## GABRIEL LOUIS POLLACK

Gabriel Louis Pollack, 72, of Callahan, passed away peacefully at Baptist Hospital on February 9, 2020 after suffering a heart attack several days before at his home.

Gabriel was born in Chicago, Illinois, on April 10, 1947 to Gabriel Michael Pollack and Barbara Pollack. After graduating from high school, he attended college prior to joining the US Navy, where he honorably served his country in the Vietnam War. Upon returning and during the remaining years of his 8 year tenure as a serviceman, he met Daniel McQuaig, brother of Vicki McQuaig. Gabe and Vicki would go on to get married in 1977 and have three children.

Gabriel was a loving family man, a highly intelligent electrical engineer who continued to serve his country as a civilian for the Department of Defense long after his time in the Navy was over. After retirement, he settled down in Callahan, with his partner and best friend, Susan Granger, to a more rural life, where he lived until his passing.

In addition to always being there for his family, Gabriel was a compassionate, thoughtful and kind man who helped anyone he could in any situation. He possessed a high level of empathy and understanding for the needs of others and always put them above his own. He was fiercely loyal, honest to a fault and above all, loving and kind. He touched more lives than can be counted. He was, truly, a great man.

Gabriel is survived by three sons Gabriel Joseph Pollack, Michael James Pollack and Matthew Allen Pollack; as well as Vicki Pollack; Susan Granger; his brother Michael; and sister Paula; as well as all of the countless lives he touched in his 72 years.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, February 12 at Callahan Funeral Home. Interment with Military Honors was held in Jacksonville National Cemetery. A Celebration of Life followed at Gabe's home in Callahan.

Condolences may be expressed at www.callahanfh.com.

Arrangements by Callahan Funeral Home, Inc.