



Frank Mark Cohee

June 20, 1950 - April 16, 2009

Heading: Frank M. Cohee (Veteran)

Dateline: Greer

Mr. Frank Mark Cohee passed away Thursday, April 16, 2009. He was 58 years old.

Mr. Cohee was born and raised in Columbia, South Carolina. Following his graduation from Dentsville High School, he proudly served his country in the Air Force. During his time in the Air Force he also served in the Air Force Honor Guard. He was retired from the Prince George's County (Maryland) Police Department and maintained membership in the Fraternal Order of Police. He was currently working for Loomis.

A devout Christian man, he was a member of Brushy Creek Baptist Church. Surviving Mr. Cohee are his wife, Donna C. Cohee and two sons, Frank Mark Cohee, Jr. and his wife, Rachel Lynn Cohee and Adam Dawson Cohee all of the Greenville area. He was the beloved "Papa" of granddaughters, Katelyn Elizabeth Cohee and Lucy Addison Cohee. He had one sister, Juanita Wiley. Visitation will be held 12:00-1:30 p.m. Saturday at Brushy Creek Baptist Church.

A worship service and celebration of the life of Frank Cohee will be held 2:00 p.m. Saturday, April 18, 2009 at Brushy Creek Baptist Church conducted by Dr. Ralph Carter with burial at Wood Memorial Park.

The family asks that donations be made to The Navigators, P.O. Box 6000, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80934.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Brushy Creek Baptist Church
4999 Old Spartanburg Road
Taylors, SC 29687

Service

APR 18. 2:00 PM (ET)

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4999 Old Spartanburg Road
Taylors, SC 29687

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Mrs. Cohee,
I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Cohee's passing. Know I am praying for you.

In His Love, Connie Zinn##imported-begin##Connie Zinn##imported-end##

May 05, 2009 at 02:36 PM



“ My sincere condolences and prayers go out to the Cohee family and to all of Frank's friends. I had the pleasure of working with Frank for many years.

It was hard not to laugh when Frank was around. Nobody could spin a tale like Frank. He will be fondly remembered.##imported-begin##Dennis Shellhouse##imported-end##

April 22, 2009 at 09:48 AM



“ Our deepest sympathies to your family. Frank always was so upbeat and pleasant.##imported-begin##Pam and Ed##imported-end##

April 22, 2009 at 07:34 AM



“ I did not get a chance to work with Frank, while on the police department, but I did have the pleasure of working as his partner at Bowie High School. Frank was a man of integrity. Frank had a way of making you dig deeper in your thoughts for the right answer, by using his witty comments and questions in that slight Southern drawl of his. I'll miss you friend. God bless you and your family, Donna.##imported-begin##Bobby Eyre##imported-end##

April 20, 2009 at 11:49 PM



“ We are sorry for your loss and will keep your family in our prayers. May the Lord watch over your father and bless your family.

-Dave##imported-begin##Dave, Sara, A.J. Harris##imported-end##

April 20, 2009 at 07:12 PM



“ When the Lord made Frank he broke the mold. I had the honor of going through the police academy '72 to '73 with Frank. His great humor helped get me through the ordeal. On the street level he was a terrific police officer. His ability to talk to suspects and obtain information critical to an investigation was legendary in our ranks. My friendship with Frank continued long after he retired from the police department. He will be sorely missed and I hope his family will fare well as the days go by. Frank was a devout Christian and I know St. Peter will flag him through the Pearly Gates. So long Frank, and Godspeed.##imported-begin##Billy Barnes PGPD Ret. #543##imported-end##

April 19, 2009 at 06:11 PM



“ God bless youKVRA Frank
I knew and worked with you. I have no complaints##imported-
begin##John E. Peterson (ret PGPD 155)##imported-end##

April 19, 2009 at 10:16 AM



“ My sincere sympathies of Franks passing. He is with Jesus now and
in a better place. I knew Frank when I was in the Honor Guard from
1968-1972. He got there after I did and introduce me to Jesus long
before I got saved and filled with the precious Holy Ghost in 1975.
One sows, one waters, but God gives the increase. One day soon,
all of us will be together when the last trump shall sound and Jesus
call us all home. We have that great hope. May God bless all of you
and comfort you during your time of bereavement.

