DONALD L. "Don" AGUE, JR. - Died Monday, November 14, 2022 at the Clarissa C. Cook Hospice House in Bettendorf, lowa at the age of 78, surrounded by his loving family. He was a resident of Silvis, Illinois. The cause of death was peripheral vascular disease of the lower extremities and lung cancer. Don was born on February 20, 1944 at the Hammond Henry Hospital in Geneseo, Illinois to the late Donald L. Ague, Sr. and Virginia (née Graehling) Ague. He married Bonnie Day on October 8, 1977 in Moline, Illinois. Don attended Riverdale High School in Port Byron. He was a proud United States Navy Vietnam Veteran serving on the USS Constellation from 1963-1967. Don was a member of The Gathering Church, Silvis Garden Club and a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Moline Chapter #669. He spent his career as a tool and die-maker at Swan Engineering, from which he retired in 2009 as a tool room manager. He volunteered much of his time for Habitat for Humanity Restore. Don was an avid gardener and a talented woodworker, having crafted lovely furniture for the home, and gifts for family and friends. Don is survived by his wife of 45 years, Bonnie; daughters, Wendy Teague, Bettendorf, and Crissy (Tim) Terry, Des Moines, eight grandchildren; eleven great grandchildren; brother Emery (Deb) Ague, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Dale and LeRoy Ague, and sisters, Sharlyne Fuller and Pam Barnett. Don was a kind, loving, generous man who will be missed by all who knew him. According to his wishes, cremation rites were accorded, and memorial services were held at 10:00 AM on Monday, November 21, 2022 at the Esterdahl Mortuary and Crematory, Ltd., Moline. Memorial visitation was from 3:00-5:00 PM on Sunday at the funeral home. The inurnment was held at the National Cemetery, Rock Island Arsenal, with military honors conducted by the Rock Island VVA Chapter #299. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Love Hope Project.

<u>HENRY NEIL AHRENS</u> – Died Friday, December 30, 2022 in Avon Park, Florida at the age of 75. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Gainesville, Florida on March 20, 1947. He is survived by his wife, Florence. He served in United States Army from November 15, 1965 to November 14, 1968 with a tour of duty in Vietnam from 1967 to 1969. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Sebring Chapter #1097**.

CHARLES EDWARD ARDINGER — Died Tuesday, January 3, 2023 in Decorah, Iowa at the age of 80, after a brief hospital stay at Gundersen Hospital in La Crosse, Wisconsin. The cause of death is unknown. Charles was born in Norfolk, Virginia on July 7, 1942, to the late Ralph and Clara Ardinger. He graduated from Spring Grove High School in 1960. After high school, he joined the United States Navy. On July 2, 1965, he married Georginia Leader in San Francisco, California. His various duty stations included Recruit Training, Great Lakes, Ill.; Atlantic Reserve Fleet, Orange, Tex.; USS Mattaponi AO 41, San Francisco; CHB Subic Bay, PI, Danang, Vietnam; USS

Graffias AF 29, San Francisco; USS Catskill MCS-1, Long Beach; River Assault Squadron 15, Boat Captain of Tango 151-11, Mekong Delta, Vietnam; U.S. Naval Training Center, Hancock, Mich.; U.S. Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; and Correctional Center, Corpus Christi, Tex. After his 22 ½ year retirement from the U.S. Navy in June 1980, he returned to the Mabel area and bought and remodeled his grandmother's house in Hesper. He was a member of the American Legion Color Guard and Memorial Detail. He had worked for Jimmy Brown's Tree Service and Ardell Peterson. He also maintained the Hesper Lutheran Cemetery and oversaw the veterans' headstones, and loved riding in his golf cart visiting his Hesper neighborhood, and friends. I know I will miss him doing the cooking, washing the clothes, filling the coffee pot with water, shopping for groceries, opening the mail, and wrapping packages to send, to just mention a few things. He was a member of the Hesper Lutheran Church, life member of the American Legion, AMVETS, Disabled American Veterans, Military Order of the Purple Heart, Mobile Riverine Force Association, VFW, and Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Mason City Chapter #790; and a member of the Fleet Reserve Association, USS Graffias, USS Mattaponi, and Guantanamo Bay Association. He was past commander of the American Legion Post 299 and the VFW Post 5769 in Mabel and past treasurer and membership chairman of the Mobile Riverine Force Association. Charles is survived by his wife Georginia, son Charles Ardinger, Jr. (Teresa), cousin Rita Anderson, nephews Doug (Kristy), Brian, and Greg; and other nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents Ralph and Clara, grandparents Julius and Hilda Selness and Nellie Ardinger, his brother and sister-in-law Ralph and Ingrid Ardinger, and father and motherin-law Russell and Belle Leader. Fair winds and following seas. The funeral service was at 11:00 AM on Friday, January 13, 2023 at the Hesper Lutheran Church in Hesper, Iowa, with Pastor Dave Werges officiating. Visitation was from 4:00-6:00 PM at the Hesper Lutheran Church in Hesper and one hour prior to services at the Church. The burial was in the Hesper Lutheran Cemetery. The Mengis Funeral Home in Mabel was in charge of the arrangements.

THOMAS E. "Tom" ARPIN - Died Friday, October 28, 2022 at the HopeHealth Hulitar Hospice Center in Providence, Rhode Island at the age of 77. He was a resident of West Warwick, Rhode Island. The cause of death is unknown. He was the beloved husband of 43 years of Ethel D. (née MacNamee) Arpin. He was born in Cranston, Rhode Island, one of ten children born to the late Robert L. and Helene M. (née Barker) Arpin. Tom will be remembered as a hardworking and strong man. He was a truck driver for many years for the Arpin Trucking Company. In his free time, he enjoyed traveling and time spent with family and friends. He served in the United States Army from August 3, 1966 to August 2, 1968 during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Oxford (Florida) Chapter #1036. Family and friends were invited to Tom's Military Funeral Service Honors on Thursday, November 3, 2022 at 12:30 PM at the Rhode Island Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Exeter. A funeral procession was formed at the main entrance at 12:15 PM. The funeral arrangements were made by the Iannotti Funeral Home.

RAY ALLEN AUCOIN - Died Wednesday, December 28, 2022 at a local hospital in Lake Charles, Louisiana at the age of 75. He was a resident of Lake Charles. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 1, 1947 on the Lacassine Bayou, Louisiana to the late Allen and Rita Aucoin. Ray was a graduate of LaGrange High School class of 1967. He served in the United States Army during Vietnam in the infantry as a Sergeant E-5. He retired from the Calcasieu Parish School Board after 33 years where he was the Director of Maintenance. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lake Charles Chapter #1098. One of Ray's passions was cars and especially drag racing. Ray's passion for drag racing was so great he was honored by being sponsored by Budweiser Racing for many years. He also enjoyed classic cars, especially his own personal 1969 Camaro. Ray was an all-around outstanding man with an amazingly generous heart that loved to help anyone with anything. He is survived by the love of his life and wife off 55 years Ruth (Nell) (née Soileau) Aucoin, one son, Monty Aucoin and his wife Nashonna, two granddaughters, Lexi Aucoin and Morgan Williams, two grandsons, Noah Aucoin and Ashtean Aucoin, three Great-grandchildren, one sister, Linda Fuselier, two God-daughters Charlene Helton and Angie Fuselier plus a host of friends and extended family. He was preceded in death by his parents, his daughter, Monique Aucoin, his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Leroy and Beulah Soileau, his brother in law, Larry Fuselier and his best friend Bubba Buller. Visitation for Ray was held on Saturday, December 31, 2022 beginning at 10:00 AM at the Johnson Funeral Home, 4321 Lake Street, Lake Charles, LA. 70605. Funeral services were held on Saturday, December 31, 2022 at 11:00 AM also at the funeral home. Burial and military honors were at the Prien Memorial Park Cemetery.

CHESTER HERBERT "Chet" BALL, JR. – Died Wednesday, November 2, 2022 in Fredonia, New York at the age of 79, with his devoted family beside him. The cause of death is unknown. Chet was born in Fredonia on June 19, 1943 the only son of the late Chester Herbert Ball, Sr. and Mary Agnes (née Oddo) Ball. He graduated from Fredonia High School in 1961 with a Regents Diploma. After a semester at SUNY Fredonia, he enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1962. Chet attended Language School, and after learning Russian served in the 28th Bomb Wing (H) at Ellsworth Air Force Base in Rapid City, SD. While stationed there, Chet became fond of the area, and returned to visit many times as a civilian. He volunteered in 1964 to deploy to Vietnam and served in the 6255th CAMRON (Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron). Chet earned the Good Conduct Medal, the Marksman Medal, the Purple Heart (which he refused), and several other commendations. He worked at Allegheny Ludlum Steel as a machinist apprentice before joining the U.S. Postal Service, first as a carrier and then as a clerk. He retired in 2003 after 35 years of service. He was a Life Member of American Legion Post #59, Veterans of Foreign Wars

Post #1395, and Vietnam Veterans of America – Jamestown Chapter #865. Chet enjoyed reading, watching the History, Discovery and Military channels, and was a lifelong enthusiast of trains and model railroading. He did daily Sudoku and crossword puzzles in ink, rarely making a mistake. He is survived by his loving wife, Patricia, whom he married in 1968 at Our Lady of Victory Basilica in Lackawanna, NY. Chet is also survived by his daughter Kimberley de Terra (Melvin) Ingram of Fredonia; sons: John Chester (Sara) Ball (children Jack, Thomas, and Mary) of Narragansett, RI, and Matthew James Ball (daughter Carlin, significant other Susanne Wolfe) of Sparks, MD. Several cousins also survive. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sister, Rita Eileen Joy. Chet has graciously donated his body to the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at University at Buffalo. A Memorial Mass was celebrated at Saint Anthony Church, Orchard and Cushing Streets in Fredonia, on Saturday, November 19th at 11:00 AM with Reverend Father Joseph Walter officiating. Following the Mass, the family hosted a brunch at Cassadaga American Legion Post #1280, 228 Maple Avenue in Cassadaga. Military honors were accorded by that Cassadaga American Legion Post #1280. The family suggested memorials be made to the Lakeshore Humane Society, 431 East Chestnut Street, Dunkirk, NY 14048, or to Darwin R. Barker Library Association, 7 Day Street, Fredonia, NY 14063, or to a charity of one's choice. The arrangements were made by the McGraw-Kowal Funeral Home.

at the age of 81. The cause of death was cardiac arrest. He was born in Dresden, Germany on May 5, 1941 to the late Willmar and Marietta Theresia (née Klasse) von Biedenfeld. He arrived in the United States shortly after the end of World War II. He served in the United States Army from 1960 to 1980 with a tour in Vietnam from 1965 to 1966. He was a *Life Member* and *President* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – San Jacinto** (*Richmond*) Chapter #343, Commander of the Disabled American Veterans Chapter #9, a member of Catholic War Veterans, the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was awarded the Legion of Honor and induction into the Chapel of Four Chaplains. He was predeceased by his wife of 53 years, Patsy Ann (née Grogan) Biedenfeld. He is survived by his sister and brother-in-law, Maria Pia Van Augen (Richard), of Illinois; his son and daughter-in-law, Nikolaus German and Nakivia von Biedenfeld; his daughter, Erika Biedenfeld; his daughter and son-in-law, Alexis and Thomas von Biedenfeld; his son and daughter-in-law, Dietrich and Maria Camila von Biedenfeld; his son-in-law, David Hendrix; his nephew Kurt and Jennifer; his niece Jamie and Richie and great-nephews and great-nieces, Dexter, Priscilla and "Baby" Wulfie; twelve grandchildren, and; three great-grandchildren.

<u>DARRELL MICHAEL BREEDLOVE</u> – Died Wednesday, January 25, 2023 in the Zephyrhills Correctional Institute in Zephyrhills, Florida at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 1, 1944. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Zephyrhills Chapter #195**.

MARGUERITE LANGFORD "Margie" BUHLER - Died Saturday, November 12, 2022 at Sutter Hospital, Roseville, California at the age of 81, after a year-long struggle with cancer. She was a resident of Lincoln, California. She was born in Person County, North Carolina on July 30, 1941 to the late Berkley A. Langford, Sr. and Georgia C. (née Richardson) Langford. She was raised in Roxboro, North Carolina. She is survived by her husband, Fred Buhler, and her brother, Berkley A. Langford, Jr. and his wife Peggy, and her sisters Lois L. Bradsher, Rachel Layne and her husband James, and Audrey L. Wade, as well as many nieces and nephews. Margie enlisted in the United States Women's Army Corps immediately after graduating from high school in 1959. In 1962 she was invited to attend Officer's Candidate School. She graduated second in her class in April 1963. Lt. Langford served at Fort Jackson and Letterman Army Hospital in the San Francisco Presidio. She was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for her service as Assistant to the Chief, Military Personnel Branch, Letterman Army Hospital. While on TDY for a week at Fort Irwin, she toured the 2nd Battalion, 34th Armor. Her tour guide was Fred Buhler, who was the Battalion's S-3 Air. Fred was so impressed by Margie's skill at driving an M-60 tank, he invited her to dinner. They were married three months later. In 1966 Fred, who now worked for Bank of America in San Francisco, was transferred to Buenos Aires. Margie resigned her commission and they were off on the first of a 32-year adventure that would take them to several countries in Latin America and the Caribbean, Europe, Asia and finally Canada. Margie had many interests. Margie enjoyed the outdoors. In Bolivia, Margie and Fred took frequent jeep camping trips in the Andes and hiked the Inca Trail over a 16,000-foot pass from Mina San Francisco to Mina Chojilla. While on home leave in 1972 they took a rafting trip down the Colorado River, through the Grand Canyon. In Canada, they hiked and went snow shoeing in the Adirondack Mountains in New York and in Ontario, with temperatures that got as low as minus 25 degrees. In Paraguay, Margie used her ham radio to help Peace Corps Volunteers call their families in the U.S. when they came into Asunción for meetings each month. She also worked with a medical net to obtain medicine in the U.S. that was not available in Paraguay. Working with doctors in the U.S. using her ham radio, medicine was delivered to Pan Am pilots who brought the medicine down from the U.S. to Paraguay. In her spare time, she worked with Hospital Bautista to write a procedures manual for a volunteer ladies group that supported the hospital. In Manila, Margie sat on the Woman's Board of Saint Luke's Hospital. Founded in 1908, the Women's Board is dedicated to supporting the Hospital with a variety of programs. Margie loved square-dancing. In Santo Domingo, she organized a square-dancing group using recorded square-dance callers Fred's mother had given her. While living in Miami, Margie graduated with Honors from Miami-Dade Community College with a major in Art. She also worked at the New Horizons Community Mental Health Center for senior citizens. When Fred and Margie moved to London, Margie attended the Cordon Bleu Cookery School. Following Fred's retirement in 1998 they moved to Nevada City, California. Their home was on six acres east of Nevada City. They bought six goats to help clear the land. Together with her dogs, Margie had great fun with the goats. Margie received awards at the Nevada County Fair for her art and photography. Margie was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Grass Valley Chapter #535, serving on the local chapter's board for several years. She was instrumental in helping to form the Nevada County Veterans Council, serving as the council's secretary. After Fred returned from an assignment with the Treasury Department in Iraq in 2004, Margie and Fred formed Friends of Nevada County Military, a non-profit whose mission was to support deployed troops and their families. Over the next eight years, FNCM sent more than 7,000 gift boxes to our troops. The monthly packing parties provided a gathering point for families whose sons and daughters were deployed. The group also made many trips to Sacramento Airport to welcome our troops home. In 2014, Fred and Margie moved to Sun City Lincoln Hills, Lincoln, California. Together with friends, they traveled often in their RV in the Western U.S. and Alaska, and made two trips to Virginia and North Carolina to visit Margie's family. Margie was buried with Military Honors on January 20, 2023 at 10:45 AM in the Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon, California. A Memorial Service for Margie was held on January 21, 2023 at 11:00 AM at the Lincoln Community Church, 950 East Joiner Parkway, Lincoln, Calif. As an expression of sympathy, instead of flowers Margie's family welcomes a donation to The Salt Mine, 590 Lincoln Boulevard, Lincoln, CA 95648. The Salt Mine supports the homeless and families in need. Margie and Fred have supported The Salt Mine for a number of years.

RICHARD LEE BURNS - Died Saturday, January 7, 2023 in Macomb Township, Michigan at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. Richard was born on March 23, 1945 in Port Huron, Michigan to the late Robinson Edwin and Blanche Elizabeth (née Kice) Burns, Sr. Richard joined the United States Marine Corps in 1963 and went to war, serving in Vietnam for over a year, before he was injured and sent home in 1965. He was an honorary member of Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund and a Life Member of DAV, VFW, Vietnam Veterans of America - Clinton Township Chapter #154. On August 31, 1968, he married Connie Kay Darr in Mount Clemens, Michigan. Richard was a life-long member of Restored Church of Christ and his life was lead as a reflection of his faith. He was ordained in 1982 and served the Lord as a Priest in his church. Richard also has the honor of baptizing his four grandchildren and son-in-law. Richard and Connie owned and operated a reupholster company for 28 years. He enjoyed fishing, bowling, rifle and bow hunting, camping, boating and being on the water. Richard loved spending time with his family and many friends. He will be greatly missed. Richard is survived by his wife of 54 years, Connie; daughter, Michelle Lynn (Shaun) Turner; grandchildren, Derrick Robert Embree, Brandon Lloyd Embree, Chad Lee Embree and Emma Love Turner; great-grandson, Lincoln Robert Embree; brother, Robison E. Burns, Jr.; sister-in-law, Patricia Burns; and many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Richard is preceded in death by his siblings, Barbara J. Myers, Mary Cargill and William R. Burns; and parents. Visitation for Richard took place on Friday, January 13, 2023 from 3:00 to 9:00 PM at the Hauss-Modetz Funeral Home, 47477 Romeo Plank, Macomb. The funeral service was at 1:00 PM with an instate time of 12:00 Noon on Saturday, January 14, 2023 at the funeral home. Military honors were immediately following the funeral. The burial for Richard was private for his family. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to the family of Richard in c/o Connie Burns.

<u>CLIFFORD E. BUTLER</u> – Died Thursday, December 8, 2022 in Highlands Ranch, Colorado at the age of 91. The cause of death was a stroke. He was born on October 15, 1931. He served in the United States Army and the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Aurora Chapter #1106**.

<u>JOHNNIE MAX BYRAM</u> - Died Saturday, December 3, 2022 in Sierra Vista, Arizona at the age of 87. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 26, 1935. He served in the United States Army from September 12, 1950 to 1986. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Sierra Vista Chapter #1093**. The Hatfield Funeral Home in Sierra Vista was in charge of the arrangements.

