



Howard "Butch" Boyd

February 18, 2014

Howard Harvey "Butch" Boyd, Jr., 73, of Cape Girardeau, MO died Tuesday, February 18, 2014 at his home. He was born September 16, 1940 in Cape Girardeau, MO to Howard Harvey and Zelma Myra Gilkison Boyd Sr. He and Patricia Ann Rudert were married January 1, 1961 at Cape Girardeau, Missouri. He was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Chapel in Cape Girardeau. He graduated from Cape Central High School in 1958. He served his country in the U.S. Navy during the Viet Nam War era. He joined U.S. Naval Reserve on his 17th birthday and upon high school graduation, served 6 years active duty aboard 3 Navy destroyers in the Operations Department assigned to navigation duties, and an additional 26 years as a Naval Reservist, after being promoted to the rank of Chief Petty Officer. Commissioned as a Chief Warrant Officer in 1980. Butch graduated from Northeast Missouri State University in 1972 with a degree in Law Enforcement and Corrections. He joined the Cape Girardeau Police Department in January of 1970 and served as a training officer, administrative assistant to the Chief of Police, swat team commander, internal affairs officer, director of field operations, and Chief of Police from 1988 until retirement in 1996. He graduated FBI National Academy, 102nd session, September of 1976. Employed as director of security at Southeast Hospital from 1996 until December 2006. Mr. Boyd was a member of VFW Post 3838 in Cape, American Legion Post 63 in Cape, and the FBI National Academy Associates. Some of his significant assignments include: Commanding Officer Mobile

Mine Assembly Group 2218 at Subic Bay, Republic of the Phillipines, Instructor Nuclear Weapons Training Group at the Pacific Naval Air Station in North Island, San Diego, CA, Boarding Officer, Military Sea Lift Command at Port Canaveral, Florida. Assigned as a Technical Observer, Seal Team Six, Naval Amphibious Base in Little Creek, VA. Survivors include : Wife - Patricia Ann Boyd, Cape Girardeau, MO Son - Paul Howard (Dee Dee) Boyd, Sikeston, MO Son - Michael Timothy (Elizabeth) Boyd, Fenton MO Grandchild - Jared Michael Boyd, Sikeston, MO Grandchild - Emily Elizabeth Boyd, Sikeston, MO Grandchild - Benjamin Michael Boyd, Fenton, MO Grandchild - Zachary Michael Boyd, Fenton, MO Brother - Stephen T. (Martha) Boyd, Scottsdale, AZ Sister - Judith Ann Zettl, Saint Louis, MO He was preceded in death by his parents and a grandchild, Paul Jacob Boyd. Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 20, 2014 from 4:00PM to 8:00PM at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau.. Funeral service will be on Friday at 1:00PM at the funeral home with the Rev. Barry Pfanstiel officiating. Burial will be at Lorimier Cemetery in Cape Girardeau with military rites conducted by the Missouri Honor Guard. Memorial contributions may be given to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or to Southeast Health Hospice. Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

JR

“ So sorry for your loss . Butch was like the energizer bunny! I am a volunteer at the cancer center and had the pleasure of being his lunch lady....he was always happy and upbeat and Pat you were a rock. I knew he was an active member of our community but had no idea of his many involvements. He was certainly not one to toot his own horn. He will be greatly missed by many and I am sorry I was not able to give my condolences in person. Janet Fenimore Robert

Janet Robert - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ So sorry for Mr. Boyd's family for their loss. I have not seen my cousin 'Butchie' since I was a young girl, but I do remember him as a most handsome older 'man' about whom I was in awe, and a little scared! I do know that he was highly respected by his community and his loss will be mourned by many. My deepest condolences to Mrs. Boyd and to his sister Judy. He will certainly be missed by all.

Terry Ward - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ Pat and boys,we are so very sorry to hear about Butch.

Calvin and Karein Robinson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Dear Pat, Bob and I were so sad to read about Butch's passing. We are thankful we got to visit with him in October. You have our deepest condolences and prayers. We regret we are unable to attend the funeral. We send our love. Bob and Norma McDowell

Bob & Norma McDowell - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ The McDowell family sends their sympathy to you at this time. I know you were close with Bob and Norma and I remember "Butch" from school, too. Pray God brings you comfort in the days ahead.

Jeannette (Judy) McDowell Stone - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Pat Our deepest sympathy to you and your family. Debbie and Paul

Debbie and Paul Hoffmann - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Our deepest sympathy on the loss of your loved one. You and your family were so good to us when we lived and taught in Cape Girardeau. Butch will be missed.

Lonnie and Toni Wilke - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ To, Mike and the entire Boyd Family, Please accept my condolences
Scott

Scott Sutherland - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Paul- So sorry to hear of your dad's passing. Stay strong and be well. Seth

Seth Siemers - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ To my dear and loving friend, Pat I am so sorry for your loss. I cannot find the words to express my sadness for you. You and your family are in my prayers. Butch leaves so many fond memories to so many friends. His legacy will live on.

gail. schwartz - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ The "Chief" was such a sweet man. I had worked at the hospital also. I just called him Chief". He was a great co-worker, funny to talk too, he was never in a bad mood. He could out walk me any day! I never heard a bad comment from him. Such a lively man. I thought he was just so cool! May God comfort you at this time and may His holy arms surround you. The Chief was such a cool guy!

Becky Baylor - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Pat and family, You are in our thoughts and prayers. Bill and Shirley Beggs

Bill and Shirley Beggs - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JU

“ Deepest sympathy..

Janice Unger - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NN

“ Pat, Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. We are so thankful that we had time with you both at the reunion. Lots of good memories of Butch and his stories. You were lucky to have someone who loved you so very much. Love to you and your family, Pat and Nick

Nick and Pat Nichols - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM