



## David P Koss

February 26, 2017

Koss, David (Dave, nickname "Buzz") age 70, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his wife and children February 26, 2017. Preceded in death by his parents, Stanley and Leona Koss. Survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Marcia; daughter Kerri Jones (Shawn); sons Tim (Lenka) and Jon (Sara); and grandchildren, Ashley, Shawn Jr., Alexandra, Julian, Samantha, Mackenzie, and Baby Koss to be born June 13. Also survived by his brother Dennis (Lorraine) Koss.

Dave was a proud Veteran of the United States Air Force and Vietnam War. He started basic training in Texas in 1966. He attended Technical School in Colorado, then was transferred to Castle Air Force Base in California to work on B-52s. He was assigned temporary duty at Ellsworth Air Force Base, South Dakota, before volunteering to go to Vietnam. He attended F-4 school at MacDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida, and then shipped off to Da Nang Air Base ("Rocket City", as he called it). He spent most of 1968 in Vietnam, until he returned to the U.S. and was assigned to Luke Air Force Base in Phoenix, Arizona. He met his wife Marcia on South Mountain in Phoenix on a blind date. They were engaged three weeks later, then married six weeks after that. When you know, you know!

Over the next 47 years, Dave built a family and career that he loved. He never lost his love for planes (his all-time favorite was the F-4) and fast cars, including his Dodge Super Bee, Plymouth Barracuda and finally his bright red 2011 Camaro.

Dave was diagnosed with prostate cancer in late 2001 from being exposed to Agent Orange during the Vietnam War. He underwent surgery and treatments in 2002. After many years of hormone treatments and doctor visits, his cancer came back stronger and metastasized to his bones in 2014. He fought a tough battle these past few years, and never complained once. When asked recently what he thought about his service to his country and his time in Vietnam, he responded "fantastic." He was so proud to serve. The family would like to thank the many doctors (Dr. Westling, Dr. Hanson, Dr. Laudi), nurses, as well as the amazing staff from Heartland Home Care and Hospice for their tremendous care and support.

Dave was a man of deep faith and trusted in his Savior Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins and gift of eternal life. He loved his church family at Cross of Christ, and especially enjoyed attending Sunday morning Bible studies. His family misses him deeply, but are confident that they will see him again someday.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing."  
2 Timothy 4:7-8

The visitation and funeral will be held at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, 9931 Foley Blvd. Coon Rapids, MN 55433:

Visitation: Friday, March 3rd, 5 pm - 8 pm, and Saturday 10 am (one hour prior to funeral)

Funeral: Saturday, March 4th, 11 am - 12 pm, luncheon to follow.

Dave will be buried with military honors at Fort Snelling later this summer.

# Comments

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“ After all these years I find you and then your gone. I am sad to hear of the loss, actually shocked. David and I were on the same crew in Nam from August to Feb. I notice the change in David but the blue eyes and grin are the same. I fused the bombs and operated the machine to load the ordinance. When I left I regarded him as the best # 3 man in Nam. (that was his position, I was the 4 man) Allan Preslaski now living in Florida, with similar prostrate problem, but not cancer yet.

allan preslaski - January 25, 2018 at 11:34 AM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David P Koss.



March 03, 2017 at 12:56 PM

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“ I never met Marcia's husband but Marcus is a very nice lady. I had the pleasure of working with her @Kelco and Medivators. You will see him again Marcia. RIP.

Jerrie Rimas - March 03, 2017 at 11:51 AM

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“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of David P Koss.



March 02, 2017 at 11:38 PM

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“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of David P Koss.



March 01, 2017 at 09:07 PM