



Richard O. "Dick" Cochran, MAJ US Army (Ret)

February 3, 1942 - December 7, 2016

On December 7, 2016, after many brave years of fighting, Dick won his final battle and found eternal peace.

He was born on February 3, 1942, to Leona and Dock Cochran in Bryson City, North Carolina. Dick entered the United States Army in 1961 and faithfully served for 20 years with two tours in Vietnam. While in the army, he earned a Bachelor's degree and a Master's degree in Business Administration. Upon his retirement, he served as a project manager with Northrop Grumman for 23 years at Fort Eustis, Virginia.

Dick had many things in life that he loved. One of the greatest was a deep and abiding love for the Lord. During many moves to various states, he would quickly find a church home for his family, and served as a deacon at Landmark Baptist Church in Petersburg, Virginia, under his lifelong friend, Pastor Buck Palmer. He loved traveling with his wife Ann, so much so that, they can claim they have been to all 50 states and 23 countries together. He also enjoyed several hobbies such as golfing, bowling, hunting, skiing, and family trips to the beach.

Left to cherish his memory are his devoted and caring wife of 55 years, Ann Wiggins Cochran, and three children: Donna Cochran, Lisa Hornsby and husband Roger, and Scott Cochran and wife Anna. Dick also adored his seven grandchildren: Daniel O'Donnell and husband Dusty, Kristin Clontz and husband Jesse, Bradley Hornsby, Amy Osborn and husband Michael, Jordan O'Donnell and wife Jennifer, Jessica Hornsby and fiancé Logan Crosswell, and

Taylor Hornsby. Bringing great joy to Dick were his four great-grandchildren: Caine Clontz, Nora Clontz, Colton Hornsby, and Rory O'Donnell. He is also survived by a brother, Warren Cochran, brother-in-law, Larry Wiggins and wife, Pansie, sister-in-law, Betty Wiggins and fiancé, Tony Merriman, and several nieces and nephews. Another special person in Dick's life was his friend and caregiver, Margie Kaye.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, December 10, 2016 at the Vincent Funeral Home, 9923 Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, VA, 23140, with interment at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date. Family will receive friends at 2:00pm with a service to follow at 3:00pm. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

Previous Events

Service

DEC 10. 3:00 PM (ET)

Vincent Funeral Home, Providence Forge Chapel
9923 Pocahontas Trail
Providence Forge, VA 23140
(804) 966-7075

Visitation

DEC 10. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JC

“ Ann--I was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of a classmate, a friend, a patriot, and a fine man. In my eyes Dick will always be remembered as a guy with a big, engaging smile, a lust for life, and a success in life. I know that his final years had to have been tough ones for you, but hold close all the myriad memories of the good times and the good years. They will sustain and uplift you in this time of trouble.

Jim Casada

Jim Casada - December 15, 2016 at 08:34 AM



“ Mr. C was a great mentor to me and believed in me from day one when I first met him in 1999. My condolence to his family. He was a great leader and influence in my life.

RIP Mr. C.

Frankie Harris

Frank Parris - December 09, 2016 at 07:49 PM

GD

“ Ann so sorry for your loss. Always enjoyed the visits at Decoration time at Leona's with all the Family It has been several years since I have seen all of you but you are in our prayers

The Dennis Barker Family and Gail R. Dellinger and husband Coleman

Gail Dellinger - December 09, 2016 at 03:22 PM

LH

“ Love to you all from your family in NC. You are in my thoughts and prayers!

Laura Barker Holden - December 09, 2016 at 01:30 PM

SC

“ Love you all so much!

Sarah Crisp - December 09, 2016 at 11:33 AM

LO

“ Love you all , Dan and Tina O'Donnell purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Richard O. "Dick" Cochran, MAJ US Army (Ret).



Love you all , Dan and Tina O'Donnell - December 09, 2016 at 09:25 AM

CD

“ I only met him a couple times but always heard how great he was. Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family in this time of sorrow. May God bless you all with peace.

Chris & Gwen Dyar

Chris & Gwen Dyar - December 08, 2016 at 08:54 PM

DO

“ Dick inspired my life and I would not be where I am today without him and that will never be forgotten. May You Rest in Peace.

Dan O'Donnell - December 08, 2016 at 04:41 PM

TO

“ *Tina O'Donnell lit a candle in memory of
Richard O. "Dick" Cochran, MAJ US Army
(Ret)*



Tina O'Donnell - December 08, 2016 at 04:36 PM