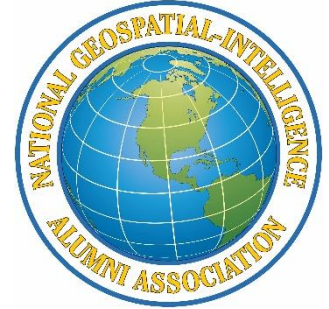




National Geospatial-Intelligence Alumni Association – East Chapter

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From the NGAA-East Chapter President:

NGAA-East (formerly the National Geospatial/Intelligence Alumni Association-NGIAA and the Defense Mapping and Charting Alumni Association-DMCA founded in 1980) provides a way for current and retired DMA/NIMA/NGA employees to keep in contact and exchange information, ideas, and experiences. Currently, NGAA-East has over 525 active and associate members.

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We also welcome any new articles or items of interest you would like to share with NGAA-East. Please submit to Ange Meoli at the email above.

Well, all good things must pass... I have thoroughly enjoyed serving on the NGAA-E Board for the past 6 years, and look forward to serving as President of the NGAA, looking over both East and West chapters. I wanted to thank NGAA for a very informative and engaging meeting at NGA in September. We had about 35 members in attendance and enjoyed briefings by NGA, a lunch with keynote speaker DD Stacey Dixon, and hearing about the new NGA Hall of Fame winners this year. If you haven't gotten a chance to go back to NGA for either a Spring or Fall meeting, you should consider it! You will enjoy seeing many of your NGA teammates, visiting the NGA complex and hearing about the latest NGA happenings. Looking back over the last two years, I am most proud of two very important efforts that your NGAA-E organization established: a Scholarship Program for upcoming GEOINTers and accepting Foreign GEOINT officers into NGAA-E. These efforts were largely due to the hard work of Sharon Flowers and Jack Hild. My thanks to Sharon and Jack! I also want to provide a personal thanks to your incoming officers President: Barry Tilton, President Elect: Irv Buck, Vice President: Kim Robson, Treasurer: Dennis Drum, Secretary: James Johnson, Liaison to Foreign GEOINT: Jack Hild. In addition I wanted to offer my sincere thanks for a job well done to Paul Mich for his hard work to keeping our finances straight and for a myriad of other efforts he accomplished over the last 6 years. Thanks also go out to Ange Meoli for his support as Executive Staff Director, Al Anderson as Ex Officio, and Joe Spytek as liaison to NGAA. Finally, your NGAA-E organization is only as good as the support provided by it's members; consider volunteering to host an event that could bring our members together, and ensure you talk to your fellow NGA friends to consider joining NGAA-E....Joe Steel

I'm sure I speak for all the chapter members in expressing our heartfelt thanks to Joe Steel for his steadfast leadership over the past two years. He has put a lot of time and effort into moving the organization forward and we are truly appreciative of his efforts and all the work of the outgoing officers. BRAVO-ZULU Joe!.....The Editor



CHAPTER NEWS

2019 Fall Meeting

The NGAA-East Chapter held its 2019 Fall general meeting on Friday, 27 September at NGA's Ft. Belvoir campus. Approximately 30 members attended the event and enjoyed an interesting and informative agenda focused on several ongoing unclassified agency programs. Mr. Bill Caniano gave us an overview of the current state of the agency then the group received a series of outstanding briefings on the following initiatives:

- A commercial imagery update that focused on the transfer of some programmatic functions to the NRO, but leaves the bulk of the program in the hands of NGA.
- An introduction to the GEOINT Broker concept, which will integrate and streamline the acquisition, management and dissemination of a wide variety of GEOINT information.
- A review of recent agency humanitarian and disaster relief efforts

Following the briefings, and during lunch (which was particularly good this time), we were honored by the presence of Dr. Stacy Dixon, NGA's new Deputy Director, who gave us her background and expectations for her role in this vital position. We were all impressed with Dr. Dixon's extensive experience in the Intelligence Community as well as her engaging manner. With the new leadership team of Vice Admiral Sharp and Dr. Dixon, the agency looks to be in very good hands.

