many and was a true blessing to all who knew him. To celebrate his life, Dr. Michael L. Glenn conducted a service at 12:00 Noon on January 4, 2022, at the Brentwood Baptist Church, 7777 Concord Road, Brentwood, TN. The family received visitors prior to the service beginning at 10:30 AM at the church. All were invited to the interment at the Middle Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery, 7931 McCrory Lane, Nashville, TN at 2:00 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to Alive Hospice, 1718 Patterson Street, Nashville, TN 37203.

**DOREEN JOANN NELSON** - Died Sunday, April 3, 2022 at the Marquette County Medical Care Facility while in the loving care of her family and nursing home staff. She was 83 years of age and a resident of Negaunee, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. Doreen was born in Iron River. Michigan on June 17, 1938 to the late Joseph and Pearl (née Nelson) Nora. She grew up in the Iron River area moving to Marquette County in the 1950's. Doreen attended Nursing School, upon graduating, she worked as an RN at St. Mary's Hospital in Green Bay and Bell Hospital in Ishpeming. Doreen was a member of Saint John the Evangelist Catholic Church, a life member of the Negaunee Eagles, a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Negaunee Chapter #380 where she served on the funeral honor guard team for many years. She was a member of the Greenwood American Legion, and a life member of the Ishpeming VFW. Doreen enjoyed volunteering at the Jacobetti Home for Veterans, playing on her computer, she loved music, BINGO, gambling, gardening her plants, collecting all different kinds of things, clothes, her dogs, and especially her family, kids, and grandkids. Doreen is survived by her husband Michael Nelson, 2 children- Jerome (Brenda) Bilkey, Debbie Close, 2 stepchildren-Tina Johnson, Michael (Kristen) Nelson, 1 sister- Anita Hebert, 5 grandchildren- Kevin Sicotte, Amber Giddings, Christine Gutierrez, Krystal (Ryan) Prisk, Chad (Casey) Raisanen Sr., 7 stepgrandchildren- Miranda (Phil) Cobb, Audri (Dan) Bortz, Hailey Nelson, Hannah Nelson, Draven Nelson, Laylah Nelson, Mike Nelson Jr., along with numerous great and great-great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and her 2 dogs Taz and Sassy. She was preceded in death by her parents, sister- Sharron Lawer, infant brother- Kenneth Nora, daughter- Kim Bilkey, and step-daughter- Brenda Nelson. Doreen's family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at the Marquette County Medical Care Facility and Lake Superior Hospice for the excellent care they gave to Doreen. Doreen's family greeted relatives and friends at the Bjork and Zhulkie Funeral Home on Saturday April 9, 2022 from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM. Funeral services were at 1:00 PM with Reverend Father Ryan Ford officiating. An Eagles service took place at 12:30 PM honoring Doreen's many years of membership. The burial took place in the Ishpeming Cemetery on Monday April 11, 2022 at 1:00 PM.

SANFORD E. "Sandy" NEWMAN, SR. - Died Tuesday, March 29, 2022, at his home in Lebanon, Pennsylvania at the age of 74, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Mount Union, Pennsylvania on April 10, 1947 to the late Sanford S. and Mary (née Harmon) Newman. He was the husband of Melody A. Miller Newman. Aug. 25, they would have celebrated their 43<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary. Sandy had served for nearly eight years in the United States Air Force, and he served during the Vietnam War. After 17 years, he retired from Brentwood Industries in Lebanon, where he had been the shipping supervisor. He was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church, Lickdale. He was also a Life Member of the DAV, the Vietnam Veterans of America – Harrisburg Chapter #542, the American Legion, VFW and the Huntingdon County Sports Hall of Fame. He loved to play golf and he enjoyed playing and coaching football. Sandy loved people, and he especially loved spending time with his family. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his sons Paul S. husband of Lara Kern of Fredericksburg and Sanford E. Newman Jr. and his wife Danielle of Annville; daughter Kathy S. wife of Rob Cummins of Lebanon; nephew "son" Richard "Dickie" Newman of Mount Union; niece Susan wife of Kevin Smith of Spokane, Washington; grandchildren Miranda N. Kern and Connor J. Cummins; and his great-granddaughter Anya Rose Coy. He was preceded in death by his twin granddaughters, Amanda L. and Alecia M. Kern, and brothers Robert and Richard Newman. A viewing was held from 5:00-7:00 PM on Monday, April 4th at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 98 Fisher Avenue, (Lickdale) Jonestown. The service was held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday at the church. There will be no viewing prior to the service. The iOnterment with military honors was at Indiantown Gap National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to his church. The Kreamer and Lum Funeral Home and Crematory, Jonestown was honored to serve the family.

**DONALD LEE OVERTON** – Died Monday, January 17, 2022 in Knoxville, Tennessee at the age of 72. The cause of death was atrial fibrillation which caused a fatal heart

attack. He was born in Knoxville on January 3, 1949 to the late William Monroe, Sr. and Lois Overton. He was also predeceased by two brothers, Jackie Ray and William Monroe Overton, Jr. He is survived by his son-in-law and daughter, Charles and Jill Carpenter; his daughter, Julie Overton; grandchildren, Maggie Carpenter, Ava Spires, Nicholas Spires, Madeline Spires; his siblings, Yvonne Copeland, Beverly Harris, Eugene Overton and Rance Overton, and; several nephews and nieces. The family wishes to thank William Monroe Overton, III, nephew, for the wonderful care he provided. He served in the United States Army and was stationed in Germany. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Albans Chapter #753**. A memorial service took place at the East Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery, 2200 East Governor John Sevier Highway, Knoxville, Tennessee on February 8, 2022 at 12:30 PM. All were welcome to attend. Face masks and social distancing were requested by the family. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 Saint Jude Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105. Holley Gamble Funeral Home in Clinton is in charge of all arrangements. holleygamble.com.

**WAYNE A. PHELPS** - Died Wednesday, March 23, 2022 in Delaware, Ohio at the age of 72, following complications from heart, kidney illness and COVID-19. Wayne had been fighting many illnesses associated with agent orange. He was born on September 3, 1949 in Delaware, Ohio to the late Harvey and Carrie (née Adkins) Phelps. He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Karen (née Simmering), sons, Jason (Jessica), Jared (Krissy). Also, four cherished granddaughters, Alexandra, Samantha, Madeleine and Phoebe. His brothers and sisters, Faith Ann Richardson, Elaine (Brad) Wilson, Wyvonna (Kenny) Calhoun, Wyvetta (Dale) Hoffman, Becky Rucker, Jeff (Helen), Keith (Cheryl), Milissa Hilt, Ella (Tony) Loudermilk, brother-in-law Don Patrick and special lifetime friend, Wally (Linda Sue) Patrick, many neighbors and close friendships. He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters, Linda Patrick, Beverly Beam, brothers, Kevin, Greg, brothers-in-law Mark Rucker, Bill Richardson and Marlin Simmering. He was a veteran in the United States Army, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America Delaware Chapter #1095, 2019 Columbus Honor Flight to Washington DC, DAV, AMVETS, and American Legion, Journey Community Church was his home church serving as a board member for many years. He loved his church family. As a member of Gideon's International, he conducted weekly bible studies in Delaware County Jail and handed out bibles at the Delaware County Fair. He retired from Ranco, Midwest Acoustic Fiber and Price Realty. Graduate of Rutherford B. Hayes high school. Wayne never met a stranger. He loved playing his banjo every day. Wayne enjoyed family traditions including annual Cedar Point Day, 4th of July homemade ice cream, and apple butter stirring time. He was a natural storyteller. Friends visited from 2:00 – 6:00 PM on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Snyder-Rodman Funeral Center, 101 Valleyside Drive, off of West William Street, Delaware, OH. Visitation was also held on April 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:00-11:00 AM with the service starting at 11:00 AM with Pastor Tim House officiating. Graveside services were at Marlborough Cemetery, 5270

Horseshoe Road, Delaware, OH. Memorial contributions can be made to Gideon's International, PO Box 832, Delaware, OH 43015, or Journey Community Church, 652 West Central Avenue, #18, Delaware, OH 43015. Memories and condolences may be expressed at www.snyderfuneralhomes.com. The Snyder-Rodman Funeral Center in Delaware was in charge of the arrangements for the family.