WILLIAM T. "Bill" CARLESS – Died Saturday, December 10, 2022 in Jackson, Michigan at the age of 68. The cause of death is unknown. Bill was born on January 19, 1954 in Kane, Illinois. Bill was a Vietnam veteran and was always proud that he took the ultimate sacrifice to serve America. With over 30 years of Active and Reserve time, he was committed to his duty as a Sargent (E5) with the United States Army. He loved his Jeeps (especially that red Cherokee), playing Keno and pull tabs, and basically anything to do with guns (excellent gun repairman). He was a longtime member of the American Legion (Posts #29 and #324) and was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Jackson Chapter #109. He served the community in Jackson and always knew someone for the job (if he didn't already know how to do it himself). He was a general contractor of his own business, Eagle General Building Maintenance, where he even took Chance under his wing and taught him almost everything he knew with electrical work and housing maintenance. He was also a faithful Catholic man in life. Bill was survived by his only son, Chance Carless and his wife Skylar, his sister Kathy Pearson and her husband Buzz, and lifelong partner Carolyn DeLong. He joined his parents and unborn grandchild in Heaven. There was a Celebration of Life for Bill at the American Legion Post #29 on January 11, 2023 from 1:00-3:00 PM. We will be accepting donations sent via PayPal, Cash App, by mail, or at the Celebration of Life in person. All donations will be totaled and divided in half, then donated to the Vietnam Veterans of America and the Wounded Warrior Project in honor of Bill. The Desnoyer Funeral Home, Family Owned for 132 Years was in charge of the arrangements.

at Saint Vincent Hospital in Green Bay, Wisconsin at the age of 75, due to complications brought on by Agent Orange. He was a resident of Felch, Michigan. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 21, 1947 in Loudon, Tennessee to the late Frank and Beatrice (née Cadle) Carpenter. A United States Army war veteran who served his country faithfully in Vietnam, was awarded numerous decorations, citations and medals including a Purple Heart for wounds

received in action. He served from October 31, 1968, was part of the 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry, known as the "First Regiment of Dragoons", and was honorably discharged on March 12, 1970. Frank, known by his friends and family as Ted, was a skilled woodworking craftsman who loved riding his Harley Davidson, touring the U.P. countryside and Montana with his wife. An electrician by trade, Ted built his log cabin with his bare hands. A strong loyalty to his country and his faith in Jesus Christ, Ted was known for his white beard and gruff exterior. He was a member of Mission Covenant Church in Foster City, the NRA (Lifetime member), the DAV, VFW, Order of the Purple Heart and an At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Michigan. To people who knew him personally, Ted was quick to laugh and always up for a good joke. Ted was blessed with a large and loving family. He was married to his wife of 51 years, Judy (née Vergowven) Carpenter on June 20, 1971 in Dundee Michigan. Ted was a father to his two children, grandfather to four grandchildren, one great-granddaughter, brother, and friend to many. He will be sorely missed by his loved ones. He is survived by this wife, Judy; his daughter, Amy (Robert) Baker; his son, Jeremiah (Kelly) Carpenter; his grandchildren, Brandi (Jonathan) Palmer, Brayden, Nadia, and Scarlett Carpenter; his great-granddaughter, Aubrey Palmer; his three brothers, Phillip, Timothy and Mark; his two sisters, Rena Standifer and Becky Gerth; and several nieces and nephews. Ted was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Ava Marie; his sister-in-law, Roxane Carpenter; and a brother-in-law, Gary Standifer. Visitation was held from 9:30 to 11:00 AM on Thursday, November 3rd at Mission Covenant Church in Foster City. Funeral services were at 11:00 AM at the church. Pastor Kyle Henderson officiated. The burial was in the Felch Cemetery. The Felch-Breen VFW Post #4803 conducted the military graveside honors. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) or the veterans organization of your Condolences to the family of Ted Carpenter may be expressed online choice. at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com. The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the arrangements.

JAMES WILLIAM "Jim" CARR - Died Saturday, December 17, 2022 in Green Cove Springs, Florida at the age of 82. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Paragould, Arkansas on July 25, 1940 to the late Ben and Norma (née Cline) Carr. Jim proudly served his country for over 20 years in the United States Army. His Army service included service in Vietnam, Africa, and Germany. After his retirement from the Army, Jim worked for more than ten years with the IRS. He was very proud of his country and his military service. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Orange Park Chapter #1059. He was a quiet man, was very sweet to his grandchildren, and kind to his neighbors. Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Ben and Norma Carr; and a daughter, Hellen Heyer. He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Sumi Carr; two sons, Tony Carr and Ike Ettinger (Shannon); two daughters, Penny Carr and Cathy Wright; two brothers, Wayne Carr (Shalia) and Garry Carr (Pam); one sister, Janet Hicks; and eight grandchildren, Dylan, Dawson, Derek, Rachel, Robin, Hannah, Halley and Hattie. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at 2:00 PM in the chapel at Russell Haven of Rest with Patrick Martin officiating. Visitation with the family began at 1:30 PM. The burial with military honors was in the Russell Haven of Rest Cemetery. The arrangements were

under the care of Russell Haven of Rest Cemetery, Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2335 Sandridge Road, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043. Family and friends may share their condolences at: www.RHRFH.com.

PHILLIP LEON "Phil" CHIK (USAF, COL-Ret.) – Died Saturday, November 19, 2022 in Reno, Nevada at the age of 78. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Los Angeles, California on May 14, 1944 to the late Frank P. Chik and Marjorie A. (née Plunkett) Chik. Shortly after his birth, Phil said that his "parents up and moved me from Los Angeles to Fort Logan, Colorado without even asking me." But, although he was not allowed to grow up in Los Angeles, he was of the opinion that the move was fortuitous. Fort Logan, a Denver suburb with open, grassy areas where kids could play for hours, was a great place to be a kid. Phil had a grand time riding his bike and playing war and baseball with his buddies, some of whom he had contact with until his passing. Phil's first memory of school was that "it was like going to Grandma's house because my teacher looked like a grandma, and we kids, did fun things and ate cookies." He loved school and excelled at Fort Logan Elementary, receiving straight A's in every class. He loved school not only because he was learning interesting things, but because there were so many kids there to talk to, which resulted in his fourth grade teacher sending home a note in his report card that stated, "Phil is an excellent student but he talks long and loud. Please help!" Although he talked a lot, he still managed to stop talking long enough to letter in basketball, football and track. Phil grew up Catholic and thought that he would enjoy the experience of an all-boys Catholic Christian Brothers high school, which he attended for a year at Mullen High in Denver. That is until, he said, he "discovered girls." The discovery of girls brought him to Sheridan High School, in Sheridan, Colorado. Phil enjoyed Sheridan Union and girls so much that he received a Certificate of Award in his Junior year for being "Neither Absent nor Tardy" for 180 days." At Sheridan, Phil was on the "A" Squad Varsity Basketball team in his Senior year. He was active in several high school philanthropic programs and was named "Most Likely to Succeed" by his graduating classmates. Phil knew that he was college bound, and knew that he would need money to achieve his goals. So, during his high school years, he worked for several summers at a local fresh vegetable stand and rode his bike three miles to the stand and back every day. He also laughed about his father's claim that he paid for Phil's college, which was done by his father hiring Phil to work summers in his business of building and remodeling bowling alleys from Colorado to the Dakotas. Phil's hard work in school and outside of school paid off, and he received a full four-year Honors scholarship for college. He chose Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colorado and majored in Political Science with a minor in Journalism. At CSU he joined the Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity, because, although it was an agricultural fraternity, he "liked it better than the others." He was also initiated into the Delta Phi Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honor Society. While at CSU, Phil became CSU's Sports Editor and sincerely thought that he wanted to be a sports editor for the rest of his life. That is until his Freshman counselor advised Phil that CSU is a land grant college and that he would have to take either P.E. or ROTC (Reserve

Officer Training Corps). Although, he liked sports, he knew that he didn't want to take P.E., so he opted for ROTC. But, the turning point regarding his life-long career occurred when he was invited to join some of the other ROTC students on a flight on a military airplane. During the flight, each student was invited to come up to the cockpit and watch the pilots. That did it! He saw the instrument panel with all of those switches and lights and knew that he wanted to be a pilot. Phil graduated from CSU with a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science, and began his military career as a Second Lieutenant and Distinguished Graduate of the Reserve Officer Training Corps. He completed pilot training at Webb AFB, Texas, and F-4 Phantom fighter jet training at George AFB, CA. His Commanding Officer commented, "Lt. Chik is among the strongest F-4 pilots with whom I have ever been associated. The quality and quantity of his work has been markedly superior. Lt. Chik's strict adherence to professional standards, his ability and conscientiousness mark him as an outstanding officer." His first operational assignment was as an F-4 pilot with the 555th Tactical Fighter Squadron (Triple Nickel), at Udorn, Thailand, where he flew 222 combat missions during the Vietnam War flying his favorite fighter, the F-4. A bit o' the Irish luck followed Phil everywhere he went. After the Vietnam War, instead of being sent back to the States where the returning military were treated poorly, Phil and his family were sent to RAF Bentwaters, England. At Bentwaters, he flew with the 91st Squadron where he established lifelong friendships. Life was good! Upon returning to the U.S. Phil was assigned to the 49th TFW (Tactical Fighter Wing), Holloman AFB, New Mexico. At Holloman, he was an F-4 Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, and Chief of Wing Stan-Eval. After Holloman, he left active duty and joined the Missouri Air National Guard flying F-100s, and also graduated from Air Command and Staff College. A year later he moved to the Air Force Reserve with the 301st TFW (Tactical Fighter Wing) at Carswell AFB, Texas, where he flew the F-105 and the F-4. He served as an Instructor Pilot, Flight Commander, and Chief of Wing Stan-Eval. Also, while with the 301st he worked in F-16 fighter aircraft marketing for General Dynamics. During this time, he completed his Master of Arts Degree in Guidance and Counseling from Ball State University. After the 301st he returned to active duty as the Air Force Reserve Advisor to Tactical Air Command, Langley, AFB, Virginia. Phil was an Outstanding Graduate of the National Defense University and was promoted to Colonel in 1989. In 1990, he graduated from the National War College in Washington, DC. Also, to complete his 28 years in the military he was sent to the Pentagon. Phil, with his characteristic positive attitude, remarked with a smile that it was great place to be a Colonel as he was the Air Force Reserve Component Advisor to the Air Force Director of Operations, Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans and Operations, Headquarters United States Air Force, the Pentagon, Washington, DC. Phil was a Command Pilot with more than 3,500 hours in fighter aircraft. His military medals, ribbons and trophies include the Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Meritorious Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Medal with one Silver and one Oak Leaf Cluster, Combat Readiness Medal with one Silver and one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, National Defense Service Medal with one Bronze Star, Vietnam Service Medal with four Bronze Stars, Small Arms Expert Marksmanship RBN, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Gallantry Cross with Palm, Vietnam Campaign Medal with four Bronze Stars, the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm. And he was awarded The Tenth Air Force Annual Individual Fighter Gunnery Navigation Attack Award Trophy. Phil retired to Southern California in 1994. After retirement Phil was a volunteer with the Signal Hill, CA Police Department for three plus years, but, he yearned for something more challenging. Thus, in 1996 he began teaching JROTC (Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps) where he was an Aerospace Science Instructor, first at Buena Park High, and then at Mayfair High, in southern California. Phil's first wife, Rebecca (Reed) Chik, whose father was the last Commander of Stead AFB, died in 2006. A year after Rebecca died, Phil and Jan met in southern California. They married in 2010, and moved to Reno in 2012. He and Jan hiked and fly fished the eastern Sierra Nevada mountains and enjoyed being members of several local military and social groups. Phil was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Reno Chapter #989, MOAA, and the Quiet Birds. He enjoyed the camaraderie of these groups and rarely missed a meeting. During his retirement, his favorite pastimes were playing golf, watching football, and traveling the world with his wife. Phil was preceded in death by his mother and father, his sister Cinda Vaughn Chik and brother Frankie Paul Chik. Phil is survived by his wife, Jan Elaine Chik; his son, Phillip L. Chik, Jr., and his daughter, Marny Ann Maloney (Chik), who are his children from his marriage to Rebecca; his beloved grandchildren, Caroline Rebecca Maloney, Jack Phillip Maloney, and Cameron Patrick Maloney; his cousins Carleen Marie Moffett (Egildson), Gail Lynn Turner (Egildson), Kim Ann Egildson, and Stacie Ilene Onusic (Egildson); his brother-in-law John David Reed; sistersin-law Vonice Reed and Mary Reed; and numerous other relatives and friends who will greatly miss his pleasant personality, humor and smile. There was a memorial service with an Air Force Honor Guard at the Veteran's Memorial Cemetery in Fernley, Nevada on May 31st. Directly after the memorial service, a Celebration of Life was held at the Reno Elks Lodge. Specific information was sent out at a later date. "I have slipped the surly bonds of Earth, and danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings; Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth of sun-split clouds, — and done a hundred things You have not dreamed of—wheeled and soared and swung High in the sunlit silence....." For auld lang syne, my love. For auld lang syne........"

RAYMOND S. "Ray" CHRZAN - Died Thursday, December 22, 2022 in Enfield, Connecticut at the age of 81. He was formerly of Ludlow, Massachusetts. The cause of death was cancer. He was the son of the late Stanley and Clara (née Dziura) Chrzan. Born in Ludlow, he was a 1959 graduate of Cathedral High School. He furthered his education at Saint Francis Xavier University, Nova Scotia and Saint John Fisher College. Ray proudly served his country during the Vietnam War as a member of the United States Army. He was a member of the DAV Santucci Chapter #208 Rochester, NY, VFW, Past Commander of the American Legion Flower City Post #180, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #111. Returning to Ludlow, he was a member of the PAV of Wilbraham, Christ the King Parish Men's Guild, choir and trivia group, a pastime he enjoyed. Ray leaves his brother Richard Chrzan and his wife Eileen of Enfield, CT; his nephew Kevin Chrzan and his niece Lori Thompson, both of Enfield, CT. He also leaves great-niece and great-nephews Marina, Kyle and Cameron Thompson, along with his cousins Paul Chrzan and, John Struziak of Ludlow and Ronald Struziak of Longmeadow. Ray's

family would like to thank the staff at the Damour Cancer Center, Dr. Tsui, Dr. Kyle and the VA for all of their care and support. Visiting hours for Ray were held on Friday, December 30, 2022 from 9:00-10:30 AM at the Kapinos-Mazur Funeral Home, 64 Sewall Street, Ludlow, MA followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 11:00 AM in Saint Elizabeth Parish. Rites of Committal with Military Honors was held in Saints Peter and Paul Cemetery, Bondsville, MA. Donations in Ray's memory may be made to Christ the King Church, 41 Warsaw Avenue, Ludlow, MA 01056 or Saint Elizabeth Church, 181 Hubbard Street, Ludlow, MA 01056.

CHARLES MICHAEL "Mike" COLIGURE — Died Sunday, January 15, 2023 in McMurray, Pennsylvania at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 10, 1943. He was the beloved husband of 46 years to Georgine (née Fitz) Coligure; father of Robert S. Coligure; brother of Harry Robert Coligure; also survived by nieces, nephews, and great-nieces. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America — Freedom Chapter #862. The funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Szafranski-Eberlein Funeral Home, Inc., where family and friends were received on Sunday, January 22, 2023 from 2:00-6:00 PM at 101 3rd, Carnegie. A Blessing Service was held at the funeral home on Monday, January 23, 2023 at 12:15 PM. The burial with full Military Honors was in the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to: Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 Saint Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. https://www.stjude.org/donate/donate-to-st-jude.html. www.szafranski-eberleinfuneralhome.com.

HOMER FREDERICK "Skip" COOPER – Died Thursday, October 13, 2022 in Venice, Florida at the age of 75. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Michigan on December27, 1946. He served in the United States Army with a tour of duty in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Charlotte Chapter #1037 Homer Cooper.**

FRANK LEE CORFIELD - Died Monday, December 26, 2022 at Heritage Valoey in Sewickley, Pennsylvania at the age of 75. He was a resident of Freedom, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 21, 1947 in Sewickley to the late William A. and Barbara E. (née Weiser) Corfield. Lee was a Veteran of the United States Air Force, and he was an active *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Freedom Chapter #862**, a member of American Legion Post #116 and Post #512, and the VFW Post #128. He was also a member of the C-7A Caribou Association. Lee served 18 years with the Big Knob Volunteer Fire Dept., he was DJ

for over 25 years, known as 'Lee's Oldies Express.' He was a member of the Triple AAA Amateur Radio Association (N3IAL), and New Hope Lutheran Church in Economy Boro. Lee enjoyed riding his motorcycle (Patriot Guard Riders) and singing every opportunity he had including two Barbershop Quartets; 'Sweetwater Celebration' and 'A Special Blend.' Lee retired as a bricklayer for the Zinc Corp., after 32 years of service. Lee is survived by his wife of 52 years; Donna (née Carlin) Corfield; one daughter; Tracey (Fabian) Escamilla, two sons; Jason (Carrie) Corfield and Sean (Dawn) Corfield, nine grandchildren; Reno, Olivia, Skylar, Jordan, Siarra, Joey, Nina, David, and Andrew. And he will be sadly missed by his four legged companion Gizmo. In addition to his parents, Lee is preceded in death by a brother; Donald Corfield. Friends were received on Thursday, December 29, 2022 from 2:00-4:00 PM and from 6:00-8:00 PM and on Friday, December 30, 2022 from 10:00 AM until the time of a funeral service at 12:00 Noon at the Saul-Gabauer Funeral Home, Inc., 273 Route #68, Rochester (adjacent to the Sylvania Hills Memorial Park Mausoleum). The interment, including full military honors, provided by the VVA #862, was held at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies. If desired, memorial contributions can be made to the Vietnam Veterans of America #862, PO Box 26, Rochester, PA 15074.

CLEMENT R. "Clem" CWIKLINSKI, SR. – Died Friday, September 23, 2022 in Huber Heights, Ohio at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. Clem was born on July 8, 1946 in South Bend, Indiana to the late Clement and Dorothy Cwiklinski. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Ray Cwik and his wife, Joanne. He is survived by his loving wife of 53 years, Gloria Cwiklinski; children, Shirley (Vernon) Meyer and Clement (Erin) Cwiklinski Jr.; grandchildren, Cody T. Meyer, Anessa R. Cwiklinski and Travis C. Meyer; beloved cat, Gunsmoke; and many other relatives and friends. Clem graduated from Tri-State University. He enlisted in the United States Air Force, fought in the Vietnam War and retired after 26 ½ years of service. Clem worked for SEW Eurodrive in Troy, OH for 35 years. He was a devout member of Saint Peter Catholic Church, where he served as a Eucharistic Minister for the parish. Clem was a lifetime member of the VFW Post #3283, American Legion Post #200, AMVETS Post #464, Air Force Association and AARL Amateur Radio. He was also a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97. He held leadership roles in the Knights of Columbus as a Grand Knight, he was a Grand Commander in the Military Order of Cooties 2016-2017, Post Commander of the American Legion Post #200 and VFW Post Chaplain from 2020. Clem was an avid fan of the Cincinnati Bengals and Notre Dame Fighting Irish. A visitation was held from 5:00 to 8:00 PM on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 at the Newcomer North Chapel, 4104 Needmore Road, Dayton. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at Saint Peter Catholic Church, 6161 Chambersburg Road, Huber Heights, Ohio. Following the service, Clem was laid to rest at Dayton National Cemetery.

MARY ANN DALL - Died Sunday, December 25, 2022 at Garnet Health Medical Center in Middletown, New York at the age of 75. She was a resident of Middletown. The cause of death is unknown. She was born on January 7, 1947 in Warwick, New York to the late Clayton G. and Ruth E. Sherer. She was a retired teacher's aide for the George Robinson School at AHRC and longtime resident of the area. She graduated from Warwick Valley High School in 1965 and was a member of the Queen Village Queens – All Girl Drum and Bugle Corps. She met and married the love of her life, Robert E. Dall, whom she was married to for 50 years until his death in December of 2018. For many years Mary bowled in the Monday Night Women's Bowling League in Middletown. She enjoyed reading, crocheting, camping and decorating her home for every holiday. Mary was also a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – New Hampton Chapter #140, which she joined in support of her husband Robert. Mary was predeceased by her husband, Robert; her parents, Clayton and Ruth; her brothers, John (Jack) and James; and her favorite child, her dog, Duke. Survivors include her four daughters, Deborah Ann Alindogan (Ronald); Donna Marie Frank (Chuck); Rebeca Erin Strang (Brian) and Elizabeth Ruth Cruz (Carlos). She is also survived by her 17 grandchildren and 1 great-granddaughter. Her brother Robert Sherer and his wife Kathy of Warwick; her brother inlaw Edward Dall Jr. and his wife Jeanne of Goshen and her sister in-law Janice Dall of the State of Florida. She is also survived by her beloved nieces and nephews. Visitation hours were held on Wednesday December 28, 2022 from 2:00-4:00 PM and from 6:00-8:00 PM at the Ralston-Lippincott-Hasbrouck-Ingrassia Funeral Home, Inc. 72 West Main Street, Middletown, NY. A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday December 29, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Saint Joseph Church Cottage Street, Middletown, NY. Mary was buried next to her husband, Robert, a Vietnam Army Veteran, in the Orange County Veterans Cemetery Goshen, NY. In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Mary's name to the American Diabetes Association and the American Heart Association. The arrangements were made by the Ralston-Lippincott-Hasbrouck-Ingrassia Funeral Home, Inc. or www.ocfuneralhomes.com.