The attendees were then invited to attend the Geospatial Hall of Fame induction ceremony where the Director inducted four individuals into the hall. The 2019 inductees were:

- **Justin E. Baer**
- **William H. Heidbreder**
- **Brigadier General Gilbert W. Kirby, Jr., US Army Retired**
- **John B. Tuley**

The new members were selected by a board composed of current NGA employees, with Executive Director Ed Mornston as the chair. Representatives from the NGA Alumni Association and history office provided historical context for the board's consideration but did not vote on nominees. Each year, NGA announces a call for nominations, giving the opportunity for any deserving individual or group to be considered.

The Geospatial Intelligence Hall of Fame serves to recognize those who have profoundly impacted the GEOINT tradecraft. This award is not limited to NGA or predecessor organization employees; those who have significantly contributed to GEOINT through industry, academia or other government and non-government organizations, including non-U.S. citizens, may also be considered for induction.

NGAA-East owes a big thank you to Mr. Bill Caniano, Ms. Sabine Pontious and their staff for all the support they provided in hosting this event.



Dr. Stacy Dixon, Deputy Director NGA (center) with the Fall 2019 NGAA-East meeting attendees

NGAA-East Scholarship

During the Fall general meeting, the chapter was pleased to award its academic scholarship to two very deserving young scholars, **Ms. Melanie Ritter** and **Mr. Derek Haynie**. Melanie, the daughter of NGA Assistant General Counsel Barbara Ritter, is a sophomore at the University of Delaware, where she is pursuing a double major in Operations Research and Finance. A recent NGA intern, Melanie hopes to apply the skills she learned at the agency and in her academic career to follow in her mother's footsteps (we hope at NGA). Derek, the son of NRO employee, and former NGA Military Assistant Russ Haynie, is a student at Hofstra University. A student/athlete playing on the baseball team, Derek is majoring in Finance and Business Administration. We were pleased that his father Russ could attend our luncheon and receive a certificate commemorating Derek's achievement. Both winners received a \$500 scholarship award to further their academic studies. The chapter is very proud of this program, seeing it as a key element of our mission, and hopes to grow it substantially in the future

Meet Your New Officers

The chapter recently held elections for a new slate of officers and several proposed By-Law changes. We owe a big thank you to the out-going officers for their service, particularly treasurer Paul Mich, who for the past six years has done a lot of the heavy lifting when it came to organizing events and maintaining our finances. Thankfully he has assured us he will be available for consultation and guidance in the future. The following individuals were elected to serve under incoming President Barry Tilton beginning in January 2020:

President-elect Irv Buck served with DMA, NIMA, NGA and the US Air Force for 31 years. He held positions as a Cartographic Technician, Cartographer, Physical Scientist, Target Intelligence Officer, Staff Officer, Liaison Officer to SAC/JSTPS, Branch Chief, Division Chief, Department Chief and various Senior Executive leadership positions. His primary career focus was support to the warfighter where he worked in-CONUS and overseas to provide timely and effective MC&G and GEOINT products and services. Irv retired in 2005 from the position of NGA Deputy Military Executive and Senior Advisor to the Director.

Irv is a graduate of Towson University, Salve Regina College and the U.S. Naval War College. Following his retirement from government service, he managed his own consulting firm, Terrae Visium LLC, where he supported companies such as General Dynamics, Lockheed Martin and Northrop Grumman, among others. He also served on the Board of Directors for Fugro Earth-Data International. Irv currently lives in Broadlands, VA. and spends his time racing his sailboat and chasing his grandkids.

Vice-President Kim Robson began her 36-year government career as a cartographer at the Defense Mapping Agency where she held a broad array of technical, analytic and policy positions. In Kim's last two positions she led the CIO/IT Services Strategic Planning Group and ran IT Secure Operations group where she was responsible NGA's 24x7 Enterprise Service Center and a Cyber Security Operations element. She held two Joint Duty Positions, one as the Deputy Director of the DNI Open Source Center at CIA and as NGA Support Team Chief at US PACIFIC Command. Kim also served as the CIOT Diversity representative and participated in the Agency's Executive Women's forum

She is a mentor with the Women in Technology organization, is a member of the AFCEA Intelligence Committee, and has served on the board of Healthy Women.org Since retirement, Kim served as Chief Operations Officer of a cyber security startup, provided engineering and acquisition support at the NRO and is currently supporting IT Architecture modernization at the National MASINT Office.