RAYMOND R. "Ray" POLK, SR. (USA, CSM-Ret.) – Died Thursday, May 5, 2022 in Lawton, Oklahoma at the age of 86. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 8, 1935 in Sherman, Texas. He attended and graduated (1954) from Fred Douglas High School. He joined the United States Army on July 21, 1955. While in the military, Command Sgt. Maj. retired Raymond Polk completed a Bachelor's degree from the University of Maryland and Master's degree from Cameron University. Command Sgt. Maj. retired Polk attended airborne school after basic training and upon graduation became a paratrooper in the Elite 11th Airborne Division at Fort Campbell Kentucky, with other assignments at 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. He was a Vietnam Veteran with the 23rd Infantry Division and the 196th Light Infantry Brigade. Other assignments included US Army Electronics Research and Development Command at Fort Meade, Maryland and the US Information Systems Command at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Awards and decorations include: three Legions of Merit, two Bronze Star Medals, a Meritorious Service Medal, three Army Commendation Medals, an Army Achievement Award, the National Defense Service Ribbon, Medal of Good Conduct, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Master Parachutists Badge, Expert Marksmanship Badge, Expert Infantry Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, Meritorious Unit Citation, Valorous Unit Citation, and Presidential Unit Citation. Command Sgt. Maj. retired Polk held a variety of leadership positions namely, Fire Team Leader and Command Sergeant Major of a major command post at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. In 1987, he was a finalist for the position of Sergeant Major of the United States Army. He served 35 years and 6 months in the US Army including three tours in Germany, two tours in Vietnam and two tours in Korea before retirement at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, Aug. 31, 1990. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Lawton Chapter #751. Raymond and his bride, Ruby L. (née Davis) Madden wed July 8, 1978, in Lawton, at Union Baptist Church. This union, blended two families, yielded eight children: Ramona Polk Douglas, Raymond Polk Jr., Renée Polk (Mark) Dollard, Ronald (Tonya) Polk, Dr. Anquanita (Madden) Kaigler-Love, LaVonda Madden(Sanford) Hayes, Dr. Sher'ri Madden (Rogers) Turner, LaVetta Madden Jackson. Collectively garnering 25 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren. After retiring from the US Army Command Sgt. Maj. retired Raymond Polk and his bride Ruby L. Polk made their forever home in Lawton. His service to the community included: Oklahoma Board of Private Vocational Schools: Board Member; Northside Chamber of Commerce: Chairman of the Board; Junior Leadership: Chairman of the Board; Leadership Lawton: Board member; McMahon Auditorium Authority: Vice Chairman; Salvation Army: Board Member; Armed Services YMCA: Board Member; United Way of Lawton: Board Member; Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity: President/Life Member; Special Recognition from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; Northeast Lawton Lions Club: President/Charter Member; Geronimo Toastmasters Club: President; Red Leg Chapter NCOA: Chairman; City of Lawton Personnel Board/City of Lawton Human Rights and Relations: Member. Command Sgt. Maj. retired Polk was recognized by several civic organizations for his leadership and community involvement, including a very active member of Union Baptist Church. On May 2, 2022, Command Sgt. Maj. retired Raymond R. Polk, Sr. transitioned this life and was interred at Fort Sill National Cemetery, Elgin. He was preceded in death by his mother, Ada Cravens and a great-grandchild, Nicholas Polk. Funeral services for Command Sgt. Maj. retired Raymond R. Polk, Sr. were held on Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 11:00 AM at the Union Baptist Church. The interment was at the Fort Sill National Cemetery in Elgin.

**LARRY ROBERT PRETZER** - Died Wednesday, November 10, 2021 in Macomb, Michigan at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. Larry was born on March 17, 1949 in Mount Clemens, Michigan to the late Wallace and Ella (née Shotnik) Pretzer. Larry was a 1967 graduate of Chippewa Valley High School and started trade school after graduation. With the Vietnam War in full force, Larry was drafted into the United States Army. He was a proud Army Veteran and was decorated with the National Defense Service Medal, Purple Heart, Vietnam Service Medal w/ 2 Bronze Service Stars, Bronze Star Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal w/ 60 Device and Army Commendation Medal. On May 26, 1972, Larry married Christine Delmotte at Saint Isidore Catholic Church in Macomb Township. He settled back into civilian life and worked in the landscaping industry for many years but retired from the US Postal Service as a truck driver. Larry was a member of Saint Peter Catholic Church for over 20 years. He loved being a member of the Macomb Ritual Team Honor Guard, Commander of the Purple Heart and member of VFW Post #4659. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Detroit Chapter #9. Larry was a wonderful husband to Chris and a cherished friend to many. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Larry is survived by his wife, Christine; sister, Janice (Jim) Tesch; sister-in-law, Donna Pretzer; uncle, David (Darlene) Pretzer and many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Larry is predeceased by his brothers, Gene, Alan and Richard; and parents, Wallace and Ella. The family of Larry received friends on Sunday, November 14, 2021 from 2:00 to 7:00 PM at the Hauss-Modetz Funeral Home, 47477 Romeo Plank, Macomb. The Mass was celebrated on Monday, November 15, 2021 at 11:30 AM with an in-state time of 11:00 AM at Saint Peter Catholic Church, 95 Market, Mount Clemens, MI 48043. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to the VFW Post #4659, 8311 Wilson Drive, Shelby Township., MI 48316.

JAMES W. RAUH - Died Sunday, August 15, 2021 at home of Howell, New Jersey at the age of 70. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Elizabeth, New Jersey on September 16, 1950 to Eileen Ruah and the late Oliver Ruah. He was raised in Edison, New Jersey and had

lived in Avenel, New Jersey. After proudly serving in the United States Marine Corps as a Lance Corporal during the Vietnam War, he traveled to New Zealand, Hawaii, California and many other states. He was part owner of William Rauh and Son, Inc. in Elizabeth for over 30 years until retiring in 2009. An active member of Christ Church in Howell, James was also a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Allenhurst Chapter #12, and had served as treasurer for Rugged Cross Motorcycle Club. His favorite pastime was to go camping with family and friends. He was always there for everyone, and it seemed everyone knew him. If you were lucky enough to know James, you loved him. He was predeceased by his father, Oliver Rauh. James is survived by his loving wife of 35 years, Ellen Rauh of Howell; children, Jake Rauh and Hayley Rauh, both of Howell; mother, Eileen Rauh of Lakewood; brother, Bill Rauh of Edison; and many loving extended family members and friends. A memorial gathering was held at the Clayton and McGirr Funeral Home, 100 Elton-Adelphia Road (Route 524), Freehold Township on Sunday, August 22, 2021 from 2:00 to 6:00 PM. Relatives and friends were invited to attend his memorial service at Christ Church, 71 Oak Glen Road, Howell on Monday, August 23, 2021 at 12:30 PM. The burial of ashes was in the Brigadier General William. C. Doyle NJ Veterans Cemetery, 350 Province Line Road, Arneytown. For information, directions or condolence messages to the family, visit www.claytonfuneralhome.com.

