



## Peter Rand

August 19, 1943 - May 8, 2015

SFC Peter “Roc” Rand, U.S. Army (Retired)

Peter “Roc” Rand passed away peacefully on the morning of May 8, 2015 after battling cancer. He was in the loving care of his personal angels, Kathy Summers and Pamela Harper in Copperas Cove, Texas. Roc was 71 years old.

Roc was born in Portland, Maine on August 19, 1943 to Roy Warren Rand and Elizabeth A. Rand. He attended Cathedral Grammar School and graduated from Portland High School in 1962.

Roc loved performing for audiences and appeared on a local Portland television program and in several variety shows. He also worked as a milkman for Cumberland Farms and for United Aircraft Corporation, Pratt & Whitney Division.

Roc enlisted in the Army in 1972. As a soldier, he enjoyed seeing the world and never met a stranger. In addition to his time spent stateside in Indianapolis, New York, and Fort Riley, Kansas, he lived in Germany, Panama, South Korea, and Japan.

During his military career, Roc was awarded the Army Commendation Medal and the Bronze Star Medal for his service in Operation Desert Storm.

In 1994, Roc moved to Central Texas and worked at Walmart for 18 years. He loved playing golf and served as a marshal for the Courses of Clear Creek at Fort Hood for several years.

Roc was a member of the Olan Forest Smith VFW Post 8577 in Copperas Cove and served as Senior Vice for one year. He also volunteered at the domiciliary of the Central Texas Veterans Health Care Center in Temple.

Roc enjoyed games of chance, including double pinochle and bingo. He was a natural raconteur and master of ceremonies and put these talents to good use calling bingo at the VFW. He loved to dance and sing, and enjoyed doo-wop, rock and roll, and country music.

Roc was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Leroy; and his sisters, Roberta Henderson, Nancy Rand, Loretta Voyer, & Marilyn Deprez.

Roc is lovingly remembered by his sons, Mark (Tiffany) & Kevin (Molly) of Indianapolis; grandchildren, Alexa, Quincy, Brennan, & Gabriella; sisters, Elizabeth Cyr (Ed) of Portland, Mary Patricia Lynch (Raymond) of Enfield, CT, Judith Comeau (Leonard) of South Portland, & Theresa Rand, RSM of Portland; brothers, Richard (Catherine) of Portland, Robert (Myrtle) of Portland, & Thomas of South Portland; sister-in-law Joan Rand of South Portland; brothers-in-law, Robert Henderson of South Portland, Clement Voyer of Gorham, ME, & Gregory Deprez of South Portland; a great many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, & great-nephews; and copious friends & "chosen" family, including Colonel Timothy Starostanko & wife Cielo, and Jimmy Stephens & wife Fumi.

There will be a Memorial Mass at The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Portland, Maine on Saturday, May 16 at 11:00 am. In lieu of

flowers, memorial gifts may be made to:

Boys Town

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Boys Town, NE 68010

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