

Jean-Pierre Hill

July 6, 1958 - August 22, 2017

On Tuesday 22 August 2017, Jean-Pierre, known lovingly as “J.P.”, passed away in Alexandria, Virginia, of a sudden heart attack. He is survived by his wife, Mary, his mother, Luci, and his sister, Cindy. He was preceded in death by his father, Bill.

J.P. was born in Wimbledon, England 6 July 1958. As the child of a career Air Force man and his French wife, J.P. not only traveled the world but learned the value of self- discipline, independence, and resilience. After graduating as the Valedictorian of his high school class, J.P. was appointed to the United States Naval Academy where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering and History in 1980.

J.P. proudly and honorably served his country in the United States Marine Corps and the United States Marine Corps Reserve as a Field Artillery Officer and an Intelligence Officer until his retirement as a Colonel in 2010. During his active service he participated in the Multinational Peacekeeping Force in Beirut, Lebanon and in Operation Desert Shield and Operation Desert Storm. As a Reserve Officer he served in the Operational Intelligence Center and rose to command the Marine Corps Intelligence Activity.

Following J.P.’s retirement from the United States Marine Corps, he worked for both civilian organizations and federal government agencies as an

Intelligence Expert. In 2002 he began his service with the Department of Defense Office of the Inspector General. Based on his code of conduct embodying integrity, loyalty, honor, selflessness, and courage he was promoted in 2014 to Deputy Assistant. His wisdom and guidance made notable contributions to intelligence, counterintelligence, special operations, and security related operations.

J.P. was a disciplined runner, weight lifter, and an enthusiast of all sports. With a keen appreciation for talent he collected and consumed books, music, rock and roll concert t-shirts, and movies. He traveled like a gypsy across the globe. He had a mind for facts, a remarkable memory, and an intelligent dry wit. He was a mentor to many and a beloved member of many families. He was a true gentleman and his friendship was forever. To his wife of 20 years he was both the boy next door and the romantic poet. He was a devoted spouse, and his love was endless.

The memorial service will be at the United States Naval Academy Columbarium at 1100 followed by a reception at the Leyte Gulf Room of the United States Naval Academy Club, Annapolis, Maryland, Wednesday 30 August 2017.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jean-Pierre Hill*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



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Jefferson Funeral Chapel - January 28, 2019 at 10:02 AM



“ *New Album*

New Photo 1 - January 28, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ *I want to say many thanks to all of you who said so many nice words about J.P. I only read ithe messages this very minute. I am very touched I am from his french family . JP was adorable baby and Marie-Joe Blavette*

February 13, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *JP was my USNA 80 classmate and Quantico roommate. Great times with him and Mary. Absent from the body present with our Lord. Semper Fi. lee & Reba*

December 04, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“My Deepest Condolences go out to the Hill family, I hope you find comfort in these words, "He will swallow up death forever,.....And will wipe away the tears from all faces. Isaiah 25:8. We want to trust in Jehovah God's, promise of the resurrection hope. jw.org

November 04, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry to hear about JP's passing. I had the privilege to work with him while stationed in VA. His friendship, intelligence, and sense of humor were the characteristics I came to cherish. And even though we were separated by time and distance, I never forgot our daily workouts and runs to the Bar J restaurant. Those were the great times. I'll miss you bud.

September 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I had the honor of working for JP in two Marine Reserve commands - JP was a confident, quiet leader who mentored, encouraged, and motivated all through his sense of humor, an impish smile and kind words. Truly an inspiration - sorry to hear of his passing. God Speed and S/F JP! - SZidek

September 21, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I worked with JP and would see him all the time in the gym. He was a great person and he will be missed.

August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I worked alongside JP for about 7 years as a Project Manager at DoDIG. I keep picturing him at the conference table, eating yogurt and apples and sharing quips with people. It's strange the things that go through your mind. Sean, JP, and I also went on a very memorable TDY together, a truly one-of-a-kind adventure. He wasn't even on my team, but I needed a hand and he was there to support and help in any way that he could. That's just who he was and the world is a poorer place without him.