Kim holds a Masters in Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing from Purdue University and a Bachelors in Geography from the University of Chicago. She is a graduate of the Inter-American Defense College, is a Certified Defense Acquisition Program Manager and she earned a Certified Information Security Manager (CISM) certification in 2014.

Editor/Secretary James Johnson started employment with the predecessor Aeronautical Chart and Information Center as a civilian and maintained employment for 36 years. He started in St.

Louis as a cartographer and worked on the World Geodetic System Improvements, as well as improvements to the photogrammetric positioning capabilities of the DMA. James was transferred to Washington D.C. where he held several senior positions. He is most proud of his time as the Chief on the Mapping and Charting Department at DMAHTC, and the significant accomplishments of that organization in the 1990's. He retired in 2001 and spent 13 years as a contractor working for the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence to support the DoD oversight of NGA.

James is a University of Oregon graduate, and he holds a BS in Mathematics. He also hold a MS in Civil (Geodetic/Photogrammetric) Engineering from Purdue University. James and Virginia reside in Reston, Virginia. He continues to work hard on the golf course, with the understanding that perfection can never be achieved in this simple sport, you just have to keep trying.

Treasurer Dennis Drum worked 37 years with NGA as a civilian employee. He worked in cartography, photogrammetry, models analysis, investment procurement, program management, requirements management (ARAPS Manager in St. Louis), and Source (various management positions in the Washington, D.C. Area).As a retiree, he worked for BAH 8 years, first as the Senior Systems Integrator for the Seg 18/54 Re-Architecture Project for NGA and then as the Senior FBO Collections Adviser to NGA's Source Operations and Liaison between NGA/S3 and NGA/S2 on imagery requirements prioritization, collections planning and status.

Dennis and Mary, his wife of 53 years, pursue their interests in English Country Dancing (performances and period dress balls with a few different groups),.photography, genealogy research and travel.

By-Laws Changes

The membership approved several changes to the chapter by-laws, most concerned with expanding our membership to our GEOINT colleagues overseas (see the article below). The following changes have been implemented:

– Amend: ARTICLE II –PURPOSE

2.1.5 Recognize annually, through a process developed by the International Group, a recipient of the "GEOINT Excellence Award" to be awarded to a currently employed foreign partner. The International Group will develop the criteria.

– Amend: ARTICLE III –MEMBERSHIP

3.1.3. Current and retired foreign partners, civilian, military, and contractors ,who have worked on a GEOINT mission in their nation in such areas of cooperation as GEOINT sharing (policy, technology and communications), GEOINT co-production (MGCP or any source or analytical program); GEOINT standards(such as serving on DGIWG or with the Open Geospatial Consortium); and GEOINT research. Members must have their primary place of duty (e.g. desk/office) inside, or assigned to, NGA or other government(U.S. or foreign) facility or location. Members accepted under this section will comprise a sub-entity within the Chapter for purposes of event/activity planning and coordination, and internal communications, will operate autonomously. All other provisions of these by-laws are applicable to them.

– Amend: ARTICLE V -MANAGEMENT AND OFFICERS - Add the position of *Special Assistant for International Membership* to the Chapter Executive Board.

= Amend: ARTICLE VI -DUTIES OF OFFICERS 6.10. Special Assistant for International Membership. The Special Assistant will participate in NGAA-East leadership meetings and serve as the liaison for the NGAA-East International Group. Serves as Executive Director of the International Group.

These amendments reflect the work of Jack Hild, NGAA-East's own International Man of Mystery. Jack has worked tirelessly with his many contacts in foreign GEOINT organizations to forge an alliance of like-minded professionals who want to join us in maintaining and extending our professional contacts, further our knowledge and understanding of our chosen profession, and provide us with new and interesting opportunities for social contact and friendships in fun and exotic locations. Our colleagues in Italy, Romania, the UK, Germany, Australia, New Zealand and Canada have all expressed interest in joining NGAA-East and the by-law changes passed by the membership will make this happen. Jack has graciously agreed to serve as NGAA-East's Special Assistant for International Membership where he will continue to expand this exciting new program.