Sincerely,

In-Jesus

Rev Tony Amato##imported-begin##Rev Anthony S. Amato
Jr.##imported-end##

April 18, 2009 at 06:47 PM



“ My prayers are with all of Frank's family. I worked with Frank at
Bowie Station for a number of years. Frank was funny and always
had a kind word. This world need more men like Frank. I think of
him often thought I have not seen him since retirement. God bless
you all.##imported-begin##Mark B. Clayton, Sr.##imported-end##

April 18, 2009 at 05:33 PM



“ Dear Donna, Mark and Adam,
We are deeply saddened to hear this sad news. Frank seemed to be the guy who was always going to be around. We fondly recall the many times we had to visit with you - all the laughs we shared will always be fondly recalled. Frank was the one many went to when they needed help and he never turned his back. We will fondly remember the times Frank caused us to have a great laugh - we are sure he is pulling those little jokes he loved, now there in heaven. If there is anything your old Maryland friends can do for you, please let us know.
With Christian love,
Dave and Vicki###imported-begin###Dave and Vicki White###imported-end##

April 18, 2009 at 03:41 PM



“ Dear Donna, Mark and Adam,
I was so sorry to hear of the loss of your precious husband and dad. The road ahead will be difficult, but your faith, family and friends will be there every step of the way.
Donna, we both have the wonderful memories of high school and each one of Frank is one filled with laughter and joking around. Cherish all the memories for each is a precious gift.###imported-begin###Martha Reynolds Roberts###imported-end##

April 18, 2009 at 12:01 PM



“ Our sincere prayers and thoughts are with the Cohee family and Frank's many friends. Working with Frank at the Prince George's Co. Police, District II (Bowie) Station, Investigative Section, was an honor and a great pleasure. He always had a pleasant smile, told many stories and was an inspiration to us all. He will be remembered as a true southern gentleman. God bless him.##imported-begin##Steve & Bev Roberts##imported-end##

April 18, 2009 at 11:17 AM



“ frank was a rookie on my squad at seat pleasant in the early 70's.frank was an excellent officer who was always a joy to be around.he was a fine man whom i am certain will be sorely missed.my sincere condolences.god bless...greg babb##imported-begin##greg babb##imported-end##

April 18, 2009 at 08:36 AM



“ Although I haven't seen Frank since we were on the police department together I remember that mischievous grin like it was yesterday. Please know that you have my deepest condolences. Mike Morrissette #369 PGPD (Ret)##imported-begin##Mike Morrissette##imported-end##

April 18, 2009 at 06:39 AM



“ Donna, Mark & Adam - How saddened we were to hear about Frank but rejoice with you in knowing that he is at home with His Lord. I can recall many great times that we shared together, while living in MD & attending Bayside Baptist Church.

Because of Frank's strong faith in Christ, may you rest in the assurance that God will bring comfort & strength during this difficult time.

Doug & Jennifer Myers###imported-begin##Jennifer Myers###imported-end##

April 18, 2009 at 12:40 AM



“ Dear Donna and family,
Our hearts are broken for you. I too have such good memories of Frank while serving our country with him in the USAF Honor Guard, and at the same time Sue and I were blessed to have you as next-door-neighbors for almost 2 years. Our own words lack the ability to comfort you at this time, but God's Word does have the power to do what our words can't. It is our prayer that these words from 1 Thess. 4:13-18 will bring comfort to you and Frank's many friends and family who will read this, "And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him the believers who have died. We tell you this directly from the Lord: We who are still living when the Lord returns will not meet him ahead of those who have died. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God. First the Christians who have died will rise from their graves. Then together with them, we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Then we will be with the Lord forever. So encourage each other with these words." (NLT) Praying for encouragement for you. We'll see you tomorrow at the service.##imported-begin##David & Sue Kite##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 10:49 PM



“ On Thu, Apr 16, 2009 at 10:53 PM, wrote:

Oh Ken, another one of our brothers has left The Flight. Thanks so much for letting me know. We seem to be dropping like flies, or maybe F104s. You described Frank to a T. What a pleasant fellow-- always cheerful in any weather or circumstance as he handed me my M-1 or side arm over the Dutch doors of the Gun Room. He loved how I refinished my last wooden gun stock. Mine had developed a fine crack that Frank noticed, so he gave me an unfinished blank stock and fore grip replacement. In those days we had to finish them ourselves, or at least I did. They were already pre-stained, so all we had to do was varnish them on our own time. Being a little different and wanting to stand out (who me?), I took the stock and grip home and sanded the stain out of them down to the bare blonde wood, and then added three coats of varnish.