ROBERT W. "Bob" REGAN, JR. - Died Monday, April 4, 2022 in Havertown, Pennsylvania at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 1, 1942. Robert "Bob" was the devoted husband of Carol Regan (née Call); cherished father of Timothy J. (Lisa) Regan and Dr. Kimberly A. (Jeremiah) Duncan; adoring grandfather of Morgan Regan, Sean Duncan and Madeline Duncan; dear brother of Rich (Lil) Regan, uncle of Jonathan Regan (Lacy), their children, Darren (Ashley), Erik, Rylee, and Julea, and grand-nephew Ryder. After serving in the United States Army as a member of 666th transportation company in the 3rd US Army, he started his career as Rigger at the 72 Shop at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard before pursuing a becoming a Master Diver at the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard. He left there to pursue a career as a salvage diver at Walker Diving, which led to him becoming Vice-President of W. H. Streit Marine Construction. After retiring from there he became a consulting engineer at O'Brien and Gere. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Media Chapter #67. He was a 50-year member of the Manoa Fire Company, where he served as an Engine Captain, EMS Captain, Engineer, Chief Engineer, and served as a member of the Board of Directors, and President of the Board. He enjoyed spending time with family and friends, was an avid woodworker spending numerous hours in his wood shop and always was quick with a joke, funny tidbit or humorous prank. He was always ready and willing to pass on his knowledge and skills to everyone he worked and served with. Relatives and friends were invited to Robert's viewing on Friday, April 8th from 6:00-8:00 PM and again on Saturday, April 9th from 10-10:45AM at the Stretch Funeral Home, 236 East Eagle Road, Havertown, PA, where his funeral services were held immediately follow at 11:00 AM. The interment was at the Glenwood Memorial Gardens in Broomall, Pa. In lieu of flowers, charitable donations in Robert's name may be made to the Education Fund of Manoa Fire Company at 115 South Eagle Road, Havertown, PA 19083.

JON ANZUENA REYNOLDS (USAF, BG, Ret.) — Died Saturday, April 16, 2022 in Bethesda, Maryland at the age of 84. The cause of death was lung cancer. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on December 13, 1937. 26 years after being held captive there, Air Force Brigadier General Jon Anzuena Reynolds returned to the infamous Son Tay Prison Camp as a tourist in 1995, accompanied by his family. He identified his old cell immediately, as one of the window bars was still bent in a distinctive way. Walking around the remains of the compound, the site of a daring covert rescue attempt in November 1970, General Reynolds noticed that it looked remarkably unchanged, except for the damage from the raid. Walking over to the dry well that he and the other prisoners-of-war were forced to dig, he looked down at the bottom, where he was sent to sit for a few days as punishment. When asked if returning to Son Tay more than two decades after being held captive there was difficult or emotional, Jon responded, "Everyone always asks me that. No, it wasn't." As one of 591 prisoners of war held captive in North Vietnam, Reynolds' duration as a POW was one of the longer: seven years and sixty days. But he returned home in 1973 to continue a successful career in the United States Air Force and in the defense industry, and to marry the woman he proposed to before he was captured. On April 16, 2022, Reynolds died of lung cancer. He was born December 13, 1937, in Philadelphia, and attended Lower Merion High School in Ardmore, Pennsylvania, before receiving a bachelor's degree in engineering in 1959 from Trinity College in Hartford, Connecticut. He received an honorary doctorate from the school in 2015. Commissioned as a second lieutenant through the Air Force ROTC program, Reynolds qualified as an F-100 pilot and participated in several Cold War deployments, including the Cuban Missile Crisis in 1962. On his first deployment to Vietnam in 1963, he served as a forward air controller for the Vietnamese 22<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division in Kontum, directing air strikes against Viet Cong forces. He was in-country during the overthrow of the South Vietnamese government and the assassination of President Ngo Dinh Diem. Upon return to the United States, Reynolds was assigned to the 4th Tactical Fighter Wing, where he flew the F-105 Thunderchief, an aircraft with one of the highest loss rates of the Vietnam War. He participated in deployments with the 334<sup>th</sup> and 335<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Squadrons to Incirlik Air Base, Turkey; Yokota Air Base, Japan; Osan Air Base, South Korea; and Takhli Royal Air Force Base, Thailand. While in Thailand, his squadron was attached to the famed 355<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Wing. Three weeks before his planned wedding to Emilee McCarthy, while flying a mission near Yen Bai, North Vietnam on November 28, 1965, he was shot down. The wedding would not take place until nine years later, in 1974. Reynolds was one of the POWs captured on film on July 6, 1966, as he was force-marched in prison pajamas through the streets of Hanoi in what came to be known as the "Hanoi March." And he was one of sixty-five prisoners held at the Son Tay Prison Camp outside Hanoi for two years. Unfortunately, Reynolds and the group of prisoners held at the compound were moved four months before the raid. After repatriation, Brigadier General Reynolds rose to become responsible for all the Defense Intelligence Agency's defense attachés worldwide, after having served as one to the People's Republic of China for four years. He and his wife arrived in Beijing in 1984 when milk was still being delivered in horse-drawn carts and many Chinese people had never seen a foreigner. His time there was marked by an historic increase in military-tomilitary engagement between the People's Republic of China and the United States. He welcomed President Ronald Reagan in 1984 on his first visit to a communist country and presided over a performance of the Air Force Thunderbirds in China. While in Beijing, Reynolds was responsible for managing almost \$1 billion in security assistance programs. It is also where he became the first westerner to fly a People's Liberation Army Air Force fighter aircraft, a MiG-17 trainer. "After the U.S. Air Force obtained permission to give the Chinese delegation's test pilot a flight in a U.S. training aircraft, the T-38, I told General Wang Hai that since the Air Force had given their Chinese pilot a ride in a U.S. aircraft, they should do the same for me. Some months later, they did." Upon retirement from the Air Force, Reynolds oversaw Raytheon's program to eliminate American chemical weapons at the Johnston Atoll Chemical Agent Disposal System, and then returned to China for another six years to serve as Raytheon's president of operations in China, Hong Kong, and Mongolia. Reynolds also distinguished himself in academia, receiving a master's degree and Ph.D. in military history from Duke University. He taught history and directed the world and area studies and military history programs at the U.S. Air Force Academy, where he and Emilee owned The Misty Acres Ranch. There, they raised their two children, hosted numerous cadet gatherings, and kept pigs, rabbits, and Nubian goats. Reynolds was the recipient of many awards, including the Air Force Distinguished Service Medal, the Silver Star with oak leaf cluster, the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star Medal with "V" device and oak leaf cluster, the Purple Heart, the Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Air Medal with six oak leaf clusters, and the Prisoner of War Medal. Following retirement from Raytheon, Reynolds' passion for aviation continued through his service on the board of the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Dover (Delaware) Chapter #850. During his twentyyear tenure, including his time as an emeritus, the board oversaw the design, construction, and successful opening of the Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center in Dulles, Virginia. Throughout his life, Reynolds maintained his childhood interest in the outdoors, including an annual fishing trip to Sharbot Lake in Canada, where at the age of fifteen the opportunity to ride in a float plane ultimately led to his decision to become a pilot. He also enjoyed birdwatching and duck hunting and connected his love of birds to his love of flight. Late in life, Reynolds was rarely apart from his black Labrador Retriever. Reynolds is survived by his wife of 47 years, Emilee McCarthy Reynolds, daughter Elizabeth Peltz and Christopher Peltz, son Andrew Reynolds and Emily Reynolds, and granddaughter Paige Reynolds. Funeral services were private, followed by interment at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery. Donations made in memory of Brigadier General Reynolds can be sent to the Canines for Veterans program, run by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #850. Donations can be mailed to VVA P.O. Box 1718, Dover, Delaware 19903.

