



MSGT (Ret) Roger Harry Porter

March 8, 1938 - March 22, 2019

Roger Harry Porter passed away peacefully Friday, morning March 22, 2019 with his daughter Christie, son-in-law, Dan and beloved aid, Kristian by his side.

Roger was born March 8, 1938 to Edna M. Nickless in Fort Dodge, Iowa. He was the oldest of twelve children born to Edna.

Roger worked most his life with his first job selling newspapers in Fort Dodge at the age of nine. In 1955 he joined the Air Force three days after his 17th birthday. He served in Vietnam in 1969 and participated in Operation Babylift in 1975 while stationed at Clark AFB in the Philippines. Roger retired from the Air Force in 1981 as an Air Transportation Supervisor after 23 years of service and had earned the rank of Master Sergeant.

In 1984, he began his second career as a Civil Service employee in the Air Transportation field at Scott AFB. He traveled all over the world for a while installing new reservation systems at different military installations. In November of 2000, he retired from Civil Service and moved to St. Robert to begin his third career for fun as the bookkeeper and delivery boy for his daughter at D&D Candy Bouquet, which he did for a few years.

Roger loved to spend time with family. He was the best at spreading love and

laughter with everyone around him. Roger was on many bowling leagues over the years. He was also quite the dancer.... all the women would stand in line for their chance to dance with the master. Roger also enjoyed going to the casino. He always seemed to have luck with those slot machines. He always said "Don't call me lucky, call me lucky, lucky!"

Roger was dearly loved by all those that knew and loved him. He leaves to cherish his memory, his five children: Darrell and David Foxhoven, both of Des Moines, IA, Robert Porter (Irene) of Gainesville, VA, Christie Dillon (Dan) of Waynesville, MO and Sherry Fields (Burt) of Columbia, MO; seven grandchildren: Amanda Price, Robert Dillon, Matthew Dillon, Ian Fields, Robert Porter, Jessica Pretz and Kathy Porter; six great grandchildren: Anna Dillon, Norah Dillon, Karl Price, Ellie Price, Lillie Pretz and Caleb Pretz; seven siblings: Cathy Moya (Marcello) of Lakeside, IA, Carolyn Dare (Corey) of San Roman, CA, Mary Torkelson (Bruce) of Gilmore City, IA, Mike Shimon (Gail) of Joplin, MO, Tom Shimon of Greeley, CO, Jake Shimon of Greeley, CO, and Ruth Weske (Mike) of West Bend, WI; many nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Roger is preceded in death by his parents: Cap & Edna Shimon; brothers: Gerry Shimon, and Lee Shimon; and sisters: Sharon Suhbier and Jody Schneider; and one daughter: Diana Foxhoven.

Even though he is gone from our sight, his memory and his positive spirit will live on in our hearts forever.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, March 29, 2019 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert. Serving as escorts were Dan Dillon, Robert Dillon, Matt Price, Burt Fields, Ian Fields and Nick Shimon.

Graveside services with military honors in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery of

Waynesville followed with Chaplain Patrick Moore officiating. Military honors were provided by Whiteman Air Force Base.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Roger Porter to the St. Joseph's Indian School, Boys Town, ASCPA or the USO and may be left at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Fort Leonard Wood

25350 Hwy H
Waynesville, MO 65583

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 29. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert
202 Historic 66 W.
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of MSGT (Ret) Roger Harry Porter*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - April 01, 2019 at 11:51 AM



Jessie Dunegar

Definitely a life well lived... and such a big heart!! Love you Roger.

Jessie Dunegan - April 03, 2019 at 08:18 AM



“ *MSGT (Ret) Roger Harry Porter*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *One of my memories of Dad (Roger) was playing penny poker up at Grandma's house 🏠 all night 🌃 drinking Miller beer 🍺 until someone broke out a guitar 🎸*

David Foxhoven - March 30, 2019 at 09:51 PM

CR

“ One of my fondest memories of Uncle Roger was him coming to stay with my sister and I while my parents were out of town on a trip to St Maartin. We got to stay up late, eat junk food and to have his wonderful "biscuits and gravy." I'm thankful he is no longer in pain and is "home" with our family who passed before. Have a whisky and 7 for me Uncle Rog and enjoy the party! We miss you already.

Cindy Rhodes - March 28, 2019 at 03:31 AM

PF

“ Sorry for the loss of your loved one

penny foxhoven - March 26, 2019 at 03:41 PM

PF

“ I personally don't know Roger but have heard a few things about him from his son Daryle Foxhoven I am his wife penny Foxhoven I would liked to have met him

penny foxhoven - March 26, 2019 at 03:37 PM

SF

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Sherry Fields - March 25, 2019 at 03:19 PM

TA

“ You will be deeply missed Uncle Roger. Sending much love and many hugs.

Tammie - March 25, 2019 at 07:09 AM

GR

“ He was a wonderful man that will always be loved and never forgotten. I loved the time that I spent with him and he told me the stories about my mother and his mother when they were growing up. I'll never forget him telling me when my mom was about 18 and she would babysit him. He also told me how hot my mom was back in the day. LOL he told me that I reminded him a lot of my mom. He had the sweetest kindest heart. And he really knew how to make you laugh. The time I got to spend with him was precious as he shared the stories of our mothers. He was the kind of man that you always felt like smiling when you were around him. He had such a positive attitude and he brought out the best in people. I wish I would have had more time to get to know Rodger and spend more time sharing stories. The little time I did get to spend with him made me feel like I knew him for a lifetime. He will always have a very special place in my heart. Thank you for bringing so much happiness into so many people's lives. Rest in peace love Ginger.

Ginger Rodriguez - March 25, 2019 at 06:31 AM

DT

“ I would love to share my love and condolences to Rogers family and friends. Roger was one our older cousins in our family and he was good to each and everyone of us. He was always so loving and caring. He would make me feel 10 feet tall when he would come and visit at our house. Wonderful person. RIP - Love your cousin Dottie

Darlene Telecky - March 24, 2019 at 10:51 PM

PG

“ *Pulaski County Camp Gideons lit a candle in memory of MSGT (Ret) Roger Harry Porter*



Pulaski County Camp Gideons - March 24, 2019 at 10:00 PM

AP

“ *I'll always remember my Grandfather, with fresh chocolate chip cookies on the counter, a puzzle on the table, and a seven and seven in his glass ready for a toast.*

Amanda Price - March 24, 2019 at 06:29 PM

ST

“ *Stef lit a candle in memory of MSGT (Ret) Roger Harry Porter*



Stef - March 24, 2019 at 04:51 PM

 Dennis Hutchinson

“ *Christie, Dan, and family - We are saddened to learn of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, especially at this difficult time.*

Dennis Hutchinson - March 24, 2019 at 08:26 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Michael Shimon - March 24, 2019 at 07:54 AM