



John Irvin Alger

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COL John I. Alger (USA Ret) passed away on 14 February 2010 in Chantilly, VA, following a lengthy battle with Parkinson's Disease.

John was preceded in death by his father, Irvin Alger; mother, Violet (Davies) Alger; and brother, Robert Alger. He is survived by his sister, Marjorie Hinkel; his children, Chip Alger, Kelly Stern, Scott Miller, Jason Alger, Carolyn Thomas, Andrew Alger, Pamela Keegan; 12 grandchildren; 3 nieces; and 8 great nieces and great nephews.

John was a 1960 graduate of Aliquippa High School and a 1965 graduate of the United States Military Academy. He served two tours in Viet Nam, including one as an advisor to the Vietnamese Airborne. Having received his doctorate from Stanford University, he later served on the faculty at West Point as well as at the National War College.

John retired from the Army in 1988 and held various positions in the private sector. John leaves a legacy of love, courage, and pride and will be dearly missed.

The family will have two services: 27 February at 1000 (10AM) at the Loudoun Funeral Chapel (158 Catocin Circle, SE, Leesburg VA 20175), immediately followed by a life celebration at the Brambleton Community Center (42645 Regal Wood Drive, Brambleton, VA 20148) from 12-6pm.

The second service will be the Interment will be at the West Point Old Cadet Chapel, USMA (West Point, United States Military Academy, West Point, NY 10996) on 19 March at 1330 (1:30PM).




The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the USMA Class of '65 Fund. Please share condolences with the family at www.LoudounFuneralChapel.com



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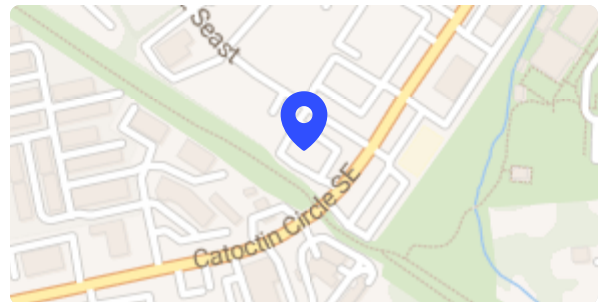
Visitation

-  **Saturday**, February 27, 2010
-  10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET
-  **Loudoun Funeral Chapel**
158 Catoctin Circle, S.E., Leesburg VA



Service

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Anonymous posted:

Please accept my condolences to the family. The Bible holds out a comforting hope. Revelation 21:3,4

March 2 at 12:22 PM



Anonymous posted:

Jack and I wish to express our deepest sympathies to Linda and her family. May loving memories comfort you at this difficult time.

February 27 at 6:24 AM



Anonymous posted:

John was one of the most incredible people I have ever worked with. I am deeply saddened by his passing. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.

February 24 at 2:37 AM



Anonymous posted:

I am the youngest of the sisters that my brother Tommy spoke of. We will dearly miss John as he was a very special in our lives. From the West Point years to all the family events he shared with us. He always took time to visit our family where ever we moved. How honored I was that he attended my wedding in 1984. What a small world in that my husband Tom's grandmother lived very near his mother in Aliquippa and we would visit with her and catch up on John. Our sympathy to his family and John will always hold a special place in our heart.

February 22 at 6:07 AM



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Anonymous posted:

I still can't believe that I will never see John again. Like my brother and sister have said... John was a babysitter for us when we lived at West Point. He would give us merits and demerits... like he did for the cadets... if we did not behave! I treasure the letters I got from John and just held them in my hands a couple of weeks ago. I will also treasure the gold bracelet that John sent to me from Vietnam for my high school graduation in 1968 since he could not be here. He was a regular at our home on weekends, whether he was babysitting or just 'over for dinner'. He even got to have dinner with us when Roger Staubach (Dallas Cowboys) came for dinner during a Midshipman/Cadet exchange weekend. Oh, the memories.##imported-begin##Patti Klausing Simmons##imported-end##

February 21 at 6:08 AM



Anonymous posted:

I am one of the 4 sisters that my brother Tom mentioned that John babysat back in the 60's while he was attending West Point. Imagine the torture we put him through!!!! I was in 3rd-6th grade when John would spend many hours with us while my parents went out. I still have a book he gave me for Christmas that was all about fairy tales. What fun we had with him!!!! I loved reading his letters we received while he was in Vietnam. We are all better having you in our lives John----you will be missed.##imported-begin##Marylou "Klausing" Billings##imported-end##

February 21 at 3:36 AM



Anonymous posted:

My family met John while we were living at West Point as Dad was coaching football there. John babysat my four sisters and me many times. Mom "adopted" John as a cadet and we followed closely his progress to graduation. I remember watching the film that Mom would shoot as he was a high jumper on the track team. He truly was part of our family as we continued to grow. John brought water from the River Jordan to my children's baptisms. Like others have said, John showed such great pride in his children and grandchildren. He served his country proudly. He was a very special person and will be deeply missed by all of us.##imported-begin##Tom Klausing##imported-end##

February 21 at 3:20 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Although I have known Colonel John for a short while, I treasured the time I spent , helping him and assisting him in his needs. He is a very nice man and very loving, understanding and supportive to his grandchildren (checking homework and such).Linda, your loved one has left behind a thousand moments that will live in your heart forever... Please know, at this difficult time, that you are in so many thoughts and prayers. Thinking of you. . .##imported-begin##HERMINIA M. WINTER##imported-end##

February 17 at 5:34 PM



Anonymous posted:

Heaven needed a sweetheart and took John on Valentine's Day. With all the accomplishments of John's life, his biggest joy was his children and grandchildren. We will miss John and the wonderful stories of his children and grandchildren and their achievements. John never complained and gave his illness a good run. It was a pleasure and honor to work with someone so special.##imported-begin##Claire Murphy##imported-end##

February 17 at 7:19 AM



Anonymous posted:

Thank you for your for your wonderful and sincere friendship. I know now you are in heaven and out of pain. My deepest sympathy to your family. They were your shining light and made you so proud. We will miss your visits to MITRE. We will also miss the stories and updates of your children and grandchildren. God Bless you John.##imported-begin##Nancy Kennedy##imported-end##

February 17 at 6:58 AM



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