

NORMAN HOEWISCHER



Norman Hoewischer, 80, of Jacksonville, passed away on January 29. He was born on November 13, 1938 in Masury, Ohio to Tracy and Edith Hoewischer. Norman proudly served his country in the US Army from 1956-1979 and retired as a Military Police. He



was a member of the Masonic Lodge. Probably the most memorable thing about Norm is that he was always there for others whenever they needed him. He enjoyed 50 years of marriage and 20 years of military service. Norm volunteered for two tours of Vietnam, one with the 1st Infantry. In military service, he was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Army Commendation Medal, the Good Conduct Medal, the Vietnam Cross of Gallantry and a Sharpshooter Badge. He served as a Military Police, a customs agent, a criminal investigator and was a Military Police Platoon Sergeant. He taught ROTC at Tuscaloosa University while Paul Bear Bryant was coach. While teaching ROTC at Clemson University his office was used for the filming of *Midnight Man* starring Burt Lancaster. He was one of the very few people to ever serve as a Military Highway Patrol and wrote Elvis Presley a speeding ticket in Germany. He served as desk sergeant under the Provost Marshall who was the great-grandson of Wyatt Earp. He broke up black market rings and put kingpins in jail in Germany. He was a basketball coach. Norm worked tirelessly to ensure equal access for the disabled under the Americans with Disabilities Act. He was the Campaign Manager for Lem Sharp for Sheriff in Jacksonville in his run against Dale Carson and was tapped to be the next under-sheriff if Lem had won. Even at the age of 80, Norm maintained his concealed weapons permit and always qualified. Following a long battle with diabetes, he finally won the battle and passed away at 80 as a non-diabetic. Norman was preceded in death by his parents; wife Rebecca Viola Hoewischer; and son Russell Miller.

He is survived by his sons Jr. L Hoewischer and James D. Hoewischer; grandchildren Misty Hoewischer, Michael Miller and Michael Wallace; a sister Pat Butler; and many nieces and nephews.

The family received friends prior to the funeral service held February 6 in the Chapel of Nassau Funeral Home with Rev. Willard Mercer officiating. Burial followed in the Jacksonville National Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed at www.nassaufh.com.