



Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger

July 24, 1939 - March 2, 2017

Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger, 77, died on March 1, 2017 at his home.

Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger, U.S. Navy, Retired, was born in Lawrence, MA on July 24, 1939. He was the son of Joseph William Kettinger and Cecile Juliett (Gingras) Kettinger.

Captain Kettinger was a graduate of Bishop Bradley High School in Manchester, NH. He was commissioned in 1960 upon graduation from The College of the Holy Cross. He held a Masters Degree from Pepperdine University and did further graduate work at Loyola College of Baltimore.

Captain Kettinger serviced 26 years in the U.S. Navy at duty stations in the Republic of the Philippine's, Vietnam, Panama, Okinawa and mainland Japan as well as various duty stations in the U.S. His decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Navy Commendation Medal with combat "V", the Vietnam Service Medal with Fleet Marine Combat Operations Insignia and five campaign stars, as well as other unit and personal awards and citations. Captain Kettinger is survived by his loving wife, Pamela, as well as children, Karen Shepherd, Joseph Kettinger, Kathleen Kettinger and Steven Kettinger and stepchildren; Renee Rookwood and Jamie Rookwood, eleven grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, a sister, Shirley Hondel, and brother, Richard Kettinger.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 11 AM at Christ Church, Easton. Interment will be held at Arlington National Cemetery at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Recovery Ministry at Christ Church,
111 S. Harrison St., Easton, MD 21601.

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ Episcopal Church, Easton
111 S. Harrison Street
Easton, MD 21601

Tribute Wall



“ *Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Captain Kettinger touched my life briefly yet profoundly 29 years ago and I will forever be grateful for it. Family and friends, what a wonderful gift you've been given. Please accept my heartfelt condolences. Daneen Storc*

Daneen Storc - March 09, 2017 at 10:07 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger.*



March 07, 2017 at 03:09 PM



“ *With Distinction was purchased for the family of Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger.*



March 06, 2017 at 09:58 PM



“ *Greek and Karen Dunigan purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger.*



Greek and Karen Dunigan - March 06, 2017 at 03:18 PM



“ *Thank you Joe. We felt your prayers and your genuine love. You carried me through little moments--finding me across the sanctuary, passing me some of your good, good peace. You and Bruce came to my home when I really needed someone to do so, and made me feel loved, supported, and hopeful. -Joe was a vessel of God's grace. He mastered the gift of doing "small things with great love."*

Jessica Stehle - March 04, 2017 at 08:54 PM



“ *Few worked harder to lift the spirits of the downtrodden and those suffering from addictions. Such a shock. Godspeed Joe! Your energy here will continue the work you began...*

Julie Lowe - March 04, 2017 at 05:44 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger.*



March 04, 2017 at 10:51 AM



“ *Love and Peace Joe* 🙏🏻🌈

Jay Frost - March 04, 2017 at 08:51 AM



“ *Beth Parker-O'Brien lit a candle in memory of Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger*



Beth Parker-O'Brien - March 04, 2017 at 05:01 AM

LF

“ God Bless Him. Joe stopped in my office regularly while my mother was sick during the month of January. He gave me a wooden cross to lay on her for healing. He prayed for her and brought her name to church for others to pray, too. I'm certain that the miracle of her remaining alive for her 50th Wedding Anniversary was contributed from all the prayers Joe requested. My Mom passed peacefully January 18th and I hope she finally gets to meet this wonderful man in heaven. I will miss him dearly stopping by the office and all the motivation & energy he brought to the Recovery For Shore Community.
Lisa Flynn



Lisa Flynn - March 03, 2017 at 07:08 PM

TF

“ The Carroll Family lit a candle in memory of Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger



The Carroll Family - March 03, 2017 at 04:08 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger.



March 03, 2017 at 11:58 AM

BL

“ *Bill And Beth Lacey lit a candle in memory of Captain Joseph Paul Kettinger*



Bill and Beth Lacey - March 02, 2017 at 05:09 PM

BL

We will never forget our good friend and neighbor Joe! Our love and prayers to Pam and the entire family during this sad and difficult time.

Bill and Beth Lacey - March 02, 2017 at 05:10 PM

DS

My heart has been so heavy today! I just saw Joe and had the nicest conversation with him, as I always did. What a dear, dear person! My love to sweet Pam! Thinking of you and your family! Prayers !

Devismes Sharp - March 03, 2017 at 05:42 PM



What a Precious man! My dear Pam, I'm here for you and praying the Peace of Christ will sustain you.

Beth Trujillo

Beth Trujillo - March 04, 2017 at 03:58 AM

GP

Pam, you have to know how deeply saddened we are to hear of Joe's passing. We know the two of you found in each other the joy of being soul mates. May you find comfort in the love you gave each other throughout your relationship.

*love,
Zora & George*

George & Zora Payne - March 07, 2017 at 10:13 AM

JR

Rest in Peace Captain, you were a fine an fair officer to work for. enjoyed my tour in Panama with you. Joe Jordan, ctrc ret.

Joe Jordan,ctrct - March 10, 2017 at 10:41 AM