



MAJ Don Richard Faxon Ph.D.

August 2, 1942 - June 6, 2025

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Dr. Don Richard Faxon on June 6, 2025. While we will miss him, we take comfort knowing that he is in the presence of his Heavenly Father and is no longer suffering.

MAJ Don Richard Faxon, Ph.D, was born on August 2, 1942, in Helena, MT. He graduated from Auburn University with a degree in mathematics in 1966, and the following year, he completed Officer Candidate School (OCS) and was commissioned into the U.S. Army. He was deployed to Vietnam from 1967 to 1969. Don met Kim-Thoa in 1971 at Ft. Benning, GA, while he was attending Airborne School and returned to Vietnam for another combat tour, where he met her family in Saigon. They wed on August 26, 1972, at Ft. Benning, and Don continued to serve his country with pride for another 20 years at Ft. Hood, Heidelberg, Germany, Redstone Arsenal, AL, and Ft. Belvoir, VA as an infantry, military intelligence, and engineer officer. Don continued his education at Ohio State University (MS in Geodetic Science) and George Mason University (Ph.D in Computational Statistics). After his military career, Dr. Faxon worked with General Bunyard at Bunyard Enterprises and as an adjunct professor at George Mason University.

Dr. Faxon was a devout Christian, doting husband, and loving father. He served in the Gideons International for 50 years and was active in the church, working with youth on the military bases where he was assigned. His passions

included astronomy and ballroom dancing. He, along with his wife, enjoyed many Arthur Murray and Dance Studio Loudmila dance lessons and competitions. Dr. Faxon is remembered for his compassionate nature, inquisitive spirit, and love of God and country. It was his honor to serve and protect his country for over 20 years.

He is preceded in death by a sister, Mary Anne Faxon (age 4), his parents, Dr. (COL, US Army) Donald and LaNelle (Taylor) Faxon, and his brother, Charles Faxon. He is survived by his wife, Kim-Thoa (Nguyen) Faxon, and his two daughters, Kim-Alys (Faxon) Sterk (married to Timothy Sterk) and Kim-Danielle (Faxon) Garver. Dr. Faxon has three grandchildren - Ashton Sterk, Austin Garver, and Adrian Sterk. A viewing is planned at the Jefferson Funeral Chapel at 5755 Castlewellan Drive, Alexandria, VA 22315 on June 13, 2025, from 4pm-6pm. A funeral service with military honors is planned for Saturday, June 14, 2025, at 1:00 pm at Ft. Belvoir Chapel at 5950 12th Street, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060.

Donations in honor and memory of Dr. Faxon to the Gideons International, St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, or Tunnel to Towers are welcome.

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P.O. Box 6203
Arlington, VA 22206

Please send a check to above address St. Jude

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital
P.O. Box 50
Memphis, TN 38101-9929

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Tunnel to Towers

P.O. Box 70719

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Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **13**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Jefferson Funeral Chapel
5755 Castlewellan Dr
Alexandria, VA 22315-5516
(703) 971-7400

Funeral Service

JUN **14**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Fort Belvoir Main Chapel
5950 12th St
Fort Belvoir, VA 22060

Tribute Wall



“ RIP



Frank Titus - June 12, 2025 at 09:34 AM



“ *Janice Fraker purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of MAJ Don Richard Faxon Ph.D..*



Janice Fraker - June 11, 2025 at 02:54 PM



“ *Janice Fraker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of MAJ Don Richard Faxon Ph.D..*

Janice Fraker - June 11, 2025 at 02:54 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of MAJ Don Richard Faxon Ph.D..*



June 11, 2025 at 11:39 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of MAJ Don Richard Faxon Ph.D..

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“ Jeremy, Tracey & Ellie Bahl purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of MAJ Don Richard Faxon Ph.D..



Jeremy, Tracey & Ellie Bahl - June 11, 2025 at 05:40 AM



“ The Pham, Lee, Kuo, and Bowyer families purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of MAJ Don Richard Faxon Ph.D..



The Pham, Lee, Kuo, and Bowyer families - June 10, 2025 at 12:12 PM