

Gregory John Smith

Gregory John Smith, 60, of Rochester, N.Y., died Sunday, Jan. 25, 2009, at his home.

He was born July 14, 1948, in Rochester, N.Y., a son of the late Albert L. and Eleanor (Swartzlander) Smith.

He was a 1967 graduate of Mifflinburg Area High School, a 1975 graduate of Embry-Riddle Aeronautical Studies, and a 1989 graduate of Indiana University with a master in health and safety. He worked as a health and safety consultant for the U.S. Navy and Veterans administration.

He was a proud Vietnam veteran, where he was a highly decorated Cobra helicopter pilot in the U.S. Army. He attained the rank of Captain before leaving the military.

He was deeply loved by his family and many friends. Greg had a heart of gold and donated to many children's charities.

He is survived by two brothers and one sister-in-law, Larry K. Smith of Rochester, and Christopher R. and Kathy Smith of Milton, Pa.; and one sister and brother-in-law, Jacqueline A. and Michael Kaiser of Surprise, Ariz.

He was the loving uncle of Christopher, Timothy, and Eric Smith and Amy Kaiser; and also his four great-nieces.

He was preceded in death by two brothers, Albert L. and Lewis A. Smith.

A memorial service and celebration of Greg's life was held at Mon., Feb. 2, at the Waring Baptist Church, Waring and Norton streets, Rochester, N.Y.

(Greg was with D Troop)