When the HG guys saw my new weapon they knicknamed it "The Albino", and I carried it with pride. Probably couldn't do a stock like that today. Anyway, I remember my very last ceremony and when we returned to P-51, I turned in The Albino to Frank for the last time. I asked him to find a worthy guardsman to carry it in the future. Frank looked my M-1 up and down, hefted it in his hands for a moment, and said "Don't worry about her, Joe, I'll keep her on the rack until the right guy comes along". I trust he did.

As we say, time and geography may separate us, but the bonds of a brotherhood born long ago in The Flight remain.

Your brother, always, in The Flight,

Joe Feyder

USAF HG 1969-72

To Honor With Dignity

jfeyder@aol.com##imported-begin##Joe Feyder, Minneapolis,

MN##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 10:28 PM



“ To the Cohee Family.....

I served with Frank in the USAF Honor Guard.

I am honored to have known Frank-

he was one of 30 or so guys who went through "T" Flight in the late spring of 1970 - he went on to run the armory, and left an indelible impression on just about everyone he encountered. I was in that flight, as well as Dave Kite, Bill Godfrey, the late Jerry Dickson, the late Joe Rufino, Bob McKean, Ken Schmidt, Frank Borman, Mike Partello, Stan Spencer, Rick Hofmeister, Bill Kraemer, Dick Martin, Les Hildebrandt, Mike Dawson, Joe Oriti, and probably a few others. Carmen Yebba and Danny Bowyer were the instructors.

Frank's no-nonsense sense of humor, quick wit, and " Mark Twain " type of common sensical attitude toward everything, made him a great "straight man" to just about every conversation he encountered. He ALWAYS had his "own take" on every situation !!

Small in stature, Frank was HUGE in heart.

He will be missed.

Ken Theissen

USAF Honor Guard 1970-72##imported-begin##Ken Theissen##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 09:49 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

I served with Frank in the U.S. Airforce Presidential Honor Guard.##imported-begin##Mr. & Mrs. Dickie Moss##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 07:15 PM



“ Mrs. Cohee,
I wish to express my sympathy to you during this time. I worked with Mr. Cohee for 3 years with Loomis in Greenville. I will remember him with my training, he had to get a "Skins" hot dog after each session.
Robert Huff###imported-begin##Robert Huff###imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 05:57 PM



“ Joyce and I were both shocked and saddened to hear of Frank's untimely promotion to heaven. Our memories of him flooded through our hearts and minds as tears came to our cheeks. For nearly 6 years, we enjoyed rich and warm fellowship with the Cohee family. I particularly enjoyed my times with Frank. Although I generally played straight man to his comedy routine, I enjoyed his sense of humor. Through the lump in my throat, I have laughed as I remembered the story of the time he shot an air conditioning unit. I laughed at how we tried to teach our friends in Southern Maryland about our culture and heritage in the "real" South. Frank was a wonderful deacon, a devoted husband and father, and, for those six years in Southern Maryland, as good a friend as a pastor could have ever wanted. "Bon voyage! My friend. See you on the other side!"
Joyce and Sam CATOE
Park Street Baptist Church
Columbia, SC###imported-begin##Dr. Sam Catoe###imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 05:38 PM



“ Cohee Family: We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to you for your loss of Frank. We met Frank at our reunion of the AFHGA picnic in 2000. Our prayers will be with your family in the days and months ahead. We know Frank is at peace with our Lord and Savior. As we say in the aviation industry, Frank has flown West and one day we will reunite in the Kingdom of Heaven. May peace be with you!###imported-begin##Gary & Paula Ellis - AFHG###imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 05:15 PM



“ May God be with you during this time. My deepest sympathies are with your family. Mr. Cohee was kind, generous, and funny person. He will be missed but I am sure you are finding peace in that he is know with the Lord.###imported-begin##Jennifer (Brown) Gageby###imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 04:42 PM



“ Never would I have imagined our lives would continue to be paralleled. We spent so many fun times together and You, Donna, helped both Jerry and me to grow in the Lord.

May the same God that raised HIMSELF from the dead be your Perfect Comfort and Rest.

