



## William "Larry" Vann

August 23, 1934 - November 15, 2022

In loving remembrance of William "Larry" Vann, born August 23, 1934 and died November 15, 2022. Larry had a long and illustrious career, exemplifying what it means to be a true public servant. His career path took him from the small town of Texarkana, Arkansas to Washington DC. He served under nine different administrations—from Eisenhower to Clinton—in a career that spanned five decades.

He began his service to our country in the U.S. Army in 1956. After being honorably discharged in 1958, he joined the ranks of public service while continuing his military service in the U.S. Army Reserve, and later in the U.S. Airforce Reserve. He worked in the General Service Administration in Fort Worth, TX, and then the U.S. Indian Health Service in Oklahoma City, OK. His next appointment brought him to Washington, DC, where he secured a position within the Treasury Department's U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms. He culminated his distinguished career serving as a senior executive in the U.S. Department of Justice.

Larry retired from public service in 1994, stepping down from the U.S. Government and into the role of full-time caregiver for his wife Carol. Carol and Larry were married for nearly 44 years. She was the single greatest love of his life, and she served as his steadfast supporter until her untimely passing in 1998.

In his spare time Larry enjoyed cheering for the Arkansas Razorbacks and collecting sports memorabilia. He also was an avid hunter, fisherman, and outdoorsman. He passed his passion for nature and sports onto his sons, Corey Scott Vann and Russell Craig Vann.

His other hobbies included tracing his family's origins and Cherokee heritage. He loved relating stories about his youth, especially to his grandchildren, Sean Vann and Lindsay Vann Smith and her husband Taylen. He also is survived by two siblings, Clara Vann of Benton, AR, and Jerry Vann of Crestview, FL.

The family will have a graveside service on November 25, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at Stonewall Memory Gardens, Manassas, VA. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the charity of your choice.

We give thanks to God the Father for the life of Larry/Dad/Popaw and for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. His love endures forever.

# Cemetery Details

## Stonewall Memory Gardens

12004 Lee Highway  
Manassas, VA 20109  
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

NOV **25**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Between 2000 and 2003, we lived a few doors down from Larry in Fairfax, Virginia. He was also so kind to us, and especially to our kids were were really young at the time. Lots of conversations on the sidewalks, as he was out walking his dog and keeping an eye on the neighbourhood. After we moved away, we kept in touch and visited him when we were back in the area. Was a kind, gentle soul. Take care of each other, Peter, Kathleen, Sasha, Reid.

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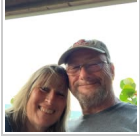
**Peter** - April 15, 2023 at 10:05 AM

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“ Larry was a stalwart of the neighborhood. I was thankful to know him these last 13 years. We shared meals and laughs; we swapped military stories and I listened to many stories about "the way things used to be." He met my dogs and gave approval on my lawn mower purchases. He talked about his boys and his grandkids all the time. He was part of what made our neighborhood great. I regret that I was unable to attend the services. I am sending strength and love to his family through this difficult time.

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**Stacy** - December 02, 2022 at 02:54 PM



“ I was so sorry to hear of Larry’s passing. I retired from Cub Run RECenter where Larry was not only a customer but quickly became a part of our family. I was very fortunate to call him my friend. I was privileged to hear many of his stories which included his family “ he told me how proud he was of his grand children “. My deepest sympathies go out to the family.



Pat Evans Holcomb - November 23, 2022 at 09:39 PM

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I'm his granddaughter Lindsay, I'd love to talk about my popaw if you ever get a chance.

Lindsay Vann Smith - February 11, 2023 at 07:16 AM

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Lindsay Vann Smith - February 11, 2023 at 07:41 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of William "Larry" Vann.



November 22, 2022 at 02:23 PM