CHARLES GLENN RICHARDSON, JR. - Died Sunday, April 3, 2022 at his home in Apison, Tennessee at the age of 79, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 30, 1943 in Chattanooga, Tennessee to the late Charles Glenn Richardson, Sr. and Pauline (née Addison) Richardson. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather and rarely missed any activity his grandchildren were involved in. He was a member of Ooltewah Church of Christ, and served in the United States Marine Corps in Vietnam. He was Past Master and 50 year+ member of Brainerd Lodge #736, a 50 year+ member of Chattanooga Scottish Rite, and a 50 year + member of Alhambra Shrine. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Soddy-Daisy Chapter #942. He is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Shirley (née Smith) Richardson, son, Chris G. (Michelle) Richardson, and "Papa" to his grandchildren that he adored, twins, Lauren Angela and Colin Gabe Richardson and Maci Catherine Richardson, all of Chattanooga, special niece, Anita Whittenburg Gontarek, several nephews and cousins. The funeral service was held on Friday, April 8, 2022 at 12:00 Noon in the chapel of Chattanooga Funeral Home, East Brainerd Chapel with Denny Howell presiding, a Masonic service was conducted by Brother Terry Plemons prior to the service. The family received friends from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM on Thursday at the funeral home. The interment was in the Chattanooga National Cemetery with Military Honors. The family would like to thank Hospice of Chattanooga, especially nurse Shelby Goins and CNA Michelle Hicks for their loving and devoted care of Charlie. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to: Ooltewah Church of Christ, 3206 Ooltewah-Ringgold Road, Ooltewah, TN 37363, in memory of Charles G. Richardson or Boyd Buchanan School, 4650 Buccaneer Trail, Chattanooga, TN. 37411, in memory of Charles G. Charles Richardson. Please share your memories of with the family at www.chattanoogaeastbrainerdchapel.com. The arrangements were made by the East Brainerd Chapel of Chattanooga Funeral Home, Crematory and Florist, 8214 East Brainerd Road, Chattanooga, TN 37421.

East Campus, Davenport at the age of 79. He was a resident of Bettendorf, Iowa. The cause of death is unknown. Denny was born on June 19, 1942 at home in rural Bennett, Iowa to the late Donald and Bette (née Mueller) Richlen. After graduating high school in 1960, he joined the United States Air Force. He served his country for eight years during which he was stationed in Spain for five years, later completed a 13-month tour to Vietnam, and earned the rank of Master Sergeant prior to being honorably discharged in 1968. He first married Maria in 1964 while deployed in Spain. He later married Shirley A. McCluskey on October 31, 1981 in Davenport. Denny worked in data processing at Caterpillar, Mount Joy, for 30 years prior to his retirement in 1998. In retirement, he did handyman work. Denny was a member of Saint James Lutheran Church, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Bettendorf Chapter #776**,

Donahue American Legion Larry M. Gronewold Post #532, Bettendorf Veterans Memorial Committee, and the Vietnam Veterans Honor Guard. He enjoyed deer and pheasant hunting, NASCAR, and was an avid Hawkeye, Packers, and 49ers fan. He is survived by his wife, Shirley of Bettendorf; children, Don (Kathleen) of Bettendorf, Lisa (Jeff) of Eldridge; grandchildren, Randon, Kelcie, Rihlen, Mitchell, Reyli; step-daughters, Ann (John) and Lea, all of Davenport; step-grandchildren, Alexandria, TJ, Daniel; sister, Beth Ellen; and several cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents; and parents-in-law, Robert and Katie McCluskey. Funeral services were held at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at Saint James Lutheran Church, Bettendorf. Visitation was from 9:00 – 11:30 AM on Wednesday at the McGinnis-Chambers Funeral Home, Bettendorf. The burial was in Allen's Grove Cemetery, Donahue. Memorials may be directed to Bettendorf Veterans Memorial or to the Bettendorf Vietnam Veterans of America – Chapter #776.

<u>CARLOS R. RODRIGUEZ</u> – Died Tuesday, March 1, 2022 in Lake Charles, Louisiana at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 10, 1942. He was a veteran if the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lake Charles Chapter #1098**.

ROGER DALE "Sarge" ROY - Died Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at the VA Medical Center in Clarksburg, West Virginia at the age of 74, with his family by his side. He was a resident of Grafton, West Virginia. The cause of death is unknown. Roger was born on June 24, 1947 in Taylor County, West Virginia to the late James William and Jessie Ruth (née Perkins) Roy. He was married to the love of his life, Shirley Rose (née Carder) Roy on September 18, 1979 spending over forty-two years together. Roger was a graduate of Grafton High School. He was a veteran of the United States Army, where he served in Vietnam, earning three Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star. Roger was a member of the VFW Post #3081, DAV Chapter #24, Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter #724, and the Beach Mountain Sportsman Club in Czar, WV. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Morgantown Chapter #306. He was an outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting, trapping, and fishing. Roger loved the time he spent with his family and enjoyed making memories with each of them. He treasured the time spent with his children and grandchildren and considered them his greatest joy. He will be greatly missed by many, especially by his family. In addition to his wife Shirley, Roger is survived by his daughter Lisa Exline, her husband Chuck and their three children, Chase, Caden, and Bella. His daughter Tracy Swick, her husband Eric, and their son Draken. He is also survived by his daughter Shelly Roy. In addition to his parents Roger was preceded in death by his brother James W. "Sonny" Roy Jr. Family and Friends came calling at the Bartlett Funeral Home, Grafton on Monday, January 10, 2022, from 2:00-8:00 PM and on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 from 9:00 AM until the funeral service at 11:00 AM with Pastor Jimmy Johnson officiating. The interment was at Woodsdale Memorial Park. Full military honors were rendered by the Taylor County Honor Guard and the United States Army from Camp Dawson. Bartlett Funeral Home was honored to serve the Roy family. Online condolences can be sent to the Roy family at www.bartlettfuneralhomewv.com.

WILLIAM M. RUSHFORD (USAF, Master Sgt-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at the DJ Jacobetti Home for Veterans at the age of 88, while in the loving care of his family and the lovely staff who cared for him. He was a resident of Marquette, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. William was born in Iron Mountain, Michigan on August 28, 1933 to the late Miles and Alice (née Wickman) Rushford. He attended Graveraet High School in Marquette, graduating with the class of 1951. After graduation, William enlisted in the United States Army serving from 1953 until 1955. He then worked for Michigan Bell Telephone for 36 years. William attended Hope Free Lutheran Church in Ishpeming, and was a member of the American Legion Post #44, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Negaunee Chapter #380 and The Pioneers of America. He served as a part-time Deputy of the Marquette County Sheriff's Office, and was member of the reserve unit for the Menominee City Police Department. In his free time, William enjoyed making doll houses for all of his granddaughters, reading, and watching the Packers. He loved camping with his family and traveling in their RV with his wife. He always enjoyed being with people sharing a story, a laugh, or a joke. William is survived by his wife of 67 years- Shirley (née Whiffen) Rushford, three children- Dave (Susanna) Rushford, Keith (Connie) Rushford, Dean (Myra) Rushford, 7 grandchildren- Charity (Anthony) Orza, Lauren (Kyle) Mullen, Lindsey (Brady Banse) Rushford, Faith (Clancy) MacNeil, Laura (Joel) Tubman, Maria (Joshua) Jensen, Thomas (Shannon) Dubach, 14 great grandchildren with one on the way, and an honorary granddaughter- Caitlin (Jeff) Woodward. He was preceded in death by his parents, and sister-Margaret Froney. William's family greeted relatives and friends on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at the Hope Free Lutheran Church in Ishpeming from 11:00 AM until 12:00 Noon. A memorial service was held at 12:00 Noon with Reverend Scott Leutz and Youth and Family Director-Jordan Langness co-officiating. A luncheon followed the service in the church fellowship hall. The interment took place at the Northland Chapel Gardens in the spring. Military Honors were accorded by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #380. William's obituary may also be viewed at bjorkandzhulkie.com where relatives and friends may leave a note of remembrance.