August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Photos from MCIA IMA Get trip to Germany

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“ Photos from the MCIA IMA Det trip to Germany. Such a tragic loss.

August 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ JP was a sterling example of a Marine leader and Intelligence Officer. Our paths were fortunate enough to cross and for that, I became a better Marine. He was my mentor, friend, and became a cheer-leader on the sideline of my life. A friendship like his is rare and a Marine like he was is a Nation's blessing. I will miss JP and his sense of humor, gifted wisdom, and his selfless leadership. Fair winds and following seas my friend. Semper Fidelis.

August 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I will always remember Col Hill for his patience and mentorship; his loss leaves a wound for so many of the Marines that were fortunate enough to work with him and learn from him. He reinforced giving your all no matter what you're tasked and reminded us that our Corps is a brotherhood. Semper Fidelis.

August 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I met JP twenty years ago and began working with him on a number of projects over the course of the ensuing three years. Although it was only a brief period of time that I had the privilege to share with JP and Mary, I saw between them the true meaning of dedication, loyalty, and commitment. His keen wit and fearsome intellect combined with his generous spirit were a joy to behold. His life long call to service was unwavering. I have not been able to drink an espresso without smiling since our early mornings with the caffeine-juiced barista at the JacobsJava in Spokane. Nor can I install a ceiling fan without the memory of our novice attempt at installing one years ago at his home in Virginia guiding me to properly connect the ground on a 3-way switch. I remember many long conversations on topics wide and varying when we would head out for a run after work whether that found us in Spokane, California, Virginia, Phoenix, Boston or Florida. We never skipped a run or rather he would never let me slink out of one. We dropped out of touch several years ago but these memories of him were never far away. It was an honour to have known him and I am deeply saddened to learn of his passing. My sincerest condolences go to his family and friends.

August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ JP was a man of great integrity and honor. It came as such a shock to me when I heard of his passing. For the past seven years of working with him and for him, he became the older brother and father figure of our office. JP was the man you could turn to if you had a problem, a new joke, or new information on who was getting inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. He was a quiet man with an even temper and was fair to everyone. JP was never the man to turn down a challenge and always stood by the people working for him. JP will be missed by everyone who knew him.

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“ I worked with J.P. Since 2004. He was one of the IG's best & brightest, and a great colleague to work with. He was always willing to assist others and had a great sense of humor (which is really needed at the IG). I will remember the many conversations we had - whether it's was discussing how we were going to meet some new, ridiculous IG requirement; music; or the latest episode of Game of Thrones. My condolences to all who knew and loved him

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“ I was blessed to have worked with JP. Few people have the character, charisma and intellect that JP had, and working with him was a joy. Always smiling. Always positive, a friend and mentor to so many people. Truly missed.

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“ I felt like I was hit with a sledgehammer when I saw the email. I feel blessed to have known him and deep sorrow that he's left us so early. We got to know each other at the Academy weight room, had a ton of fun teaching the plebes seamanship - confession, some was at their expense :), and went to The Basic School together. He was one-of-a-kind, off the charts smart, a physical beast, and a terrific sense of humor. I remember him running the Marine Corps Marathon while at Quantico. In no way was he built for that distance and at mile ten his cannonball shoulders developed debilitating cramps. What did he do - grit his teeth and complete it in under 3 hours. I can see him in my mind's eye forty years ago and I miss him dearly.

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“ Jean-Pierre Hill

Magnificent Life Spray - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Jean-Pierre Hill

Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Jean-Pierre Hill

Medium Dish Garden - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *"The comfort of having a friend may be taken away, but not that of having had one." -Seneca.*

JP was my boss. In fact, he was a great coworker and leader to so many of us. He inspired us and made us laugh with his intelligence and dry wit. He was sensitive, caring, and hardworking. He often would show up to work before his employees and stay late after they left. I was envious of how dedicated JP was to staying fit; often when I would see JP and Sean heading to the gym, I would say to myself, "I need to get on a better fitness routine."

