



## Jerry B Grove

June 12, 1961 - December 29, 2017

Jerry B. Grove, 56 of Chambersburg passed away on December 29, 2017 at home. Born June 12, 1961 in Chambersburg, he was the son of the late Richard W. and Betty Louise (Bryan) Grove. He attended Faith Church of God, Harbor Light. He was a 1979 graduate of Scotland School for Veterans Children (SSVC) where he was a three sport athlete. Jerry went on to serve his country as a Sr. MSgt. in the USAF, retiring in June of 2006. He served his country during the Grenada, Desert Storm and Iraqi Freedom Wars. While in the service, he completed his Master's degree in Business administration. He also did a great deal of traveling all over the world including places like Russia, the Azores and Germany, where he was an attaché to a General. In addition to traveling in his military career, he enjoyed traveling the States as well. His life passions were photography, animals and visiting zoos. One of his goals was to go to all of the National Parks in the US. He was a life member of the AMVETS Post # 224, and a Post Member of both the American Legion Post # 46 and the Charles Nitterhouse Post #1599, V.F.W. and was a member of the Marine Corps League. Jerry was the reigning Chess Champion at the American Legion and was an avid Detroit and Notre Dame Fan as well as being the Treasurer of the SSVC Alumni Organization. He is survived by six siblings: Joy Smith (Terry), Joyce Knoll, Jacquelyn Grove (Steve), Darryl Grove, Ron Grove (Nancy), his twin brother, Terry Grove (Irma); nieces and nephews: Gary Smith (Leah) and children: Modena Smith (Danny) and son Izaiah, Steven Smith, Gary Smith Jr, Terry Smith (Nancy) and son, Devin

Smith, Trisha Grove, Kayla Grove and many cousins. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Donald Grove. The funeral service will be held 11a.m. on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at Sellers F.H. with Pastor Andy Ficks officiating. Visitation is one hour prior to the service. Burial in Parklawns Memorial Gardens. Honors by the Charles Nitterhouse Post #1599 V.F.W. Honor Guard. In Lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations may be made to Meals on Wheels, 43 West Washington St., Chambersburg, PA 17201 or any American Heart Association, <https://donate.heart.org>. Online condolences may be expressed at [sellersfuneralhome.com](https://sellersfuneralhome.com)

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of Jerry B Grove, please visit our Heartfelt Sympathies Store.

# Tribute Wall

NT

“ Jerry was a seriously good friend, comrade, colleague and very helpful. It was a really shock when we read a message about he passed away. Jerry, rest in peace! Ibolya and Tamás from Hungary

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**Németh Tamás** - October 06, 2020 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Jackie and family, I am shocked and saddened to receive your kind note notifying me of Jerry's passing. He was so happy and proud when his father came to Hanscom for his retirement. My deepest sympathies to the entire Grove family. Rest In Peace Jerry, keep smiling.

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**Patricia Martone** - January 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ I will remember Jerry as a kind and humble man with a gentle and generous spirit.  
He always seemed to greet the many challenges of life with grace and a smile. Jerry was also blessed with a wonderful, ironic sense of humor that would sneak to the surface from time to time. I will never forget a hilarious dinner I had with Jerry and Uncle Dick some years ago. Jerry did his best to influence his dad to make good food choices and I finished the meal wondering whether or not they serve cheeseburgers in Heaven? I will never forget Jerry or his love for his family, friends and strangers alike, for his country, and for all the creatures on the earth.  
RIP Cousin.

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**Marianne West** - January 09, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *May our memories cause you to smile often in the days ahead until you meet again.*

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**nkr~John 11:25** - January 08, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ You (and your brother) were born on Dad’s birthday, so you began with a “Special” connection. You have been my C-burg connection and now you are our Heavenly connection to our Family Cloud of Witnesses. Every time I’ve seen a Cardinal, I have thought of Mother, now I will add you to my thoughts. You called her “your Angel” and now you are our Angel. I am sure she, Dad, Aunt Barb, Aunt Janet, Uncle Leo, Uncle Bobby, Aunt Frieda, Aunt Dodo, Uncle Owen, Uncle Paul and your Parents were all there to greet you.

