



Kenneth Earl Stroud

November 19, 1943 - February 21, 2018

Special Agent (Ret.) Kenneth E. Stroud passed away on February 21, 2018 after a prolonged battle with agent orange-related diseases. A Vietnam Veteran, he earned three Bronze Stars for valor and the Army Commendation Medal for meritorious service. Ken was born in Deep Run, North Carolina to Burrell and Claudia Stroud. He was very active in his local 4H club, winning many awards and state level recognition for excellence. He attended NC State and was an active member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, where he formed lifelong bonds of brotherhood and served as his chapter's President. He then enlisted in the US Army, was commissioned a Warrant Officer, and served his country in Vietnam. Upon his return, he married Sheri Ratick and the couple moved with the Army to Omaha, NE then to Washington, DC where he continued to serve as a CID Special Agent with the Criminal Investigation Command. Ken left active duty in 1974 to begin an impressive career with the federal government, first with the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) as Special Agent, then with Housing and Urban Development (HUD) where he rose to Regional Inspector General for Investigations, Federal Region II, New York, New York, which covered many surrounding states as well as Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, and ultimately with the Department of Commerce where he was the Regional Inspector General for Investigations and Headquarters Operations. Ken retired in 1988, but continued his service until 2010 as a white collar crime expert, lecturer, and consultant for international security, law enforcement and intelligence operations. He leaves behind a loving family: his

beloved wife of 46 years, Sheri Ratick Stroud, his daughter Dori Kukawa, son-in-law Karl Kukawa, granddaughters Dru and Georgia, sister Clara Muriel Barwick, niece Dr. Alexis Welch and many cousins, and great-nieces and nephews. He will be dearly missed, but his generosity, love, and laughter will remain forever in our hearts.

Funeral service will be held at Arlington National Cemetery on Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 11 AM.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Fund or Wounded Warriors.

Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth Earl Stroud*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *Kenneth, will be remembered as a loving, devoted, caring husband, father, and grandfather. He was a dedicated, reliable, loving family member, who always put family first! He was like a brother to his brother and sister-in-law and the best uncle to his -2- nephews! Additionally, he was a true patriot who gave his dedication of service for his country for many years! He had a memorable presence to anyone that crossed his path that presented confidence, that he was in charge, and everything will be taken care in a timely fashion! May he rest comfortably, and finally be at peace.*

Love the Marmott Family

February 28, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Sheri and Family, Please accept our deepest sympathies and prayers for your loss of our wonderful Brother, whom we all loved very much. Thanks for taking such good care of Ken in these last several years. Mary & I always considered Ken an outstanding leader, friend, and Lambda Chi Alpha Brother. We are in a state of shock over Ken's passing, and can only imagine the grief for you and your family. May God bless all of you, as he welcomes Ken to Heaven. Our thoughts and prayers are for you today, tomorrow, and the years to come as your family copes with the loss of your husband, Father, Grandfather, and beloved dear Brother, Bob & Mary Brantley - Greenville, SC*

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