PATRICK F. "Pat" RYAN - Died Thursday, April 21, 2022 at Aspirus Riverview Hospital at the age of 82. He was a resident of Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin. The cause of death was cancer. Pat was born on October 14, 1939 in Chicago, Illinois to the late James and Anna Ryan. He married Charlotte Stewart on June 5, 1971 in Newport, Rhode Island. He was a true patriot, serving 20 years in the United States Navy as a Boatswain's Mate. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Wisconsin Rapids Chapter #101. He enjoyed competing in triathlons, bowling, horseshoes, and singing karaoke with friends. Pat endeared himself to a close group of friends by saying what he thought and meaning what he said. Pat is survived by his wife, Charlotte; son Shawn (Kimberly) Ryan, and their two daughters; and siblings, Bob and Mary Ryan, Dan and Lola Ryan, and John and Cookie. He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Anna Ryan; brother Jim Ryan; twin-sister Patsy Girondi; and sisters Peggy, Clara, and

Kathleen. A funeral mass was celebrated for Pat at 10:30 AM on Monday, April 25, 2022 at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Wisconsin Rapids. Reverend Father Robert Schaller officiated. The burial was at Calvary Cemetery. Visitation for Pat was held from 4:00 to 7:00 PM on Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at the Herman-Taylor Funeral Home in Wisconsin Rapids. A rosary service was held at 6:30 PM on Sunday at the funeral home. There was also a visitation beginning at 9:00 AM until service time Monday at the church. The family wishes to send a special thank you to the incredibly caring staffs at the Wisconsin Rapids Aspirus Cancer Center and ICU. The Herman-Taylor Funeral Home was honored to be assisting the family.

GERALD GEORGE "Doc" SCHRECK (USA, COL-Ret.) - Died Thursday, January 30, 2020 at home in Templeton, Iowa at the age of 88. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 6, 1931 in Templeton, Carroll County, Iowa to the late Louis and Clara (née Heithoff) Schreck. Doc grew up in Templeton and graduated from Sacred Heart High School in 1949, then attended Creighton University until 1951. He served in the United States Air Force from 1951 – 1956, during the Korean War. On December 27, 1954 Doc was united in marriage with Doris Christensen at Sacred Heart Church in Manning. Eight children were born to this union. They lived in Omaha, NE from 1956 to 1962 while Doc again attended Creighton University, graduating from the School of Dentistry. They then moved to Carroll, Iowa from 1962 to 1964 where Doc was an associate of Doctors Barels, Langenfeld and Westendorf in the practice of General Dentistry. He entered the United States Army Dental Corps in 1965 and served at several assignments, including a residency program in the specialty of Orthodontics from 1971 to 1973 at the University of Missouri, Kansas City, and retired from the U.S. Army as an orthodontist with the rank of Colonel in September of 1982. The family thoroughly enjoyed the interesting life as a military family with several stateside and overseas assignments. Doc and Doris retired in 1982 and returned to Templeton. They loved coming back to their hometown area. He enjoyed traveling to many countries, visiting family, and making daily visits to the Corner Station. He thoroughly enjoyed his grandchildren and great grandchildren. He was a member of Sacred Heart Parish, 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, Dedham American Legion, and a member of the VFW in Manning. He was an At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – lowa. Doc and Doris just recently observed their 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. He was preceded in death by his parents; infant son Gerald Jr. Schreck; son Kevin Schreck in 2009; siblings: Leona (Bill) Horbach; Collette Schreck; Janet (Herb) Sextro; Elmer Schreck; and Dorothy (Melvin) Romey. He is survived by his wife Doris Schreck of Templeton; children: Allen (Debbie) Schreck of Overland Park, KS; Timothy (Laure) Schreck of Ankeny; Stephen (Lori) Schreck of Weldon Spring, MO; Philip (Kristie) Schreck of Sioux Falls, SD; Annette Schreck of Tucson, AZ; John (Darnell) Schreck of Ocean Springs, MS; 15 grandchildren: Joshua (Ashley) Schreck; Tommy Schreck; Jessica (Austin) Neville; Amber Rosener; Lindsey Schreck; Jordan Schreck; Katelyn Harwell; Chris Schreck; Jake Schreck; Hannah Harwell; Samantha Schreck; Mattie Schreck; Erin Schreck; Luke Schreck; Gabe Schreck; 7 great-grandchildren: Brody Rosener; Journey Rosener; Tytan Rosener; Layton Schreck; Maisie

Rae Schreck; Luke Harwell; and Lincoln Neville; daughter-in- law Karen (Dale) Derner of Carroll; sister in law Marie Schreck of Carroll; nieces, nephews, other relatives and many, many friends. The Ohde Funeral Home in Manning was in charge of the arrangements.

🖥 ALEX EMIL SEBASTIAN – Died Thursday, April 14, 2022 in Beaver, Pennsylvania at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Beaver on January 25, 1943 to the late Bert and Julia Sebastian. He left Beaver only briefly to pursue his degree at Michigan State and to serve his country as a member of the United States Navy. He went on to serve two tours of duty on the USS Pritchett in the Gulf of Tonkin in Vietnam. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862. Upon completion of his tour of duty in Vietnam, Alex returned to Beaver to help his parents, Bert and Julia and his brother, David, run the family restaurant, The Wooden Indian. Never one to be stifled by tradition, Alex chose to branch off and write his own chapter by opening The Wooden Angel in 1968 with a vision of upscale American cuisine and a uniquely American wine list right in the heart of Beaver County. The Angel would go on to win numerous national awards, including Wine Spectator Magazine's Grand Award (the only restaurant in Pennsylvania to be bestowed with the honor), Best Award of Excellence, and one of the greatest wine lists in the world. Alex continued his wine education and went on to become the first ever California Grand Wine Wizard in 1986. This was just one of his many accolades. He also went on to be named Restaurateur of the Year by the Western Pennsylvania Restaurant Association and was a founding partner in the Chehalem Winery in Oregon and a partner in Old Germania Winery in New York. Alex was a certified professional wine judge, residing in over 20 competitions, and was also a wine appreciation instructor, using his classes to spread his love for American wines to a broader audience. There was a lot more to Alex than wine and food, though. He loved aviation. From his Cessna 4-seater to a hot air balloon brandishing the Wooden Angel logo, Alex felt freedom in the skies. The look of pride in his eyes was obvious, whether it was flying his children, Alex and Danielle, and his friends to their next big adventure, or showcasing the breathtaking views of Beaver County from his Wooden Angelbranded hot air balloon, he loved finding himself amongst the clouds. It only made sense, then, that his wife of 23 years, Linda, was a flight attendant when they first met. Together they loved to garden—raising vegetables and herbs used in the restaurant long before the phrase "farm to table" was coined. They also loved to travel, whether it was spending time with their friends in Lake Como, Italy, or time with their grandchildren in Florida. Alex was also the consummate host. He loved to host elaborate parties that featured menus and wines that would give even Michelin star restaurants a run for their money. Alex was preceded in death by his mother, Julia; father, Bert; aunt, Francis; and uncle, Alex. He is survived by his loving wife, Linda; his brother, David, and his children, David and Emily; his daughter, Danielle and her husband, Matt, and their daughter, Charly; his son, Alex, his wife, Erin, and their children, Julia and Alexander; his stepdaughter, Brandi, her husband, Michael, and their children, Parker and Luca; and his cousin Beth and her husband, Nelson, as well had his cousin, Alexa (Lex), and her husband, Cliff. Alex often said that he wanted to be seen and not viewed-and had a not so hidden distaste for funeral

