Payne, James Milton
Dates in the 57th – 1968 - 1969
Capt – Pilot
Birth Date: October 28th 1944
McKinney, TX
Died After Tour Date: October 31st 2013
Boerne, TX

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James M. "Jim" Payne
Military rank: 1LT

Status: DAT - 31 Oct 2013

There is more information about this person on the VHPA web site.

Flight Class(es):
68-516, 68-28

Call Sign(s):
GLADIATOR

Unit(s):
57 AHC (68-69)
60 AHC (71-72)

Branch of Service:
AR

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PAYNE JAMES M

1LT James "Jim" M. Payne was a VHPA member who died after his tour in Vietnam on 10/31/2013 at the age of 69.0 from Cancer
Boerne, TX
Flight Classes 68-516 and 68-28
Date of Birth 10/28/1944
Served in the U.S. Army
Served in Vietnam with 57 AHC in 68-69, 60 AHC in 71-72
Call sign in Vietnam GLADIATOR
This information was provided by LuClare Payne (wife)
More detail on this person: PAYNE, James M. Graduated flight training with Flight Class 68-28. Flew in Vietnam with 57th AHC (1968-1969) and with 60th AVN CO Aslt Hel (1971-1972)

James "Jim" Payne, 69, of Boerne, Texas peacefully passed away on October 31, 2013 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. He was surrounded by his wife, LuClare Payne, and his children, Jeff Payne, Kelly Essler and Adam Payne. He is also survived by two sisters, Maxine Torian and Carolyn Lednicky. Jim graduated from Texas A&M University in 1967 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in History and English. He was commissioned as a 2nd Lt after 4 years in the Texas A&M Corps of Cadets.

Jim proudly served his country in Vietnam as a helicopter pilot in the United States Army. The first tour was with the 57th AHC (1968 - 1969) supporting the Special Forces as a UH-1 pilot in Kontum. The second tour, he flew an AH-1 Cobra with the 60th AVN CO Aslt Hel (1971-1972). He was awarded a Bronze Star and 21 air medals for his actions in combat. Up until his death, Jim was a proud member of the Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association.

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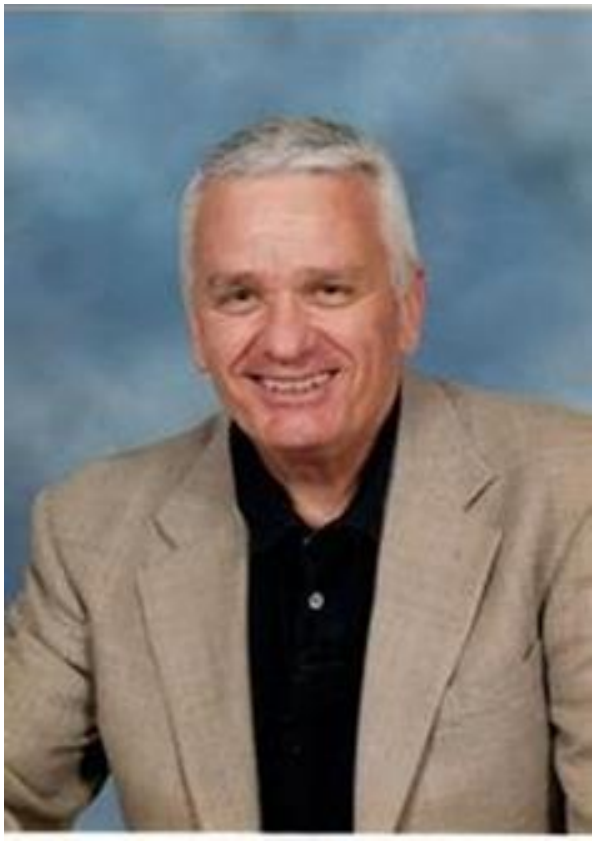
James Milton “Jim” Payne

BIRTH	28 Oct 1944
	McKinney, Collin County, Texas, USA
DEATH	31 Oct 2013 (aged 69)
	Boerne, Kendall County, Texas, USA
BURIAL	Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery
	Dallas, Dallas County, Texas, USA
MEMORIAL ID	119699818 · View Source



PAYNE, James M. identified as flying with the 57th AHC in 1968 - 69. He was identified as a career Army Officer and passed away on Oct 31 from cancer (had retired from job in Jan 2013). Appears that he may have lived in the San Antonio, TX area; his address on our roster is Boerne, TX.

James "Jim" Milton Payne
(October 28, 1944 - October 31, 2013)

James “Jim” Milton Payne, 69 of Boerne, Texas, peacefully passed away October 31, 2013 surrounded by his wife and children. He was born October 28, 1944 to Max and Loveta Payne in McKinney, Texas, the youngest of 3 children. Jim graduated from Lewisville High School in 1963 where he served as his class president. Following high school, Jim went to Texas A&M University where he was a proud member of the Corps of Cadets and graduated with his Bachelors of Arts degree in History and English in 1967. As a freshman at Texas A&M, Jim met the love of his life, LuClare and they were married December 6, 1969.

Jim is survived by his loving wife, three children and their spouses, Jeff & Cassie Payne of Prosper, Texas, Kelly & JC Essler of Bryan, Texas and Adam & Elizabeth Payne of New Braunfels, Texas; five grandchildren, Ella, Sydney, Levi, Morgan and Jimmy; his two sisters, Maxine Torian of New Boston and Carolyn Lednicky of Richmond, Texas and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Max and Loveta Payne.

Following graduation, Jim was commissioned in the United States Army where he served as a helicopter pilot and completed two tours to Vietnam. During his first tour to Vietnam, he served with the Special Forces as a Huey pilot and as a Cobra Attack Helicopter pilot in his final tour. His service to his country earned him the Bronze Star and 21 air medals. Up until his death, Jim was a proud member of the Vietnam Helicopter Pilot Association.

After his Army career, Jim followed in his father’s footsteps and entered the banking industry with Dallas Federal Savings and Loan. He worked at various banking institutions in the Dallas Fort Worth area, prior to moving to San Antonio to begin a career with Broadway National Bank in 1996. He retired from 41 years of banking in January 2013 as a Senior Vice President and District Manager for the Lone Star Division of Broadway Bank.

Jim loved to hunt and fish whenever he could; especially when he was able to meet with a group of friends for an annual turkey and deer hunt. He loved watching Aggie Football, being with his dogs Bailey and Sophie and most importantly, spending as much time as possible with his family.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the doctors and staff at MD Anderson Cancer Center, Dr. Vernon Benson, Dr. Erin Reese and the staff of IMed Healthcare Associates and the staff at Stoneoak Methodist Hospital for the care and compassion provided to Jim during his brave fight with cancer.

Visitation for Jim will be Wednesday, November 6 from 6:00-8:00 PM at Mulkey Mason Funeral Home in Lewisville. Services will be held at the funeral home on Thursday, November 7 at 11:30 with internment at the Dallas/Fort Worth National Cemetery in Dallas following at 1:30.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that memorials be sent to MD Anderson Cancer Center, Neuroendocrine Research Program, P.O. Box 4486, Houston, Texas 77210-4486 www.mdanderson.org/gifts; please include that donation is in memory of Jim Payne or the Texas A&M Foundation, 401 George Bush Drive, College Station, Texas
77840. Please designate the Corps of Cadets General Scholarship Fund in the memo line of the check

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