



Edward Everett Stith

January 7, 1934 - December 8, 2020

Edward Everett Stith, 86 of Springdale, passed away on December 8, 2020 at Northwest Medical Center in Springdale. He was born on January 7, 1934 in Lawrence, Kansas to Everett Gaines Stith and Lucy Williford Stith.

Edward was a member of First United Methodist Church in Springdale. He served United Marine Corps for twenty years, where he retired as a Major. He graduated from Ottawa High School, the University of Kansas where he was a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity, and he earned a master's degree from George Washington University. While in the Marine Corps he was a Tanker and served in Vietnam as Company Commander. Ed was one of the first Marines to go to computer school at IBM. He served in computers for 10 years as CO at Parris Island, Quantico and Cameron Station where he retired. Ed and family came to Arkansas where he raised cattle, chickens and rabbits. He was a driver for Ozark Regional Transit and several other jobs before retiring a second time. He's a lifetime member of Kansas University, the VFW and the Marine Corps League where he served as treasurer.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his brother, Robert Stith and wife Mary Beth, his sister, Jean Richardson and husband Col. Bil, Richardson.

Survivors include one son, Ed Stith, Jr.; four daughters, Bette Rhea Kovach and husband Duane, Terri Leigh Stith all of Springdale, Patty Ann Cagle and

husband Ray of Marion, Illinois, Jean Reed and husband Eric of Fort Worth, Texas. He was also blessed with eight grandchildren, Steven Stitch and wife Angela, Christine Morledge, Phillip Kovach and wife Kim, Victor Kovach, Drew Kovach and Whitney Boling, Mason Cagle, Matt Cagle and Hanna Reed and four great grandchildren Sean Adeliade, Xander and Teddy.

A remembrance will take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Toys for Tots, Lifesource International, 602 S. School Ave., Fayetteville, Arkansas 72701 or the Marine Corps League, National Headquarters
3619 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 115, Stafford, VA 22554.

Online condolences can be left at www.siscofuneral.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Edward Everett Stith*

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ *Terri, I am so very sorry to hear about your Dad, Ed. He was my Company Commander with Bravo Company, 1st Tank Battalion, 1st Marine Division near Danang, South Vietnam in 1966...back then all I knew him by was "Captain Stith" (later Major). I was his company Medical Corpsman, and felt secure under his command. I am glad I frequently stopped to visit him, during my RV treks to Minnesota. I missed last year due to covid. My deepest sympathy to you, and Ed's entire Family - May he Rest In Peace - SEMPER FI, ED!!*

Gene ("Doc") - December 12, 2020 at 01:56 PM



“ *My sincere condolence to the family. Ed and I were classmates at Ottawa Jr/Sr High School. I always admired Ed in school, as he was a very good student, and was really good at math. Following graduation, we went our different ways, only to again renew old stories when I visited Ed in his quarters at Marine Corps Base, Quantico.*

Both Ed and I had entered the Marine Corps, Ed as a Ground-Pounder Tanker, and I as a Marine Pilot.

Our OHS Class of 1952 reunions placed Ed and I in the familiar contest of WHO could tell the biggest War Story? Major Ed usually won that honor.

Semper Fi, my friend, and

God Speed!

G. Larry Larkin

Flagstaff, AZ

G. Larry Larkin - December 11, 2020 at 05:53 PM

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“ So sorry for the loss of your dad, Ed. Prayers for you and your family.

Teresa Powers - December 11, 2020 at 05:32 PM