



## John G. Fox

July 29, 1929 - May 10, 2014

John G. Fox (84)

On Saturday, May 10, 2014, John passed away peacefully at his home in Springfield, VA. Beloved husband of Hilda M. Fox of 63 years; cherished father of Cheryl M. Cotter (Bill), Sharon R. Orr (Jimmy), John M. Fox and his late wife Tina, Charleen M. Smith, Joseph W. Fox (Jill), and Robert P. Fox (Shari); brother of Rose Marie Altman; grandfather to 14 grandchildren ; great-grandfather to 1 great grandchild. He will truly be missed by many. John's service to his country included a 30-year career in the U.S. Marine Corps and the U.S. Army. He served as a Military Intelligence officer with duty stations in Guam, Germany, Korea, Ft. Leavenworth, KS, Ft. Benning, GA, Ft. Oliver, MD, Ft. Shafter, HI, the Pentagon, the Korean War and the Vietnam War, where he served as Commander of the U.S. Intelligence Command supporting General William Westmoreland. His military career was marked with many distinguished service awards, including the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service in a combat zone. He retired in 1975 with the rank of Colonel. Following his distinguished military career, John was the Director of Human Resources for the Wills Group / Southern Maryland Oil Company for 14 years. John served his community by volunteering as a Eucharistic Minister for 20 years. He also made hospital visits to pediatric cancer patients and volunteered at the American Red Cross. Some of John's many and varied interests, included reading, bowling, photography, performing "magic tricks", traveling and enjoying fine cuisine. He loved his wife, family and friends and

always made people feel special. He was a friend to all. Relatives and friends may call at Jefferson Funeral Chapel 5755 Castlewellan Dr. Alexandria, VA 22315 on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 from 2-4 & 6-8PM. Mass of Christian burial will be held at St. Bernadette Catholic Church 7600 Old Keene Mill Rd. Springfield, VA 22152 on Wednesday, May 21, 2014 at 10:30AM. Interment will take place on a later date in Arlington National Cemetery. In Lieu of Flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his honor to the Catholic Charity of your choice or the Wounded Warrior Project at [www.woundedwarriorproject.org/donate.aspx](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/donate.aspx)

# Tribute Wall



“ *John G. Fox*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



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“ *Ltc Fox was one of my best customers at Cameron station outdoor rec.services*

June 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“John,” I smile just writing your name. I remember when I met you 5 years ago. I always called you Sir, until one day you thought you had enough. You said, “Nick, can you please not call me Sir?, Just call me John.” I thought to myself, now here is a humble, kind, fun and caring gentleman.

Mr. Fox you are a great man. We will miss you dearly. I have learned a lot from you “Sir”. You were always respectable, always concerned when things didn't seem right, always asked about my family and always appreciative of any work done for you no matter how small. Above all, it is from you, I have learned what is to love your family. They say nobody is perfect, but, John... you were not far from it. May you Rest in Eternal Peace.

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May 21, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“Dad - you taught me to live...you taught me to love....you taught me to give...you taught me to laugh....and now...you've taught me how to die - with love, grace and dignity. I will miss you so much for my remaining days on this earth, but I am consoled knowing that I will see you again when I join you in our eternal home. And don't worry - we will all take care of Mom.

*“Precious in the sight of the LORD Is the death of His godly ones”  
Psalm 116:15*

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May 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“Our deepest sympathy goes out to the entire Fox Family. May the many memories of special times shared bring you comfort and peace! Terre & Skip Grouoe

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May 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ I always loved to listen to all of his interesting stories, especially those from the military. Almost everytime i was around him he would show me a new magic trick, or try and teach me one. He never failed to make people happy through is magic tricks out in public. You will be missed.

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May 19, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Semper Fi Mr. Fox*

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May 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *An amazing person with a kind heart and soul. My son and I met Mr. Fox while walking home from Keene Mill ES. He asked my son, "What's that behind your ear?" He pulled a quarter from my son's ear and my son thought Mr. Fox was an incredible magician. I will miss seeing him in his front yard, at the post office and grocery store. He always made time to say hello. Rest in Peace Mr. Fox.*

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May 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *My wonderful father-in-law passed away on 5/10/14. He was an incredible man. An Army Colonel, who served in the Korean and Vietnam Wars, put himself through college (with six kids and two jobs,) earning a Masters Degree from Auburn University. In retirement, he loved to serve others, frequently driving cancer patients to their appointments, and entertaining kids with his magic tricks. As a young mom, I was always teased about being an over protective mother. He constantly told me that I was a great mother. He was a loving father-in-law and grandfather. We will all miss him. We love you, Dad Fox/Grandpa! Jill, Jordan & Tanner*

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May 15, 2014 at 12:00 AM



*“ I don't know the Fox family, but my kids go to Keene Mill and we saw them all the time while waiting in the pick up line. My middle daughter loved their "backwards matching license plates" and my son loved to watch Mr Fox ride and suck up leaves in the fall. My thoughts are with your family at this difficult time.*

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May 15, 2014 at 12:00 AM



*“ Hilda and family, so sorry to hear of your loss. When I lost Dad and Mom, he was there offering whatever support or help I needed. I remember his endless thirst for knowledge and thought him one of the most intelligent people that I knew. He was a wonderful caring person that I feel privileged to have been able to call him my Uncle. All of you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

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May 15, 2014 at 12:00 AM



*“ John and the family. Thank you for being a wonderful example to us. Your parents obviously introduced you to the savior and His Spirit. God bless you.*

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May 14, 2014 at 12:00 AM



*“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and yours.  
Tom and Lourdes Ward*

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May 14, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ I would like to add that Uncle Johnny was my favorite uncle as well. He was the most charismatic person as a person could find! I am deeply indebted to him for his role as executor of my fathers estate after his sudden death back in 1997. He wiling chose to serve our family to straighten out a mess none of us were able to undertake as we struggled with our Dad's death. I am certainly indebted to both he & Aunt Hilda for how they enriched our lives during the summers we stayed with them. Touring the Smithsonians, visiting various other historic sites, and gnerally just hanging out with their entire family. Who could forget the camping adventures in the fold-up camper from Fort Belvoir! We would travel to Point Lookout State Park to feed the mosquitoes and in the mornings after a fireside breakfast, provide nutrition to the fish as well out the notorious John Boat (appropriately named). His magic tricks endeared all the children to him. The prayers of my family go out to Aunt Hilda & all the Fox Clan for god's comfort & peace.  
Dave Matthews & Family

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May 14, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ John was a trusted colleague and friend whose like I know I'll not see again. His insatiable intellectual curiosity and extraordinary empathy distinguished him in my eyes and others privileged to have known him. We shared a common, unbreakable bond; as former Marines. It is in that spirit that I say Semper Fi old soldier. Heaven is a safer place now that John Fox is present and ready for duty.

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May 14, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ We heard the sad news yesterday. Uncle Johnny was my favorite uncle. He was an angel to our family when Dad passed away. I will always remember him teaching me to drive a stick shift across the street in the school parking lot. He most certainly had a zest for life! He will truly be missed. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers.

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May 14, 2014 at 12:00 AM