



Mr. Helmut J. Hein

January 24, 1953 - March 23, 2018

Helmut J. Hein, age 65, passed away on 23 March 2018. Helmut was born and raised in Rockford, Illinois, the son and brother of immigrants from Germany.

Helmut enlisted in the Army in 1973 and served in Special Forces as a light weapons sergeant in 10th, 7th, and 12th Groups, ultimately attaining the rank of First Sergeant. At the time of his death, Helmut was vice president of Chapter 59, Special Forces Association.

After leaving active duty, Helmut served as a police officer in Cherry Valley, Illinois. He eventually left the police department to work for the Department of the Army in the field of small arms training. Helmut was a tireless advocate for military marksmanship and a staunch supporter of the Army Reserve competitive shooting program. Combining these passions, he made significant and innovative improvements to the Army Reserve Small Arms Training Program.

Helmut was received into the Catholic Church in 1996 and became fully involved in the activities at St. Michael's in Roswell, Georgia, serving as the chapel coordinator.

Helmut was preceded in death by his father Leo and is survived by his mother

Lydia, older brother Walt, wife Linda, sons Collin and John, daughter-in-law Pam, and grandchildren Michael, Ryan, and Katie.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Helmut's name to either La Salette Academy (<http://www.lasalette.net/donate>) or St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary (<http://stas.org/en/donations>).

Cemetery Details

St. Michael's Catholic Church Cemetery

712 Hardscrabble Rd.
Roswell, GA

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 5:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Funeral Service

APR 7. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Michael's Catholic Church
715 Hardscrabble Road
Roswell, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Helmut J. Hein*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *I was just searching for Helmut & Linda. So sorry to read about his passing. Long time ago I traveled with Helmut when we were in a reserve unit together in Chicago. He was a great travel partner..*

Teri Foskett - September 12, 2021 at 09:40 PM



“ *Linda,*

you and your family have our thoughts and prayers. Former G2 of USARC.

*LTC Jay and Linda Otken
Fort Bragg, North Carolina
jaypotken@bellsouth.net*

LTC Jay Otken - April 17, 2018 at 08:47 PM

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“ *Helmut was a Soldier's Soldier and a true Friend of the Army Reserve. His legacy of service to the nation lives on today in how we train our Soldiers in live fire. My first TDY with the USARC in the summer of 2004 was with Helmut and John Hargraves to visit USAR Soldiers training New Cadets at West Point. Helmut was especially proud of the marksmanship skills demonstrated by our Soldiers as they trained this next generation of leaders. He was a good man, a good Soldier and a good friend.*

Bill Hamilton - April 07, 2018 at 04:10 PM

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“ *+JMJ+
Will forever remember and cherish Helmut's motto at the end of each of his emails ...
"Be the kind of person that when you get up in the morning Satan groans!" + RIP + dear friend
~Kellie Abano & Family
St. Michaels*



Kellie Abano - April 05, 2018 at 02:15 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Helmut J. Hein.*



April 03, 2018 at 07:25 AM

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“ *What a SHOCK in the sudden passing of Helmut! I can't imagine what Linda and their family are going through. My heart goes out to all the Hein family, and I extend my deepest sympathy for their loss. Helmut was such a kind-hearted person. He will greatly be missed. Darlene DeWitt (formerly G-3 Readiness, USARC).*



Darlene DeWitt - March 30, 2018 at 10:33 PM

JC

“ *Rest in peace, Helmut. You were a good friend during our USARC days. Jim Caul*

Jim Caul - March 28, 2018 at 04:13 PM