



Ronald Meyer

July 2, 1936 - June 19, 2012

Ronald Lee Meyer, 75, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, June 19th in Fort Collins, Colorado. Dutch, as his friends knew him, was born on July 2, 1936 in Hastings, Nebraska. In 1946 his family moved to Fort Collins. Ron graduated from Fort Collins High School and Colorado State University. He enlisted in the United States Army and was commissioned as an officer in 1959, eventually obtaining the rank of Major. Ron was a soldier and served with the famed Army 101st Airborne Division. He received numerous medals and honors, including the Bronze Star Medal with a 2nd Oak Leaf Cluster, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Joint Service Commendation Medal and the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palms. He flew a number of aircraft in his military career, including the famed Cobra attack helicopter. Ron served multiple tours in Vietnam and returned to Vietnam many times to train Vietnamese pilots. He retired from active duty in 1979 and served in the Army Reserves for an additional 6 years. Ron was a tireless advocate of the rights of veterans. His loyalty to Americans who served our country was strong and unyielding, and he took great pride and joy in his efforts with the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Disabled American Veterans, where he served as commander of DAV Chapter 5. He also loved fishing and camping near Red Feather Lakes. Ron was predeceased by his father and mother, Peter Meyer and Marie Scheierman Meyer, both of Fort Collins. He is survived by his wife, Juanita Meyer of Fort Collins, his daughter and son in law, Teresa L. Matthies and Scott A. Matthies of Loveland, and his three sons and daughters-in-law,

Jeffery A. Meyer and Holly A. Meyer of Columbus, Georgia, Steven L. Meyer and Susan S. Meyer of Charlotte, North Carolina, and Paul D. Meyer and Jennifer M. Meyer of Savannah, Georgia. Ron is survived by seven wonderful grandchildren: Jessica Matthies of Loveland, Kristen C. Humber and Garrett Meyer of Columbus, Georgia, Jacob and Abby Meyer of Charlotte, North Carolina, and Harry and Mary Jane Meyer of Savannah, Georgia. Interment, with full military honors, will be held later, at Fort Logan National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be sent to your local DAV chapter.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ronald Meyer*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ *Dutch - Was lucky enough to catch you at closing a few times at the shop and then listen to your thoughts, musings, questions and experiences. Juanita was always so patient. I knew you were a warrior but you apparently didn't tell me "... the rest of the story." I am deeply saddened at your passing. Thank you and God's speed.*

Keith Elmund - June 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I worked for Dutch (back when he owned Edwards) for a year +. . He was a great boss and an even better friend. My father was a vet and I think that was the reason why Dutch gave me a job, and kept an eye on me. Sadly when I finally got my life straightened out and went on to college, I left Ft. Collins and lost touch with Dutch. I hope the family will read this and know that Dutch had a positive impact on many lives.*

Mak A Hughes - June 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Today would have been our Dad's 76th birthday. Dad, you will always be on our minds and we will always cherish the fantastic times we spent together. We will miss you and only hope you, Grandma Meyer and Grandpa Meyer are sitting along a beautiful lake hooking trout, playing double deck pinochle and eating chili! Thank you to those who have and will share their memorable experiences with our Dad. It is a tribute to his memory and the things he did in life to aide others.

Steven L. Meyer - June 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ Jaunita,
We never met, but Dutch will always be remembered by me. I was just thinking about him today and decided to give him a call. I haven't seen Ron for some 17 years and I still think about him. We spoke of God often and he wanted to know why I felt so strongly about Jesus. We would have discussions about things only Dutch and a few other people on the earth knew. Please contact me if you would like here more.

Wendell Hardy - June 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM