



## CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello

June 1, 1936 - October 31, 2021

LeRoy Norman Mello, son of the late Peter Vass Mello and Louise (Corey) Mello, was born June 1, 1936 in Marion, Massachusetts where he grew up and graduated from Wareham High School with the Class of 1956.

Shortly after graduation, LeRoy entered the United States Army and served his country faithfully until his retirement in 1986. For his faithful service, he had earned several awards and commendations and attained the rank of Command Sergeant Major. LeRoy was very proud of his military career and of serving as President of the Officials Association from 1982 – 1988.

While being stationed in Germany for a time, LeRoy met a young lady by the name of Hedwig Presber. They were united in marriage on June 25, 1960 in Aschafenburg, Germany. They shared over 46 years of marriage together and were blessed with two sons, Eddie and Stefan. Hedwig preceded LeRoy in death on November 6, 2006.

In 1988, LeRoy continued serving his country as a civil service employee with the US Army Engineering Center on Fort Leonard Wood. He retired in 2003 after 15 years of service.

In his spare time, LeRoy enjoyed game shows and playing bingo. He loved sports of all kinds, but especially golf, baseball, and softball. For many years,

he served as an official for different sports games. In 2014, he was inducted into the Wareham High School Sports Hall of Fame.

LeRoy passed away Sunday, October 31, 2021 in his residence having attained the age of 85 years. He will be sadly missed, but fondly remembered by all those that knew and loved him.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his two sons: Eddie Mello of Waynesville, MO and Stefan Mello (Carol) of Avondale, AZ; daughter-in-law: Veena Mello of Memphis, TN; seven children: Maurice Robinson of Bowling Green, MO, Monika Mello of Memphis, TN, Cally Mello of Memphis, TN, Marquis Mello of Wichita, KS, Amy Martin (Colby) of Meta, MO, Elysia Mello of Avondale, AZ, and Kiarra Mello of Normal, IL; seven great grandchildren: Tyson and Dallas of Meta, MO, Ellamaye of Avondale, AZ, Kaidence of Wichita, KS, Ezekiel of Waynesville, MO and Christian and Asia of Memphis, TN; two brothers: Antone Mello (Mary ) of Detroit, MI, and Peter Mello of New Bedford, MA; two sisters: Estella Mello Sequeira of Milford, CT, and Frances Mello of Marion, MA; caregiver: Ora Taylor of Waynesville, MO; several other relatives and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, November 5, 2021 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert. Burial with military honors will follow in the Sunset Memorial Estates Cemetery of Waynesville, MO.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 a.m. until time of service at 11:00 a.m. Friday, November 5, 2021 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Estates Cemetery

Highway 17 South  
Waynesville, MO 65583  
(573) 774-6111  
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 5. 9:00 AM.

Memorial Chapels And Crematory Of Waynesville / St. Robert

## Funeral Service

NOV 5. 11:00 AM.

Memorial Chapels And Crematory Of Waynesville / St. Robert

# Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello*



**Memorial Chapels and Crematory** - November 05, 2021 at 11:44 AM



“ *CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Elke Rogers lit a candle in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello*



**elke rogers** - December 17, 2021 at 12:37 PM



“ *June Hunt lit a candle in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello*



**June Hunt** - December 15, 2021 at 10:50 PM

CD

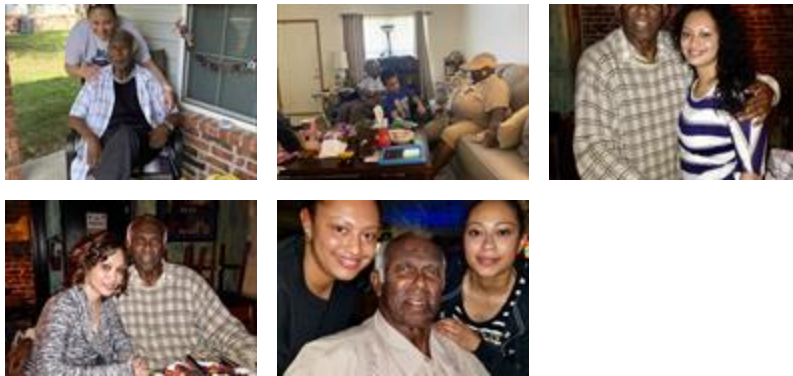
“ *Cornelia & Robert Dodds lit a candle in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello*



**Cornelia & Robert Dodds** - November 09, 2021 at 12:49 PM

MM

“ *My grandfather was the best man I've ever known. He always took care of his family and I am so blessed to have had him as my grandfather. He will be greatly missed. Forever in our hearts. Never forgotten.*



**Monika Mello** - November 05, 2021 at 05:30 PM

PC

“ *Pamela Cox sent a virtual gift in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello*



**Pamela Cox** - November 05, 2021 at 12:10 PM

CB

“ CSM(Ret)Harold&Brigitte Burleson lit a candle in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello



CSM(Ret)Harold&Brigitte Burleson - November 05, 2021 at 10:59 AM

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“ Pulaski County Camp Gideons lit a candle in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello



Pulaski County Camp Gideons - November 05, 2021 at 10:58 AM



“ 40 files added to the album Life Tributes



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - November 05, 2021 at 08:12 AM

DH

“ I was extremely fortunate to serve with CSM Mello when I was a company commander in the 24th and 16th engineer Battalion in Furth, Germany from 1970-72. He was my First Sargeant , and his knowledge and skill kept my company in amazing order. We were consistently awarded the best company ribbon at monthly ceremonies, and he always looked forward to the next month anticipating the areas where we needed to improve more. I was not surprised to later learn that he had risen to the rank of Command Sargeant Major, and served as the CSM of Fort Leonard Wood, the home base of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He was an outstanding soldier and person, and I shall always remember him.  
David Hill, Jackson, WY

David Hill - November 05, 2021 at 07:32 AM

MM

Thank you for coming.

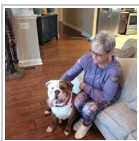
Monika Mello - November 05, 2021 at 05:20 PM

CG

“ CSM (Ret) Jesus E. Gomez sent a virtual gift in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello



CSM (Ret) Jesus E. Gomez - November 05, 2021 at 07:06 AM



“ Sylvester & Colleen Daniely



Colleen Daniely - November 05, 2021 at 12:27 AM

TH

“ *Teona Henson lit a candle in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello*



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**Teona Henson** - November 05, 2021 at 12:13 AM

LG

“ *I only met him last week when he became a customer at Bates Self Service Storage. He was a delightful man with a great sense of humor. I was looking forward to monthly conversations and I am going to miss his smile.*

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**Linda Gifford** - November 04, 2021 at 08:04 PM

MC

“ *Marianne Cole sent a virtual gift in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello*



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**Marianne cole** - November 04, 2021 at 04:53 PM

LC

“ *Linda Cole-schonbok sent a virtual gift in memory of CSM (Ret) LeRoy Norman Mello*



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**Linda cole-schonbok** - November 04, 2021 at 04:52 PM