



David Wayne Matthews

February 22, 1954 - August 9, 2018

David Wayne Matthews, 64, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Thursday, August 9, 2018 at the Missouri Veteran's Home.

He was born February 22, 1954 in Owensboro, Kentucky to Walter John and Margaret Lee "Inky" Tichenor Matthews.

David was a 1972 Cape Central High School graduate. He then served 2 years in the Marines. After his military service, he earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Southeast Missouri State University.

He was a substance abuse counselor in Owensboro.

David lived most of his life in Owensboro and Cape Girardeau. His love for his son, family, friends, Kentucky basketball and St. Louis Cardinals baseball was his favorites.

Survivors include a son, David Wayne Matthews of Harrisburg, Illinois; three brothers, Walter Lee (Cathy) Matthews of Jackson, Missouri, Mark (Susan) Matthews of Cape Girardeau and J.B. (Kim) Matthews of Cape Girardeau; and one sister, Melody (Jeff) Rafferty of Owensboro, Kentucky.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

There will be no public service. There will be a celebration of life ceremony in Owensboro and Cape Girardeau at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be given to Missouri Veterans Home, 2400 Veterans Memorial Drive, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *Great counselor . Member of Owensboro Christian Church. Teacher and mentor. A friend of Bill W. Rest In Peace one day at a time. Respectfully, Dennis Tarter.*

Dennis Tarter - October 01, 2023 at 12:48 AM



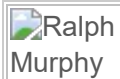
“ *Glad I got to meet David before he left us. His friendship was a blessing to me and some other guys who were meeting with him. May he rest in peace with his Heavenly Father.*

Robert Hale - February 23, 2019 at 06:37 PM



“ *My family and I met Dave at Ratlif, then at MVH. He was a friend to my Dad at both places and he was a always a pleasure to speak with. Our prayers go out to the family.*

Debra Jinkerson - August 31, 2018 at 03:10 PM



“ *so sorry to hear this! prayers to the family*

Ralph Murphy - August 14, 2018 at 12:10 AM

JT

“ So sorry to learn of David’s passing.

God Bless Mark, JB, Walter, and Melody .

My deepest sympathies go out to Matthews.

John M. Thompson

John M. Thompson - August 13, 2018 at 08:27 AM

CL

“ We are so sad to hear about the death of the man we always considered my brother. David was a great friend to all of us Campbells, especially our our mother and father, Mr and Mrs C. We will miss him greatly. Hope he is now at peace. Love you, David.
Ronnie and Cathie Campbell Larmie

Cathie Campbell Larmie - August 12, 2018 at 10:27 PM



“ Even though I only knew David a short while from the Veterans Home, I’m going to miss seeing him, and talking Cardinal baseball with him. I enjoyed his sense of humor, and how kind he always was to me.

Terri Noland

Terri Noland - August 12, 2018 at 05:42 PM

NM

“ *Marine Corps League W. J. Norris
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C/o 4100 Kipling Drive
Owensboro, Kentucky 42303-7220*



*In recognition of David Wayne Matthews'
honorable service to the United States of America, and the United
States Marine Corps; We extend our appreciation and gratitude for
his service to God, Country, and Corps.*

Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of sorrow.

*Semper Fi, The Marines of Detachment #804.
Jerry G. Paul, Commandant*

Norris #804, MCL - August 12, 2018 at 10:37 AM

SO

“ *Dear family,*

*I am so sad to hear of David's passing. I will be
keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers
for comfort during this very difficult time.*



Susie O'Connell - August 11, 2018 at 10:04 PM

RH

“ *My condolences to Dave's family. I am sorry to hear of his passing. I
got to know Dave through a group of friends who met with Dave at
the Ratliff Center and later at the Veteren's Home. David was
always positive and had a smile on his face. I know life must have
been tough these last several years but you would never know it by
talking to Dave. May he rest in peace- and keep smiling.*

Robert Hale - August 11, 2018 at 01:32 PM

SG

“ JB,

I was so sorry to read about your loss. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. I can say for sure, that he grew up with an awesome little brother! He was blessed.

Sincerely,

Sharon and Steve Graybill

sharon graybill - August 11, 2018 at 08:23 AM