homes and the color black. With that in mind, his family has chosen to forgo the traditional activities. We invited his friends and family to join us for "A Toast to Alex"—an open house-style memorial visitation at The Wooden Angel on Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> from 12:00 Noon until 3:00 PM. In order to allow the restaurant staff to join in the celebration of Alex's life, no food will be served. Professional arrangements have been entrusted to the Noll Funeral Home, Inc., 333 Third Street, Beaver. Online condolences may be shared at nollfuneral.com. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Heritage Valley Foundation, an organization near and dear to Alex's heart. Alex was the past Chair of the Board, a current board member, and the founder of the semi-annual "A Toast to Your Health" fundraiser benefiting the Medical Center and the Heritage Valley Health System, and even had the surgical waiting room named after he and Linda in recognition of their donations. Alex signed every email with, "Wine! What are you saving it for?" With that in mind, the Sebastian family implores you to open that special bottle of wine you've been saving and savor it with your loved ones today, for it today is all that we're promised.

WILLIAM K. "Bill" SHAFLEY II — Died peacefully Thursday, December 2, 2021 in Lancaster, Ohio at the age of 72, with his family by his side at Pickering House, Lancaster, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. Bill was born om July 29, 1949 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to the late William K. and Geraldine R. (née Cline) Shafley. Bill worked for Columbia Gas for over 30 years. He was a huge Jeff Gordon fan and, being from PA, he watched the Steelers and the Penn State Nittany Lions. Bill was also a United States Army Vietnam Veteran. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America — Carroll Chapter #1045. Bill is survived by his wife of 39 years, Barbara Rowles, children and grandchildren son William K. (Meredith) Shafley III and their daughter Addison all of Chesapeake, Virginia, son Matthew J. (Cynthia) Shafley and their children Maddie and Jacob all of Mansfield, Ohio, daughter Michelle Smith and her sons Dylan (Daisy) Smith of Fort Benning, Georgia, Isaac and Trent Smith of Rushville, Ohio, sister and brother-in-law Carole and Jim Risbeck and their sons Matthew and Michael. Per Bill's wishes a celebration of his life was held at a later date.

KEITH C. SMITH, SR. – Died peacefully in his sleep on Thursday, April 15, 2021 in Wind Lake, Wisconsin at the age of 69, with his loving wife laying beside him. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 4, 1951 to the late John C. Smith and Margery (née Barber) Smith. He is survived by his loving wife, Diane (née Gnas), who referred to him as "My life, my love". Loving father to Keith Jr. (Angie) of Peshtigo, Adam (Marie) of Wind Lake and was preceded in death by daughter Amber, his "Princess". Brother to Jerry, the late Larry (Susie), Valerie, Claire (Dan), and the late Kevin (Diane Jr.). Further survived by 7 step-grandchildren, 4 great-step-grandchildren, and his little buddy Chewy. Keith proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War '69-'70 with the 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry Combat Engineers. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rochester Chapter #921**. He worked for G.E. Medical

Systems for 38 years, where he passionately represented the members of Local Lodge 1916. He then went on to become Assistant Directing Business Representative for District 10 of the IAMAW. Keith loved to spend his spare time fishing and hunting. His family would like to thank the VA Spinal Cord Unit and DaVita Dialysis on Loomis Road for all the outstanding care over the years. And AseraCare Home Hospice for their compassionate care during his final days. "Dad, You will always be loved, remembered, and missed" - Keith & Adam. "Thank you God for giving us our 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary" – Diane. Visitation at Max Sass Funeral Home, Mission Hills Chapel was on Friday, April 23, 2021 from 4:00 – 8:00 PM. The funeral service was at 7:00 PM. The burial was at the Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery at a later date.

PETER RODNEY SORENSEN - Died unexpectedly Friday, April 22, 2022 in Neenah, Wisconsin at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. Peter was born in Neenah on April 7, 1946 to the late Roy and Clarabelle Sorensen. Peter graduated from Neenah High School. Following graduation, he was drafted by the United States Marine Corps where he proudly served 4 years, including one tour in Vietnam. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Appleton Chapter #351. He followed in his father's footsteps and was third generation valued employee of Bergstrom P. H. Glatfelter, where he worked over 30 years up until retirement. Peter married the love of his life, Shirley, on October 23, 1971. Together they shared almost 44 years of marriage. In that time, they built a home, raised a family, and joyfully took part in the lives of their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Pete spent his summers and falls in his home away from home, Boulder Junction, WI with his trusty companion, golden retriever Max. Pete was an avid fisherman his entire life, spending dawn to dusk on the many lakes up north with good friends that became family to him. Pete leaves a legacy of kindness, generosity, and joy. To know Pete is to know a true friend. He will be greatly missed. Peter is survived by children: Anita Pemberton, Kimberlie (Joe) Clohessy, and Randy (Steph) Sorensen; companion: Max; grandchildren: Ashley (Andy), Mandi (Brad), Violet (Jason), Patience, Anthony, and Maddie; great-grandchildren: Ryan, Owen, Ashton, Julien, Noraleigh, Benjamin, Faelynn, Isabella, Lillian, and Lyric; sister: Janice (Bob) Williamsen, brother-in-law, Edwin Zimmer; and many other special family members and friends. Peter is preceded in death by his beloved wife, Shirley; greatgrandson, Abel; and furry friends, Rex, and Oreo. A Memorial Service for Peter was held at 12:00 PM on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at Neenah's Westgor Funeral Home with Military Honors. A visitation was held from 10:00 AM until the hour of the service. Peter was interred with his beloved Shirley at Clayton Cemetery. In Pete's honor, everyone was requested to come wearing their favorite flannel.