PHILIP JAMES "Phil" DeCISERO - Died Wednesday December 21, 2022 in Sterling, Massachusetts at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Clinton, Massachusetts on May 3, 1949 to the late Joseph and Maggie DeCisero. Phil was a devoted husband to his wife Pam for 52 years. They shared an incredible life together, filled with countless stories of their dedication and commitment each other. Together they had three children, Michael, Karen and Jillean, for whom he showered with a lifetime of love and wisdom. All the decisions in his life, revolved around or included the well-being of his offspring. He was the Father-in-law to Kristi and Erik, for whom he opened his arms and fully embraced in the light of his love from the very first visits. His greatest joy might have been, as grandfather to Viola,

Ashton and Karen Elizabeth. He devoted as much time and care and guidance to them as any human could muster. He was the son of Maggie and Joe, brother to Mary, son-in-law to Ray and Phylis, brother-in-law to Susan and Brian, and uncle and cousin to a clan who loved and honored him. Phil was a reliable and conscientious friend to a diverse set of people spread across the country. Although he was born in Clinton, and lived in Leominster and Sterling. He graduated from Clinton High (Class of 65), Worcester Institute of Technology, and later Boston University (as the first college graduate in his family). He served his country honorably as a United States Army Military Policeman in Vietnam. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Leominster Chapter #116. Upon his return, he began a career in the burgeoning computer companies (IBM, Wang, Digital) that began the computer revolution. And, when he lost his job in the downturn in the nineties, he decided to become an entrepreneur, opening Classic Car Wash and Fast Lube with his good friend, Ed McIntyre. But, his life's greatest accomplishment, was the nonprofit organization that he started in his daughter Karen's memory after his retirement. Karen's Closet was an effort to provide a return for all the investment that the schools of Leominster put into making Karen's life so full. The organization was started to provide the students and teachers of Leominster School district with the basics (clothing and school supplies) that allow them opportunity to succeed. He was exceedingly proud that it would continue its' mission long after him. Of the many pursuits Phil loved, traveling with friends and family topped the list. He relished in the planning of the adventures, as it offered him the chance to share those moments that only happen on a trip with people he loved. Phil also loved the feeling one gets from completing something big. He relished in designing and building multiple family homes. From two houses on Sunrise Ave to his masterpiece up on Nubble Point in York, Maine. His hobbies were vast and varied. He loved sporting adventures like golf, skiing and basketball. He treasured playing cards and board games of all stripes. He was always searching for spirited conversations of the politics of the day. But of all the things that Phil cherished, it was the time he spent with all the people in his life. He genuinely cared about your life and your success and your troubles and your family and everything that makes you, you. Please know that he thought much of you. Calling hours were held from 4:00 until 7:00 PM on Monday, December 26, 2022 at the Philbin-Comeau Funeral Home, 176 Water Street, Clinton. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, December 27, 2022 at Saint John the Evangelist Church, 80 Union Street, Clinton, with burial in Saint John's Cemetery, Lancaster. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Phil's memory to: Karen's Closet, www.karenscloset.org, P.O. Box 396, Leominster, MA 01453. Online condolences may be placed at www.philbincomeaufh.com.

ALICE JOSEPHINE DELGADO (USA, COL-Ret.) - Died Thursday, December 29, 2022 at the Palatka Center for Rehabilitation and Healing in Palatka, Florida at the age of 92, following an extended illness. She was a resident of Interlachen, Florida. The cause of death was from a fall she never recuperated from. She was born in Ybor City, Florida on July 12, 1930. Alice was a 1952

graduate of the Florida State College for Women (later renamed Florida State University) where she earned a Bachelor of Science in Psychology. A decorated career military officer and a veteran of the Vietnam War, Alice rose to the rank of Colonel in the United States Army where she was awarded a Bronze Star Medal for valor for rescuing occupants of a South Vietnamese hotel that was on fire after being bombed. Her other military awards and accolades included: two Republic of Vietnam Unit Citations; a Good Conduct Medal (received during her first year of service as an enlisted service member); the Army Commendation Medal with Two Oak Leaf Clusters; a Presidential Unit Citation; a Meritorious Service Medal with Two Oak Leaf Clusters; and the Legion of Merit. Alice had commanded the rifle squad in Interlachen; was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Orange Park Chapter #1059, a life member of the American Legion Post #293 (where she was instrumental in organizing the ceremonial rifle squad); and the Women's Army Corps Veterans Association in Fort McClellan, Alabama. Affectionately known by her family and friends as "Baby," Alice enjoyed fishing, the out-of-doors, and being of service to the community. She was a member of Liberty Baptist Church in Palatka. She was preceded in death by brothers, Reverend Oswald Delgado, Frank Delgado, WO Albert Delgado, U.S. Marine Corps (Ret.), and Robert Delgado; and sisters, Mary Facenda, Grace Levy, Nell Doren, and Neva Delgado. Survivors include her beloved partner and companion of 50 years, Mary Melissa Lucia of Interlachen; and numerous nieces and nephews. Memorial services were held at 10:30 AM on Monday, January 9, 2023 at the Masters Funeral Home in Palatka with Reverend Dr. Don Aycock officiating. Friends are invited to call starting an hour before the start of the service. An honor guard was provided by the Woodworth-Webb American Legion Post #293 of Interlachen. The inurnment was at 2:30 PM in the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Florida with full military honors rendered by the U.S. Army. In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes may be sent to your local humane society or the Gainesville Orchestra, P.O. Box 357011, Gainesville, FL 32635. Messages of sympathy may be shared on Col. Delgado's online tribute page at www.themastersfuneralhome.com. The Masters Funeral Home of Palatka was in charge of the arrangements.

ROBERT J. DEVOSA - Died Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at Hospice and Community Care at the age of 69 after a short illness. He was a resident of East Petersburg, Pennsylvania. The cause of death is unknown. He was attended by his loving wife and his cat Gypsy. He was born in Kearney, New Jersey on March 23, 1953 to the late Helen (née Smera) Devosa and Louis Devosa. He was the husband of Yvonne M. (née Russo) Devosa with whom he celebrated 40 years of marriage this summer. He was a member of Saint Mary Catholic Church. He was a proud veteran of the United States Army. Bob was a graduate of Millersville University where he received his Bachelor of Arta Degree in Business Administration and was inducted into the Delta Mu Delta National Honor Society. He was a member of the East Petersburg Sportsman's Association, the Knights of Columbus, and a founding member of the Lancaster County Youth Aid Panel. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Lancaster Chapter #1008**. Robert

served on both the East Petersburg and Manheim Township panels for 29 years. He also was an instructor of the Pennsylvania State Game Commission Hunter Safety courses to county youth for 30 years. Robert and his wife were Catholic Charities foster parents for 10 years to 7 foster children. In addition to his wife, he is survived his brother, Stephen Devosa, of Vernon, NJ as well as many nieces and nephews and his beloved cats Gypsy and Athena. Friends were received by Robert's family on Wednesday, December 21, 2022 from 2:00-4:00 PM and from 6:00-8:00 PM at the Charles F. Snyder Funeral Home and Crematory, 414 East King Street, Lancaster, PA. There was a second viewing on Thursday, December 22, 2022 at Saint Mary Catholic Church, 119 South Prince Street, Lancaster, PA, with the Mass of Christian Burial celebrated at 10:30 AM. The interment was in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery on Friday December 23rd at 9:30 AM. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in his memory to East Petersburg Sportsman's Association, 2897 Graystone Road, East Petersburg, PA 17520.

FREDRICK JAY "Fred" DICKERSON - Died Tuesday, December 6, 2022 in Dahlonega, Georgia at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. Fred was born on November 25, 1948 in Atlanta, Georgia at Crawford Long Hospital to the late Ludean "Sep" Dickerson (née Knighton) and James Robert "JR" Dickerson, Sr. One of four brothers, Fred grew up in Decatur, Georgia, and graduated from Southwest DeKalb High School. Fred proudly served his country in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the American Legion of Dahlonega and a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Gainesville Chapter #772. Fred had a successful career in hydraulics, which culminated in him and his brothers operating their own business at Dickerson Brothers Hydraulics in Dahlonega, Georgia. Fred was an avid fisherman and hunter. He loved the outdoors so much that he chose to settle his family in a cabin tucked in the woods in Dahlonega, Georgia. Fred is survived by his wife Linda of 38 years; his brother Jeffery Dean Dickerson; his children Marsha Dickerson, Sheila Reinert, and Robert Reinert; his grandchildren Autumn Mechelle Blackwell, Audrey Elizabeth Dickerson, Alexandra Sardinia, Samantha Eliza-Lei'An Perez- Tomas, Anita May Guinter, Brandon Michael Wolford, and many great-grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ludean "Sep" and James "JR" Dickerson, and by his beloved brothers James Robert Dickerson Jr. and Richard Gary Dickerson. Funeral services were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, December 10, 2022, at the chapel of Anderson-Underwood Funeral Home. The Reverend Tony Allison officiated. The interment was in the Dahlonega Memorial Park with military honors by the United States Air Force honor guard. The family received friends from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday at the funeral home. To share a memory or a condolence with the family, visit Mr. Dickerson's online guestbook at andersonunderwood.com. The Anderson-Underwood Funeral Home, 2068 Highway 19 North, Dahlonega, GA was in charge of the arrangements.

JONATHAN FRANCIS DRAVES - Died Friday, December 23, 2022 at the Fort Memorial Hospital in Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin at the age of 77. He was a resident of Fort Atkinson. The cause of death was a heart attack. Jonathan was born on August 28, 1945 in Beloit, Wisconsin to the late Clifford and Elizabeth (née Marshall) Draves. He graduated from Iowa Grant High School in 1963. Jonathan served his country in the United States Marine Corps and was a Vietnam Veteran. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Fort Atkinson Chapter #409. He married Marilyn Vos on May 2, 1970, at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Fort Atkinson. Jonathan was a meat cutter for Vos Sentry Foods in Fort Atkinson and later was an insurance agent for Rural Insurance. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, bowling and tinkering in his shop. He was a member of Saint Joseph Catholic Church. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Marilyn; children, Jason Draves (Lori McCulloch) and Matthew (Christie) Draves all of Fort Atkinson; grandchildren, Jonathan, Jacob, Marnie, Callie Draves, Cory and Tiffany McCulloch, and a close uncle, Jim Ament. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers, Cliff and Leonard Draves. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Thursday, December 29, 2022 at 11:00 AM at Saint Joseph Catholic Church, 1660 Endl Boulevard, Fort Atkinson, WI. The burial was in the Lakeview Cemetery, Fort Atkinson. Friends visited the family at the church on Thursday from until the time of the Mass. Online condolences may at www.nitardyfuneralhome.com. The Nitardy Funeral Home Fort Atkinson was in charge of the arrangements. Memorials can be made to Saint Joseph Catholic Church or the Fort Atkinson VFW.

WILLARD ALLEN "Willie" DUNN (USA, CPT-Ret.) – Died Sunday, December 11, 2022 in Las Cruces, New Mexico at the age of 77. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 8, 1945 in Covington, Kentucky, the first child of the late Virginia Rebecca (née Mefford) Dunn. Willie graduated from West Platte High School, in 1963, where he earned his High School Letters for Drama and Administration. On January 3, 1966, he enlisted in the Infantry of the United States Army, and later selected to attend the Transportation Corps Officer Candidate School (OCS). On April 20, 1967, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army in the Transportation Corps. He was selected for and attended Rotary Wing (Helicopter) Flight School and he was awarded his flight wings in 1968. He was also selected for immediate transition into Fixed Wing Flight School and then additionally selected for the Aviation Maintenance Officer School prior to deployment to Vietnam. He attained the rank of Captain in the U.S. Army Reserves. After Vietnam, he was released from active duty as an officer and began his enlisted U.S. Army career, serving in the Military Police Corps. During his enlisted career, he attended the U.S. Army NCO Academy, in Bad Tolz, Germany, where he was honored as an honor graduate and earned the distinguished Douglas McArthur Leadership Award. He was selected, and attended, the First Sergeants Course in Munich. Germany. He attended and graduated from the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy at Fort Bliss, TX in June 1989. He attained the enlisted rank of First Sergeant and retired from the Active U.S. Army in January 1993. He retired from the U.S. Army Reserves as a Captain three years later and retained the rank of Captain. He earned both his Associates and Bachelor degrees in Sociology and Business Management from the University of New York. His command experience included serving as First Sergeant of the 560th MP Company, Bremerhaven, Germany, First Sergeant MP Company, Johnston Island, First Sergeant 259th MP Company, White Sands Missile Range, NM and Provost Sergeant Major, Law Enforcement Division, White Sands Missile Range, NM. He had combat service in Vietnam, 1969-1970. Among his many awards were the Bronze Star Medal, the Air Medal, and the Meritorious Service Medal (2nd OLC). After his military career, he spent sixteen years as a Department of the Army Civilian serving as a Property Book Officer. During his civilian career, he served one year in Italy, four volunteer tours in Iraq, and one in Afghanistan. During his career, he was awarded numerous civilian medals and awards. Willie chose Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and was born into the Family of God in January of 1990. He married his wife of 33 years, Ulrike "Ulli" Gebert, on February 15, 1990. He received his ministerial license from Foursquare Church on September 8, 2008 and was Ordained on May 29, 2015. Since 2001, he served the church body as a member of Triumphantlife, Las Cruces, where he served as an Ordained Minister for the Outreach & Missions Ministries, member of the advisory board, and taught Sunday School. He was committed to serving God in the Emmaus and Kairos ministries as well. He was a Life Member of the Disabled Veterans of America and Vietnam Veterans of America - Mesilla Park Chapter #431. Willie is preceded in death by his mother, Rebecca Mefford Dunn, and his sister, Beatrice Carmona. Willie is survived by his wife Ulrike Dunn, his sons, CW5 Sascha Wellenreuther (wife Tina Marie), Robert Gebert (wife Natalia), and brother-in-law MG (Ret) James Carmona, his daughter Heather Francom, his grandsons Charles Wellenreuther, and Patrick Gebert, his granddaughters Salisa Wellenreuther, and Jasmin Gebert, his brother, Nicholas Peddicord, and many great-grandchildren. A Celebration of Life was held at Triumphantlife, 2020 North Valley Drive on Thursday, December 22, 2022 at 10:00 AM, with military honors. The inurnment was at Fort Bliss National Cemetery, El Paso, TX, at a later date. The honorary pallbearers were Julia Brown, Joe Maez, Carl Applewhite, Charles Singley and Israel Rodriguez. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made, in Willie's name, to Triumphantlife for Missions https://triumphantlife.churchcenter.com/giving, or Las Cruces Gospel Rescue Mission. Service arrangements were entrusted to the care of Baca's Funeral Chapel of Las Cruces and Sunset Crematory, 300 East Boutz Road. Your exclusive provider for "Veterans and Family Memorial Care." For online condolences logon to www.bacasfuneralchapelslascruces.com.

DR. WILLIE JASPER DUPREE, JR. – Died Tuesday, December 13, 2022 in Kenly, North Carolina at the age of 72. He was lovingly known by his family members and friends as "Insurance" and "Pee Wee". The cause of death is unknown. Willie was born in Greene County, North Carolina on April 15, 1950 to the late Mr. Willie Jasper Dupree, Sr. and the late Mrs. Dorothy (née Deans) Dupree. He received some of his education in the Wilson County Public

School System. Willie graduated from Richard B. Harrison High School in Selma, North Carolina, in the Class of 1968. After graduating from high school, Willie served his country by enlisting into the United States Air Force. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Four Oaks Chapter #990. Later in life, Dupree met and married the love of his life, Ms. Shirley Staggers-Dupree. To that union, four beautiful children were born. Dupree accepted Christ as his personal savior. He united with the Tabernacle of Prayer under the leadership of the late Apostle Johnnie Washington and Pastor Ida Hamilton. During Mr. Dupree's working years, he worked as a Master Insurance Salesperson in the insurance business. He won a number of free trips. He put the town of Micro, North Carolina on the map because he was so skillful in selling insurance. Dupree was a good hearted person who loved his family members and friends. He loved to talk and share positive ideas with them. He helped people in whatever way he could. Also, he loved playing his instrument, the saxophone. Dr. Dupree played for churches, businesses and performed in many concerts. He was loved by many and will truly be missed. Dr. Dupree was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. Willie Jasper Dupree, Sr. and the late Mrs. Dorothy Lee Deans-Dupree; his brother, Marvin R. Dupree, and his granddaughter, Ms. Jessica Makayla King. A Memorial Service was held on Friday, December 16, 2022 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the Temple of Praise Church of Deliverance, Inc., 306 East Second Street, Kenly, North Carolina 27542. The church pastor officiating was Dr. Apostle James E. Neal, Sr. A public visitation and viewing was held on Saturday, December 17, 2022 from 11:00 to 11:50 AM in the Tabernacle Temple of Jesus Christ, Inc., 1601 Lane Street, Wilson, North Carolina 27893. A Celebration of Life Service was held on Saturday, December 17, 2022 at 12:00 Noon in the Tabernacle Temple of Jesus Christ, Inc., 1601 Lane Street, Wilson, North Carolina. Pastor Curtis E. Grant of Charleston, South Carolina officiated. The interment was held the following week in the Eastern Carolina State Veterans Cemetery, 164 Longs Plant Farm Road, Goldsboro, North Carolina. Dr. Dupree leaves a legacy of love to his devoted wife, Mrs. Shirley (née Staggers) Dupree of the home; his son, Mr. Willie J. Dupree, III and wife, Mrs. Jennifer; his daughter, Mrs. Zanetta King and husband, Mr. Mike; his son, Mr. Markus Dupree and wife, Mrs. Toni; his son; Mr. Travis Dupree and wife, Mrs. Kimry; his grandchildren, Rashad, Kiera, Mia, Treasure, Miranda, Princeton, Lauren, Pryce, Victoria, MJ, Mackenzie, Zoe, and Kourtney; his sisters, Mrs. Dora Bell and husband, Mr. Leonard of Texas, Ms. Gloria Denise Dupree of Selma and Mrs. Debra Ann Kafu of Raleigh, North Carolina; his brothers, Mr. Allen Dupree and Mr. Donald Dupree both of Kenly, North Carolina and a host of very special extraordinary nieces, nephews and his loyal and devoted best friend, Mr. Melvin Granby of Greenville, North Carolina. On Saturday, December 17, 2022, the family members and friends assembled at the Dupree's residence, 408 East Second Street, Kenly, North Carolina at 10:15 AM in preparation for the funeral procession to the church. Professional services, of love and care, were entrusted to the Britt Funeral Home and Cremation Service, LLC in La Grange, North Carolina.

<u>JOSEPH M. ENRIGHT</u> – Died Friday, December 2, 2022 in Mount Jackson, Virginia at the age of 76. The cause of death was chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. He was born in Norwalk, Ohio on September 2, 1946. He served in the United States Navy from 1964 to 1968 with a tour of duty in Vietnam in 1966. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Woodstock Chapter #936**.