*You made your contributions to Scotland School, to the Air Force, to Chambersburg, to all the Zoos you were able to visit on your journey, to your Friends and to your Family. You are the first of us cousins to move on and it certainly makes us aware of our own mortality.*

*You challenge us to move forward in your honor....TO make each day count (Keep smiling), TO take care of our Family (you went out of your way to include Mother in family events and others in your “Circle of Care”), TO use our intelligence (I did not know you were a chess champion!), TO serve our country (which you did admirably), TO serve a cause (as you did with Meals on Wheels and the American Heart Foundation) and TO live our dreams (how many zoos did you see? And the places in the World you visited?).*

*Dad always said we are all “only here a short time at the longest” and your passing certainly brings relevance to that belief. It is with great sadness we accept the shock of your passing. We appreciate you and will remember you always. Every time we see a Cardinal or challenge another to “Keep Smiling” we will feel your Spirit.*

*My prayers are with your family...brothers & sisters who will “feel” your passing on a daily basis. May the rest of us gather together in harmony for the remaining years we have on earth. We will all be together Tuesday “in presence” or “in Spirit” as you watch us honor your life. “You will have the best seat in the house.” God Bless you Jerry and keep smiling!*

**Shirley Henry** - January 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ I got back in touch with Jerry a few year ago when at Scotland He & Terry were two of my best friends I;ll never forget the old frog pound situation where they beat Our butts over the load speaker.We came back to camp with a 6 ft rattle snake.I see Jerry insteasts were very similar to mine He loved nature & he served his country.I'm a photographer now.He was a great Kid I get the Feeling he was even a better Man.I was hoping our paths would cross.I think they still will,It'll just be on the other side.Rest in Peace Brother.

**Michal Tipton** - January 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ From Cousin Lee and Marinell to all in the Richard Grove family go our most heartfelt condolences. We know Jerry was a wonderful man and though he will be sorely missed, he will never be forgotten. The beautiful cards and animal photos Jerry sent us over the years will always be treasured. I'm sure Aunt Betty and Uncle Dick welcomed him with open, loving arms and may they all rest in peace.

**Lee West** - January 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Jerry - you will be missed by your Texas family. We always enjoyed your visits. Ok the elf costume was a bit much, but other than that... I'll miss your Christmas cards with all the zoo animals on them. When the lion once again lies down with the lamb, I hope you're there with your camera!

**Chuck Jacobs** - January 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS! JERRY WAS A DEDICATED MEMBER OF SSSVC ALUMNI AND A VERY SPECIAL PERSON. CAN'T REPLACE A PERSON LIKE JERRY GROVE, HE WILL BE MISSED.

Robert Hollinger - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ My deepest, sincerest sympathy to Darryl, Jackie, Ronnie, Terry, and Joy. Jerry was truly one of the good guys and will be missed by all who knew him, especially members of his Scotland family. Will be thinking about all of you and keeping you in my prayers. Love to All, Sally

Sally Sheaffer - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ My deepest sincere condolences to the Grove family. Jerry will be truly missed, especially at our Scotland events. Rest in peace my friend until we meet again. Your Scotland sister Sylvia Shrawder class of 61.

Sylvia Shrawder Mathieu - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

HI

“ My deepest sympathy to the Grove family and specifically to Terry and Ron Grove. A classmate since I arrived at SSSVC in 1971, Jerry may be gone but he will not be forgotten. We played a lot of together as kids in Mrs. Haggard's cottage at SSSVC.

