

Paul Glen Horton LT. COL. (RET.)

Retired U.S. Army Lt. Col. Paul Glen Horton, of Clovis, California passed away August 1 after a short battle with cancer.

Paul is survived by his loving wife, Maribeth, and daughters Dana (married to Milton Poore), Darcy (married to Mark Kinnersley), stepdaughter Monica Spear, stepson Craig Gerbi (married to Judi), his surviving sibling, Zoe Peverill and cousins, nieces, nephews and extended blended family. Five grandchildren have delighted him and will miss him; Payton and Jake Poore of Madera, Kyra and Kayla Kinnersley of Denver, Colorado and Vincent Gerbi of Half Moon Bay.

Born in Clovis, California on September 30th, 1944, Paul was taught to fly the family fixed wing airplane and was the youngest private pilot in California at that time. When he was drafted into the Army, he transferred those flight skills into a distinguished military career serving around the world proudly and honorably for 23 years.

As a veteran of the Vietnam War, he earned the Bronze Star, Distinguished Flying Cross, Vietnam Service Medal, and Armor Aviator Badge to name just a few.

After retirement, Paul and Maribeth traveled, enjoyed hosting at Camp Edison and weekends on their mountain property. A passionate animal lover to a host of dogs and cats that ruled the family home, he was known for adopting feisty old dogs from the shelter and giving them a new lease on life. As a result, he leaves behind his beloved Herbie who misses him dearly.

Services were held Thursday August 8th at 10 a.m. at Chapel of the Light in Fresno followed by a private interment at San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery