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Daniel W. Calabrese, 63, of Spotsylvania Virginia passed away unexpectedly at home on January 24, 2022.

Dan is survived by his loving wife of 26 years, Cynthia Calabrese, his 5 children, (oldest to youngest) Daniel Calabrese, Matthew Calabrese, Zacharia Davis, Hanna Calabrese, Jacob Calabrese, his mother-in-law Patricia Wiktorek and many nieces, nephews and extended family.

Dan especially enjoyed spending time and being with his family. His children thought of him as a natural leader and his grandchildren adored him; he took great pride in his family. He had a way with words and was the best storyteller and conversation starter. Dan believed strongly in chivalry and took any chance to make someone's day better; Dan was a gentleman. He had a love for the simpler things in life and made sure other people saw the joy in them as well.

Dan enlisted in the U. S. Army in 1980, retiring as a Sergeants Major after 23 years serving his country. He will forever be loved and missed by his family. In Dan's words "Roger and Out, Hooah!!!!"

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Found and Sons Funeral Home. At this time there will be no funeral service at the family's request. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. An online guestbook and tribute to all are available at www.foundandsons.com.



Tribute Wall

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TI

Tina posted:

Rest in Peace Dan. You were one of the first person I met at SYColeman who guided and taught me about US Army. It's sad you gone to soon. You are a great leader and person. Hooaah!!

November 15 at 6:39 AM

ZA

Zamorak posted:

I only knew Dan for a short time, but in that time, I came to know a strong, genuine, proud man who loved his wife, his kids, and his country. I loved his stories about his time in the service, and he and I would talk every morning for hours. I wish I could have spent more time with such a great man.-Zamorak

March 17 at 1:14 PM

PP

Philip C. Peterson posted:

I was so proud when I heard that Dan attained the highest enlisted grade in the U.S. Army. RIP SGTMAJ. Phil Peterson, Maj USMC, Ret

February 13 at 7:03 PM

EB

Evan Bottorff posted:

I met SgtMaj Dan before I went to OCS. He shared with me a few of his workout plans that helped me prepare and I still use some of them to this day. I also enjoyed listening to his stories about when he was serving. He was a great soldier and my family sends our condolences.

February 6 at 11:13 PM



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DJ

Dan Jaroszynski lit a candle in honor of Daniel.



I met the Calabrese family when I was in 5th grade attending my last year at C.E Smith school on Willard st. Before going to Fenner school in Falconer. I took it they had just moved into the area s nice house toward the corner of Willard and Buffalo streets. What a great family, his dad Sam was one of the nicest guys I met in my life and I can still hear the way he called me Danny. His mom was great too his older sisters and his brother Sam that used to hold band practice in the basement, with Gil Lindahl and others. They're band great with one song that stands out in my head "In A Gadda Da Vida" by Iron Butterfly. One day somehow we had both gotten up on the roof of their house and dared each other to run and jump off I did No problem Dan did and broke his ankle and his mom made sure that friendship ended and I can see why. Sam was always a good older brother who had more girls after him than Elvis Presley. I'm not even kidding!! That's more than I remember bout most of my childhood. Rest In Peace Dan

February 2 at 10:43 PM

JN

Jim Nicholas posted:

We met 25 years ago for the 1st time. You asked me about my military service in Vietnam, and I shared. What I remember most is your ability to actually listen to what I was sharing. Praying that you Rest In Peace Sargeant Major...Hoorah!

February 1 at 3:21 AM

CJ

Csm(R) Fred Johnstone posted:

Dan, we met so late in your life, so sorry to see you go so soon. Long after you were out of uniform, you were still Soldiering and a Leading. I watched you helping young people and advising those still serving. Your Mission Is Now Complete!CSM(R) Fred Johnstone

January 31 at 3:35 PM

DR

Dennis Robinson posted:

Sorry to hear of this. I could always depend on Dan for a morning story at Gander even if I didn't want one. Rest in Peace my friend.

January 31 at 2:22 AM



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Wellington Williams posted:

We have the watch now SgtMaj you stood the watch and now relieved may you Rest In Peace knowing that you have left this world a little better

January 30 at 1:47 PM



Elizabeth Bottorff posted:

Dan was a great person. So sorry for your loss! Paul and send our condolences to you and your family. Prayers out!

January 30 at 5:12 AM



Kathy Marz lit a candle in honor of Daniel.



January 29 at 5:02 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Daniel by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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