

George Malcolm Jennings

December 28, 1943 - December 11, 2018

U.S. Navy Retiree, George Malcolm Jennings was born December 28, 1943 in Taunton, county of Somerset, England to Kenneth Charles and Olive (Spencer) Jennings and passed away December 11, 2018 at his home in Lebanon, Missouri at the age of seventy-four years.

George was retired Navy E7 Chief Petty Officer GMGC. During his years of service, George earned many decorations, medals, ribbons and awards including Combat Action Ribbon, Meritorious Unit Commendation with Bronze Star, Vietnam Service Medal with Silver Star, Third Good Conduct Award for period ending 09 May 83, Expert Pistol, Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device, National Defense Medal, and Sea Service Deployment Ribbon. George and Glenna Jennings were united in marriage on September 4, 1987. He loved fishing and camping, motorcycle riding, cooking, and was very artistic. George enjoyed making wooden model ships and painting. He loved to tell stories of his childhood experiences and of his life in the military. George was especially fond of his grandkids. He was a lifetime member of American Legion. George was baptized in the Methodist Church as an infant on February 20, 1944 in Taunton, England. He attended Assembly of God Church and had a strong faith in his Savior Jesus Christ.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Kenneth and Olive Spencer Jennings.

Survivors include his wife, Glenna Jennings of the home in Lebanon, MO; children, Kim Harris and husband, Randy of Salem, MO, Rick Mathes and wife, Candi of Salem, MO; brothers, John Jennings of Mt. Vernon, WA, Robert Jennings of Austin, TX, Mike Jennings of St. James, MO; sisters, Brenda Jennings of Dallas, TX, and Pat Merritt of Steelville, MO; grandchildren, Heather, Kelby, Becca, Nicole, MiKayla, Morgun, and Lilly; great grandchildren, Harper, Emmalyn, Baylee, Adalyn, Hudson, and Liam; extended family and friends.

George will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Funeral service for George Malcolm Jennings was held Friday, December 14, 2018 at Wilson Mortuary Salem Chapel with Gary Frye officiating, special music was provided by the Salem High School Chamber Choir and a recorded selection. Serving as pallbearers were, Rick Mathes, Randy Harris, Kelby Pryor, Jake Ritter, Bob Meyers and Morgun Mathes. Burial was in the Smith Cemetery in Reynolds County with Full Military Honors.

Cemetery Details

Smith Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 14. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Mervyn Wilmington - December 23, 2018 at 09:17 AM

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“ I am Mervyn Wilmington, the English cousin of George. How I came to be aware of George's sad death may be a little curious.

In the UK we have a major national crisis. It concerns a decision to leave the European Community. I decided to write to our Member of Parliament. I wished to make it clear that my interest in Europe was long-standing. I wanted to date stamp that. It wasn't hard.

Around 1959, Aunt Olive and cousins came to the UK and stayed for a few weeks before going on to France where Uncle Ken was in the American army. Brenda, in particular, had been sad at having to leave the US, and diffident about going to France. We discussed such things, and my line was that the UK relationship with the USA was vital, but we should be building a closer relationship with Europe. My interest in that continued ever since.

I emailed our Member of Parliament about the crisis. Exercising my mind about the visit around 1959 must have further kindled my interest in my American cousins. On the spur of the moment, I decided on making a search. I had had no contact since 1965 when I corresponded with Aunt Olive when my mother died.

My silly brain tends to remember middle names and the search needed to be for one of my male cousins. George was the obvious choice. I was staggered at the immediate search results, but sad that they were recording his recent death.

When they were with us, I remember taking Brenda and George to York, probably one of the best cities to visit, even today. I also recall taking Brenda to the local theatre for a amateur production of 'Merrie England'. I think a few boys round about were rather envious that I was taking this very good-looking American girl!

My grandmother, mother and I visited them in France not too much later. The luxury of the American army basis and its accommodation and facilities amazed us, compared with what we had in the UK.

Uncle Ken had the typical huge American car, a Pontiac, I think.

I remember whizzing round the back roads of the Loire Valley on the back of George's moped. The silencer\muffler had fallen off, and he had replaced it with a tin can!

My condolences go to George's widow and all his family.

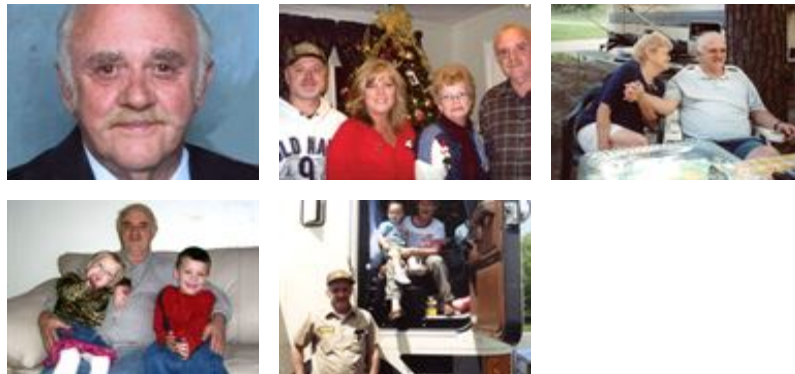
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Mervyn Wilmington - December 17, 2018 at 05:19 AM



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