LEONARD DUANE EPPERSON – Died Friday, December 16, 2022 in Ponca City, Oklahoma at the age of 76. The cause of death was cancer. He was born on September 14, 1946, in Ponca City to the late Lonnie B. and Gladys M. (née Nabours) Epperson. Leonard grew up in Ponca City and he graduated from PO High in 1964. Upon graduation he joined the United States Navy, and he served three years during the Vietnam War and was honorably discharged in 1967. Leonard continued his education and received an Associates of Science Degree in Electronics Technology from NOC. He then transferred to Oklahoma State University and obtained a Bachelor of Science in Electronics Engineering Technology in 1976 while working full time and supporting his family. Leonard was very active in the Ponca City community serving on numerous boards and committees such as, United Way, Habitat for Humanity, Kay County American Cancer society, Pioneer Area Vo-Tech Electronics Program, and the Special Olympics of Kay County. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ponca City Chapter #750. While Leonard's girls were growing up, he was very involved in their actives in which he coached them in fast pitch softball for 10 years and 5th and 6th grade girls' basketball for four years. Leonard also coached his girls for two years while they played soccer. He also served as President of Kid's Incorporated and vice president of the Softball Kid's Inc. Leonard was so community minded it was a perfect fit for him to join the Ponca City Noon AMBUCS in 1982 and he became a life member. Leonard served on numerous committees for AMBUCS and was elected Chapter president in 1990. Leonard felt the need to continue making a difference, so he served on the district and regional boards of AMBUCS as District Governor and Regional Director of the Great Plans Region of AMBUCS. Leonard was elected National President of AMBUCS in 2005. Leonard started his career with Pelton Company, Inc. in 1969 working as a technician while attending school. In 1987 he was promoted to Vice-President and General Manager of Manufacturing. In 2000, Leonard was awarded a patent for "Method and Apparatus for Minimizing Harmonic Distortion". After working Thirty-Two years Leonard retired from Pelton Company in 2001. Leonard met the love of his life Vickie L. Kenyon and they made Ponca City their home. Leonard loved spoiling and spending time with his family, farming, playing golf, hunting, and fishing. Those left behind to cherish his memory are his wife, Vickie Epperson; daughter Janna Eppers on of Broken Arrow, OK and Jill Jordan of Ponca City, OK. Grandchildren; Brandon Pemberton of Colcord, OK, Baylee Bonewell of Ponca City, OK, Abbey Paulson of Broken Arrow, OK and Easton Jordan of Ponca City, OK, Great grandchildren; Kye Bonewell and Rhemlee Bonewell both of Ponca City, OK, One brother; Ralph Epperson of Ponca City, OK Five sisters; Ella Mae Hendrick of Arkansas City, KS, Charlene Thornton and husband George, Dora Matlock, Martha Lawson and husband Stephen and Laura Epperson all of Ponca City, OK, also surviving are numerous nieces and nephews. Leonard was preceded in death by his parents and five brothers: Bud Epperson, Lonnie Howard Epperson, Ernie Epperson, Sterling Epperson, and Pete Epperson. Funeral Services were held at 2:00 PM on Thursday, December 22, 2022 in the First Church of the Nazarene with Pastor Sunie Stolhand, officiating. The interment was in the Resthaven Memorial Park Cemetery. Visitation was held on Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at the Grace Memorial Chapel with the family in attendance from 5:00 to 7:00 PM to receive friends and relatives. Online guest registry is available at www.gracememorialchapel.net.

ALLAN J. EPSTEIN - Died Thursday, December 15, 2022 at Central State Medical Center in Freehold, New Jersey at the age of 76. He was a resident of Freehold. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Paris, France on February 15, 1946 to the late Abraham and Yvonne Epstein. He was raised in Irvington, New Jersey and had lived in Kentucky, Irvington, and Beachwood before settling to Freehold 30 years ago. Allan attended Murray State University in Kentucky where he received his bachelor's degree and continued his education at Seton Hall obtaining his Master of Business Administration. He was a United States Army Veteran serving in Vietnam as a Second Lieutenant and was also a parachutist who received 6 medals for his service including the Bronze Star medal. He was extremely passionate about serving our Country and always kept a connection with the people he served with. In his spare time Alan enjoyed playing card games, tennis, golfing and cheering on the Yankees. He took great pleasure in practicing judo, ballroom dancing and riding motorcycles. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Allenhurst Chapter #012. Allan is predeceased by his parents, Abraham, and Yvonne Epstein. He is survived by his two children, Jennifer McGarry of Collingswood and Andrew McGarry and his wife, Renata Ostrowicki of Mullica Hill. Visitation was held at the Clayton and McGirr Funeral Home, 100 Elton-Adelphia Road (Route 524), Freehold Township on January 4, 2023 from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM. Relatives and friends were invited to attend his Funeral Service at 12:30 PM at Clayton and McGirr Funeral Home, 100 Elton-Adelphia Road (Route 524), Freehold Township. The interment was in the Brigadier General William C. Doyle New Jersey National Veterans Cemetery, 350 Province Line Road, Arneytown. For information or to leave condolence messages to the family, please visit www.claytonfuneralhome.com.

GEORGE R. FENDER – Died Monday, January 9, 2023, at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital- New Brunswick, New Jersey at the age of 77. He was a resident of Manville, New Jersey. The cause of death is unknown. He was born and raised in Manville on December 18, 1945 to the late George W. and Julia (née Neimeth) Fender. George was a lover of classic cars and could be seen driving his cars to shows around the area and enjoyed speaking with other car show enthusiasts. George also enjoyed learning as much as he could about military history. He served his country faithfully in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a member of VFW Post #2290, a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America** - **Flemington Chapter #452** and the Vietnam Veterans support group in Holmdel, NJ. Besides his

parents, George was predeceased by his sister, Julia Fedorczyk, and brothers, Joseph Smolinka and John Smolinka. George is survived by his loving wife of fifty-six years, Darlene (née Peters) Fender, and his cherished daughter and son-in-law, Lorraine and David Chiarizzio of Hillsborough. He will also be deeply missed by his brother, Julius Smolinka of Florida. A viewing took place on Friday, January 13, 2023 from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Fucillo and Warren Funeral Home, 205 South Main Street, Manville, NJ with Military Honors at 4:30 PM. The disposition was private. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in George's name to a veteran group of your choice.

<u>ALLEN FOBISH</u> – Died recently in 2022 in Los Angeles, California at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 19, 1947. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant (E-6). He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Culver City Chapter #526**.

FLOYD EUGENE FUNK - Died Thursday, January 5, 2023 at his home in Walhalla, South Carolina at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Tazewell County, Illinois on August 17, 1943 to the late Virgil Owen and Gladys Mae (née De Peugh) Funk. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force and retired from the IRS. Mr. Funk was a member of the Walhalla American Legion Post #124 and a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Westminster Chapter #1017. He was the husband of Lana (née Simmons) Malloy-Funk, of Walhalla. In addition to his wife, Mr. Funk is survived by his son: Troy Funk; daughter: Cayla Lee Malloy; brother: Erwin Funk; and grandson: Kyle Funk. In addition to his parents, Mr. Funk was preceded in death by his brother: Lloyd Funk. Memorial services were conducted at 2:00 PM on Sunday, January 15, 2023 at the Davenport Funeral Home. The family received friends following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Walhalla American Legion Post #124, 319 Kenneth Street, Walhalla, SC 29691.

<u>WILLIAM P. "Bill" GAMBLE</u> – Died Monday, December 19, 2022 in Ormond Beach, Florida at age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 9, 1947. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Beach Chapter #1048**.

GEORGE MICHAEL HAHN - Died Monday, October 3, 2022 in Glassboro, New Jersey at the age of 78. The cause of death was heart failure. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on April 23, 1944 to the late Waylan and Sophie Hahn. In addition to his parents he is preceded in death by his wives Maryann (née Leek) and Joanne (née Schuda). He is survived by his daughter Kimberly (Christina), his brother Steven (Dorothy) and many nieces and nephews. George and

Maryann were avid travelers during their 37 years of marriage. They especially enjoyed cruises. A proud veteran, patriot, and public servant he served three terms as a councilman on the Berlin Borough town council. George served in the United States Marine Corps for over 9 years and was a Vietnam Veteran serving two tours. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Somerdale Chapter #1068**. Throughout his working career he was an accomplished mechanic and carpenter employed by Owens Corning of Berlin, Virtua West Jersey Hospital in Voorhees and Evesham Public Works. He enjoyed spending time with family and his special friend Judy. He loved the Phillies and attending every game with Joanne. He especially enjoyed his classic cars winning multiple trophies. Additionally, he was a masterful gardener with multiple awards from the Courier Post. The family received relatives and friends on Thursday, October 13, 2022 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Costantino-Primo Funeral Home, 231 West White Horse Pike, Berlin, NJ. The memorial service was at 8:00 PM. There was an additional visitation on Friday morning from 9:00 to 10:00 AM with final prayers at 10:00 AM. The interment of ashes with military honors was at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Berlin, NJ. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Berlin VFW at 34 Chestnut Avenue, Berlin NJ 08009 would be appreciated.

GREG A. HAMMERSTROM (USN, CPO-Ret,) - Died Wednesday January 11, 2023 at Prairie Lakes Hospital in Watertown, South Dakota at the age of 76. He was a resident of Watertown. The cause of death in unknown. Greg was born on March 4, 1946 in Hawarden, Iowa to the late Robert and Muriel (née Hoffman) Hammerstrom. He attended Alcester High School in South Dakota and entered the United States Navy in 1964. On October 20, 1967, Greg married Judy Satter. In 1972, he reenlisted into the US Navy and retired from US Navy in 2002, as an E-7 (Chief Petty Officer). They then moved back to Watertown and went to work for the United States Postal Service, working bulk mail and passports until he retired in 2015. The couple continued to make their home in Watertown. He was a member of LCOOR, Elks, Masons, Shriners, American Legion and VFW. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter #1054. Greg enjoyed target shooting, bowling, building model ships, collecting coins, cooking and playing cards. He will be missed for his fun stories and his wit. Greg is survived by his wife, Judy of Watertown; two daughters: Heather (Gary) Gorrell of Manassas, VA, and Shannon Cornwell of Watertown, SD; two grandchildren: Brandon Lopez and Abigail Gorrell; two nephews: Eric Hammerstrom and Chris Hammerstrom; one niece, Amanda Hammerstrom; sister-in-law, Carol Hammerstrom of Rock Ledge, FL. Greg was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Robert Scott Hammerstrom. Memorial services were held at 10:30 AM on Monday, January 16, 2023 at the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapelin Watertown. Reverend Tom Christenson officiated. Music was provided by A.J. Sherrill as organist. The memorial service was live-streamed via the funeral home's website. Visitation was at the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel in Watertown prior to services at the chapel on Monday. The burial was at the South Dakota Veterans Cemetery in Sioux Falls. Military honors were conducted by the Codington County Post #17 of the American Legion, Watertown, Post #750 of Veterans of Foreign Wars, Watertown, Funeral Honors Team of the U.S. Navy at the

chapel. Honorary Urnbearers were Sean Tennis, Bryan Satter, Gary Gorrell, Brandon Lopez, and Abigail Gorrell. The funeral arrangements were made by the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel www.crawfordosthus.com Watertown, Hayti, De Smet, Bryant.

MAX EDWARD HARRISON - Died Monday, December 5, 2022 in Idaho Falls, Idaho at the age of 70, following a brief illness. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 27, 1952 in Emporia, Kansas to the late Duane Edward and H. Jeanne Harrison. His parents divorced in 1966, and Duane married Martha (née Teague) Hochalter. The family, now with six kids, moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, and set up shop running a beauty parlor and selling windows and doors. In 1969, they settled in Idaho Falls where he had resided since. He attended Idaho Falls High School, and during his time there, he was an active member of the I.F. Club, manager of both the football and basketball teams, and participated in Student Council, Symphonic, Pep, and Stage Bands, as well as the school choir. After graduating high school in 1971, he served as a jet engine mechanic in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam War, stationed at RAF Upper Heyford in Oxfordshire, England, primarily working on F-111E aircrafts. He had fond memories of being able to play his drums in local pubs on weekends throughout his active duty. Upon returning from England, he took up playing music full time, traveling with The Dan Miller Band as their drummer throughout Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming. In 1981, he began working for Chesbro Music Company in the stockroom, and over his 20 plus year career, he worked his way up to become one of the top sales representatives in the company, winning countless awards and recognitions for his service and dedication to the company. He loved to share stories of traveling the open road to meet with clients, most of whom were also passionate musicians. If Max were to have a theme song, it might very well be "On the Road Again" by Willie Nelson. Upon retirement, Max became heavily involved with the Idaho Falls chapter of the American Legion and honored his fellow Veterans by attending as many military funeral services as he could. He also used his connections in the music industry to donate musical instruments to various organizations around Idaho Falls. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ucon Chapter #972. Max's greatest love was music, especially the drums. He consistently played throughout his life with a variety of bands, both local and traveling, including Smile, Patchwork, The Dan Miller Band, The Shelley and Kelley Band, Eclipse, and many others. He was always willing and eager to load up his drum set at the drop of a hat to play with any band, church or school that needed him. He was truly happiest with a pair of drumsticks in his hands and foot petals at his feet. "Keep on Drummin" was a motto throughout his life. He is survived by his wife, Maria Harrison; his sons, Jacob (Thomas) Rodehuth-Harrison of Los Angeles, CA; William (Holly) Harrison of Boise, ID, and stepson, Michael Stamm of TN; stepdaughter, Charlotte (Greg) Jones of Twin Falls, ID; stepbrothers, Ron Harrison of Madison, WI, and Rob Willsey of TX; sister, Konstance (Larry) Bourn of Hansen, ID; stepbrother, Phillip Hochhalter; stepsister, Edith (Don) Powell of Idaho Falls, ID; stepsister, Helene (Gil) Johnson of Springville, UT; as well as eight grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. Max was preceded in death by his father, Duane E. Harrison; mother, H. Jeanne Willsey; stepfather, George Willsey; stepmother, Martha J. Harrison; brother, Keith Harrison; and

stepbrothers, Frank Willsey and Eugene Hochhalter. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Trinity United Methodist Church, the Idaho Falls chapter of The American Legion, or a local music foundation or school program in your area. Funeral services were held at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 237 North Water Avenue, with Military Honors to follow. The family visited with friends from 1:00 until 1:45 PM prior to services at the church.

ROBERT FRANCIS HATHORN – Died Friday, November 18, 2022 at the Community Hospice Truman House in New Philadelphia, Ohio at the age of 77, after a period of declining health. He was a resident of Dover, Ohio formerly of Dennison, Ohio. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on November 3, 1945 in Wadsworth, Ohio to the late William F. and Leota (née Brown) Hathorn. Robert was a 1963 graduate of East Liverpool High School who then earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Malone College in 1969. He proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1969 to 1971 during the Vietnam War. Throughout much of his life, he was active with American Legion Post #491 in Dennison where he served as Post Commander and Adjutant. He was also a Past County Commander and District Commander. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - New Philadelphia Chapter #857. He retired from his 24-year career as a letter carrier for the U. S. Postal Service on July 31, 2008. Robert was a longtime, faithful member of the Dover/New Philadelphia Salvation Army where he will be remembered for his work with their music ministry – playing his cornet. On November 2, 1969, Robert married the former Linda Lauer with whom he enjoyed 47 years of marriage until her passing on June 11, 2017. Robert is survived by his siblings, all of whom are officers in The Salvation Army, Majors Richard and Stefanie Hathorn, Majors William and Brenda Hathorn, and Major Dr. Eva R. Geddes; sister-in-law, Major Alice Hathorn; several nieces and nephews; and his church family at The Salvation Army. He was preceded in death by his brothers, Lyle Hathorn and Major David Hathorn, and brother-in-law, Major Wesley Geddes, as well as his wife and parents. Captain Andrew Behr officiated a 1:00 PM funeral on Tuesday, November 22, at the Dover/New Philadelphia Salvation Army where Robert's family received callers for two hours prior to the funeral. He was interred beside his beloved wife at Uhrichsville's Union Cemetery following a military committal service by the Newcomerstown VFW Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Salvation Army.

LAURENCE "Larry" HAYDEN - Died Thursday, November 17, 2022 in his home in Hillsdale, Illinois at the age of 74, with his family and his best friend by his side. The cause of death is unknown. Larry was born on June 3, 1948 in Butte, Montana to the late Zeke Hayden and Mary (née Gauthier) Hayden. He married Becky on November 16, 1985 in Correctionville, IA. Together,

Larry and Becky worked at Graphic Concepts in Hillsdale, IL where Larry worked as a graphic designer. He most recently worked at Git-n-Go in Rapids City, IL. Larry served on the Hillsdale Fire Department, he was an EMT, and a proud veteran of the United States Navy. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Rock Island Chapter #299**. Larry was a motorcycle enthusiast and loved riding his motorcycles and side by side. He also loved camping at Sunset Lakes Resort and spending time with his family, grandkids, friends and pets. He enjoyed listening to music, especially Pink Floyd, ZZ Top and Led Zeppelin and he was a proponent of legalized marijuana in Illinois. Larry is survived by his wife Becky; his children, Jerry Hayden, Casey Hayden of Hillsdale, IL, Harley (Hannah) Hayden of Raritan, IL, and Bobby (Jo) Hayden of Moline, IL; a sister, Rocky (Tim) Reilly of Missoula, MT; brother, Jim Hughes of Fairbanks, AK; 7 grandchildren with one on the way; and his best friends Bill and Cathy Hackney and their girls of LeClaire, IA. Cremation was accorded and the family held a private ceremony. The Gibson-Bode Funeral Home assisted the family with the arrangements. Memorials may be made to the family. Share a memory or condolence at www.gibsonbodefh.com.

ROBERT LEE "Bob" HEADRICK, JR. - Died Wednesday, December 28, 2022 at his residence in Cleveland, Tennessee at the age of 78, surrounded by his family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Bradley County, Tennessee on February 3, 1944 to the late Robert Lee Headrick, Sr., and Margie (née Cartwright) Headrick. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War and was a Life Member of the local chapters of Vietnam Veterans pf America - Cleveland Chapter #596 and the Disabled American Veterans. Bob was talented in auto body and antique car restoration for more than 50 years and owned Bob's Auto Repair for over 20 years. He was a member of North Cleveland Church of God. He loved going on family vacations, especially to Florida, where he made many friends. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather, who loved spending time with his family. Bob was extremely generous and had a great sense of humor. He was lovingly known by many as the Candyman, always handing out candy. He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his loving wife of 59 years, Linda Carolyn (née Caywood) Headrick; daughters, Sandy Markham (Mark) and Sharon Holmes (Tony) and a niece, LeAnn Hayes, who was like a daughter; seven grandchildren, Haylee (Ben) Wycoff, Emilee Markham, Parker Holmes, Leah (Erickson) Contreras, Landen Holmes, Ben Markham, and Carson Holmes; one great-grandchild, Evelynn Wycoff; three sisters, Wanda Headrick, Linda Headrick and Karrie Works; three brothers, Randy Headrick, Wesley Headrick, and James Headrick; four sisters-in-law who he loved like sisters, Bonnie Hayes, Debbie Warner, JoAnn Caywood, and Sheila Cochran; best friend, Melvin Glass; and several nieces and nephews also survive. A celebration of his life was conducted at 2:00 PM on Saturday, December 31, 2022 in the chapel of the Fike-Randolph and Son Funeral Home with Dr. Mark Williams officiating. The family received friends from 12:00 Noon-2:00 PM prior to the service. The private interment was on Monday, January 2, 2023 at the Chattanooga National Cemetery with military honors. Mark Markham, Tony Holmes, Parker Holmes, Landen Holmes, Carson Holmes, and Ben Markham served as pallbearers. In lieu of flowers, please contribute to North Cleveland Church

of God Children's Ministry, where he and Linda served for many years. You may visit www.fikefh.com to share your condolences and view the memorial video tribute.

DANIEL WAYNE HOLLIS, SR. - Died Thursday, December 15, 2022 at East Longmeadow Skilled Nursing Center in East Longmeadow, Massachusetts at the age of 73. He was a resident of Agawam, Massachusetts. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Springfield, Massachusetts on January 24, 1949 to the late Henry A. and Clara (née LaRoe) Hollis. Daniel spent his life in service to his country retiring from the United States Army after twentyone years of service. He was a decorated veteran receiving medals for his bravery including the Purple Heart, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal and Army Service Ribbon. A life-long Massachusetts resident, he attended and graduated from public schools later receiving an Associates in Business Degree from Parks Jr. College, Aurora, Colorado. In his free-time he enjoyed fishing, bowling and going to the casino. He was a loving, caring father, grandfather, brother and faithful Life Member devoted to the Vietnam Veterans of America – Springfield Chapter #111. He is survived by the love of his life of 53 years, Pamala (née Pelkey) Hollis of Agawam, MA; his daughter Tammie Kniep and her husband Robert of Enfield, CT; brothers: Robert J. Hollis and James A. Hollis of Springfield, MA; sisters: Judith A. Plaine (Oliver) of West Virginia and Jean T. Hollis of Springfield, MA; grandchildren Andrew M. Hollis and Faith Morgan Hollis. He was predeceased by his son Daniel W. Hollis, Jr.; brothers Michael Hollis, Henry F. Hollis, Charles G. Hollis, Sr., and his sister Linda M. LaRoe. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, December 27, 2022 with visitation from 11:00 AM-12:30 PM followed by a service at 12:30 PM then proceeding to the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery for committal service with full military honors at 2:00 PM. The family would like to extend their heart felt thank you to the staff of the East Longmeadow Skilled Nursing Center during his stay. The New England Funeral and Cremation Center, LLC, 25 Mill Street, Springfield, MA was entrusted with the arrangements. Please visit www.nefcc.net for expressions of sympathy.