Second Geo Reunion - by Jack Hild

Monschau, Germany 7 Sep 2019 - The second Geo Reunion took place in Euskirchen, Germany from 5 - 8 September this year. For their second meeting, friends from 7 nations met for a long weekend and enjoyed wonderful German hospitality. The photo below was taken in Monschau, a wonderful restored mill town on the German/Belgium border. General Walter Schmidt-Bleker (ret) organized the groups activities that started with a day at Zentrum für Geoinformationswesen der Bundeswehr, the German Center for Geospatial Information. Hosted by General Roland Brunner, the day included briefings and demonstrations by the Z Geo Bw staff as well as a lively geezer discussion by the attendees. Saturday was spent in Monschau and Sunday included several tours of Cologne. The group enjoyed great German food and drink for the entire weekend. Next year, Romania will host the 3rd reunion in Constanta, Romania; tentatively scheduled for 17-20 Sep 2020.



International GEOINTers gather in Euskirchen, Germany for the 2nd Geo Reunion

Lawyers in Spaaaaace - by Ed Obloy

As we approach the 20th anniversary of the launch of the NIMA/NASA SRTM mission, Ed Obloy and wife Nancy shared this interesting and timely story of their travels which brought them face-to-face with that grand old flying machine which carried our own interferometric synthetic aperture radar into space for its historic eleven day terrain mapping mission. As many of you may know, the radar antenna payload is on display locally at the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum's Udvar-Hazy Center...This from Ed...

“We just returned from a trip out west and while in Los Angeles, stopped in to see the Shuttle Endeavour on display at the California Science Center. Endeavour executed the NIMA/NASA Radar Topographic Mission (SRTM). I thought folks might be interested in seeing how our mission was presented in the display. Pics attached. It was nostalgic to see that marvelous flying machine again. Nancy and I had the good fortune to attend the launch from the Kennedy Space Center in 2000. While touring the launch site, our NASA host took us up the gantry and permitted us to walk out to Endeavour's crew hatch. At the time it was open and folks were still inside prepping for the next day's launch. I sat in the hatch opening and Nancy snapped a pic! (No jokes about a missed opportunity to put a lawyer into orbit!)

A few hours before the launch, the NASA Administrator hosted a reception for the folks involved. To our surprise, the actor James Woods was there doing research for a movie he was about to start shooting. As we were being ushered outside to get ready for the launch, Woods stopped so I could get a photo of him with Nancy. Well, as you would expect I took a boatload of pics throughout the 2 days we were there and especially of the launch. No iPhones then, so we rushed to a 1 hr. photo developing shop to get them developed. When we returned to pick them up, the clerks were all abuzz about our photos. I'm thinking, "Wow, these guys must see launch photos pretty routinely so mine must be really good." Nope. They could have cared less about my photos, they wanted to see the lady with James Woods!!!!”



Shuttle Endeavour rests after a distinguished career



Ed Obloy rests after a distinguished career

From the Moon to the Earth

NGAA members were afforded an opportunity to relive one of the great events of their lifetime when they were invited to join their active duty colleagues for a program commemorating the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 lunar landing, held at the NGA East Campus. Scheduled events included a screening of the 2019 documentary “Apollo 11” and introductory remarks from Margaret Weitekamp, Ph.D, director of the National Air and Space Museum’s Space History department. Attendees also were able to view some of the NGA Historical Research Center’s lunar mapping artifacts and check out books and movies from the GEOINT Research Center’s collection relating to space.



“Apollo 11” is a 2019 documentary film that focuses on the 1969 Apollo 11 mission and consists solely of archival footage, including 70 mm film that was previously unreleased to the public.

On July 20, 1969, astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin stepped out of the Apollo 11 spacecraft and onto the moon’s surface.

When they and fellow astronaut Michael Collins returned to Earth four days later, they fulfilled President John F. Kennedy’s promise to put a man on the moon and return him home safely. The National

Aeronautical and Space Administration, then a relatively new government agency, played the lead role in the mission, but NASA didn’t do it alone. Cartographers from predecessor agencies of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency created detailed maps and charts of the lunar surface, which provided NASA scientists and technicians precise coordinates and optional landing sites. Beginning

in 1957 and 1958, respectively, the Air Force Aeronautical Chart and Information Center and the Army Map Service initiated efforts to collect telescope observations and photographic data with an eye toward composing maps of the moon. With this step, the cause of lunar mapping enlisted for the first time the services of professional cartographers experienced in the production of terrestrial maps of the highest quality. Your editor shows his age when he fondly recalls engraving scribecoat for lunar map preparation on the third

floor of Erskine Hall in the early 1970s.....good times!

