



JOE SANFORD THOMPSON

December 23, 1947 - August 1, 2024

THOMPSON, Joe Sanford, age 76, of Monroe, Ohio, passed away Thursday, August 1, 2024 at Atrium Medical Center Emergency Room. He was born December 23, 1947 in Morristown, Tennessee. Joe served in the U.S. Army for over 25 years. He served in the Military Police, and received many decorations and medals, including the National Defense Service Medal; Army Commendation Medal (2nd OLC); Good Conduct Medal (6TH Award); Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal; Vietnam Service Medal (1 Silver Star); Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation with Palm; Overseas Service Bars (3); Army Service Ribbon; NCO Professional Development Ribbon (Advanced Level); Overseas Service Ribbon (4TH Award); Driver's Badge; M-16 Rifle, MKM Dual Badge; 45 Cal Pistol, Exp Qual Badge; and M9mm Pistol, Expert Qual Badge . After his time in the military, he moved to the Middletown, Ohio area and was employed for 10 years as an insurance agent for Western & Southern Life Insurance out of the Lebanon Office. Joe enjoyed driving and modifying Fastback Mustang automobiles (Boss and Cobra); maintaining and landscaping his yard, and loved spending time with his only grandson, Keon. He was preceded in death by his parents, Almeda Thompson and James Simpson. He is survived by one son, Jay Thompson; one grandson, Keon Noah Thompson; close cousins, Betty Thompson, Diane Thompson and James Thompson; his former wife Peggy Thompson; and a host of friends he met during his years in the military, as an insurance agent, and his Mustang cars friends. His final resting place

will be at the Dayton National Cemetery, with services by the V.A. Chaplain, with Military Honors by the Army Honor Guard. Arrangements by Herr-Riggs Funeral Home, 210 S. Main St., Middletown. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.herr-riggs.com

Tribute Wall

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“ *One of my all-time favorite moments in life happened thanks to this man.*

Justin Garner - August 08, 2024 at 09:36 AM

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“ *Always enjoyed his visits to Morristown. Rest easy . Melynda and Charlene Brooks*

Melynda Brooks - August 07, 2024 at 10:55 AM