



Lt. Col. John Michael Rapp

September 27, 1939 - July 12, 2022

Lt. Col. John Michael Rapp, fondly known as “Mike”, returned to our Lord in Heaven on July 12, 2022 at the age of 82 while cruising with his beloved wife.

He was born on September 27, 1939 in Roanoke, Virginia to Raymond and Mary Rapp. He was a graduate of Jefferson High School and earned a Bachelors Degree from American University in 1977. He also graduated from The Command General Staff College in 1981. Mike honorably served our country in the U.S. Army and retired as a LT. Colonel after 33 years of dedicated service. During his career he was stationed in many countries around the world. Throughout his commission he was awarded a total of 68 decorations, to include The Legion of Merit, The Distinguished Flying Cross, The Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, 20 Air Medals and 30 Army Commendation medals.

Others knew Mike through his tenure as the Director of Transportation for Galena Park ISD. He took great pride in providing safe transportation for children of the district.

Mike’s love for sports, especially football and baseball, developed at a young age. He started as an offensive and defensive end all four years of high school. His high school team won the State Championship two years in a row.

Mike was a true outdoorsman. He especially enjoyed camping, fishing, boating, hunting and of course, traveling. Mike enjoyed playing cards and especially teaching his grandkids how to play War and Gin Rummy.

In addition to his parents, Mike was preceded in death by all of his siblings, Sheldon Rapp, Colleen Hagey, Peggy Rapp and Walter Rapp.

Survivors include his loving wife of nearly 46 years, Margaret Carol Rapp; sons, Michael David Rapp, Scott Anthony Rapp, and John Michael Rapp, Jr and wife, Stephanie, two nieces, two nephews and many cousins.

Mike was the proud Grandpa "Papa" to Mandy and husband, Johannes Schneider, Brandon, Jessica, Ella Rae, Kylee, Justin, Makenize and Sadie; and Great Grandpa to Ashley and Jamie.

Mike is also survived by special family friend, Candy Countryman and her children, Ryan, Raelyn and Rylee.

In true "Rapp" fashion he fought a courageous battle with health issues. This strong, dedicated and loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend will truly be missed.

Interment, with full military honors, will take place at Arlington National Cemetery later this year.

Previous Events

Public Visitation

JUL 30. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapels and Cemeteries
3900 B.F. Terry Blvd.
Rosenberg, TX 77471
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Service

JUL 30. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



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Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapel and Cemeteries - July 30, 2022 at 01:10 PM

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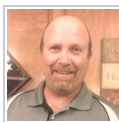
RIP Mike. As a friend and a neighbor of yours here in El Paso, I will always cherish the times we spent at games, traveling and cookouts over the years. Your and Carol's friendship will always be cherished. Until we meet again. Love, Robert Diaz

Robert Diaz - July 30, 2022 at 02:51 PM

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Dear Grandpa, I met you at Mandy's wedding in Germany four years ago. You were not only Mandy's Grandpa, but also Grandpa to Steven and me. We will always remember you and keep you in our heart.

Massuda Modjaz - July 30, 2022 at 04:12 PM



I miss you my Ultraman love always Dave

Michael Rapp - September 21, 2022 at 02:44 PM



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Davis Greenlawn Funeral Chapel and Cemeteries - July 29, 2022 at 08:57 AM



Mike was truly one of the greats. I feel so blessed to have shared many experiences with him and that Ella had such a wonderful Papa. He will forever be missed, but we will keep his memory alive with stories and examples of his wonderful legacy. We love you forever Papa and are so grateful for all you have done for us.

Jace Grainger - July 30, 2022 at 01:28 PM



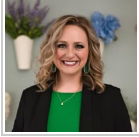
Mike we will never forget you and our friendship through the years. A true US patriot, full of life and generous person. We are blessed to be part of you, Carol and the boys lives. RIP

John and Char - July 30, 2022 at 03:51 PM



“ *I love you so much Papa. I am going to the baseball game tonight and will think of you. I will get two hotdogs one for you and one for me :) I'm gonna miss you so much, but I know your with me always. Ella, AKA pumpkin buster*

Ella Rapp - July 30, 2022 at 02:29 PM



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Jace Grainger - July 30, 2022 at 01:30 PM



“ I,m sorry for you loss words cannot even begin to express my sorrow,, you are in my prayers Iwould like to express my sincere condolens on the death of LT.Col. John michael Rapp He will live on in my memories forever. No one can prepare you for a loss, it comes like a swift wind. However , take comfort in kwowing that he is now resting in the Arms of our lord. Hold tight to the memories for comfort, lean on on your friends for strengh, and always remember how much you are cared about. with all my love Heidi

Heidi Marianne Hollis-Rapp - July 30, 2022 at 11:46 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lt. Col. John Michael Rapp.



July 30, 2022 at 01:57 AM

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“ *What a special man. He served his country well. He loved his family and had a heart the size of Texas. I am so thankful I was able to spend time with him recently. Mike will be missed greatly. May the Lord give you all strength and know he his with his maker now rejoicing.*

Kayla Hester - July 30, 2022 at 12:04 AM