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## **DAVID JEFFERSON WOODCOCK**



David Jefferson Woodcock, 75, of Rocky Point, North Carolina, beloved husband, loving daddy, granddaddy and brother, passed peacefully from his earthly life Thursday, November 12, 2020 at his home. He was born November 16, 1944 in New Hanover County, the son of Dennis Jefferson and Evelyn Elizabeth Mahn Woodcock.

In addition to his parents; he was preceded in death by his granddaughter Gretchen Cole; and brother George Woodcock.

David considered it his honor and privilege to serve his country in the US Air Force for over 30 years, retiring as a Master Sergeant. With valor David served in the Vietnam Era and the Gulf War. Following his military career, he worked and retired from Civil Service at Jacksonville International Airport in Jacksonville. He was a member of Riley's Creek Baptist Church.

David was a Christian man who lived a life of integrity and hard work, instilling these values in his beloved grandsons. He was an inspiring role model for his grandsons who he taught how to fish and hunt, along with many other life skills. Prior to David's illness of the past five years, he was a man that was never idle and could figure out how to do most anything. David lived by a simple creed: "Do justice, love your neighbor and walk humbly with God."

David by is survived by his wife of 55 years and caregiver for the past five years, Loretta Wagstaff Woodcock; daughter Stacey (Kenny) Cole; grandsons Austin (Nikki) Cole, Jeremy Cole, Jeffrey Cole, Garrett Cole and Gavin Cole; sisters Elizabeth Ann (Randall) Mobley Smith of Bryceville and Hedy (David) Swart; and many nieces and nephews.

The family received friends Friday, November 13 at Quinn McGowen Funeral Home in Burgaw. A graveside service was held Saturday, November 14 Greenlawn Memorial Park in Wilmington, with The Rev. Art Sauer conducting the service. Military honors will be accorded by the US Air Force Honor Guard.

Memorial gifts may be given to Wounded Warrior Project, 7020 A C Skinner Pkwy, Suite 100, Jacksonville, FL 32256.

Shared memories and condolences may be expressed at: www. quinnmcgowan.com.

Quinn-McGowen Funeral Home Burgaw Chapel handled arrangements.