



## **Geary Dean Hedrick, SGT. Major, US Army Ret.**

February 9, 1940 - August 3, 2021

Geary Dean Hedrick, 81, passed away on Tuesday, Aug. 3, 2021, at the Jesse Brown VA Hospital in Chicago. He was born Feb. 9, 1940, in Wytheville, VA and moved to Libertyville in 1978. Geary served in the US Army from 1961-1982, spent two tours in Vietnam, was awarded the Purple Heart and Bronze Star and the rank of Sergeant Major.

After his military career, Geary operated Hedrick General Maintenance and Construction, Inc. and was later employed as a real estate agent. He was also a very active member of the Libertyville Lions Club, where he was a past president, Melvin Jones Fellow, Lion of the Year and a co-sponsor of the Quest Program in the Libertyville Grade Schools. He also received the Lions of Illinois Foundation Fellow Award and the Lions of Illinois Foundation Director's Award and transferred to the Vernon Hills Lions Club in 2018.

Surviving are his wife, Priscilla "Pat" Hedrick; 2 sons, Geary "Dean" (Brenda) Hedrick, Jr. and Darren (Natalie) Hedrick; his daughter, Darla (the late Cary) Griffith; 3 grandchildren, Geary (Veronika) Hedrick III, Brendan and Kaleb Hedrick; great-grandson, Kilian Hedrick; brother, James "Mike" (Marie) Hedrick; 4 sisters, Janice (Myran) Shifflett, Helen St. Clair (Johnny) Trail, Pamela Ramey and Yolanda St. Clair; sister-in-law, Susan Hedrick.

He was preceded in death by his son-in-law, Cary Griffith; sister, Faye Snow; and brother, William.

Visitation will be from 3 to 7 pm Friday, Aug. 6, 2021, with a service during the visitation at 6 pm at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.), Libertyville.

Interment with military honors will be at Arlington National Cemetery.

Memorials can be made to the [WoundedWarriorProject.org](https://www.WoundedWarriorProject.org).

Info, 847-362-3009 or please share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

CLICK LINK BELOW TO VIEW LIVE STREAM, BEGINNING AT 4:30PM  
<https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/892093480>

# Cemetery Details

## Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 6. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
120 West Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048  
(847) 362-3009

## Funeral Service

AUG 6. 6:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Burnett-Dane Funeral Home created a Live Stream in memory of Geary Dean Hedrick, SGT. Major, US Army Ret.*



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**Burnett-Dane Funeral Home** - August 05, 2021 at 04:34 PM

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“ *Priscilla, Ann and I send our most sincere sympathies to you and your family. He will be missed by his club and his community. I know you have many fond memories of Geary to comfort you and to share with others. May God wrap his loving and comforting arms around you and grant you peace.*

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**Larry & Ann McGuire** - August 07, 2021 at 08:56 PM

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“ *Pat and Family - our prayers are with you all. We're proud to have shared a wonderful neighborhood with Geary! His kindness, his voice and joyful laugh will be remembered forever. We're also proud to have walked by His Flag - displayed 24X7X365! Honored to support the Wounded Warrior Project in his name.*

*God's Peace AI & Leah Diercks*

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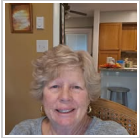
**AI Diercks** - August 06, 2021 at 09:36 PM

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“ Yolanda G StClair lit a candle in memory of Geary Dean Hedrick, SGT. Major, US Army Ret.



yolanda g StClair - August 06, 2021 at 06:40 PM



“ Yolanda StClair purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Geary Dean Hedrick, SGT. Major, US Army Ret..



Yolanda StClair - August 06, 2021 at 11:10 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Geary Dean Hedrick, SGT. Major, US Army Ret..



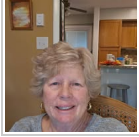
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“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Geary Dean Hedrick, SGT. Major, US Army Ret..



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“ *My most precious memory of my big brother was when I was 6 years old He used to ride me on the handle bars of His bike as a teenager. He was my Hero, He always called me "little sister." He was the man in charge when Daddy was on the road driving the truck. He would help mama with all 8 of us. He would go to grocery store to buy groceries for everyone. He was a true leader even then!!! I love you Brother I will see you again soon. I know you are having a great reunion with Daddy,Mom, Bill, Faye, and my beloved Ronnie.. love you always. Little Sister Gail.*

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**Yolanda StClair** - August 05, 2021 at 12:46 PM