ARTHUR EDWARD "Art" HOUSMAN (USAF, MAJ-Re.) - Died Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at Saint Elizabeth's Hospital in O'Fallon, Missouri at the age of 81. He was a resident of Germantown (formerly Mascoutah), Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on December 16, 1941 in Staten Island, New York City, New York to the late Theodore and Alma (née Edmey) Housman, Sr. Art is survived by his loving wife, Mary Housman whom he married June 4, 1982 in Belleville, Illinois; his three daughters, Kim (Rob) Seastrom, Alana Housman, and Janette (Eric) Aldape; and his brother, Theodore (Margaret) Housman Jr. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Thomas Housman. Art earned his BS in Civil Engineering from Northeastern University in Boston, MA graduating in 1965. He was a dedicated member of

the Beta Gamma Epsilon fraternity. He grew up in Staten Island New York City, NY and Andover, NJ. Before his retirement, Art worked in various roles as a civilian at Military Airlift Command Headquarters, Scott AFB. He proudly served in the United States Air Force for 20 years, he was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in 1966 and retired in 1986 as a Major. He served two tours during the Vietnam War as an OV-10 and JetStar C-140 pilot. He also served in a flight check unit, performed civil engineering duties, and was a flying safety officer. He was awarded the USAF Meritorious Service Medal and the Distinguished Flying Cross two times. He was an avid racquetball and handball player as a young adult, and was the Mississippi Racquetball Champion B-Class in 1979. He was a member of the Albers American Legion, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Clinton County (Highland) Chapter #269, and Lions Club (Breese and Mascoutah). He enjoyed deer hunting, playing horseshoes as part of local leagues, and hiking in the woods. Art was a loving husband and father who dedicated his life to his family and his country. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him. Memorial Services were held at 7:30 PM on Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at the Nordike Funeral Home in. Aviston. Visitation was held on Wednesday, January 18, 2023 from 5:00 until 7:30 PM at the Nordike Funeral Home in Aviston. Memorials may be made to the Albers American Legion and will be received at the Nordike Funeral Home, 15 East Hanover Street, New Baden, IL 62265. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.nordikefuneralhome.com.

ROBERT EARL HUGGINS - Died Sunday, January 8, 2023 at his home in Kinston, North Carolina at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on March 5, 1947 to the late Jacob Van and Ruth (née Baker) Huggins. Left to cherish his memory is his daughter, Michelle Ruth of High Point; son, Robert Earl Huggins II of Kinston; grandchildren, Travis Lee Huggins of Grifton and Dakota Flynn Ruth of High Point; sister, Linda King and husband Dr. Michael King of Kinston; brother, Van Huggins and wife Belinda of Kinston and numerous nieces and nephews. He was a veterans of the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America** – **Kinston Chapter #892**. Graveside service were held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, January 14, 2023 at the Westview Cemetery with Richard Parker officiating. In lieu of flowers, memories can be made to the charity of your choice.

HERBERT R. "Herb" HUNN, JR. - Died Tuesday, January 3, 2023 in Colonna, Michigan at the age of 74, surrounded by his family and loved ones. He was formerly of Kankakee, Illinois and West Chicago, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. Herb was born on March 21, 1948 in Chicago, Illinois to the late Herbert R. Hunn, Sr. and Ruth (née Hopkins) Hunn. He was on the

swim team throughout his high school years and strived to better his own times, as he set records, many still hold today. He joined the United States Air Force in 1968 and upon completion, continued his education to become a licensed funeral director. Herb then began his career as a funeral director working at Leonard Memorial Home in Glen Ellyn, Ill and Clancy-Gernon Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee, Ill. each for 20 years. When his kids were growing up, he loved watching and coaching them while they played baseball and participated in other activities along the way. Following retirement, he became his son's right hand man in his business, Jason Hunn Builders. Throughout his lifetime, Herb lived in West Chicago and Kankakee and enjoyed his card nights with friends. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America Geneva (Illinois) Chapter #693. He volunteered for many organizations such as VVA and ESDA, an emergency service association. Herb found a love for this area and would fish with his son, while the girls shopped in South Haven. Herb was a faithful grandfather, never missing a ball game or activity even if it meant driving a distance several times a week. His special gift was to always be there for them, they were his priority. His pride in them was limitless. Herb was a proud member of Rotary Clubs in both Illinois and Michigan, serving as both club president and Assistant District Governor during his most active years. He always gave himself to the church no matter where he was living or what church he attended. He enjoyed watching all different sports, doing jigsaw puzzles, and looking after his dog, chickens and rabbits while working in the yard. Herb will be missed by his wife Marilyn, whom he married April 18, 1970; his children Jason Hunn and Janelle (Nathan) Rieder; his grandchildren Michael Hunn, Isabelle Hunn, Kailee Seppelfrick, Liliana Seppelfrick, Lexie Rieder and Nate Rieder; and one great granddaughter Luna Hunn. He is also survived by his siblings Robert (Francene) Hunn, Nancy (Mike) Wisniewski and Terry (late Dany) Romeo; and many nieces, nephews and church families. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his half-brother Jeff Hunn. Funeral services were held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, January 7th at the Riverside United Methodist Church in Benton Harbor. The family received friends from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the church. A private burial was held at Fort Custer National Cemetery in Battle Creek. Memorial donations in Herb's memory may be made to the church or to Paw Lake Rotary. Those wishing to leave an online message for the family may do so by selecting the link on this page. A special thank you to Herb's home health team and Caring Circle's professionals for their tireless care, especially his OT and PT team.

ROLAND C. JACK — Died Sunday, January 8, 2023 at the University of North Carolina — Lenoir Healthcare in Kinston, North Carolina at the age of 75. He was a resident of La Grange, North Carolina. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 30, 1947. He served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America — Kinston Chapter #892. A public viewing was held on Thursday, January 19, 2023 from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at the Mills Funeral Home Chapel. The funeral service

took place at 11:00 AM on Friday, January 20, 2023 at the Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church in La Grange, NC. The interment was in the East Carolina State Veterans Cemetery. The professional arrangements were entrusted to the Mills Funeral Home, Inc.

RICHARD THOMAS "Dick" JOHNSON – Died Monday, September 26, 2022 in Lancaster, New York at the age of 77. The cause of death was hypotension and cancer. He was born in Toronto, Ontario, Canada on September 3, 1945 to the late Thomas and Margaret Johnson. He is survived by his loving wife, Linda L. (née Hartman) Johnson; two daughters and sons-in-law, Margaret and Anthony Leone and Sarah and Thomas Landers; three grandchildren, Quinton, Sophie and Collette Landers, and; his dog, Mimi. He served in the United States Army from March 28, 1966 to March 9, 1969 with a tour of duty in Vietnam from June 30, 1967 to June 29, 1968. He was an At-Large Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – New York. He was the former Choir Director for Faith United Methodist Church in Lancaster. There was no prior visitation. A private entombment was in the Lancaster Rural Cemetery. Lombardo Funeral Home (Southtowns Chapel) was in charge of the funeral arrangements. Please share condolences at www.lombardofuneralhome.com.

ROBERT NELSON "Bob" JONES - Died Friday September 30, 2022 at 5:50 PM at his residence in Ansonia, Ohio at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. Robert was born on October 15, 1947 in Ottawa, Ohio to the late Wilbur and Rita Jones. Robert served his country honorably in the United States Marine Corps in Vietnam and retiring after 23 years of service. He was a member of the VFW, the American Legion, and the Eagles. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Dayton Chapter #97**. Robert is preceded in death by his parents. Robert is survived by his children and spouse, Scott Jones of Ottawa, Ohio and Kayla and Tyler Bullard of Greenville; his grandchildren, Brittnee McKenzie and Damien Jones. There were no services scheduled. Arrangements were entrusted to the Zechar Bailey Funeral Home, Greenville, Ohio. Memorial contributions may be made to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, 3033 Wilson Boulevard, Suite #300, Arlington, VA 22201. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.zecharbaileyfuneralhome.net for the Jones family.

DANIEL JOHN "Dan" KELSO — Died Monday, December 12, 2022 at Jackson County Medical Care Facility in Jackson, Michigan at the age of 74. He was a resident of Jackson. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 6, 1948 in Jackson to the late Lyle and Ruth (née Lammon) Kelso. Dan married, Rebecca Sharp on June 17, 1983 in Jackson. He will be remembered as a very generous person, lending a hand to all in need. Dan was a 1967 graduate of Jackson High School. After graduation he served his country proudly in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He also was a Leoni Township Volunteer Firefighter for 17 years. Dan was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America - Jackson Chapter #109**. He was a man with great integrity. Dan enjoyed camping and tinkering in his garage. Above all he cherished his time

with his family. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. Dan is survived by his wife of 39 years, Becky; his children, Kevin (Jennifer) Kelso, Kenneth (Heather) Kelso, Karlene (John) Johnson and Ryan Fogarty; a brother, Richard (Wendy) Kelso; ten grandchildren; and eight great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, and a daughter, Ronda Fogarty. Dan's family and friends gathered on Friday, December 16, 2022 from 12:00 Noon – 1:00 PM at the Eineder Funeral Homes – Brooklyn Chapel in Brooklyn, Michigan. His funeral service was after the visitation at 1:00 PM. The family held a private interment at Hillcrest Memorial Park. Pastor Jeff Sheeks served as celebrant. Memorial contributions were suggested to the Jackson County Medical Care Facility or Til Valhalla Project at https://tilvalhallaprojecst.com.Please leave a message of comfort for Dan's family or sign his guestbook at www.EinederFuneralHomes.com.

RAY MICHAEL KERSTETTER - Died Thursday, January 26, 2023 in Watertown, South Dakota at the age of 91. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on September 8, 1931 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to the late Ray Franklin and Margaret Mae (née Chase) Kerstetter. He grew up in Darby, Pennsylvania where he attended school. Following graduation, Ray enlisted in the United States Army and served during the Korean Conflict from 1953-1956. On June 25, 1979 he married Marjorie Tesch in Morristown, NJ where they lived while Ray worked as a telecommunications engineer for AT&T. Ray and Marjorie moved to Washington, DC and Ray continued to work for AT&T worldwide. In 2001, the couple moved to Watertown and Ray was State Commander VFW for many years. He was a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter #1054. His interests were collecting model trains and stamps. At the age of 72 Ray completed Divinity School. Ray is survived by his wife, Marjorie of Watertown, SD; his sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Dorothy (Harlan) Barck of Marshall, MN, Mary Vanpoucke of Watertown, SD, Kenny Tesch of Estelline, SD, Dianne Adams of Omaha, NE, and Carl (Mary) Tesch of Watertown, SD; his children, Michael Kerstetter, Matthew Kerstetter, Mark Kerstetter, and Ray and Marjorie's children, Peter Duong, John Duong, James Duong; and several grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents. The funeral service was at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, February 1, 2023 with visitation one hour prior to the service at Mount Olive Lutheran Church in Watertown. Pastor Iver Possehl officiated. Jonalyn Johnson was the soloist accompanied by Sharon Falk. Ray's services were live streamed on the church's website at https://www.mtolivewatertownsd.org/. The interment was at the Goodwin Cemetery with military honors conducted by Frank H. Adams Post #750 of the VFW and Codington County Post #17 of the American Legion. The Honorary Pallbearers were Ray's Veteran Brothers. The Pallbearers were Travis Tesch, Andy Johnson, Dan Zimprich, Scott Evjen, Keith Olson and Corey Mushitz. The arrangements were made by the Wight and Comes Funeral Chapelwww.wightandcomes.com.

ROBERT W. LANGE II - Died Sunday, January 1, 2023 in Pine Hill, New Jersey at the age of 75. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born in Wadsworth, Ohio on February 7, 1947. He was the beloved husband of the late Mary Ann (née Olian) Lange. He is survived by children Robert Lange III (Jaclynn Elkind) of Philadelphia, PA and Erica (Jeffrey) Baldasare of Pittsburgh, PA; seven grandchildren; companion Diane Kurilla; sister Alice McDonald of OH; and brother Richard "Blake" Lange of MD. He had a long career as an Environmental Engineer at the US Environmental Protection Agency. He served in the United States Marine Corps from 1966 to 1970 with a tour of duty in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970. He was a member of the Williamstown American Legion Post #252, Glassboro VFW Post #679, South Jersey Vietnam Veterans Association, Disabled American Veterans, a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Somerdale Chapter #1068, Elks Lodge in Deptford, West Virginia Alumni Association, and the USMC Combat Helicopter and Tiltroter Association. For full obituary please visit - https://t.ly/aGVh Relatives and friends are invited to attend his viewing on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, 9:30-10:30 AM at the Ora L. Wooster Funeral Home, 51 Park Boulevard, Clementon, NJ 08021. The funeral service was at 10:30 AM. A private interment with military honors was in the Washington Crossing National Cemetery, Newtown, PA. In lieu of flowers, the family requested memorial donations to Family and Psychological Services at FPS-NJ.com. Share memories at OraLWoosterFuneralHome.com.

JACK R. LOGAN (USA, COL-Ret.) - Died Saturday, January 21, 2023 in Reno, Nevada at the age of 92. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Kansas City, Missouri on May 15, 1930 to the late Floyd and Alice Logan. Floyd was a drug store owner and Alice was a buyer in a women's specialty store. Jack attended middle and high school at the Missouri Military Academy in Mexico, Missouri. He graduated in 1948 as a three-sport letterman, the cadet battalion commander, and the class valedictorian. Before entering West Point in 1950, he attended the Stanton Preparatory School and the Kansas City Junior College. Following graduation from West Point in 1954, Jack began a 23-year career as an Army infantry officer. Highlights of his service include instructor duty in the Army's Ranger Course, Commander of the United Nations Honor Guard in Korea, teaching West Point cadets and command of an infantry battalion in the Vietnam War. His decorations include the Combat Infantry Badge, the Silver Star Medal, two Legion of Merit Awards, two Bronze Star Medals for Valor and the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Gold Star. Additionally, he was awarded the silver wings of a parachutist and the coveted Ranger Tab. In addition to a bachelor's degree from West Point, Jack earned a master's degree in Public Affairs from Princeton University. The day of his graduation from West Point Jack married Dorothy Sharp, his childhood sweetheart, to begin a marriage that lasted 23

years and produced two children, Bruce C. Logan and Barbara C. Logan. Jack's second wife was Lois Roller, an RN whom he met in Tacoma, Washington. They combined a family of seven children and began residence in Reno, Nevada in 1978. Jack received a real estate license in 1978 and joined the firm of Pete Walters Real Estate. By 1980, he had become the Sales Manager supervising about 12 other Realtors. When the firm was sold in 1981, Jack moved to Dickson Realty and began seven years working for Mark Combs and Fianna Dickson. In 1987, Jack was selected as Realtor of the Year by the Reno-Sparks Association of Realtors for his work in establishing the first educational course in northern Nevada for newly licensed Realtors. Following his career in real estate sales, Jack and Lois began six years as Manager and part owners of the Humboldt Hunting Club in Kings River, Nevada. To recognize their success in enhancing the appearance and comfort of the Club, the Club grounds are named "Camp Logan." Following a 16year marriage to Lois, Jack married Mary Jenny Brouner whom he had met on a hiking trail in southwest Reno. Their happy union celebrated 21 years of shared love, values, and interests. When his days were over as the Manager of the Hunt Club, Jack resumed his career in real estate sales working for Altmann-Ott homes selling new homes in Caughlin Ranch and in Golden Valley. His final retirement occurred in 2006 which enabled him to devote more time to community involvement. During his years in Reno, he served on the Board of Directors for the local chapters of the Association of the United States Army, the Military Officers Association of America, and the Navy League. Service with AUSA included serving as both the Chapter and State Presidencies. He was also active in the Muscular Dystrophy Association serving as the local Chapter President for two years. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Reno Chapter #989. In his retirement years, Jack authored five books, his first being a history of the Humboldt Hunting Club, As the Pheasant Flies. He authored his memoir in The Path I Chose and told the history of the Martin Hotel in Winnemucca, NV in The Martin Yesterday and Today. Throughout his life Jack enjoyed the outdoors, hunting birds, fishing, hiking, and raising Brittany bird dogs. He is leaving behind Lucy and Duke, while looking forward to seeing their ancestors and other former companions at the "Rainbow Bridge." Jack is preceded in death by his parents, his son Bruce, his grandson Kyle and his first wife Dorothy. Surviving are his wife Jenny, daughter Barbara and sonin-law Mike Skalko, daughter-in-law Karen Logan, grandson Ryan Logan and step-daughters, Katie Brouner and Lindsey Keyes and son-in-law Russell Keyes. At Jack's request, there was a Celebration of Life held at 3:00 PM on March 2nd at Mountain View Mortuary, 425 Stoker Avenue, Reno, with a reception following. His remains were interred at West Point at a later date. In lieu of flowers, Jack asked a donation to be made to Veterans Guest House or Sugarland Ranch: https://www.veteransguesthouse.org, SugarlandRanch.org.

JOHN MacDONALD (USA, LTC-Ret.) – Died Tuesday, February 8, 2022 in Ballwin, Missouri at the age of 88. He was formerly of Olathe, Kansas. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on June 4, 1934. He was the beloved husband of the late Elaine MacDonald; loving father of Mark (Diane) MacDonald and Jay (Jayne) MacDonald; brother of Donald (Laura-Jean)

MacDonald; loving grandfather and friend to many. John served in the United States Army from 1955 - 1978 serving in Iran, Vietnam, Germany, Korea and Marshall Island and retired at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He went on to serve as Director of the Regional Law Enforcement Training Center in Saint Joseph from 1978-1981. In March of 1999 he retired as the Director of Security at Boeing. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Saint Louis Chapter #1028**, the 7th Infantry Regiment Association "Cottonbalers" and many other organizations. In Vietnam, he was Assistant S-3 to the 199th Light Infantry Brigade, 3rd Battalion, 7th Infantry Regiment Executive Officer. John was there before the 199th LIB arrived in Vietnam in December of 1966. He organized and set up the base camp for their arrival. He was Airborne qualified, a Paratrooper and a Ranger. The Funeral Service was held at the Schrader Funeral Home and Crematory, 14960 Manchester Road at Holloway, Ballwin on Sunday, February 12th at 11:30 AM. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The visitation was on Sunday from 10:30 AM until the time of the service at 11:30 AM. Friends may sign the family's on-line guestbook at Schrader.com.

WILL MARTIN, JR. – Died Friday, January 6, 2023 in Victoria, Texas at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on August 12, 1948 in Wharton, Texas to the late George Wleczyk and Sarah Elizabeth (née Coody) Wleczyk. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his sister Juanita Withers; nephew Shawn Withers and sister-in-law Janice Bellew. He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Marilyn Martin; children Melodie (Lloyd) Hall, Sonya (Mark) Talley, Mancie (Bill) Beck and Tyler (Emily Green) Neese; step son Chad (Jenifer) Neese; sister Elizabeth "Little sis" (James) Ward; grandchildren Brandon Griffith, Danielle Luna, Chloe Luna, Caden Luna, Becca Talley, Sammie Talley, Brodie Beck, Coby Beck, Lizzy Neese, Jessie Burton and Jayden Burton and numerous other loving family and friends. Will was a loving husband, father, brother and grandfather. He loved his family and truly enjoyed football, hunting, fishing and shooting. He was always helping anyone in need, especially veterans. He will be missed by all who loved him. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. Will was a true advocate for Veteran's benefits throughout the state of Texas. He was the Commander of the American Legion Post #166 and was active in numerous veteran's organizations. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Victoria Chapter #898. He was the Executive Director for Conservative Texans Charitable Bingo and was on the board of the Bingo Advisory Committee through the Lottery Commission. He was also involved in the Republican GOP. Visitation was held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 from 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM with a funeral service at 1:00 PM at the Son Valley Ranch, 8793 US-87 North, Victoria. The interment was in the Memory Gardens Cemetery. Honoring him as pallbearers were Barry Lauger, Ron Kocian, Travis Starkey, John Tait, Chad Neese, Lloyd Hall, Mark Talley and Bill Beck. The honorary pallbearers were Col. Michael Petrash, Bill Smith, James Ward, Karl Fontenot, Matt Gaskin, Toni Nardini, James Kurth, Mark Westerman, Sam Phillips, Julius Whitby, Fred Sauseda, John Williams, Chris Brissette, Ray Vick and numerous other veterans and friends. Thoughts and memories may be shared online at www.gracefuneralhome.net. The arrangements and services were under the personal care of the Grace Funeral Homes and Cemeteries.

