



Calvin Edward Coates, Sr.

March 4, 1946 - March 30, 2016

Calvin Coates, of Evansville, left us on March 30, 2016 to join his fellow fallen brothers in arms from the 101st Airborne Division.

Born March 4, 1946 Calvin lived life at full volume. Upon graduating from high school, Calvin spent many years serving his country in the Marines and the Army. Calvin proudly served two tours in Vietnam as a helicopter pilot from 66-71. His valiant efforts and brave spirit earned him numerous awards and upon completion of his service received an Honorable Discharge. Upon leaving the military, he graduated from Purdue University with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and worked as an engineer at Whirlpool until his retirement. He was a proud member of the NRA, Vietnam Helicopter Pilot's Association, John Purdue Club, and the WSSC.

Calvin leaves behind four sons Calvin Jr., Stephen, Kyle and Ben; six grandchildren; a younger brother, Chuck; and two former wives Nancy and Serena. There will be a memorial service in Cal's honor from 2:00 until 5:00 PM on Sunday, April 3, 2016 at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street, Evansville, IN 47712. Following services in Evansville, Calvin will be buried in Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, VA.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Vietnam Helicopter's Pilot's Association.

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 3. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
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Tribute Wall



“ *Calvin Edward Coates, Sr.*

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Cal's passing. He was a great man, generous to a fault. RIP, prayers to the family.
Debbie & Miranda Hilton*

Debbie Hilton - April 21, 2016 at 07:39 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to the family. I thank him for his dedication and service to our Country. I will remember the love he had for his entire family and the friendship he offered to many with his generosity and big-hearted ways. He will be missed and remembered fondly. Kathy Elrod*

Kathy Elrod - April 02, 2016 at 02:45 PM