North Korea Gulag Surveillance Updates - by Al Anderson

Earlier this year two former Imagery Analysts, Bobby Holt (ex-NGA) and Ron Bohmuller (ex-USAF) volunteered to surveil North Korean prison camps using commercial satellite imagery provided by NGA. The results contribute to reports produced by the Committee for Human Rights in North Korea (HRNK), a D.C.-based NGO. HRNK adds other information, including escapee and defector interrogations, and provides the finished reports to the UN, US agencies, and others. Report frequency is limited by funds and the available time of HRNK’s small staff. The IA volunteers soon will begin collaborating in more frequent surveillance. The results will be issued as addenda to the basic reports and provide the UN and others salient changes in a more timely manner.



I'll Take Luck Every Time! - by Dave Burpee

You know the old saying: "It is better to be lucky than good." My recent antelope hunt is proof positive about the accuracy of that saying.

I left Virginia with four friends on August 17th. We traveled in two vehicles and two-and-a-half days and about 2,000 miles later arrived at the Werner Ranch, which is about 40 minutes due north of Douglas, Wyoming. We were joined by another friend who drove in from Lawton, Oklahoma. One of guys set this trip up several years ago to be a bi-annual event on odd years. He has been about a dozen times. This was my fourth trip. The previous three were successful, with one animal qualifying for Pope and Young. However, each year is different and in hunting there are no guarantees.....

This was a five-day hunt so none of us were in a hurry to take an animal. We did not want to target yearlings or barely mature bucks, but the first fully mature buck that came into range was in danger.

We were using longbows and recurves with wooden arrows so the action needed to be up close and personal. To accomplish this, the method of hunting was focused on wooden blinds set near watering holes. Hopefully animals would come to drink and do so within range of traditional archery – which for us tops out at about 20 yards.

Antelope typically are VERY wary when coming to water.

Bucks will let does and fawns water while they stand far off

and observe. Bucks also slowly feed towards water while continually watching the waterhole for any sign of unusual movement or a predator. This presents challenges to the hunter because, even though the hunter is in a blind, the antelope's eyesight is fantastic and movement within the blind can be spotted, even from a distance. After a great breakfast, we were taken to our blinds. We had our lunches and reading material as we would not be picked up unless we got an animal or it got dark, whichever came first. I was dropped off at my blind about 7 AM and spent a few minutes getting set up. At the end of that process I sat in my chair, exhaled and looked out the shooting window to my right. There, eight yards away and looking right at me, was a doe. Ten minutes in the blind and busted! I was sure she and her fawns would bolt, but they did not – just turned and walked away from the water feeding naturally.

I felt fortunate ("lucky") they did not dash off and thus did not alert a HUGE antelope that I noticed feeding about 300 yards away. I watched him for almost an hour, but he was not interested in water. I figured, "OK, feed now and water later. I've got time."

I had been watching that buck for some time when I decided to look out a window to my left. And, lucky me, there was another nice buck about 200 yards away just cresting the top of a hill. My luck continued to compound as this buck disobeyed all antelope rules about approaching a water hole. No feeding. No stops to observe. Just a steady walk straight to the water and immediately began to drink – 15 yards from me. I counted my blessings, nocked an arrow that was tipped with a 145-grain Eclipse broadhead, slowly drew back my Great Northern Lil' Creep longbow – and missed! The arrow was centered on the sweet spot but unfortunately too high and over the back by an inch.

Here fate (luck) intervened again. An antelope that is missed low will run like the wind 110% of the time. An antelope missed high will VERY occasionally not run as he mistakes the sound of the feathers passing as a bird or an insect. I'm not sure why mine did not run, but he didn't. He took three quick steps to his left and froze. It also probably helped that my arrow fairly silently buried in mud. He stood there for a few minutes assessing what had just happened and finally decided that everything was OK. He turned, returned to almost his same hoof prints to continue drinking and presented me with another broadside shot. I counted my blessings, quit kicking myself for the miss and this time put an arrow in the right place. My five-day hunt was done in the first hour. Considering the circumstances, it does not get better – or luckier – than that.