WILLIAM DILLARD "Bill" MAYERS - Died Thursday, December 15, 2022 in Canastota, New York at the age of 77. He was formerly of Lakeport, New York. The cause of death was cardiac arrest. Bill was born in Lawton, Oklahoma on February 20, 1945 to the late Frederick and Anita (née Sexton) Mayers. He grew up in the American Southwest, an area to which he felt an abiding connection and always hoped to return. As a young man, he briefly considered a seminary education, but upon deciding that a career in the clergy wasn't for him, he enlisted in the United States Army and served as a Medic and X-Ray Technician during the Vietnam War, including postings to Okinawa, Munich, and Berlin. After completing his enlistment, he earned a diploma in Nursing from Saint Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing, Elmira, NY and worked for many years as a Registered Nurse in various hospitals and nursing homes. He is survived by his wife of thirty-two years, Carol Mayers; four children: Allison (Jim) Myers of Freeville, NY, Joshua Mayers of Nashua, NH, Matthew Mayers of Newfield, NY, and Leslie Mulcahy (Richard Peet) of Newfield, NY; and stepchildren Mark (Angi) Saikkonen of Harrisburg, PA. and Brenda (Matthew) Briggs of Reston, VA. He is also survived by a brother, Robert (Ceclia) Mayers of Sandy, Utah; four grandchildren: Katya, Stephanie, Ada, and Samuel; five great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; a mother-in-law, Nadia Goldsworth of Boone, IA, a brother-in-law, Danny (Paula) Goldsworth of Boone, IA, and sister-in-law Kathleen (Rick) Mickelson of Minnesota. Bill was a life member of the William H. Cain American Legion Post #1287 of Chittenango, NY, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America –Dryden Chapter #377. He was a member of the Madison Oneida Amateur Radio club and was active in many of the public service events for which the club provided communication. He was a long-time member of the 12th US Infantry, Co A – Civil War Living history group, with whom he portrayed a Union surgeon and enjoyed teaching people about medical practices of the 1860's. The family is grateful to the staff of Saint Joseph's Hospital, Syracuse, NY, for their expert care and kind consideration during his brief stay. A Celebration of Life was held on Saturday, April 1, 2023 from 1:00 to 4:30 PM at the Chittenango American Legion, 707 Legion Drive, Chittenango, NY. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the William H. Cain Post #1287 – Nursing Scholarship, P.O. Box 11, Chittenango, NY 13037, to help further the education of Chittenango High School seniors who will be pursuing a degree in nursing.

DELBERT WILLIAM "Dell" MAYES – Died Wednesday, January 11, 2023 peacefully at home in Whitmore Lake, Michigan at the age of 83, surrounded by his family. The cause of

death is unknown. Dell was born on July 29, 1939 in Carson City, Michigan, the youngest of eight children. He married the love of his life, Fran (née Causey) Mayes, on April 24, 1965. Dell's favorite place in the world was Cedar Campus on the shore of Lake Huron in the Upper Peninsula. He was a lifelong church attender, and embodied unconditional love to his family and friends. He was always on the move, fixing everything in his house, his sisters' house, and anybody else's house or car who asked him. He knew how to tell a story - there was always a good laugh at the end. Everyone who met him liked him well. Dell was in the United States Army with the 1st Air Cavalry Division from 1963 to 1966, building roads in Thailand and Vietnam. He volunteered for and was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Ann Arbor Chapter #310 for many years late in life. He was extremely proud that his son Bill achieved the rank of Navy Commander. Working for Parke-Davis/Warner -Lambert/Pfizer for 34 years in animal care was a great job for Dell, a farmer at heart. Dell attended any sporting event any of his children, grandchildren, or neighbors invited him to, cheering proudly from the bleachers or sidelines. Dell will be missed by his wife, Frances "Fran" (née Causey) Mayes, his children Kimberly "Kim" (Jim Summers), Jennifer "JJ" (Tad) McKillop, William "Bill" (Wendy Willis), and Scott (Angela Farmer); his grandchildren Clayton (Elena), Julian (girlfriend Claire), Maggie (Vini), Finn (Johnny), Nick, Kira, Gryphon, Drakon, Phoenix and Sunora; and great-grandchildren Ella and Theo; his three sistersin-law, and many nieces and nephews. Dell is preceded in death by his parents Vernon and Ruth (Darby) and his siblings, Harold, Wendell, Lloyd, Hazel, Marie, Jean, and Martin. Dell's family and friends gathered on Friday, January 13, 2023 from 4:00-7:00 PM at the Borek Jennings Funeral Home, Hamburg Chapel, for a visitation. A memorial service was held on Sunday, January 29, 2023 at 5:00 PM at Episcopal Church of the Incarnation, 3257 Lohr Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48108. The interment was at the family cemetery in Carson City, Michigan in May. Memorial contributions were suggested to the Episcopal Church of the Incarnation. Please leave a message for Dell's family at his guestbook at www.borekjennings.com.

<u>THOMAS M. McCAGE</u> – Died Friday, July 1, 2022 in Port Charlotte, Florida at the age of 79. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Chicago, Illinois on July 15, 1943. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Port Charlotte Chapter #1037**.

JOHN HERMAN McPHERSON, JR. - Died Friday, December 23, 2022 peacefully at home in Des Moines, Iowa at the age of 75. The cause of death is unknown. John was born on July 21, 1947 in Des Moines to the late John Herman McPherson, Sr. and Shirley McPherson. He was a proud United States Army Veteran. He worked for Hiland Potato Chip, PAR Manufacturing, The Woodsmith Store, and most recently the Ace Hardware on Hickman Road. His greatest joy in life was his family and he loved spending time with his grandchildren. He enjoyed playing golf and boating on his boat the "Sharon Kay". He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Des Moines Chapter #490. He also enjoyed camping and car rides. He is survived by his sons, Michael McPherson and Matthew (Elizabeth) McPherson; grandchildren, Austin (Marissa) McPherson, Mykale McPherson, and Claudia Harlan; great-grandchildren, Buster, Harper, and

Taytum McPherson; honorary daughter, Amy Walker; honorary grandchildren, Noah Walker and Alexa Walker; and a host of other family and friends. John was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Sharon Kay "Sheri"; and his beloved dog, Buddy. Graveside service with military honors took place at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, January 11, 2023 at the lowa Veterans Cemetery, 34024 Veterans Memorial Drive, Adel. Condolences may be expressed at www.HamiltonsFuneralHome.com.

DAVID JOHN MENKVELD - Died Sunday, January 22, 2023 at 1:15 PM in Jacksonville, Florida at the age of 69. He was born on May 14, 1953 in Grand Rapids, Michigan to the late Gordon John Menkveld and Jean Marilyn (née Wever) Bennett-Menkveld. David was raised in Grand Rapids along with his siblings, Linda Adams (Mike), Debra Brown (Leroy), Evonne Bennette (Ken), Robert Bennette (Melissa) and Debra Cole. He was surrounded by his loving wife, Nenita; daughters, Lesley and Angel; niece, Maya; and her husband, Rick. David graduated from Rockford High School, and joined the military in September 1971. He married Nenita, the love of his life who survives him, in 2010. David is also survived by his children, Tara, Paula, David Scott Menkveld (Jean), Adam Menkveld, and Amy Lorraine Menkveld; and stepchildren, Lesley Marie Pettus (Tim), Angel Burkey (Stephen) and Dastin Lamis (Maricris); as well as grandchildren and great grandchildren. David was known for his love of ministering to people. His ministry was among the few ministries: The Dwelling Place Ministry, Baraga Prison Ministry, Philippine Ministry, was a Life Member and served as a Chaplain of Vietnam Veterans of America -Jacksonville Chapter #1046 and one of the mentors in the Prisoners of Christ of the Re-Entry Program of the ex-offenders and served the Salvation Army for 14 years. David was predeceased by parents, Gordon and Jean; and brother, Thomas. There was a time of visitation with the family from 6:00-8:00 PM on Friday, February 3, 2023 at the Pederson Funeral Home, 127 North Monroe Street, Rockford, MI 49341. The funeral service was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, February 4, 2023 at Pederson Funeral Home. There was also be a time of visitation one hour prior to the service. The service was also live streamed. In lieu of flowers and donations please consider donating to Prisoners of Christ, 6940 Atlantic Boulevard, Jacksonville, FL 32211.

DALE MARLIN MILLER - Died Friday, December 30 2022 in Racine, Wisconsin at the age of 78. He was a resident of Caledonia, Wisconsin. The cause of death was cardiac arrest. Dale was born on March 2 1944 in Elkhart, Indiana to the late Harry and Florence (née Christner) Miller, and was a graduate of Elkhart High School 1962. On March 15, 1969, Dale was united in marriage to Barbara Phillips in New London, Connecticut. He was a veteran of the United States Navy from 1962-1974 where he served on the USS Blenny "SS 324" (1964); USS Sturgeon "SS 637" (1967); and USS Stonewall Jackson "SS BN 634" (1974). Dale retired from We Energies in 2002; later working for Waupun Correctional Facility as a Power Plant Superintendent from 2006-

2011. He was elected as Supervisor of the Town of Caledonia (WI); holding office from 1982-1990. Dale was also elected as Commissioner of North Park Sanitary District for nine years. He was a member of professional organizations Wisconsin Board of Examining Engineers (President, Commissioned Instructor, and Licensed NIULE Chief Engineer), American Society of Power Engineers (Vice President, Authorized License Examiner, and Licensed Master Chief Power Plant Operations Engineer), and National Association of Power Engineers (Wisconsin State Deputy). Dale was also a member of US Submarine Veterans, American Legion Post #0434, and American Veterans Post No. WI-120. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America – Racine Chapter #767**. He enjoyed spending time at the family cabin. His passions included aiding and recognizing veterans and being an anchor for his family. Dale is survived by his wife, Barbara; daughter, Tammy (Rodney); and son, Benjamin. He is also survived by his four grandchildren Logan, Elly, Rory, and Riley. Private services were held. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Wisconsin Honor Flight or the American Cancer Society.

DAVID FREDERICK "Dave" MUELLER, SR. – Died Monday, December 26, 2022 in Delaware, Ohio at the age of 76. The cause of death was a heart attack. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio on October 28, 1946 to the late Frederick and Jessie (née Burklew) Mueller. Dave attended and graduated high school from John Marshall High School in Cleveland, Ohio. Dave went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology from The Ohio State University and proudly considered himself a Buckeye the rest of his life. He worked on the Erie Lackawanna Railroad summers to work his way through college. He loved this experience and it was the source of many of the jokes in his large repertoire. Dave was sworn into the United States Air Force on the day he graduated from OSU, having learned to fly at The Ohio State University Don Scott Airport. Dave proudly served from 1968-1973 as a pilot in the C-141 flying in and out of Vietnam. He dearly loved his country and was proud to be an active Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Delaware Chapter #1095. Upon discharge, Dave worked for Ward Bakery and later Kroger's as a plant manager. He then went back to his first love and established his career in aviation. Dave was employed by several companies including being Chief Pilot for Cleveland Cliffs and ultimately retiring from NetJets. He obtained a number of type ratings but his favorite plane was always the JetStar. He enjoyed the comradeship of the Quiet Birdmen in both the Cleveland and Columbus Hangar. Dave was known as a very knowledgeable and caring man, with a wonderful sense of humor. Those who knew him knew they could count on him for at least one joke for any occasion. Dave had many interests and skills including plumbing, electrical work, and mechanics. He also enjoyed woodworking and his tractors. Dave was a technology buff and enjoyed many hours on his computer. Dave loved nothing more than spending time with family of whom he was very proud. His laughter and light he brought to the world will be greatly missed. Those left to cherish his memory include his wife of 41 years, Nancy (née Bitto) Mueller of Delaware, Ohio; one Son, David F. (Sandra) Mueller, Jr. of Medina, Ohio; two daughters, Sarah (Adam Vosz) Mueller of Delaware, Ohio and Amanda (Kyle) Mason, of Cumming, Georgia; three

grandchildren, Jack, Samantha, and Jessica; beloved dog, Arlo; granddogs; and many other family members and friends. A service to honor Dave's life was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, December 31, 2022 at the Snyder-Rodman Funeral Center, 101 Valleyside Drive, Delaware. Visitation was held on Friday from 4:00 to 7:00 PM and on Saturday from 10:00 to service time at 11:00 AM, all at the funeral home. The burial was in the Marlborough Cemetery, with military honors presented by Vietnam Veterans of America — Delaware Chapter #1095. The Snyder-Rodman Funeral Center was honored to serve the Mueller family. To leave a condolence, or to share a memory, please visit www.snyderfuneralhomes.com.

PETER B. MURPHY (USMC, CWO4-Ret.) - Died Tuesday, December 27, 2022 at UF Health The Villages Hospital in The Villages, Florida at the age of 84. He was a resident of The Villages. He suffered complications from a car accident. Peter was born in Yonkers, New York on April 22, 1938, and lived the past 40 years in Oakhurst, NJ. He had recently moved to Florida. Peter B Murphy is predeceased by his wife, Eileen, of 55 years, as well as siblings Jack, Virginia and Patricia. He is survived by their three children: Kevin, Thomas, Regina and their spouses Caroline, Candy and David. He also had six loving grandchildren and four greatgrandchildren with two more on the way. He also is survived by siblings Paul, Joseph, Alice and Maryann and his current loving wife Linda and her son, Patrick. Aside from his family, Peter's greatest devotion was to the Marines. As a Chief Warrant Officer 4 in the United States Marine Corps, Peter served three Tours of Duty in Vietnam and dedicated 21 years of his life to the Marine Corps. Peter was awarded The Navy Commendation Medal with Valor, Vietnam Service Medal with three Bronze Stars for three tours in Vietnam, Combat Action Ribbon and the Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal (Cuba) and many more honors during his career. Peter also supported numerous veteran groups and causes throughout his life. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Allenhurst Chapter #12. Peter was an amazing, one of a kind, person who would give the shirt off his back to anyone. He touched every person he met and will truly be missed A memorial with full military honors was held at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Florida on January 30, 2023 at 1:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, the family would be honored by a donation in Peter's memory to his favorite charity, Homes for our Troops.

JOHN W. NORRELL, JR. - Died Friday, April 29, 2022 at Advent Health Hospital in Sebring, Florida at the age of 76, due to complications from an accident. He was a resident of both Sebring, Florida and Saint Cloud, Minnesota. John was born on October 1, 1945 in Fort Dodge, Iowa to the late John and Llelvan (née Carr) Norrell. He graduated in 1963 with his class from Central Webster High School of Burnside, Iowa. He enlisted into the United States Navy.

While home on military leave, John married his high school sweetheart, Alice "Penny" Rasmussen on December 26, 1965. John received an honorable discharge from the United States Navy in August 1966. In March of 1969, John and Penny moved to Saint Cloud, MN. John worked various jobs, and studied at Saint Cloud State University before starting his career in 1976 with the Saint Cloud Fire Department. In October of 2005, John retired from the Saint Cloud Fire Department. Retirement allowed more time to spend with his daughters, grandchildren, great-grandchild, his sister, nieces, nephew and their families. In 2016 John and Carol moved to Sebring, FL. John became a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Sebring Chapter #1097. John had impeccable craftsman skills and ingenuity to build, fix and restore almost anything. He always had a project he was working on. He liked to be busy, but never too busy to miss out on an opportunity to help someone, or accept an invitation to grab a burger. John will be remembered for his servant's heart, his unconditional love and his loyalty, he will be missed. Survivors include his daughters: Heather Conklin, Dawn (Brian) Conklin; son: David Haugen; grandchildren: Justin (Brittany) Conklin, Madeline Conklin, Brandt Conklin, Jude Conklin. Jennifer Markfort, Rachel (Corey) Riley, Natalie Conklin, Emma Conklin, and Elizabeth Haugen; great-granddaughters: Amara Haugen, Magdalena Markfort; sisters: Doris (Mark) Umthun, Dorothy Smith and their families; first wife, Alice (Penny Norrell) Gnekow, second wife, Carol A. Marquart-Haugen-Davis-Norrell, step-children and step-grandchildren. John was preceded in death by his parents; daughters: Holly Wiley and Wendy Norrell; and stepgranddaughter. A Memorial Service with Military Honors for John W. Norrell Jr. of Saint Cloud, MN (Sebring, FL) was held at 12:00 Noon on Friday, May 20, 2022 at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery, 15550 Hwy 115 Little Falls, MN. Lunch followed until 3:00 PM at Camp Ripley Town Hall 15-77 15000 MN-115, Little Falls, MN (Photo ID required for anyone over 16 years of age attending). In Lieu of flowers memorials can be sent to Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA), Chapter #1097, P.O. Box 7006, Sebring, FL. 33872.

DAVID CHARLES PASCO - Died Wednesday, December 21, 2022 in Greenfield, Indiana at the age of 76. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on April 25, 1946 in Indianapolis, Indiana to the late Charles Glover and Marianne (née Wertenberger) Pasco and was raised and lived most of his life in Greenfield. A 1964 graduate of Greenfield High School, he also received degrees from The Ohio State University, Ball State University, and the Indiana College of Mortuary Science. He worked for over 35 years at the Pasco Memorial Mortuary. He served on the Board of Directors of Greenfield Banking Company 22 years, retiring in 2018. David entered the United States Army and completed Officer Candidate School in 1970. Serving a year in Vietnam, he was assigned to MACV Team 87 working as a G-2 Staff Officer with the 18th South Vietnamese Division during Vietnamization. He was discharged in 1971 from active duty and honorably discharged from the U.S. Army Reserves in 1978. His memberships include Greenfield Veterans Honor Guard, American Legion Post #119, VFW Post #2693, Greenfield Sertoma Club, Hancock Masonic Lodge, Greenfield York Rite, Indianapolis Scottish Rite, and Murat Shrine Club.

He was a former Board Member of the Boys and Girls Club of Hancock County. His community involvement included Board Member of Greenfield Revitalization (the 1980s) and was very proud to have served on the Committee to bring the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, "Wall that Heals," to Greenfield in 2005. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Lawrence Chapter #295. Surviving is his wife of 50+ years, Janice (née Braddock) Pasco and his beloved schnauzer son, Mr. Higgins. Also surviving are his sister-in-law, Georgia (Burl) Carmichael; nieces and nephews: Patty Pasco, R.J. (Beth) Pasco, Jason (Karen) Carmichael, Emily (Matt) Rosenthal-Williams, Alissa Carmichael (Chad Bozell), and Billy Williams; sister-in-law, Joan Pasco and her daughter, Jennifer (Doug) Beck; and several great nieces and nephews; and many great long-time friends here and around. David was preceded in death by his brother, Richard J. Pasco and sister, Salli Williams. Visitation was held on Thursday, December 29, 2022 from 10:30 AM until 12:45 PM at the Stillinger Family Funeral Home-Pasco Chapel, 1780 West Main Street, Greenfield, with the Honor Guard and American Legion having their ceremonies immediately prior to the 1:00 PM service, also at the funeral home, officiated by Pastor Matt Wickham. The burial was private to the Pasco family, where upon full military rites were accorded in Park Cemetery, Greenfield. Memorial contributions may be made to The Boys & Girls Club of Hancock County, 715 East Lincoln Street, Greenfield, IN 46140 and/or to the American Huey 369 Museum, 1697 West Hoosier Boulevard, Peru, IN 46970. If you would like to sign the online guest book or send condolences to the family, you may do so by visiting www.stillingerfamily.com.