JP was easy to talk to. I spoke with JP as I was planning my own wedding in 2014. My husband-to-be and I were planning a destination wedding in Virginia Beach. JP talked about his own beautiful destination wedding. (If I remember correctly, it was at a Canadian hotel on a snowy day.) JP talked about how much preparation had to be done ahead of time, and I felt better that I wasn't the only one going through a stressful time. But then, when JP told me about his wedding day itself, he paused for a moment and said it was "beautiful." His eyes and his mouth smiled. As I was listening to JP, I hoped that, 20 years from now, I would think back on my own wedding day with as much joy as JP thought of his.

59 years is really too short a time the world got to spend with JP. I pray that he is looking over us from above, continuing to guide us and smile down on us.

I'm proud not only to have known JP, but also to have called him my friend. I'm sorry I won't be there at the service on Wednesday, but all of JP's friends, family, and coworkers are in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. -Kris

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“ *Jean-Pierre Hill*

Music Note - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *I had the pleasure of knowing J.P. for ten years. When I began working in ISPA, J.P. was my supervisor until I transferred to Ft. Meade. He was without a doubt the best supervisor I ever worked for. Not only was J.P. an outstanding supervisor and mentor, we shared many common interests. We had many conversations about one of our passions, music. We enjoyed listening to many of the same artists and often reminisced about past concerts we saw "back in the day." Whenever J.P. upgraded his music collection, he gave me the CD's he no longer needed. That was a real treat and I couldn't wait to see what new musical treasures I would get from him. I will surely miss J.P., as all of us will. Knowing J.P. made me a better person and I will truly miss him. I would like to pass on some words of strength that a close friend said to me upon my Father's sudden death, "More powerful than fate, is the courage that bears it." My deepest sympathies to all of J.P.'s family and to those of us who called J.P. our friend.*

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“ *JP, front and center at I-Day with his 9th Company-mates. It was an honor and a privilege to call him a friend for the past 41 years. Rest in Peace Shipmate. - Randy Farley, USNA Class of 1980*

USNA Class of 1980, 9th Company - I-Day. - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ We were home away from home while JP attended the USNA in Annapolis. Ed and I enjoyed having him with us and visiting in his free time. We had many meals together and looked forward to seeing him.

Peace and love to all the family. Precious memories how they will linger.

Candle of Memories - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ We enjoyed sailing with JP and Mary. JP will be missed and we express our deepest sympathy to Mary and the family.

Rosemarie & Mike Calabrese

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“ JP was my mentor. We spent a lot of time together on projects, TDY, and in the gym. He was a great man and I truly loved him. The other day I stumbled across a quote that sums him up perfectly; Author Steven Pressfield , Author of Gates of Fire and the Warrior Ethos stated that "the warrior ethos is a code of conduct, that embodies a life where integrity, loyalty, honor, selflessness, and courage are one's guide." In my opinion, if you were going to put a picture next to that statement, it would be J.P. Hill. My heart is broken but I believe that we can honor him by trying to live the "warrior ethos" every day.

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“ To all of the family, our deepest sympathy. JP was one of the brightest minds in our organization and I know that his sudden departure will have a great impact on it's future. Will keep all of you in our prayers.

Bill Rainey and Family

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Your Light Shines - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

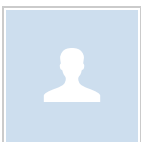


“ On behalf of the Marine Corps Intelligence Activity's (MCIA) civilian and Marine family, please accept our heart-felt condolences at J.P.'s recent and unexpected passing. He was a beloved and respected leader of MCIA's Reserve IMA Detachment. J.P.'s leadership and contributions over many years helped MCIA provide high-quality intel support to Marine operating forces deployed in harm's way, and Marine Corps combat development and acquisition efforts that will influence future battlefield success.

Semper Fidelis,

Col Gutz

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“ *Too young... Too soon...*

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“ *JP and Mary celebrating Nicky's college graduation at Northwestern (Chicago)* ”

August 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM