

Edwards, Floyd E.
Dates in the 57th – 71-72
Captain – Pilot (Col. Retired)
Birth Date: January 3rd 1942
Berwick, PA
DAT Date: December 2nd 2023
San Miguel, Mexico



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Floyd E Edwards
Military rank: CPT

Status: POT

Good Address? Yes

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Occupation: USA Retired

Flight Class(es):

67-6

Call Sign(s):

POLECAT, STAGECOACH, GLADIATOR

Unit(s):

192 AHC (67)

155 AHC (68)

129 AHC (71-72)

57 AHC (72)

Branch of Service:

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Floyd and Alice Edwards were living in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia where he worked as a consultant for the Royal Land Forces Aviation Command (RSLFAC) when they made their first trip to San Miguel de Allende in October of 1999. They immediately fell in love with the beautiful Mexican colonial village and purchased a house before their 8-day vacation ended, although Floyd still had two years remaining on his Saudi contract.

In April of 2001, they made their final move to San Miguel. As Alice recalls, they were quickly identified as good prospects by non-profit organizations in need of volunteers.

The organization Patronato Pro Ninos, the provider of dental and medical care to children and teens whose families lack insurance or the financial means to afford professional health care, caught Floyd's attention. He was asked to be its Treasurer and remained on its Board until a year before his death here 2 Dec 23. He was 81 years old.

One of his most notable contributions was collaborating with fellow Board members to build Patronato Pro Ninos' own clinic and office building as he felt too much money was being wasted on their downtown rental space. Floyd took the lead to raising money for the building from both Americans and Mexican government organizations, already having convinced the mayor of San Miguel to donate the land.

The building remains the center for the organization's management, as well as its in-town clinic with a doctor, dentist, nutritionist and psychologist on site. It's also the location from which the dental and medical vans depart daily to provide those services in the many outlying communities.

Floyd was born January 3, 1942, in Berwick, PA. He earned a BA in Criminology from the University of Nebraska in 1972 and a Master's Degree in Personnel Management from Kansas University four years later. He also was a 1975 graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College and 1987 graduate of the Army War College.

He was the Chief of Staff (Rear) to the Commander of the Third U.S. Army at Fort McPherson, GA from 1990-91, where he oversaw the deployment of 37,000 soldiers to Saudi Arabia as members of Operation Desert Storm. He retired from the Army as a Colonel in 1991. Floyd proudly served his country as a Soldier in the United States Army from 1964 to 1991, and was a highly decorated Vietnam Veteran.

Alice has also been a volunteer at Patronato Pro Ninos, working primarily with the Heart to Heart Charity Bazaar. The day before Floyd's unexpected passing, she was working with other volunteers getting ready for the monthly sale.

Floyd is survived by three sons : Mark, Kent and Eric (a retired Colonel, like his dad); two daughters (Amber Edwards and Angel Moran; two step-daughters (Lisa Hassel and Laura McCracken), and seven grandchildren.

A memorial gathering will be held April 3 at Casa Grande in San Miguel de Allende, with details to come later. For now, the family suggests anyone wishing to make a donation in Floyd's memory should make it to Patronato Pro Ninos.