LARRY E. PENNINGTON, SR. - Died Friday, January 13, 2023 at home in Princeton, West Virginia at the age of 72. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on July 25, 1950 in Bluefield, West Virginia to the late Paul Pennington and the late Bernice (née Robinson) Billings. After graduating high school, Larry enlisted in the United States Army and spent 22 years serving his country. He completed two tours in Vietnam and put the first all-female platoon through bayonet training before retiring as a highly decorated drill sergeant. Larry devoted the rest of his life to his family and his roles within several veteran's service organizations. He also helped countless veterans successfully obtain VA benefits. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Princeton Chapter #628. Larry enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren. He loved fishing, gardening, NASCAR, billiards, and poker. His favorite time of year was the annual family reunion. He always organized the horseshoe tournament in which he was incredibly competitive and played by his own rules. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Theresa Gregg; his third wife, Katherine Bell Pennington; sister, Kimberly Dickson; brother Dennis Pennington; and brothers-in law, Nathaniel "Buddy" Billings and Russell Harvey. Survivors include his second wife, Hui Choe; sons, Larry E. Pennington, Jr. (Tammy Bryant) of Lenoir, NC, Terry (Tiffany) Pennington of Lake Wylie, SC and James Bell of Princeton; daughter, Victoria (Jason) Crimmel of Lawrenceburg, IN; grandchildren, Alex Pennington and fiancé Jordan Watson, Colby (Sarah) Rash, Taylor, Titus, and Tinsley Pennington, Cameron, Jonas and Silas Crimmel, Zackery Rash and Jazzlynn Pennington; great-grandchildren Xander Tester and Brayden Pennington; and siblings, Barbara Billings, Selma (Basil) Akers, Ronald (Darlene)

Pennington, Jerry (Linda) Pennington, William Sneed, Debby (Benny) Weese, Teddy Billings and Janet Harvey. Funeral services were conducted at 1:30 PM on Saturday, January 21, 2023 at the Bailer-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton with Pastor Kelly Lyle, officiating. Military rites were conducted by the Mercer County Veterans Honor Guard. The interment was at Roselawn Memorial Garden in Princeton. All were welcome to attend and celebrate Larry's life. Serving as pallbearers were Alex Pennington, Willie Pennington, Colby Rash, Jordan Harvey, Jonathon Laxton and Brandon Hazelwood. Honorary pallbearers were Cameron, Jonas and Silas Crimmel, Titus Pennington, Xander Tester and Brayden Pennington. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in his name to the Mercer County Princeton Disabled American Veterans, North Walker Street, Princeton, WV 24740. The family received friends on Saturday, January 21, 2023 from 12:30 PM until service hour at the Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.bailey-kirk.com.

ROBERT EUGENE "Bob" POE - Died Thursday, November 10, 2022 at the Clarissa C. Cook Hospice House in Bettendorf, Iowa at the age of 75. He was a resident of Milan, Illinois. The cause of death is unknown. Bob was born in Kokomo, Indiana on August 3, 1947 and adopted shortly after by Homer and Juanita Poe. Bob graduated from Connersville High School in Connersville, IN in 1965 and joined the United States Air Force that summer at age 17 where he served in Vietnam. Later, he worked as a Special Agent for the Air Force Office of Special Investigations. He graduated from Black Hills State University in 1984. After graduation he became employed by the VA where he served as Director of Black Hills National Cemetery (Sturgis, SD), Fort McPherson National Cemetery (Maxwell, NE), Fort Custer National Cemetery (Augusta, MI), and Rock Island National Cemetery (Rock Island, IL). He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Rock Island Chapter #299. Bob has also served his community as a member of many organizations. Under the Free Masons, he served as a Master Mason and as Grand Master for many years in multiple locations. Other memberships he held were Shriners, York Rite, Scottish Rite, and Lions Club. Bob is survived by his wife, Gail Ann; children, Robert Poe, Albuquerque, NM, Aaron Poe, Belleville, IL, and Rebecca (John) Dorsey, Houston TX; grandchildren AJ, Tylor, Monique, Anthony, Michael, and Aiden; great-grandchildren Liam and Lucas; sisters Pamela (Billy) Reece, Lisa Koohns, Beth (Jim) Croucher, Connersville, IN; and halfbrother Richard (Barbara) Rider, Marrion, IN. He was preceded in death by his parents; and previous wife, Teresa Jones Poe. Memorial services were held at 11:00 AM on Monday, November 21, 2022 at Wheelan-Pressly Funeral Home and Crematory, Milan. Visitation was from 9:30 to 10:30 AM with a Masonic Service by the Silvis Lodge No. 898 being conducted at 10:30 AM at the funeral home. The inurnment with military honors by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #299 were held in the Rock Island National Cemetery, Arsenal Island.

JOHN F. PORTIK, JR. - Died Thursday, December 15, 2022, in Niagara Falls, New York at the age of 76. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Niagara Falls on September 29, 1946 to the late John F. Portik, Sr. and Margaret 'Inez' (née Morse) Portik. He was the loving husband of Josephine Judith (née Marra) Portik, who he married May 22, 1971 in Saint Joseph Church. John was a graduate of Niagara Falls High School and served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was employed at Occidental Chemical Corporation as a Chemical Operator, retiring in 1998 after 31 years. John was an active Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Lockport Chapter #268 and also with the VVA Chapter 681 where he served as a President. He was dedicated to aiding the Veterans suffering from PTSD and took pride in serving them meals and comfort monthly. He was also instrumental in assisting the homeless Veterans. John enjoyed watching professional wrestling and was an avid Buffalo Bills fan. He also loved fishing and hunting in his younger years. Above all, John loved being with his family who will miss him dearly. In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children, John III and Judith-Anne Portik; two grandchildren, Alissa and Tyler Portik; his brother, Donald (Joan) Portik, as well as several nieces and nephews. Visitation was on Thursday, December 22nd from 3:00–7:00 PM at the M.J. Colucci and Son Niagara Funeral Chapel, 2730 Military Road, Niagara Falls, NY. John's Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Tuesday, January 3rd at 12:00 Noon in Saint Joseph Church, 1413 Pine Avenue, Niagara Falls, NY. Military honors and interment was in Saint Joseph Cemetery. Flowers graciously declined, memorial offerings to VVA Chapter #268, PO Box 585, Lockport, NY 14094. Visit micoluccifuneralchapel.com for online condolences.

CLARENCE RONALD "Ronnie" RANSOM - Died Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at Northeast Georgia Medical Center in Gainesville, Georgia at the age of 79. He was a resident of Gainesville. The cause of death is unknown. Ronnie was born on August 30, 1943 in Gainesville to the late Clarence Ray and Clara Mae (née White) Ransom. He graduated from Gainesville High School Class of 1962. He attended Southern Technology Institute in Marietta. While in college, he bravely enlisted in the United States Army, serving in an intelligence capacity in both Thailand and Vietnam. Ronnie remained a proud veteran, often participating in many veteran activities. In 1968, he met the love of his life, Carol McClure, and they celebrated 52 years of marriage last April. He was a member of the Old Friends Car Club, the Masonic Lodge, and a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America – Gainesville Chapter #772. He was once owner and operator of the K and R baseball card shop. Ronnie retired from National Auto Research (Black Book) in 2012. He was also a faithful member of Lakewood Baptist Church, Gainesville, Georgia. In addition to his parents, Ronnie was preceded in death by his son, Kris Ransom, a sister, Linda Montgomery, and a nephew, Stuart Martin. Surviving in addition to his wife, Carol Ransom, are a daughter and son-in-law, Bree and Hammond Law, grandsons, Ford Ransom and Ray Ransom, all of Gainesville,

a sister, Vicki Martin of Bethlehem, GA nephews, Kip (Stacey) Montgomery of Orlando, FL, Jeff Martin of Dahlonega, GA, Tim Martin of Bethlehem, GA, great-niece, Emma Grace Martin of Atlanta, GA. Ronnie is also survived by sister-in-law, Linda Peck, and Ann (Whit) Whitmire; Brother-in-laws include Morris (Charlotte) McClure, and Allen McClure. There are a number of nieces and nephews and their children also included. His entire family and numerous friends have unfailing love and respect for this wonderful man. A Celebration of Life Service was held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, November 19, 2022 at Memorial Park Riverside Chapel with interment in Memorial Park Cemetery. The family received friends from 10:00 to 11:00 AM one hour prior to the service at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations be made to the Lakewood Baptist Church, 2235 Thompson Bridge Road, Gainesville, GA 3050 or to Rock Creek Vietnam Veterans Group, P.O. Box 3186, Gainesville, Georgia 30603. Gifts can also be made to charities of your choice in Ronnie's memory. Memorial Park North Riverside Chapel 989 Riverside Drive Gainesville, Georgia is in charge of arrangements. For online condolences www.memorialparkfuneralhomes.com.

MAMES MELVIN "Jim" RUTH (USN, PNC-Ret.) - Died Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at his home in Breese, Illinois at the age of 82. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on January 25, 1940 in Summerfield, Illinois to the late Melvin and Kathryn (née Grolle) Ruth. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a grandson, Ellison "Eli" Diesen; siblings, Richard Allen Ruth in infancy, Betty (Richard) Erwin, Robert Ruth, and Phyllis Schultz; step-father, Harold Peters; half-brother, Timothy Peters; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Edward A. and Eleanor, nee Voss, Huelsmann; and brother-in-law, Bernard "Diek" Diekemper. Jim is survived by his wife, Betty (née Huelsmann) Ruth, of Breese, IL, whom he married October 2, 1963 at Saint Mary Catholic Church in Trenton, IL; children, Susan Marie (fiancé Derwayne Gallimore) Ruth of Germantown, IL, Sandra Dee (Kevin Diesen) Ruth-Diesen of Ottawa Hills, OH, Sara Lee (Brian) Kampwerth of Beckemeyer, IL and Charles Edward (Dyan) Ruth of Clarendon Hills, IL; grandchildren, Eric (Lauren) Eversgerd, Luke (friend, Megan Feldmann) Eversgerd, Brieta Diesen, Eliana Diesen, Jacob (Alyssa) Kampwerth, Jared (Ali) Kampwerth, Jordan (friend, Brittney Vandeloo) Kampwerth, Jack Ruth, Matt Ruth, and Nate Ruth; great-grandchildren, Paisley, Ashlyn, and Easten Eversgerd, Kylee Eversgerd, and Leighton Kampwerth; sister, Anna (Herb) Schmitt of Trenton, IL; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Judy Ruth of Spring Hill, FL, Ron (Kathy) Schultz of Trenton, IL, Catherine Diekemper of Breese, IL, Patricia (Charles) Harmon of Mascoutah, IL, Wilma (John) Ruppel of Polk City, FL, Helen (Alfred) Beckmann of Carlyle, IL, Sr. Joetta Huelsmann, PHJC of Donaldson, IN, and Gerald (Joyce) Huelsmann of Trenton, IL; and nieces and nephews. PNC James M. Ruth retired in 1978 from the United State Navy after 20 years of service. During his service, PNC Ruth worked as a billing clerk in Freight Consolidation Services and was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal with Two Stars, Navy Commendation Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with Six Stars, Navy Unit Commendation, Presidential Unit Commendation, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device 1960, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Gallantry Cross, and numerous letters of Appreciation from various commands. After Jim's retirement from the

United States Navy, he worked as a billing clerk for Beckmann Distribution Service Inc. in Carlyle, IL. Jim was a member of Saint Dominic Catholic Church and Men's Sodality, Breese Knights of Columbus Council #2869, Breese American Legion Post #252 (where he served as the Senior Vice-Commander, Junior Vice-Commander, and board member), *Life Member* of the **Vietnam Veterans of America Clinton County** (*Breese*) **Chapter #269**, life member of Disabled Veterans Egyptian Gateway Chapter #76, and life member of Carlyle VFW Post #3523. He enjoyed fishing, picking up pecans, reading, and playing board games and euchre. A Funeral Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Monday, December 19, 2022 at 10:00 AM at Saint Dominic Catholic Church in Breese, IL with Reverend Father Chuck Tuttle presiding. The interment was at Summerfield Cemetery with full military honors accorded by the United States Navy. Visitation was on Sunday, December 18, 2022 from 4:00–8:00 PM and again on Monday, December 19, 2022 from 8:00–9:30 AM at the Moss Funeral Home in Breese, IL. In lieu of flowers, plants, and other gifts, memorials may be made to Saint Dominic Catholic Church, Lebanon Community High School, or Mater Dei Catholic High School and will be received at the visitation or by mail, Moss Funeral Home, 535 North 5th Street, Breese, IL 62230, who is serving the family.

HENRY CALVIN RUTLEDGE (USA, CW2-Ret.) - Died Wednesday December 7, 2022 in Katy, Texas at the age of 87, surrounded by his loving family. The cause of death is unknown. Henry was born on Thursday, January 3, 1935, in Mexia, Texas to the late W.A. and Virginia Rutledge. Henry was a long-time resident of Katy, Texas. He graduated from John H. Reagan High School. He served our Country in the United States Army and served two tours during the Vietnam War. After he retired from the Army with 20 years of service, Henry worked for the USPS for 20 years until he retired for good. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign War, The Texas State Guard and a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Richmond Chapter #343. Henry also attended Katy First United Methodist Church. He was a family man and a friend to all. Henry was preceded in death by his parents; W.A. Rutledge and Corria Virginia Rutledge; brother, George Adan; and his beloved granddaughter, Ashley Dube. He leaves behind his loving wife of 66 years, Leslie Ann Rutledge, of Katy, TX; sons, Bill Rutledge and wife, Carolyn, of Kosse, TX; Mike Rutledge and wife, Amanda, of Waller, TX; James Rutledge and wife, Alene, of Montgomery, TX; Mark Rutledge and wife, Amy, of Richmond, TX; daughters, Cheryl Caruthers, of Houston, TX and Karen Baker, of Sugar Land, TX. He also leaves behind his grandkids, Jason and partner, Meredith; Alan and wife, Kelli; Jason and wife, Krista; Blake and wife, Lacey; Cody and wife, Whitney; Tyler and wife, Kelsey; Justin and wife, Ashley; Calvin and wife, Brandi; Dustin and wife, Rachel; Jennifer; Dillon and wife, Katie; Cody; Cheyenne; Tommy and wife, Sheila; Nichole and husband, Alvin; Natosha and husband, Chris; and Samuel and wife, Kayla. Henry also leaves behind 38 great-grandkids and six great-great-grandkids. Henry was honorably discharged as a CW2 and received a Bronze Star. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Leslie would like to thank Henry's good friend, Rick Spacek, for all his kindness and for being a great friend to Henry. Visitation was held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 from 4:00-7:00 PM in the Brazos Chapel of Katy Funeral Home, 23350 Kingsland Boulevard, Katy, Texas. A Funeral Service was held on Thursday, December 15, 2022 at 10:00 AM, in the Rio Grande Chapel of Katy Funeral Home, 23350 Kingsland Boulevard, Katy, Texas. The committal was at 12:30 PM in the Houston National Cemetery, 10410 Veterans Memorial Drive, Houston, Texas. The pallbearers were Alan Caruthers; Jason Caruthers, Blake Baker, Cody Rutledge, Tyler Rutledge, Justin Rutledge, Calvin Rutledge, Dustin Rutledge, Dillon Rutledge and Tommy Rutledge.

DONALD DEANE "Don" SAMS III - Died Saturday, November 19, 2022 at the VA Medical Center in Atlanta, Georgia at the age of 75, while surrounded by his loving family. He was a resident of Ellijay, Georgia. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on May 31, 1947 in Charleston, South Carolina to the late Elizabeth W. Sams and Donald Deane Sams, Jr. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Steve Kidd; and nephew, Kevin Kidd. Mr. Sams' education included attending the Wakefield High School in Arlington,

Virginia from 1963-1964. From 1964-1965, he attended the High School of Charleston in Charleston, South Carolina. Following his military service, he attended The Citadel in Charleston from 1968-1971, majoring in Biology. He continued his medical education within the Physician's Assistant Program at the Medical University of South Carolina, graduating in 1973. A Vietnam Veteran, Don Sams served our country in the United States Army from 1965-1968 as a Surgical Technician and Independent Duty Corpsman. He served in the 1st Calvary Division Air Mobile and 1/5 Black Knights. In 1966, Mr. Sams was wounded in Vietnam and completed his tour of duty in 1968. Mr. Sams joined the United States Air Force Reserve (1970-1975), where he was an Independent Duty Corpsman and an Aero-Medical Evaluation training NCO. He achieved a rank of E-6 and resigned April 6th, 1975. He was a recipient of the Combat Medical Badge, the Combat Infantry Badge, the Vietnam Service Medal, the National Defense Medal, and the Presidential Unit Award for the 1st Calvary Division (Air Mobile). After returning from war, he put his training as a combat infantry medic into practice as a Physician's Assistant, serving soldiers and civilians alike. A native of Charleston, Mr. Sams came from a family of medical professionals and soldiers. He practiced in South Carolina and across North Georgia for more than 35 years, Mr. Sams moved to Ellijay, GA in 1975 and began caring for the community by joining the practice of Dr. E.J. Fernandez. During the latter part of his career, Mr. Sams practiced in Dr. Bob G. Lanier's office in Cumming, GA, from which he retired. Mr. Sams was the commander of the American Legion Post #82 in Ellijay, where he was a lifelong member. He was also a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #6970 in Dawsonville. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -Dawsonville Chapter #970. Mr. Sams was a passionate Veteran advocate, providing counsel and support to ensure Veterans navigate the VA system and gain access to their benefits. He was a true "hometown hero". Mr. Sams enjoyed spending time with his family, sailing, golfing, playing tennis, photography, and chess. Survivors include his loving wife of 44 years, Diane (née Harper) Sams of Ellijay; daughters and sons-in-law, Nicole and Mike O'Brien, Margaret and Robbie Corn, Heather Sams, and Holly Chastain. Known as "Poppy" to many grandkids, he is survived by grandchildren, Jacey Aaron, Zachary "Zach" Aarvon, Jaylin Stanley, Bryce Barclay, Kash Chastain, Erin O'Brien, Keira O'Brien, Tyler (Anna) Corn, and Emmie Corn; one great-grandchild, Caiden Corn. He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Dorothy Harper; two sisters, Lisa Kidd and Anne "Nancy" Singleton; brother and sister-in-law, Douglas "Doug" M. and Nancy Sams; sister-in-laws, Pat McClure, Brenda Harper, Carole Spearman, and Lisa Harper; and several nieces and nephews also survive. To honor his wishes, Mr. Sams was cremated, and a private service was held at a later date from the Bernhardt Funeral Home chapel with Reverend Steve Jones and Chaplain Vincent Moreno co-officiating. The interment was at the Georgia National Cemetery with fully military rites and recognition by the North Georgia Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers, the family has asked kindly to make donations to one of Mr. Sams' preferred charities: America's VetDogs- VetDogs is a 501(c)3 charity that trains and places service dogs for veterans with physical disabilities; guide dogs for individuals who are blind or have low vision; service dogs to help mitigate the effects of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD); and facilitate dogs as part of the rehabilitation process in military and VA hospitals. Contact them at www.vetdogs.com or call them at 866-838-3647. Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund- VVMF is a 501 (c)3 charity authorized to build and maintain the national memorial dedicated to all who served in the U.S. armed forces in the Vietnam War. Their mission is to honor and preserve the legacy of service and educate all generations about the impact of the Vietnam War. VVMF's In Memory program honors those

whose lives were cut short as a result of their service, such as by expose to Agent Orange. To donate, visit their website at www.vvfm.org or call them at 202-393-0093. The Bernhardt Funeral Home of Ellijay was in charge of the arrangements.