BERNHARDT W. "Bernie" STUMBORG – Died Monday, April 4, 2022 at SECU Lifecare Center of Brunswick County at the age of 80, with his loved ones by his side. He was a resident of Leland, North Carolina. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Vienna, Austria on November 29, 1941 to the late Caecilia Stumborg Walton and Alfred Wilhelm Stumborg. At the age of ten years old he came across the Atlantic Ocean to America on the dependent ship, USNS George W. Goethals T-AP 182 with his mother and stepfather MSgt. US Army Bruce Odell Walton and siblings, Gunther Stumborg and Linda Walton Garris. Bernie was a loving, devoted and hard-

working son, brother, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and great-greatgrandfather. Bernie proudly served his country in the United States Air Force as an E-3, and was a Vietnam Veteran. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Wilmington Chapter #885. Bernie was also a dedicated veteran and rode many miles as a member of the Rolling Thunder and Southern Cruisers Veterans organizations. One of his favorite bike rides was for Toys for Tots on his Yamaha Road Star wearing his infamous skunk skin helmet. While in the Air Force Bernie was in the food services unit and had the opportunity to cook and bake for the first astronauts accompanying John Glenn. He was stationed at Patrick Air Force Base near Cape Canaveral in Florida. His food service training prepared him well to work as executive chef at the Blockade Runner Hotel, food and nutrition manager for Cape Fear and New Hanover Regional Medical Hospital as well as several country clubs in and around North Carolina. Bernie was well known for his magnificent ice sculpture cravings. Bernie was still working at Bluewater Grill four days prior to his rapidly declining health. He truly enjoyed working and being around people. He would often tell the family that retirement shortened your life and that you need to keep your mind and body active. Bernie was preceded in death by his stepfather, Bruce Odell Walton, father, Alfred Stumborg, mother Caecilia Stumborg Walton, wife, Juanita Lovette Stumborg, brother, Gunther Stumborg, daughter, Trina Shepard, son in-law, John St. George Bernie is survived by his wife, Penelope Kimbrell Stumborg, daughters, Inga Stumborg, Ericka St. George, Ellen (Tim) Meeson, Leesa(George) McFarlane, nine grandchildren, eleven great- grandchildren, one great great grandchild. Sisters, Linda (Lee) Garris, Sylvia (Danny) Kagee, niece LeAnn Garris Lazar, and two great-nephews. A memorial service was held at First Christian Church at 2035 Oleander Drive on Sunday, April 10, 2022 at 2:00 PM with visitation one hour prior to service. In lieu of flowers, contriutions can be made in his memory to American Heart Society, or SECU Lifecare Center of Brunswick County.

Mannington, West Virginia at the age of 73. The cause of death was Agent Orange-related heart disease. He was born on August 2, 1948 in Mannington to the late Robert Lee and Kathryn (née Pethtel) Talkington. He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years and 7 months, Susie Stout Talkington. He is also survived by his children Stephanie Jo Talkington Teets, Tracy Lee Talkington, and Angela Sue Talkington, three granddaughters Allison Sue Talkington, Hannah Jo Teets, and Emily Faith Talkington. Surviving are also a Sister, Darlene Talkington Smith, in-laws Helen Stout Myers, Steve and Shirley Stout, Norma Gean Stout Fulton, Jim and Joy Stout, and Betty Stout; Aunts Jean Pethtel and Vivian Pethtel and nieces and nephews, including greats, and cousins that number in the hundreds. He was preceded in death by two brothers; Jackie Lee Talkington and Tommy Ray Talkington, a Sister, Betty Bell Thierjung, and his In-laws William and Bernice Stout. Many thanks to his special friends Al Frick and Jeff Michael for many years of dedicated friendship. Ronnie was a graduate of Mannington High School Class of 1966. He went on to serve in the United States Army during the Vietnam War in the Transport Company 666 where he was

the recipient of several medals including the Bronze Star. After his service, he returned to his hometown and worked as the Parts Manager at James Chevrolet where he met the two loves of his life, his wife and cars. He went to Fairmont State where he earned a degree in Accounting. In 1971, he started his 30-year career with the United States Postal Service as a letter carrier in Fairmont, WV and ending as the Postmaster of Fairview, WV. He also owned and operated Talkington's Farm Machinery. Ronnie was active in the community. He was an original volunteer member of Marion County Rescue Squad where he was an EMT, CPR Instructor, mechanic and Rescue Technician, a Former Cub Scout Leader of Pack 9, a member of the Mannington All Class Reunion Committee, Member of several Mannington Relay for Life Teams, very active with the North Marion Band Boosters, Supporter of the MCVT Future Farmers of America, Charter Member and Life Member of the Robert A. Clark Vietnam Veterans of America – Mannington Chapter #1055 and the Gone But Not Forgotten Heroes of Mannington, and a Member of the Over the Hill Car Kruzers. He will be missed by many family members and friends as he had a heart of gold, always lending a helping hand to anyone in need. The arrangements were entrusted to the Masters Funeral Home in Mannington, WV. Viewing services were from 4:00 to 8:00 PM on Friday, March 18, 2022 and Saturday, March 19, 2022 from Noon to 2:00 PM. Dr. Michael P. Reese officiated the services with Full Military Honors accorded by the United States Army and the Marion County Veterans Council beginning at 2:00 PM on Saturday, March 19, 2022. He was laid to rest at the View Point Cemetery in Rachel, WV.

RUTH (née Manspile) TAYLOR-PERRY - Died Tuesday, April 5, 2022 in Rustburg, Virginia at the age of 89. She was the wife of the late Cameron Brent Perry, Sr. for 51 years. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on February 13, 1933. Ruth is survived by her children; Charles (Chuck) Perry and wife Frances (Sissy) Perry of Rustburg, Sandra Taylor of Florida, Wanda Hutton (Leonard Hutton) of Lynchburg, Brenda Fisher (Don) of Concord, Susan Hatch (John) of Appomattox, Laura Stone (Steve) of Lynchburg, and Cameron Perry Jr. (Debbie) of Rustburg, a sister, Nancy Fitzgerald; a special "son", Bert Dodson Jr., a special friend, Joanne Kimball, and her caregiver April Witcher. In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her daughter; Carmen (Linda) Perry, her two sons; Bobby Taylor Jr. and Stanley Taylor, and a granddaughter; Monica Reynolds. Ruth was a very special Gold Star Mother that loved being around veterans, she was a member of the Vietnam Veterans Rolling Thunder, American Legion Post #16, a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lynchburg Chapter #196 and many others. She lived with her son, Chuck Perry and daughter-in-law Frances. The family received friends at their residence; 85 Peaceful Lane, Rustburg, VA. The American Legion Post #16 hosted a memorial service at a later date.

DANNY EDWARD TOWNSEND - Died Wednesday, April 27, 2022 at Jackson Madison County Hospital in Jackson, Tennessee at the age of 74. He was a resident of Parsons. Tennessee. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Jackson, Tennessee on December 7, 1947 to the late Byron and Ruth Townsend. Mr. Townsend proudly served his country as a member of the United States Navy from April 3, 1967 to January 4, 1972. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Linden Chapter #1123. He is survived by his wife, Agnes Graves Townsend of Parsons; daughters, Terra (Shannon) Blackstock of Parsons and April (Adam) Brasher of Medina, Tenn.; step-daughters, Charlotte (Mark) Taylor of Decaturville and Andrea (Glynn) Adkins of Bath Springs, Tenn.; brother, Curtis Townsend of Parsons; sisters, Linda Harrington of Decaturville, Tenn., Penny Tucker of Scotts Hill, Tenn. and Peggy Norman of Parsons; twelve grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ruth Townsend and Byron Townsend; brother, Gene Townsend; and sister, Susan Waller. Visitation for Mr. Danny was on Friday, April 29, 2022 from 5:00 – 9:00 PM. Visitation continued on Saturday, April 30, 2022 from 11:00 AM until time of service. A celebration of life service was held on Saturday, April 30, 2022 at 1:00 PM at Parsons Mortuary Chapel. The burial was at a later date in the Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery at Parkers Crossroads.

JAMES EDWIN "Jim" VAUGHAN — Died Thursday, March 24, 2022 in Walterboro, South Carolina at the age of 86. The cause of death was leukemia. He was born on September 7, 1935. Jim was a Vietnam veteran who served his country and retired from the United States Air Force and a loving father to his son, James I Vaughan. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America — Savannah (Georgia) #671**. Mr. Vaughan was voted 2012 Chatham County Veteran of the Year and was very instrumental in collecting food for the Old Savannah City Mission at Christmas time. We will remember him for his strong military support and his care and loving smile for his family. The funeral service was held on Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM at the Sauls Funeral Home in Ridgeland, SC. In lieu of flowers, please consider memorial donations, in the name of James E. Vaughan, to the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter #671, Savannah, GA where he was a member.