I know personally that He is able and HE WILL

Love you, In His Grip,

Marian###imported-begin##marian dickson###imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 04:16 PM



“ *Isn't it wonderful, how the vision of a man's smile can burn itself into our minds.*

My thoughts are with you all.

USAFHG##imported-begin##Dave Bozarth##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 03:59 PM



“ *My deepest heartfelt condolences and prayers to the Cohee Family.*

Even though many years have passed since I have seen Frank, I truly am honored to have had my path cross with his as I am truly the lucky one.

I will always remember, while serving on the Air Force Presidential Honor Guard, when he drove the "blue bird" bus around the Lincoln Memorial 18 times to see if he could break the record at the time.

My prayers are with you all and may God Bless.

Robert (Bob) McKean

USAF Honor Guard 1970-1972##imported-begin##Robert (Bob) McKean##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 03:37 PM



“ I was saddened to hear of the passing of Frank Cohee. I served in the Honor Guard from 1971-1974 and I remember Frank as a stickler for details. The weapons we used on the Drill Team had to be spotless when turned in to him. He kept us “on our toes”! My sincere condolences to all of Frank's family on his passing. May God bless him in his eternal life and bless his entire family during this trying time.

Peter L. Basini

Long Island, New York##imported-begin##Peter Basini##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 12:09 PM



“ Honor Guard 76-77...we are praying for you..##imported-begin##Scott Tolleson##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 12:00 PM



“ Donna and I were shocked beyond belief to hear of Frank's passing. Please accept our deepest sympathy and know that you and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers. If there is anything we can do, please let us know. May God bless you and keep you now and forever.##imported-begin##Tom and Donna Armani##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 11:35 AM



“ Rest in peace old friend. My deepest regards to the family.

May God Bless You and keep you.##imported-begin##William B. Drew, CMSgt. USAF (Ret)##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 11:34 AM



“ My deepest sympathy for your loss. My prayers are with your family. I worked with Frank in the Honor Guard 1970-1972. He was the man in charge of the armory and NO ONE could get anything past him. Weapons had to be clean and all gear turned in or he would not accept. Good man.##imported-begin##Ken Schmidt##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 11:27 AM



“ Mrs. Cohee, Mark, and Adam::

My heart goes out to you during this difficult time. I will never forget the many good times our families shared, like Daddy getting pulled over in your VW van on the way back from Thurmont, or the camping trip to Westmoreland State Park and all the meals our families shared together. There will never be anyone else to call me "Bethums". I know that Mr. Cohee is in heaven now with Smitty Kitty(aka Chester) by his side. You will be in my prayers.##imported-begin##Beth "Sprague" Wood##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 09:56 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. We can rejoice in knowing that Frank is with our Lord and watching over us. We will always remember the great times we shared as combined families, even the camping.##imported-begin##Bill and Donna Sprague and family##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 07:44 AM



“ Please know of our deepest sympathy and prayers. May Gods peace, love, and assurance of eternal life be felt as you grieve the loss of Frank. May you feel the prayers from all of your friends and family. Daddy (Harry) always said you could search the world and not find a finer man than Frank.

God bless you,
Kimball & Yvonne##imported-begin##Kimball & Yvonne Hutto
Hamilton##imported-end##

April 17, 2009 at 01:16 AM



“ Donna & Family, We are so sorry for your lost. Our love and prayers are with each one of you. God bless each of you and comfort you. We miss yas.

Love, John & Barbara Brown##imported-begin##John & Barbara
Brown##imported-end##

April 16, 2009 at 10:33 PM



“ Mr. Cohee will be missed by many while those in heaven are rejoicing at his entrance. Miss and love you Cohee family. Would love to catch up with you and speak with you if I can get your contact information.##imported-begin##Dave Brown##imported-end##

April 16, 2009 at 10:04 PM



“ Dearest Donna:

I can not express to you my shock and sadness at the loss of Frank. There are no words that can express how my heart aches for you and your entire family. Please know that I will continue to lift all of you up in prayer.

*In his hands,
Carol Cox*

"We do not understand the intricate patters of the stars in their courses, but we know that He who created them does, and that just as surely as He guides them, He is charting a safe course for us." - Billy Graham##imported-begin##Carol Cox##imported-end##

April 16, 2009 at 05:04 PM