The buck was nicer than I thought when viewed from the blind. It scored 5/8" short of Pope and Young and had a nice body. I spent the rest of the week hanging around the ranch, reading, and helping others with their antelope.

After very little activity at his water hole, one of my friends shot an antelope on the second evening when a group of seven bucks came running in to chase off a young buck that was already watering. His buck netted 66" and was also taken with a Great Northern Lil' Creep longbow and a homemade wood arrow topped with a 145-grain Eclipse broadhead.

A second friend also connected on the second day of the hunt. He arrowed his first ever antelope with a 7-yard quartering away shot using a Bear magnesium handle takedown bow and homemade Douglas fir arrow with 160-grain Ace Standard broadhead.

Late on day three, a third friend connected on his 69 4/8" Pope and Young animal using a Great Northern Lil' Creep longbow and handmade wooden arrow.

The remaining two hunters did not get traffic at their waterholes and so did not take an antelope, proving once again that luck can be both positive and negative.

Naturally all this hunting was enhanced by friendship and stories shared over meals and while relaxing in the evening. We all had a wonderful time and are already looking forward to the 2021 hunt

MEMBERSHIP IN NGAA

We encourage all NGA alumni to join our ranks to maintain and deepen your professional and social contacts with the friends and colleagues you made from your time with the agency. Unfortunately, we can no longer offer the free membership underwritten by the Constellation Federal Credit Union as that institution has been absorbed by another credit union which will not offer that same benefit. The NGAA-East Executive Committee is currently looking at other partners and sponsors who can offset some of our operating expenses and perhaps expand the services and experiences we can offer to our members. For a minimal cost of joining (\$40 for a lifetime membership) you get all this and more:

- Periodic newsletter to stay in touch with activities involving all NGAA and other alumni groups
- Roster with contact information of all members (not to be shared outside the membership)
- Spring and fall luncheons, one or both of which are held at NGA at their invitation. Typically coincide with award ceremonies and/or optional unclassified update briefings. § Annual NGAA-East selection of an "NGA East Employee of the Year" from NGA nominees who have contributed significantly to the Agency's mission and their community. Selection is from NGA Campus East nominees
- Opportunity to serve on committees that will interact with NGA on a variety of topics
- Opportunity to serve on committees that will interact with the United States Geospatial Intelligence Foundation (USGIF) on a variety of topics

- Opportunity to have input on issues brought to NGAA-East by NGA, e.g. development of a annual calendar to mark Agency milestones
 - Opportunities for professional contributions to NGA's Pathfinder magazine as well as submissions to NGA paper/electronic internal employee communication capabilities
 - Official venue to provide artifacts and/or memorabilia about NGA and predecessor organizations to NGA, USGIF, the Spy Museum and others
 - Support to NGA exhibits and displays
 - Ability to nominate former employees to the NGA Hall of Fame
 - Interface with other Intelligence Community alumni groups through the Intelligence Community Alumni Network (ICAN); provides additional linkage with former colleagues § Access to Chapter information (and applications) at www.ngaeast.org.
- = Multiple educational and social events throughout the year to include tours, lectures, wine tastings and happy hours

IN LOVING MEMORY

We are always saddened to learn of the deaths of our long-time members as well as spouses, friends, and colleagues with whom some of us have worked throughout our careers. Our heartfelt condolences go out to their loved ones, and friends. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Karin Elizabeth Stapleton

Karin Elizabeth Stapleton age 60 and native of Kansas City, MO. and a resident of Alexandria, VA. passed away on Saturday May 11, 2019 at the Hospice of Baton Rouge General Butterfly Wing. Miss Karin was a retired CIA Analyst with the U.S. Government. Miss Karin was preceded in death by her parents Harry L. and Mary Gustafson Stapleton. Miss Karin is survived by her cousins Darci Kramer Falco of Houston, TX., Steve Kramer of Baton Rouge, LA. and Barbara Kramer of Gonzales, LA. She had many close friends and co-workers and her family would like to thank them throughout her ordeal with cancer. They would also like to thank Azalea Estates Assisted Living and their staff for providing her care in the last year. Also, to her many doctors and their staffs, especially Hospice of Baton Rouge and the staff of the Butterfly Wing who allowed Karin to pass with dignity and without pain. And, finally to her caregivers who were with her through good and bad. MANY THANKS.

