



CPT (Ret) Gary L. Kindler

October 26, 1934 - November 11, 2009

Gary Leigh Kindler passed away November 11, 2009 at his home near Lebanon, Missouri, at the age of 75 years and 16 days.

Gary was born October 26, 1934 in Scotts Bluff, Nebraska. When he was a young boy, his family moved to the Oceanside/Carlsbad, California area where he grew up. Gary graduated from Oceanside/Carlsbad Union High School, Class of 1952.

Later that year Gary joined the U.S. Marine Corp. He dedicated over 22 years to the service of his country, and was a veteran of the Korean and Vietnam Wars. He received several awards and commendations for his faithful and honorable service. Captain Kindler retired from active duty in 1974.

After retiring from the military, Gary made his home in Oceanside, where he worked for Prudential Insurance Company from 1974 to 1988. He then moved to 29 Palms, California. Gary was active in the Elks Lodge, MCA, TROA and MMOA.

In June, 2000, Gary was united in marriage with Bonnie Ruth (McCauley) Carey. Gary and Taylor Jo, as she is affectionately known, enjoyed raising and showing miniature show horses. They made many wonderful friends traveling around and participating in the horse shows. Gary also loved his dogs,

Sammy, Winky and Gunther.

Gary was dearly loved, and will be sadly missed by his wife: Taylor Jo; four children: Jeffery Kindler (Lily) of Yuma, Arizona, Anna Mapston (Keith) of Fallbrook, California, Ken Kindler (Lynne) of Sebastian, Florida and Susan Bailey (Anthony) of Richland, Missouri; one step-daughter: Trina Carey of Palm Springs, California; mother: Jackie Kindler of Barstow, California; four siblings: Matthew Kindler of Sedona, Arizona, Yvonne Jett of Victorville, California, Kathy Kindler of Barstow, California and Mary Lou Keith (Kelly) of Twenty-Nine Palms, California; 15 grandchildren; 2 ½ great grandchildren; 3 step grandchildren; several nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins and other relatives and friends.

Gary was preceded in death by his father: Lester Bowen; his mother: Doris Orylla (Hunsaker) Kindler; his dad: Merle D. Kindler; step mother: Evelyn Bowen and his step son: Jim Carey.

Funeral services with military honors were held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, November 16, 2009 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Richland with LT James Scott Storie, CHC, USN and Gary's brother, Rev. Matthew Kindler officiating Gary's son, Ken, and wife, Taylor Jo also shared memories with the congregation. Military honors were provided by U.S. Marines from Fort Leonard Wood. Recordings of "Ave Marie", "Amazing Grace" and "Sissy's Song" were played. Serving as escorts were the U.S. Military. Services were under the direction of Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Richland.

Online condolences may be left at www.richlandmemorialchapel.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of CPT (Ret) Gary L. Kindler*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - November 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *CPT (Ret) Gary L. Kindler*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Bonnie, I am sorry...##imported-begin##Douglas Haser##imported-end##*

May 12, 2010 at 11:54 AM



“ *gary was our best man when matthew and i got married and always was my brother in love. some day soon i will see him again. i praise the LORD that he is in heaven now.##imported-begin##rosalinda kindler britt##imported-end##*

November 20, 2009 at 06:34 PM



“ TJ-Wish we could be there for Gary's funeral. I know it will honor Gary the way he should be honored for living a very outstanding life. May God bless you & your family as you grieve and then remember all the wonderful times you had together. Love you so much, Bob & Chris Pilgrim###imported-begin###Bob & Chris Pilgrim###imported-end##

November 15, 2009 at 08:42 PM



“ TJ and Family,

My heart-felt prayers are with you during this time of celebrating Gary's life here on earth and mourning his passing. Stay strong and relish in the memories you have of Gary. Gary will always be with you in Spirit.###imported-begin###Sharon Sevedge###imported-end##

November 14, 2009 at 04:08 PM



“ What can I say? Gary and I met while on an ocean cruise ship- San Diego to the Far East in 1954. We will miss him so much!###imported-begin###Elmer & Lovell Smith###imported-end##

November 13, 2009 at 11:51 AM



“ Dear Kindler's:

Our deepest condolences and sincere sympathies for your loss. Gary was part of our family for many years, and will be missed, but his memory will live on for all who knew this fine Marine and gentleman. Semper Fidelis, Marine. Rest in peace. Ted & Donna Spinning###imported-begin###Theodore R. & Donna Spinning###imported-end##

November 13, 2009 at 09:31 AM



“ We will miss you Brother. You were a true officer and gentleman. A real class act. Our lives are richer for knowing you. Thank you for loving and taking such good care of my sister. Carl and Tonya McCauley##imported-begin##Carl and Tonya McCauley##imported-end##

November 13, 2009 at 12:18 AM