



Raymond Farve

September 1, 1934 - January 26, 2012

Raymond (Ray) Farve, of Copperas Cove, Texas was born September 1, 1934 in Toledo Ohio to parents Joseph and Stella Farve. He passed away quietly January 26, 2012 at his home in Copperas Cove at the age of 77. Memorial service with full Military Honors for Retired Sgt 1st Class (Psg) Ray Farve will be Saturday, February 11, 2012 at 11 a.m., at the Killeen Church of Christ, 400 North W.S. Young Drive.

He was preceded by death by his parents and his 7 siblings. He is survived by his Beloved wife Karen, his daughters Kimberly (John) Saba and Dawn (Bobb) Milligan, his grandchildren Austin, Krystal, and Zakkary. He also leaves behind many nieces, nephews and very dear friends.

Ray served his Country with pride in the U.S. Army. He served in the Korean and Vietnam wars as a Platoon Sergeant and Tank Commander. He received various medals and commendations for serving his Country, among the awards were ?Bronze Stars? for each war he served in. Upon retiring from the U.S. Army in July 1972, he went into heating and air-conditioning. In 1981 he received an Associate?s degree in Applied Science from Central Texas College in that field. Ray retired from heating and air-conditioning in 1994.

He and Karen were married for 51 ½ years. They were so in ?love? with one another just as they were from the start. They were best friends. Kimberly and Dawn were ?Daddy?s Girls?-they adored and love their father. He was blessed with 3 grandchildren?all of whom love him and enjoyed spending time with him out at the lake or in the comfort of home.

Ray enjoyed cooking, golfing, hunting, camping and gardening. He also was an avid bowler in the early years. Ray would re-unite with his fellow army comrades of the 1950's the "Berlin Tankers" at yearly reunions. He loved being around his family and friends. He will be missed.

"Life is too short to be so serious. So smile it doesn't cost a thing."

Tribute Wall



“ *Raymond Farve*

October 05, 2023 at 10:58 AM



“ *Raymond Farve*

October 04, 2023 at 06:25 PM



“ *Raymond Farve*

September 26, 2023 at 10:57 PM



“ *It was an Honor and privilge to serve with you Ray.*

Rest in Peace Dear Comrade.

Kenneth Goins - February 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We will miss your warm hellos from across the fence that we expected every time we visited home and the fond memories we had growing up across the fence from you. May you rest in peace.*

Mr. & Mrs. Albert Nebgen - February 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Uncle Ray, May God take you in his arms of love and welcome and bless you! Aunt Karen, Kim and Dawn, I am so sorry for the loss of your husband/dad. May God also hold you in his arms of love and comfort you. I love you Aunt Karen, Kim and Dawn.

DeeDee

Diana Baum - February 05, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ET

“ I first met Ray in 2003 at the 1st "Tanker" reunion that Ted & I attended. I first saw him running his remote tank down the motel hall. I didn't know that he would become one of our best friends that we only get to see once a year. He made sure that I didn't miss any of the FW emails and he always made sure I had pictures from the reunions. Ted and I will miss him.

Ettie - February 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ Ray we will be missing you dearly. Our best backyard neighbor and friend for over 35 years. It will be hard on us not seeing you. Rest in Peace.

Eva & Rick - February 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ Karen, beautiful message about Ray. I know you will miss him a lot, try to remember God gave you 51 years together, what a blessing. I've been told to live one day at a time. God Bless.

Pat Schorling - February 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HA

“ Karen, it was a privilege to serve with Ray in Berlin at Turner Barracks. It was an important time in the events of the "Cold War" and we all knew we were part of something special. Ray was something special and Kathy and I enjoyed meeting with the two of you at the TURNER TANKER REUNIONS. May you take comfort in the wonderful years you had the gift of Ray.

Spike

Harold - February 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ Dear Karen, Kim & Dawn, my memories of your father center around Girl Scouts. He was one of the Honorary Girl Scouts we all loved. I ran across a picture of Ray & Kim at the Father Daughter Banquet and of what memories! Love and hugs to you all.

Cheryl Sweet Owen - February 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ Thank You Ray, for Blessing this earth with a glorious example of Marriage, with Karen, and for enriching this generation with two wonderful Young Ladies. God Bless the entire Family, and many Friends. I Love You All, Steve

Steve English - February 03, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AM

“ We Love and Miss You!

April Martin - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ This morning as I rose from bed and saw the sun above I softly said "Good Morning God, bless everyone I love. And right away I thought of you Uncle Ray, I felt so warm and good inside, my heart was all aglow, and I know God has you by his side. Uncle Ray I have the best memories with you and Aunt Karen. I will hold you in my HEART until I can hold you in my arms. xxoo your sweet pea

Candy & Daryl - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

HS

“ God took the best friend i ever had to his side to care for him.
Thanks good lord,

Harry & luisa Strickland - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ I will miss you Mr. Ray. The mornings I spent growing up listening to you, my father and the others talk and tell stories will forever be in my memory as they held many lessons. I appreciate the friendship you provided my father and I during my lifetime. Rest In Peace.

Casey Throneberry - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AW

“ Karen sorry to hear of your loss. Our prayers & thoughts are with you. Praying for God to give you a peace that will confort you and the family.

Austin & Bertha Whitlock - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GO

“ RIP Ray, have fond memories of our past meetings and times we spent at Turner Barracks while preserving the freedom of the Berliners as well as duties required of us as soldiers. TANKS

george@pat O'Brien - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ *That small body sure contained one big heart. Thank You Ray for your service to Our Country, for sharing your smile with us, and especially thank you for being a friend. Rest in peace old buddy.*

Pat Healy - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Ray was one special person. I am proud to have been his friend. He will be missed.*

Mckinley&Golda Pack - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *Uncle Ray You will be greatly missed!!! I'll never forget your hair hat. May the Lord wrap his arms around Aunt Karen and your Girls during this time of mourning. I love You and miss you Love your Niece Shelley*

Michelle Middaugh Langschied - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ *lil pat & hank will miss uncle ray we love you soooooo much. you will be missed but not forgotten.*

little pat - February 02, 2012 at 12:00 AM