Karin had a love and desire to always travel and her favorite place to visit was Disney World. In lieu of flowers the family has ask that donations can be made to the American Cancer Society or your local Hospice Services. You may visit our website to offer condolences to the family at www.oursofh.com. Ourso Funeral Home of Gonzales, Louisiana in charge of arrangements.

Robert B. Sand

Colonel Robert B. Sand, 82, died peacefully in his Arlington, VA home on April 17, 2019. A career Air Force Officer, and Decorated Command Pilot, he served in the Korean War, the Vietnam War and was recipient of the Legion of Merit.

He was born on October 1, 1936 in Chicago, IL to Burwyn and Anna Sand. He attended Steinmetz High School in Chicago and joined the Air Force in 1958 where he served until his retirement In 1985, He was a long-

standing member of the Army Navy Country Club, an avid golfer, and voracious reader. He also tutored students at the local grade school in mathematics.

Colonel Sand is survived by his wife of 42 years, Carolyn H. Sand, his children, Christine Fletcher, Mark Sand (Jane), and Nancy Lewis (Stephen); and his six grandchildren, Cooper Kearns, Matt Brazil, Kimberly Kearns, Michael Brazil (Taylor), Daniel Kearns and Amelia Sand. He is preceded in death by his sister, Laverne Ridge. Colonel Sand's funeral was held at Arlington National Cemetery on Wednesday, September 11, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. in the Old Post Chapel (8:15 a.m. arrival recommended). In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Bob Woodruff Foundation, 1350 Broadway, Suite 905, New York, NY 10008. Please add Robert Sand to the memo line or donate on-line at bobwoodrufffoundation.org/donate/.

Col. John "Ed" Gould Sr.

Col. John Edward Gould, Sr. passed August 2, 2019 at his home in Leesburg, VA surrounded by family. Ed was born on August 6, 1941 in Charlotte, NC. His family moved to Wilson, NC where he attended high school and met his wife, Christine Barnes. He graduated from the Citadel and received a master's degree in education from George Washington University. He retired from the Air Force after 26 years of service. After retiring, he enjoyed a second career in the private sector.

Ed was an avid golfer playing over 700 different golf courses to include several foreign countries as well as across the United States. He found great joy in helping others develop their golf games. He was a loving husband and father he is survived by his wife of 55 years, Chris, daughters, Susan Cutler, Lynn Crutchfield, her spouse, Elliott and son, John Gould Jr., Five grandchildren: Edward Cutler, Eddie, Liza, Grace and Lucy Crutchfield.

Services were held at Loudoun Funeral Chapel, 158 Catoctin Cir. SE, Leesburg, VA 20175. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the charity of your choice in honor of Ed.

Beatrice Streitfeld

Beatrice Streitfeld (nee Bugash) passed away on July 4 at the age of 82. Bea is predeceased by her sister Tillie, brothers Joe and Nathan. Bea is lovingly remembered by her partner and friend of 12 years, Ron Baron and her 3 children- Sue, Howard, and Helene. She was "Bubby B" to Heather, Jason and Julia. Born and bred in Philadelphia, she was a lifelong community servant and volunteer with organizations such as Marlyn Fein Chapter, Fox Chase Cancer Center.

Bea proudly worked for the department of defense for 43 years and retired as a Chief Security Officer. In her retirement, she devoted her time as a leader and officer at Temple Menorah Kineseth Chai as well as caring for her beloved grandson Jason and great granddaughter Julia. Relatives. Funeral Services were held Monday July 8th, 11:15 AM at GOLDSTEINS' ROSENBERG'S RAPHAEL-SACKS SUBURBAN NORTH, 310 Second Street Pike, Southampton, PA 18966, followed by a grave side service at Mount Sharon Cemetery, Springfield, Delaware County. Shiva was observed from Monday July 8 at 2:00 PM to Friday July 12th at Bea's residence- Baker's Bay Condominiums, 5009k South Convent Lane, Philadelphia 19114.

Contributions in Bea's memory may be made to Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, The Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia or The Marlyn Fein Chapter, Fox Chase Cancer Center.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We are pleased to welcome the following 13 new members who joined our ranks over the Summer

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