



John Earl Pate

November 11, 1948 - December 11, 2023

John Earl Pate, age 75, of Centerville, Iowa, passed away on Monday, December 11, 2023, at Centerville Specialty Care.

John was born on November 11, 1948, in Florence, SC, to Jerome and Dorothy (Lee) Pate. He grew up attending school and graduated from South Florence High School. John was a career soldier. Following school, he enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1968, serving until 1972. He then joined the United States Navy, serving until 1992. John served his country for a total of 22 years and 4 months.

John enjoyed being outdoors and fishing. He also enjoyed reading, watching Westerns, and drinking whiskey sour mash. He loved his family and cherished all of the time spent with them, especially his grandchildren.

John is survived by his son, Chris Pate and Chris's children, Abigail, Austin (Elvira), Terrance, Adam, and Michelle; 2 daughters, Lindsey Varese and Lindsey's children, Damien and Shaddix and Heather (Jay) Franklin and their children, Olivia, Ashley, Eva, Addison, and Jettie; and 2 siblings, Juanita Altman and Jerome Pate.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Kimberly and his parents, Jerome and Dorothy.

Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 20, 2023, at the Iowa Veteran's Cemetery in Adel, IA.

Condolences and memories to the family may be left online at www.tharpfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Iowa Veterans Cemetery

34024 Veterans Memorial Drive
Adel, IA 50003

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC **20**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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