



Maj. Gary John Fox

April 2, 1936 - September 23, 2023

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Maj. Gary John Fox USAF Retired, of Lees Summit, MO “slipped the surly bonds of earth” on Sept. 23rd, 2023. Gary was born April 2, 1936 in Buffalo, NY to Almon Kenneth Fox and Margaret Alberta Long. Graduated from Tonawanda HS in 1954 and enlisted in the USAF Jan. 1955. Married Mary Stefania Moskal and 7 children were born: Gary John (Deb), Susan Rose, Caroline Marie, David Matthew (Kristine), Mary Kathleen, Robert Almon and Rebecca Ann. Proud graduate of Officers Candidate School (OCS) Class of 60B and responsible for the pioneering of using computers in the field of communications, satellites and missiles. His last assignment was Chief of Command Control Communications for the Strategic Air Command (SAC) Airborne Command Post “Looking Glass” in Omaha, NE. Graduated in 1974 from the Univ of Nebraska and continued graduate studies in Industrial Psychology. Moved to Lees Summit, MO in 1982 and continued working in the computer industry including a 20yr ownership of Foxware Computer Systems in Lees Summit. He met and married Terrie Jo Starkovich in 1983 and together they were very active in personal, educational and community services and boards centered around flying, education, safety and his military career. As a private pilot with Single, Multi-Engine and Instrument ratings he was happiest when flying his 1959 Piper Tri-Pacer. Gary is preceded in death by his parents, brother, Douglas and daughter, Mary Kathleen. Survivors

include his wife, Terrie Jo, sister, Darlene Peterson, 6 children, 12 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life with Military Honors will be held on Monday, Nov. 13th at the

DAV, 14605 S. 40hwy, KC MO at 1pm

Please bring your memories of this extraordinary patriotic man.

Organization and Community Service:

-Air Force Association (AFA) – member of the Harry S. Truman Chapter

-Air Force Association of Missileers (AFAM) – member

-Strategic Air Command Airborne Command Control Assoc (SAC ACCA) - member

-Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) – past President and member of the Heart of America Chapter

-Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) – past Commander and member of the Greater Kansas City Chapter

-Disabled American Veterans (DAV) – supporting member

Tribute Wall



“ Gary was one of the smartest and accomplished men I've ever known and one of the smartest decisions he ever made was to marry my childhood friend, Terrie Jo. What an incredible life they made together. Thank you, Gary.

Trudy Keyes - October 28, 2023 at 08:31 PM

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“ One of the best people you could ever meet! We worked together and I introduced him to my BEST friend. Now she is his Widow and it's breaking our hearts. He will be missed forever and the world is sad at his passing. Thank you for all the wonderful memories. Love Dorothy and Mike Ferguson

Dorothy Ferguson - October 28, 2023 at 05:38 PM



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Gary was such a nice person. I enjoyed visiting with him at our Missouri pilots meetings. I send my love to Terrie Jo.

Bev Huffman - November 03, 2023 at 10:25 AM