



## Staley Luke

April 26, 2011

### Obituary of Staley Luke

Staley Ray Luke, JR., 63, passed away peacefully after a courageous battle with Cancer on April 26th surrounded by the people he loved most, his longtime companion and Soul Mate Susan Kilpatrick, and sisters, Melinda, Sharon, and Catherine. Staley was born in Powhatan, WV. After graduating from High School he joined the USMC. He served his country bravely in Vietnam as a crew chief on a CH-46 supply and rescue helicopter earning a Bronze Star for gallantry under fire. After the Marine Corps he worked at KSC , after retiring from KSC he began a career in Environmental Engineering with Andreyeve Engineering where he was a SR. Engineering Technician working on only the largest and most important projects, his integrity was beyond reproach in both the Military and his civilian life. Staley lived his life on his own terms, he enjoyed Nascar, College Basketball, gardening and motorcycles. He was predeceased by both parents Martha, and Staley Sr. He is also survived by his nieces Jennifer, and Alana, his nephew, Lary, great nephew, Cody, great nieces, Anna and Katherine, many loving extended family members and friends. A Memorial service will be held on May 7th at 2:00PM at Beyers Funeral Home in Leesburg, FL. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to [www.Foldsofhonor.org](http://www.Foldsofhonor.org) or Cornerstone Hospice, 2445 Lane Park Rd, Tavares, FL 32778.

## Services

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## Memorial Donations

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Staley Luke*

October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *To my wonderful uncle who will forever be in our hearts and greatly loved. You will be missed but never forgotten. I love you Uncle Bud*

**Jennifer** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *I was so saddened when you called to tell me of Steve's passing, Melinda. After all, it was through you that we met and eventually became close friends. He was a truly a special guy and will be missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. My most heartfelt sympathy to you and your family.*

**Dave Shumway** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Susan (your family & Steve's family) We are so sorry for your loss of a wonderful partner. You, Steve, and Norton were the first people we met when we moved here & you all made us feel so welcome. We will remember Steve with fond memories and the many laughs and conversations we have had. I love the picture of him here and can see him busy out in the yard helping you make it beautiful. We will miss him but glad he isn't suffering with cancer & is in heaven smiling, without pain & looking down at us. Again, our thoughts & prayers are with you & all those who loved & will miss Steve. With deepest sympathy, the Stevens family.*

**Jim ,Brenda, & Jameson Stevens** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *We will miss him...*

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**Karen and Kirby Brooks** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ *Melinda and family, I was so sorry to hear of the loss of your brother. My thoughts and prayers are with you and yours during this difficult time.*

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**Debbie Anderson** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ *Forever in my heart, my friend, my big brother. Thank you Bud. See you in the secret place. Thanks to all who have left kind words of condolence. Melinda*

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**Melinda Luke** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM