



Joseph Doran

May 13, 2010

Obituary of Joseph Doran

THE VILLAGES, FL " Joseph F. Doran, 93, passed away 13 May 2010.

Mr. Doran was born in Bangor, ME, 5 August 1916 and moved to The Villages in 2008. He had a dual career, retiring from New England Telephone Company (Verizon) in 1977 and from the United States Air Force/Maine Air National Guard in 1967. He began his telephone career as an "elevator-boy" week-ends while he was in high school, and retired as the Safety Co-ordinator for the State of Maine after nearly 47 years of service. His military career began in 1934 and he retired as a Colonel after more than 33 years of service. He served in World War II in the Army and in the Korean Conflict in the Air Force. Among the medals and honors he received are the Bronze Star with Valor, Air Force Commendation Medal, European Theater Operation Campaign Medal with a Silver Star, German Occupation Medal, Korean Service Medal with 2 Battle Stars, Reserve Longevity Award, United Nations Korea Service Medal, and the State of Maine Medal.

He was a member of the VFW, Reserve Officers Association, Telephone Pioneers; and the BellTel Retirees, the Maine/Vermont Club, the Military

Retirees Group, Four Score and More, and the Bell System Retirees groups in The Villages. He was a Catholic by faith.

He is survived by his daughter, Danielle C. Doran, and his granddaughter, Mary-Alice Wildasin, both of The Villages, a sister-in-law, Margaret Doran of Fairfield, CA, and nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his wife of 50 years, Rheta Farrin Doran, his parents, John D. and Alice Butler Doran, brothers John F. Doran and James E. Doran, and sister Elizabeth R. Doran.

Services

Graveside services will take place at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL on Tuesday, 25 May 2010 at 1:00 PM with full military honors.

Memorial Donations

Contributions may be made in his memory to Paws for Patriots, 4210 77th Street East, Palmetto, FL, 34221 or at www.guidedogs.org.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Doran*

October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Danielle and Mary-Alice: Condolences on the death of your father from all of your friends in the Timucua Chapter of Colonial Dames. His impressive military career is one to be very proud of. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. Fondly, Gwen Barshay, President*

Gwen Barshay - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mary Alice & Danielle, Your Father & Grand father sounds like he lived quite a life. I regret meeting him only once. His love of animals that one time was very apparent and we are glad to support the cause you've chosen in his memory. Our deepest sympathies on your loss.*

Pam & Cush - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *DEAY DANI AND MARY ALICE, WE WERE SO SAS TO READ THAT PAPA HAD PASSED AWAY. HE WAS A WONDERFUL PERSON AND WAS SO GOOD TO ALL OF OUR KIDS. OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU. FONDLY. STEVE AND CINDY*

STEVE AND CINDY RENDALL - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ *The late great Joe Doran Dear Danielle and Mary Alice, I'll be watching the live stream for sure. I am so sorry for your loss, and, although selfish of me, wish I'd had the opportunity to meet him. I shall now forever hold the memory of hearing his voice via the telephone - Joe, Danielle and Mary-Alice were in Kilkenny and Mary Alice rang me. We had such a lovely chat and then I clearly heard Joe yell out "Hello Fiona". Those 2 little words now hold dear to me. RIP Joe, I KNOW I would have loved you if we'd met. Condolences to all of Joe's relatives, especially to Danielle and Mary-Alice. Sincerely Fiona McGregor Cairns, Australia*

Fiona McGregor - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ *Danielle, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dad. I can't tell you how many times my mother has mentioned how you came to the funeral of my dad (Dick Dougherty) and how much it meant to us to have you attend. As a young girl, I remember both of your parents as always loving and giving. Obviously they were huge influences on our lives, hence a namesake for you. Please accept my deep sympathy. Sue Thomas. Brewer*

Susan Danielle Thomas - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *Dani & Mary Alice So sorry to see your dad / grandad passed (on to greater things, I'm sure). He certainly gave many years of service. I have thought of you all and wondered from time to time how you were all doing since your time with N.E.T. here in Maine. I am sorry for your loss, and my thoughts and prayers go out to you. May you remember the good times. Sallie Hansen*

Sallie Hansen - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HD

“ Dear Danielle and Mary Alice, My thoughts and prayers are with you both. Wish I could be there with you. Dick and I were very fond of both your Mom and Dad. We go back a lot of years. I think of you and wonder how you are. My love and prayers to you Love you much. Godmother Hope.

Hope Dougherty - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Dear Dani and Mary Alice, Please excuse the first message we left-I didn't realize that the spelling was so atrocious!!! Again, we are so sad to hear that PaPa passed away, he was a wonderful man who loved his family deeply. He loved all the kids and they in turn loved him. So very sorry for your loss! Fondly, Steve and Cindy

Steve and Cindy Rendall - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Dear Danielle and Mary-Alice, I read about Joe's death yesterday in The Nashua Telegraph. Sorry for your loss. He was a good man. I will always remember the party you gave for his 90th (?) birthday and his concern for "the boys". It was a beautiful day and he was in his glory that day sitting on the porch, talking about his service to his country, and enjoying the company of friends and neighbors.

Sherry Dutzy - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM