



David Kersey

November 2, 1944 - March 25, 2018

Mr. David Kersey, 73, passed away Sunday, March 25, 2018 at his home surrounded by family.

Born November 2, 1944 in Conway, SC. Mr. Kersey was the son of the late George Kersey and Maggie Stewart Kersey. Mr. Kersey was predeceased in death by six brothers and sisters. As a Vietnam War Veteran, he received many awards including Vietnam service medal, Army commendation medal and aircraft crewman badge among others. He was a retired Horry County Emergency Medical Technician. He was also a member and Past Post Commander of the American Legion Post 111, National Rifle Association, and Disabled American Veterans.

Survivors include; his wife, Theresa A. Streeter; sister, Marjorie K. Hardee; sister in law, Ruth Kersey and many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews all whom loved him very much.

A Memorial service will be held at 10:00 A.M. Saturday, April 7, 2018, at Mercy Baptist Church, 2805 Fourth Avenue, Conway, SC, 29527 officiated by Rev. David Avant. Inurnment services will be at Florence National Cemetery at a later date. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers contributions can be made to any Veterans organization.

Please sign the online guest register at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel, is serving the family.

Cemetery Details

Florence National Cemetery

803 E National Cemetery Road
Florence, SC 29506

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

Mercy Baptist Church
2805 4th Avenue
Conway, SC 29527

Tribute Wall

GC

“ After losing touch with Dave a few years ago I decided to do a South Carolina google search. Sadly I found his obituary. So let me tell you about the Dave Kersey I knew while flying with the 116th Assault Helicopter Company based at Cu Chi, Republic of South Vietnam in 1967-68. Dave was a crew chief in the 2nd flight platoon known as the Wasp. His older brother Ralph was assigned to the 269th Aviation Battalion but hung out with our crews most of the time. Although I flew on gunships Dave and Ralph both became good friends during our tours. It was almost 20 years later that I located Dave while searching for members of the company for our 1st reunion. Although he could not attend I did keep up with him via email. Now about his service with the 116th. The obituary just skimmed the facts. The fact is Dave and the other brave crew members that flew troop carriers (better known as "Slicks" were engaged in a deadly business and put their lives on the line multiple times everyday they flew. They would fly in 10 ship formations into heavily fortified landing zones to either insert or extract US or Vietnamese ground troops while taking enemy fire from either or both sides. With the friendly troops being between Dave's helicopter and the enemy he could not return fire most times. To do this multiple times a day everyday of the week was a hard grind on everyone on board that aircraft yet they continued to do day in, day out. The very best of the best. It is always sad to find your friends too late to tell them good by but I do believe all of our crew members will be together for one more flight. To his family... Dave was very well liked and respected by his fellow crew members, his platoon, maintenance and the entire company. It gets no better than that. To his wife... You would be welcome to join the Company Facebook site. Many wives and children are members. No politics, just friends, memories and history. I will notify the administrator. My best to the family. My thoughts to Dave!

George Cathey

116th Assault Helicopter Company 67-68, 69-70

George Cathey - November 01, 2020 at 12:10 AM

RJ

*Rest in Eternal Peace My Brother. Slow Hand Salute!
116th AHC 68-69*

Roger L Hartzell Jr - November 01, 2020 at 12:42 AM



“ 38 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Goldfinch Funeral Home - April 02, 2018 at 03:20 PM

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Brandy Jenkins - March 28, 2018 at 03:44 PM

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“ *Share a memory of David Kersey or send condolences to the family.*



Brandy Jenkins - March 28, 2018 at 03:43 PM

EH

“ *Erik & Eleanor Hanson purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of David Kersey.*



Erik & Eleanor Hanson - March 28, 2018 at 11:40 AM

EH

“ *My Dearest Theresa, Erik and I are here to grieve with you, laugh with you, cry with you, share a meal, or just to sit with you in silence. You have been such a healing presence in my life and I offer the same to you in your time of loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. With warmest admiration, Eleanor & Erik Hanson*

Eleanor Hanson - March 28, 2018 at 11:16 AM

DK

“ *Dear Theresa and family, I am truly sorry for your loss, I am sure David will be missed by all the lives that he has touched. My thoughts and prays are with you at this very difficult time. Deborah Kress*



DEBORAH KRESS - March 28, 2018 at 08:52 AM