

Interment arrangements for Rear Admiral John C. Shepard, SC, USN (Ret.). His beloved wife, Marion Vaughan Shepard, will be laid to rest with him.

Rear Admiral Shepard's interment will be held on 14 February at the Arlington National Cemetery. There will be a service in the Memorial Chapel that commences at 1245.

Guests of the service should arrive by 1215. Following this service, guests will get in their cars and drive into the Cemetery to participate in a Full Honors burial service.

Attendees and mourners: Navy - Service Dress Blue with ribbons.

Directions and parking information can be found at

<http://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil>.

The following obituary published by Central Oregon's "The Bulletin" on 25 November is provided to update you on the services planned for RADM John Shepard:

Rear Admiral John C. Shepard, USN Ret., passed on November 9, 2012, at his home in Bend, Oregon. Admiral Shepard's final change of command was with family and caregivers at his Amir Al Mar Arabian Ranch awaiting the first rays of daylight on his beloved Three Sisters Mountains. He joins his bride of 63 years, Vaughan Shepard, who passed away March 8, 2012. Funeral Mass to be held at St. Francis of Assisi Historic Church, November 30, 2012 Bend, OR. Rosary begins at 9:15 am with Mass at 10:00 am. A Celebration of Life for family and friends will follow at the North Rim Lodge from 12:00 noon to 5:00 pm. Rear Admiral John C Shepard, USN and Marion Vaughan Shepard interment will be February 14, 2013 receiving Full Military Funeral Honors at Arlington National Cemetery.

Admiral Shepard's 34-year Naval career and retirement to Oregon provided an opportunity to meet and befriend many. He enriched their lives with his smile, gift of gab and interest in what was happening in their lives. Born in Chadron, Nebraska, he was the oldest son of Leon and Katherine Shepard. When the family settled in Sacramento, CA, he grew up with sports and recognition to family duty. Admiral Shepard's four children survive him: John, Mark, Marion, and Jeannie, as well as his three beloved grandchildren, Megan, Lauren, and Kendall. His brothers, Leon and Jerry, and the many nieces and nephews from the families of his four sisters and two brothers further survive him.

A graduate of Christian Brothers High School in 1944, Admiral Shepard joined several of his friends signing up before graduation for naval service in the V-5 Naval Aviation Training Program. Graduating from the University of Minnesota with a B.S. Degree (Cum Laude) in Naval Science, he was commissioned in 1946 an Ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve. The following year he transferred to the Supply Corps of the U.S. Navy. Ensign Shepard's career found him serving abroad in World War II, China, Korea, and Vietnam. Some of his service was duty aboard the USS Badoeng Strait (CVE-116), USS Gardiners Bay (AVP-39), and USS Enterprise CVN-65.

Admiral Shepard's shore duty included Graduate School of Business, Stanford University; Pittsburg Naval Reactors Office, Atomic Energy Commission; Staff of Commander Naval Forces Europe; Supply Officer Naval Air Station Norfolk; National War College, Washington DC; Executive Officer Aviation Supply Office Philadelphia; Asst. Chief of Staff Supply to

Commander Naval Air Force US Atlantic Fleet and Commander Fleet Air Norfolk; and Commander Defense Supply Center Philadelphia.

Retirement was activity for Admiral Shepard included: Laboratory Controller, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory; the family's Arabian horse ranch created with his wife Vaughan; and creation of Milsafe Inc / JCS Marketing, serving dairy needs of military personnel and families to this day. It was a time for encouraging his three granddaughters, showing his beloved horses, reading at the library, marching in parades, sharing coffee at Starbucks, and mingling with his many friends. He reconnected with his military history supporting the ROTC High School program in Bend and sharing meals and stories with the Band of Brothers in Bend. He also joined the WWII heroes of the USS Little and the USS Hadley at their reunions. Admiral Shepard felt a special connection to these reunions.

Commander Hugh W Hadley, Vaughan's father, was lost at sea aboard his flagship USS Little (APD4) during the Capture and Defense of Guadalcanal - Sept. 1942. The USS Hadley (DD774) was named in his honor.

Admiral Shepard touched the lives of many individuals. We are better for knowing him and sharing our lives with his.

Charitable gifts may be made in Admiral John C. Shepard's memory to Christian Brothers High School, In Memory of Rear Admiral John C. Shepard, 4315 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95826.

Deschutes Memorial Chapel is entrusted with John's funeral arrangements. Please visit <http://www.deschutesmemorialchapel.com/obits2012.11.09.Shepard.asp> to sign the guestbook.