LEE RICHARD SANCHEZ (USA, SFC-Ret.) - Died Tuesday, January 17, 2023 in Sunset, Utah at the age of 77, surrounded by his family. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on October 31, 1945, in Westcliffe, Colorado to the late Bernice Trujillo and Arthur Sanchez. Moving to Utah at an early age, He attended Syracuse Elementary school and graduated from Davis High School in 1964. Following graduation, he went into the Job Corps. Later enlisting into the United States Army at the age of 21. He did his basic training at Fort Bliss, Texas, and Air Defense Variant (ADV) training at Fort Gordon, Georgia. Then he was assigned to Vietnam and served in the 1st Infantry Division, 2nd Battalion, 16th Ranger, B Company, LIMA Platoon for one year. He received many awards, among them a Purple Heart. Then in 1970, he married his soulmate Dorothy Borges, whom he knew when she was in cloth diapers (go figure). In 1972, on their 2nd anniversary, they had a beautiful daughter, Lisa -the joy of their life. In 1991, he was called to serve in Desert Storm serving with 142nd MI Company. He retired with a total of 30 years of service in July 1998 as SFC (Sergeant First Class) E-7. He continued to serve his country in the Honor Guard for all fallen Veterans and played TAPS for numerous Veteran functions. He also served as a local Commander for 3 years and in 2012 became a Utah State Commander for the DAV. He loved his Country and was very proud of his service. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Clearfield Chapter #1079 on October 31, 1945, in Westcliffe, Colorado. His personality was bigger than life. He always made numerous lifelong friends wherever he went. He loved going to Wendover, playing Bingo, fishing, going on family outings, watching Fox News, the Republican Party, and McDonalds. Most of all, he took pride in his vehicles, and he was a big family man. His mischievous ways will be missed, and his generous heart will leave a big void behind. Lee is survived by his brother, Arthur Ray Sanchez Jr; his wife, Dorothy; his daughter, Lisa; many nephews, nieces, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his father, Arthur Sanchez; his mother, Bernice Trujillo; his two sisters, Dorothy (Joe DeHerrera) and Orlinda Sanchez. A special thanks to all the McKay-Dee Hospital staff who took special care of him. A viewing was held on Sunday, January 22, 2023, from 6:00 to 7:00 PM, with a prayer service beginning at 7:00 PM at the Lindquist's Syracuse Mortuary, 869 South 2000 West, Syracuse, Utah. The funeral service was held at 10:00 AM on Monday, January 23, 2023 at Saint Rose of Lima Church, 210 Chapel Street, Layton, Utah. The interment was at Lindquist's Memorial Gardens of the Wasatch, 1718 Combe Road, South Ogden, Condolences may be shared Utah. www.lindquistmortuary.com.

DOUGLAS J. "Doug" SANTY - Died Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at Saint Vincent Hospital in Green Bay, Wisconsin at the age of 84. He was a resident of Ashwaubenon, Wisconsin. The cause of death is unknown. Doug was born on November 24, 1938 in Green Bay to the late John F. and Virginia C. (née Brown) Santy. He was a 1957 graduate of Green Bay West High School. Doug served his country in the United States Army. In 1969 he began his career as a Master Electrician at Fort Howard Paper and was there until his retirement in 1999. After his retirement he enjoyed volunteering at Bellin Hospital, woodworking and landscaping. Having served his country in the Army, he was proud of all his friends he made of fellow veterans through the years as a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – De Pere Chapter #224; and American Legion: Post #518 of which he served for many years as an officer in the post. He was especially proud of having served on The Committee for the Planning and Building of the Brown County Veterans Memorial. After the dedication of the memorial on May 23, 2003, he was elected to the Board of Directors of the memorial and has served as an officer retiring in 2022. Doug is survived by two daughters: Ann Marie (Erick) Finke, and Katherine (Chris) Sarns; granddaughter: Eva Finke, whom he was very proud of; two brothers: Thomas (Ann) Santy, and Jeffrey (Joan) Santy; and six sisters: Jane (Tom) Schauer, Eileen (Vern) Schuessler, Mary Rose (Allen) Hansen, Christine Lambie, Claire (Gail) Anderson, and Laurie Santy. He is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. Doug was preceded in death by his parents: John and Virginia Santy; and brother-in-law: Lee Lambie. A funeral service to celebrate Doug's life was held at 6:00 PM on Saturday, January 21, 2023 at the Lyndahl Funeral Home. Full military honors concluded the service. Relatives and friends greeted the family at the funeral home from 4:00 PM until the time of service at 6:00 PM. Expressions of sympathy can be made to the family by visiting www.lyndahl.com. The family wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to the staff of Unity Hospice for their care and compassion that they gave to Doug. The Lyndahl Funeral Home and Cremation Services assisted the family with the arrangements.

JAMES MILO "Jim" SCHILLING (USAF, CMSAF-Ret.) - Died Thursday, January 5, 2023 in Felton, Delaware at the age of 74, surrounded by his family after battling Progressive Supra-Nuclear Palsy (PSP) for 6 years. Jim was born in Mobridge, South Dakota on January 31, 1948, and grew up in Akaska, South Dakota to the late Harold and Henrietta Lorraine (née Sulzle) Schilling. He enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1966 after graduating from Selby High School and served in Vietnam. Jim would go on to proudly serve in the Air Force as a civilian and reservist at Dover Air Force Base for a total of 37 years reaching the rank of Chief Master Sergeant and received numerous medals and awards, retiring in 2006. After retirement Jim continued his

civic duty by volunteering at the Johnson Victrola Museum in Dover, at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church and a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Dover Chapter #850, to name a few. He enjoyed helping people, going on walks, singing, playing his guitar, dancing, watching baseball and football, traveling, and being a top-notch handyman. He especially enjoyed spending time with his wife, children and grandchildren. He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, brother, brother-in-law and a true friend. We will always remember Jim's impish grin, beautiful smile, contagious laugh and kind heart. Jim is survived by his wife, Wendy, son Brian (Kara), daughter Tracy (Bill), brothers Roy (Mary) and Duane, step sisters Lila Simon, Carol Lehrkamp, and Belle Rae Sieber, grandchildren Blake, Riley, Harrison, Rhys and Eloise. As well as his parents, he was also predeceased in death by his sister, Twyla (Schilling) Chase, and step mother Dollie Schilling. Services were held on Friday, January 13, 2023 at Saint Andrew Lutheran Church, 425 North DuPont Highway, Dover, DE 19901 with visitation at 9:30 AM and the service at 11:00 AM. A luncheon to followed in the Great Hall. The burial was on Tuesday, January 31, 2023, Jim's 75th birthday, at the Veterans Cemetery in Bear, DE at 2:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Stain Andrew Lutheran Church, 425 DuPont Highway, Dover, DE 19901 or CurePSP, 1216 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10001; www.psp.org. Online condolences may be made via www.pippinfuneralhome.com.

GARY D. SHERRILL - Died Thursday, October, 20, 2022 at Avantara Mountain View in Rapid City, South Dakota at the age of 71. He was a resident of Rapid City, and formerly of Watertown, South Dakota. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Watertown on March 1, 1951 to the late George and Nellie (née Barton) Sherrill. Gary loved growing up in Watertown and enjoyed his childhood very much. He especially enjoyed building go karts, fishing, and being a member of the Mellette School Boy Scouts of America Troop. In 1969, Gary graduated from Watertown High School and a year later, on July 3, 1970, married the love of his life, Kathe Learn. One month after being married, Gary received his draft notice for the Vietnam War and enlisted in the United States Army. While in the Army and stationed at Fort Gordon, GA, Gary and Kathe welcomed their first child, Chad. After being honorably discharged from the United States Army, Gary and his family returned to Watertown, SD, where he and Kathe welcomed their second child, Hillary. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Watertown Chapter #1054. Gary loved spending time with his family. Many weekends were spent camping, boating and traveling. He also loved hunting and fishing with his father in-law, Don Learn. While raising his family in Watertown, Gary was a firefighter for the Watertown Fire Department. On his days off from the fire department, he owned and operated his own plumbing business and later worked as an electrician for Miller Electric and Marquardt Electric. Gary was a very hard worker and there wasn't anything he could not build or make. This was something instilled in him by his father, George. Gary enjoyed helping others and would often spend evenings or Saturdays helping friends with their home construction projects. After retiring from the fire department, he spent his time fishing, attending his grandchildren's events, and still keeping his job as an electrician. Gary had a wonderful sense of humor and loved to joke around with family and friends. Many good laughs and memories were made with Gary. Gary is survived by his wife of 52 years, Kathe of Rapid City; his son, Chad (Mallory) Sherrill of Rapid City, SD; his daughter, Hillary (Mike) Pletten of Brandon, SD; grandchildren: Jackson Pletten of Fraser, CO, Riley Pletten of Vermillion, SD, and Kate Sherrill of Rapid City, SD; friends of the family, Ella Stoos and Jolene Sparks of Sioux Falls, SD, which Gary thought of and treated as his own granddaughters; his brother, Ken (Sandy) Sherrill of Watertown, SD; father in-law, Don Learn of Watertown, SD; brothers-in-law, David Todd of Watertown, SD, and Brad Learn of Lake Poinsett, SD; sisters-in-law, Pam (Ed) Dorneman of Watertown, SD, and Dale (Greg) Bayda of Grandby, CO; as well as many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Nellie Sherrill; brother, George Sherrill, Jr. and his wife, Helen; sister, Linda Todd; and his mother in-law, Donna Learn. A limb has fallen from the family tree. We keep hearing a voice that says "Grieve not for me. Remember the best times, the laughter, and the love I had for you. The Good Life I lived while I was strong." Funeral services were held on Friday, October 28, 2022 at 10:30 AM at the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel in Watertown, SD. Rev. Elmer Brinkman officiated along with Chaplain Hank Roso. Music was provided by Blair Titze as pianist. The family requested to meet at the chapel by 10:00 AM for a family prayer service. The visitation took place on Thursday, October 27, 2022, from 5:00-7:00 PM at the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel in Watertown, SD, and prior to services at the chapel on Friday. The burial was at Mount Hope Cemetery in Watertown, SD. Military graveside honors were conducted by the Military Funeral Honors Team of the SD Army National Guard and the Codington County Post #17 of the American Legion, Watertown. The honorary pallbearers were Dennis Murphy, Pat Murphy, Doug Cooper, Mike Lantsberger, Mike Jungeman, Jerry Riley, Mick Harmel, Mark Schroeder, Doug and Roberta Jacobson, John Hallauer, Mike Pletten, Dr. Kim Wilde, Mark Smith, Neal Larson, Mike Miller, Greg Gross, Tim Brandriet, Tom Marquardt, Bob Marquardt and the Watertown Fire Department Firefighters. The active pallbearers were Jackson Pletten, Riley Pletten, Ed Dorneman, Kris Dorneman, Mike Sherrill and Brett Sherrill. A lunch was served at the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel after the burial. Kathe, Chad and Hillary would like to thank everyone for your love and concern during this difficult time. The arrangements were made by the Crawford-Osthus Funeral Chapel. Watertown, Hayti, De Smet and Bryant. www.crawfordosthus.com.

<u>DAVID J. WATSON, SR.</u> (USA, SGM-Ret.) – Died Thursday, November 10, 2022 in Duluth, Georgia at the age of 82. The cause of death was cancer. He was born in Jackson, Mississippi on December 3, 1939. He served in the United States Army from August 11, 1960 to August 21, 1987 with two tours of duty in Vietnam. He was a *Life Member* of **Vietnam Veterans of America** – **Cumming Chapter #1030**.

Park Hospital in McMinnville, Tennessee at the age of 76, following an extended illness. He was a resident of Rock Island, Tennessee. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Oneida,

Scott County, Tennessee on September 27, 1946 to the late Clark and Opal (née Lawson) Wislon. He joined the service in Knoxville, TN on September 2, 1965 and was discharged in Dayton, OH on January 1, 1969. Eddie served as a Staff Sergeant in the United States Air Force and completed a tour of duty in the Vietnam war. His military honors included the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Air Force Good Conduct Medal and the Republic of Vietnam Commendation Medal. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America -McMinnville Chapter #1112. He then worked for the Oster Corp. in the maintenance department where he retired. Mr. Wilson was a member of the Friendship Baptist Church. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by sister, Novella Gunnels. Mr. Wilson is survived by son, Dewayne Wilson of Doyle, TN; two grandchildren, Lauren (Dillan) Wood of McMinnville, TN and Logan Wilson of Florida; great-granddaughter, Adeline Wood of McMinnville, TN; sisters, June McKinney of Sunbright, TN, Louella Gunter of Rock Island, TN, Louise (David) Young, Sue (Lawrence) Bowling and Kay Wilson, all of Robbins, TN and Cheryl (Harold) Martin of Clinton, TN; brothers, Joe Wilson and Ray Wilson and Gary Wilson, all of Oneida, TN and several nieces and nephews. The funeral service was held at 2:00 PM on Sunday, December 11, 2022 in High's Chapel. The burial was at Friendship Cemetery in Warren County, TN. The visitation was held on Sunday from 10:00 AM until the time of the service at the High Funeral Home. Full military honors were accorded by the American Legion Post #173 and VFW Post #5064. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Kids of the Community or Relay for Life. Online condolences may be made at www.highfuneralhome.com. The High Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

GAYLE HENRY "Hank" WOIDERSKI - Died Friday, December 16, 2022 at home in Cheboygan, Michigan at the age of 74. The cause of death is unknown. He was born on February 29, 1948 in Cheboygan to the late Carl and Emma (née Ostwald) Woiderski. Hank grew up in Cheboygan, graduating from Cheboygan High School in 1966 before enlisting in the United States Army and serving for two years. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America – Cheboygan Chapter #274. Hank enjoyed working on his '62 Falcon and 1928 Model A, planting flowers and trees, and going to the office (The Eagles Club). He is survived by his wife, Carol E. (née Robidek) Woiderski, nine children, Lezley (Dale) Hudak, Lisa (Steven) Johnson, Jessica (Bo) Woiderski, Windi Woiderski, Patrick (Jolie) Socolovitch, Tina (Drew) Socolovitch, Denise Socolovitch, Tony (Karey) Socolovitch, and Rayne (Jacob) Payne Woiderski, 17 grandchildren, Jordan (Brenda), Hannah (Will), Justin (Tori), Shawna (Tyler), Alec, Laken (Ryan) Keil, Drew, Tori, Ella, Jacob, Kaylee, Rona, Veda, Haley (Daniel), Reeghan, Hani, Maizy, Henry, Harrison, and Violet, eight great grandchildren, Rylee, Oliver, Zaley, Marley, Melody, Tanner, Greyden, and Scarlett, brothers, Terry and Tim Woiderski, brothers-in-law, Pat Cormican and Mark and Phil Robidek, sisters-in-law, Chris (Art) Drayton, and Judy and Arlene Woiderski, special longtime friends, Mel and Johnny Vieau, Dale Kirsch, Tom Carlson, Swanny, Greg (Gina) Spencley, and Bob and Marcia Lake, and many nieces and nephews. Hank is preceded in death by his parents, stepfathers, Robert Wheelock and Harold Benz, brothers, Denny and Roger Woiderski, a sister, Barb

Cormican, and sister-in-law, Jane Woiderski. A memorial service took place at the Eagles on Wednesday, December 28, 2022 at 11:00 AM. Pastor Dave Heuter officiated. Memorial contributions in Hank's name may be made to Hospice House of Cheboygan.

THOMAS EDWARD "Tom" WORKMAN - Died Tuesday, December 13, 2022 in Princeton, West Virginia at the age of 89. The cause of death is unknown. He was born in Peterstown, West Virginia on July 9, 1933 to the late C.M. Workman and Beatrice (née Bailey) Workman. Tom retired from A & P after 36 years. He retired the second time from the Mercer County School Board and retired the third time from First Church of God of Princeton. He served in the United States Army in the Korean War. He was an active member of the First Church of God in Princeton. Tom was a Life Member of Associates of Vietnam Veterans of America -Princeton Chapter #628. Tom was a hard worker all his life, loved his family, and enjoyed gardening. In his early years, he enjoyed hunting and fishing. He was a great storyteller and loved to reminisce about his growing up years, his A & P years and his time in the Army. In addition to his parents, he was proceeded in death by his wife of 63 years, Juanita Workman, his son, Robert Workman, three brothers, Joe Workman, Johnny Workman, and C.M. Junior Workman and three sisters, Aileen Myers, Eloise Myers, and Arlene McPherson. Survivors include his son, Mark Workman and daughter-in-law, Brenda Workman of Princeton, grandchildren, Jennifer Workman and husband Colin Trumbull of Raleigh, NC, Benjamin Workman and wife Jamie Workman of Dallas, TX, Danielle Madison and husband Michael Madison of Dallas, TX, and William Workman and wife Katelyn Workman of Bluefield, WV and ten great-grandchildren (Ellie Cox, Micah Cox, Tracy Workman, Athena Workman, Elliot Madison, Harper Madison, Owen Madison, Porter Madison, Sonya Workman and Sawyer Workman). The funeral service to celebrate the life of Tom was conducted at Memorial Funeral Home on Wednesday, December 21st at 2:00 PM with Brother Ray Jones of First Church of God officiating. The graveside service was at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton where the U.S. Army National Honor Guard and the VFW Post #1144 of Jaeger conducted military rites. Friends came to visit the family at the funeral home from 1:00 PM until the service hour of 2:00 PM on Wednesday. The pallbearers were Benjamin Workman, William Workman, Michael Madison, Colin Trumbull, Michael McPherson, and David White. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Silver Saints of First Church of God, 301 Mahood Avenue, Princeton, WV 24740. Online condolences may be shared with the family via www.memorialfd.com. The Workman family is being served by the Memorial Funeral Directory and Cremation Center on the Athens Road in Princeton.

GERALD M. "Jerry" WORKS – Died Saturday, November 26, 2022 in Battle Creek, Michigan at the age of 73, surrounded by his family. The cause of death is unknown. He was

born in South Bend, Indiana on October 4, 1949 to the late Gillom Works and Allen Marie Works-Pawlicki. He was also predeceased by Catrina Fields (daughter); Raymond Works (brother); and Dorothy (Works) Hetteson-Neal (sister). Jerry is survived by his wife, Regina; son, Mathias; daughter Kona; stepchildren; sister, Bonnie; brother Carl; cousins, nieces, and nephews. Jerry confessed his belief in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior at a very early age as a member of Saint Johns Missionary Church and lead a very Christ-centered life. His relationship with God has been a driving force throughout life with all he encountered. He attended and graduated from South Bend, Central High School in 1969 where he served as senior class president. He was very active in his community and a strong supporter of the civil rights movement. After graduating high school, Jerry joined the United States Marine Corps serving his country in Vietnam. Once his tour of duty was completed, he attended the University of Indiana receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. He was employed by the State of Michigan, Department of Corrections, until his retirement. His desire to support the community continued as a volunteer with the Department of the Navy Seals Cadet Program, and the Fort Custer National Cemetery Honor Guard. Jerry enjoyed being a member of the American Legion Post #257 and VFW. He was a Life Member of Vietnam Veterans of America - Battle Creek Chapter #313. Since leaving the military, Jerry continuously fought several illnesses due to his contact with Agent Orange while in Vietnam. But, he continued to be a great source of encouragement to all that came in contact with him. To God be the Glory, for the things he has done. Visitation for Jerry was held on Saturday, December 10, 2022 from 2:00-3:00 PM at the Kempf Family Funeral and Cremation Services, 2838 Capital Avenue SW, Battle Creek, Michigan. The Celebration of His Life service was at 3:00 PM at the funeral home with Reverend Carl L. Works officiating. Please visit https://www.kempffuneralhome.com to view the online obituary, to sign the online guest book or to leave the family condolences.

CARL DAVID YOUNG — Died Saturday, March 5, 2022 in Cullman, Alabama at the age of 78. The cause of death was cancer. Carl was born on January 26, 1944 in Cullman to the late Ozey and Ruby Hazel (née Mize) Young. He is preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and two sisters. Mr. Young is a veteran of The United States Air Force. He was a *Life Member* of Vietnam Veterans of America — Gardendale Chapter #416. Funeral services were held on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 2:00 PM at the Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel. The interment was in Good Hope Cemetery. Survivors are: wife: Jan (née Stansell) Young, daughters: sons: Jeff (Alecia) Young, Brannon (Andrea) Young, Eric Powell, daughters: Karen Powell, Beth Burks (Ricky), brother: Johnny Young, sister: Loretta Young, nine grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Visitation was held on Thursday March 10, 2022 at the Moss Service Funeral Home from 11:00 AM until service time at 2:00 PM. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.mossservicefh.com for the Young family. The Moss Service Funeral Home directed all the services.

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!