WILBUR LEE WALK, SR. - Died Sunday, October 6, 2019 at his home in Altoona, Pennsylvania at the age of 76, surrounded by loving family and friends. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 16, 1943 in Altoona to the late Wilbur Walk and Jacqueline A. (née White) Walk. On November 5, 1966 he married R. Lucille "Lucy" (née Boyles) Walk in Bellwood. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Lucy; two sons, Wilbur L Walk, Jr. and wife Denise, and Robert A. Walk and wife Priscilla; two beautiful granddaughters Judith M. and Alyvia D. Walk; sister-in-laws Louise Beck, Pat Bush, and Roxanne (Jay) Miller; Aunt Helen Walk all of

Bellwood; special friend Steve Cooney and family; as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins and his furry friends Rylee and Sneakers. Along with his parents, Wilbur was preceded in death by his sister Judith A. Walk and favorite uncle Will "Widge" Walk. He lived in Garden Heights since third grade and still maintains friendships with childhood friends Dick Harris and Bob Miller. He graduated from Altoona High School after which he joined the United States Army. He served two tours of duty in Vietnam as a Specialist 4. He received the Department of Army Commendation Medal for Heroism. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Altoona Chapter. Wilbur retired with 38 years of service from Fonda/West Vaco, Williamsburg. Upon retirement he enjoyed day hiking, fishing, bowling, NASCAR, Penn State, and Steeler football and ham radio. His favorite past-time was woodworking, making furniture, lawn ornaments and toys for family and friends. He especially loved doing projects, blowing bubbles and playing games with his "pickle" Judith. Friends were received from 2:00-4:00 PM and again from 6:00-8:00 PM on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at The Good Funeral Home, Inc., Alto Reste. A funeral service took place at the funeral home at 11:00 AM on October 10, 2019. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Wilbur's name may be made to either Mending Hearts or the Humane Society.

MICHAEL L. WALTERS – Died Saturday, April 2, 2022 in Kettering, Ohio at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Dayton, Ohio on August 7, 1947. He served in the United States Navy from April 1965 tp January 5, 1970 with a tour in Vietnam from January 1969 to January 1970. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97.

<u>WILLIAM C. WEST, JR.</u> – Died Friday, April 15, 2022 in Triangle, Virginia at the age of 75. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland on January 5, 1947. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Woodbridge Chapter #617**.

**FLORENCE V. WESTMORELAND** - Died Monday February 28, 2022 in Lakeland, Florida at the age of 80. She was formerly of Stoneville, North Carolina. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on December 10, 1941. She was a *Life Member* of **Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Crossville (***Tennessee***) Chapter #1015**. A graveside service was held at the Lakeland Funeral Home and Memorial Gardens on Friday March 4, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

ROBERT JOHN WILKINSON - Died Monday, April 18, 2022 at his home in Michigan Center, Michigan at the age of 73, surrounded by family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 20, 1949 in Jackson, Michigan to the late Donald and Trixie (née Noyes) Wilkinson. Robert is survived by his wife, Darlene (née Goldstein) Wilkinson; three sons, Alan (Julie Rosier) Wilkinson, Keith (Tami) Wilkinson, and Randy (Celia) Wilkinson; thirteen grandchildren, Kaylie

(Jacob) Sloan, Ashley Ostrander, Chelsi White, Christopher Dew, Corey Ostrander, Brooklynn Ostrander, Catlin Wilkinson, Mitchell Ostrander, Macy Wilkinson, Jack Wilkinson, Carter Wilkinson, Emma Wilkinson, and Grace Wilkinson; six great grandchildren; three siblings, Vicki (Roger) Kirk, Mary (Mark) Dodes, and Don "Butch" (Elle) Wilkinson; one brother-in-law, Jerry Goldstein; many nieces and nephews; and several friends. He will also be dearly missed by his dog "Buster". He was preceded in passing by his parents; his mother-in-law, Jane R. Rykerd; and two sisters-in-law, Mary Beth Goldstein and Patricia A. Goldstein. Robert served our country in the United States Navy during Vietnam. He was a Life Member and President of Vietnam Veterans of America – Jackson Chapter #109 since 2012. He enjoyed Classic Cars and Farmall Tractors and restored a 1971 Camaro from the ground up. His hobbies included fishing, hunting, and spending time up north at "Manland", but most importantly he loved spending time with his family. Robert and his wife, Darlene traveled all over watching their grandchildren excel in everything they did, whether it was sporting events, band concerts, or dances. Robert was also well known in the community and retired from East Jackson Community Schools after 39 years as the Director of Operations. He was also an active longtime member of the Redeemer Lutheran Church. At his request cremation has taken place and a memorial service to honor his life was held at the Redeemer Lutheran Church, 3637 Spring Arbor Road, Jackson, MI on Saturday, April 23, 2022 beginning at 11:00 AM with Pastor Zach Holdorf officiating. The family received friends for visitation on Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Hampton Funeral Home in Jackson from 4:00 until 7:00 PM and again on Saturday at the church from 10:00 AM until the time of the service. Those who wish may make memorial contributions to the Vietnam Veterans Chapter #109 or to Redeemer Lutheran Church. Please visit www.hamptonfuneralhomes.com to sign the guestbook and/or send a condolence to the family. The Hampton Funeral Home – Jackson was in charge of all the arrangements.

Plainfield, New Jersey at the age of 75, with his loving wife at his side. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Irvington, New Jersey on July 20, 1946 to the late Anthony and Elenor (née Wilczewski) Zelek. He was a resident of South Plainfield for the majority of his life. In 1966, after graduating from South Plainfield High School, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and was honorably discharged as a Lance Corporal in 1972. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – New Brunswick Chapter #233**. Anthony first entered the workforce as a truck driver for Baron Motor Carriers in Newark prior to opening his own repair shop in 1980, the New Market Auto Service in Piscataway which is currently operated by his son. As an avid sports enthusiast and proud grandparent, Mr. Zelek loved watching his entire grandchildren flourish at their extracurricular activities. Whether it was wrestling, baseball, dancing, acting or any activity, each of his grandchildren all excelled in their respective right. In addition to his family time Anthony also enjoyed to watch racing and fish and will always be remembered for his fatherly

type mannerisms he so naturally extended to all he knew. Predeceased by his sister Carolyn, Anthony leaves behind his childhood sweetheart of fifty-one years, who he met and has been with since middle school; Joann (Bazarnicki) Zelek and their children; son, Albert Zelek and his partner Elise Betyemen and daughter, Lori-Ann White; his grandchildren; Samantha and Bradley Zelek and Anthony, Bobby and Christyann White; his sister, Arlene Stemmer and his four-legged friend, Penny. Also surviving are the extended members of the Betyemen family; Allyson, Logan and Jenna as well as numerous extended dear relatives and friends. Visitation was held on Thursday, April 14, 2022 beginning at 5:00 PM with funeral services and the rendering of military honors at 7:45 PM in the McCriskin-Gustafson Home for Funerals, 2425 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ. Anthony was laid to rest privately at Holy Redeemer Cemetery, South Plainfield. In Lieu of flowers please consider making a donation in Anthony's name to further benefit the South Plainfield Wrestling Club, 1250 Maple Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

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!