Herbert M. Turner, III - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

FF

“ Jackie, Ron, Terry and family,

*We offer our deepest sympathy for your loss. Jerry was one of a kind, good person, warm, friendly and caring. He brought honor to his country , God, family and Scotland School. He will be missed.*

*Frank & Loretta Framei*

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**Frank & Loretta Frame** - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Jerry, you will always be remembered for your kindness, gentleness and your positive attitude. You sincerely appreciated & loved your family & friends, both near & far; and always made the extra effort to keep in touch.

*You left us way too soon, but we have those special memories and all those wonderful zoo pictures you traveled so far to collect.*

*Sending love to your brothers, sisters, nieces & nephews-May God give you all the strength you need through this difficult time. We will see your wonderful smile again in God's Kingdom.*

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**Cousin Patti Jo & Michael** - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I am extremely grateful and privileged to have been a part of Jerry's life. His friendship was enormously sincere and genuine, and I will cherish the memories of all the wonderful times I was able to share with him, good, bad and indifferent! Jerry put a smile on everyone's face he associated with. Jerry has reserved a special place deeply imbedded in my heart that I can treasure and reminisce until it is my time to go. I know that God has blessed his soul and he can rest in peace!

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**Michael D. Merryman** - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Dear Jerry, thanks for your friendship during our stay at the NATOschool.

*Rest in Peace.*

*Sylvia and Frans*

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**Sylvia and Frans Bloemsma** - January 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Jerry, I Am Deeply Saddened By Your Sudden Passing. Even Though I've Only Known You For A Little Over A Year, You Definitely Have Become One Of My Absolute Favorite People To Converse With. I Have Been Struggling Trying To Process This From The Day I Got The Call. I Will Truly Miss You, Your Smile, Your Corny Jokes, You Walking Around The Bar At The American Legion To Clock In Your Exercise On Your Fitbit, Your Stories & Everything About You!!! I Am Struggling To Process This. You Were So Young, So Vibrant, & So Full Of Joy. Dear God!!!! Why Did You Have To Go??? I Offer My Condolences To Joy & Your Entire Family. My Prayers Are With The Family. Rest Well, Ole Buddy, In Jesus' Everlasting Arms. Love, "Denise"

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**Denise Marie Graves** - January 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ Uncle Jerry I will never forget all the good times we had together. You'll always be my hero. You are at ease now. You will forever be in my heart. Thanks for being a great uncle to me. I love and miss you so much. We meet again. RIP... Uncle Jerry... xoxoxo

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**Terry Lee** - January 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Godspeed Jerry! I didn't spend a lot of time with you because you were my relief at the NATO School but so glad we kept in touch over the years! God bless your family during this difficult time ... RIP!*

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**Mike Parris** - January 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *Jerry will be sadly missed. We loved visiting with him and hearing of all his travels. He had much to offer to those around him. His warm smile and attitude will always be remembered.*

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**Cheryl Grove** - January 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ *Jerry, I was very lucky to share 4 years of duty with you in Germany. Serving with you was an honor and pride. Your smile and kindness will always be in my heart.*

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**Tito Benito** - January 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Even though you are gone away,  
Your love will always be here to stay.  
You touched our hearts with so many things.

God knew you were the one to save,  
He took you home to get some rest,  
Even though we loved you best.

Our hearts are filled with so much pain,  
God loved you more, there was no shame.

At this time we must let go.  
Your memories we will keep a flow.  
Rest our dear cousin with peace of mind,  
Your memories will live on through.

You will be missed. Tony & Lorry Fragale

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**Lorry Fragale** - January 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ We were all sister and brothers at the school that taught us values  
and respect of authority and for one another. You will be remember  
with great honor and love by all those who knew and loved you,  
grew up with you and served with you. Your new assignment is now  
with your Heavenly Father for ever and ever. Until we meet again  
you're in our hearts and memories.

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**Rev. Wanda Shoap** - January 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ You will forever be in my heart and thoughts. Thank you for all  
you've done for me and being my brother. Gone, but never  
forgotten. Love you

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**Jackie** - January 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

UK

“ Jerry,  
Go with God and rest in Peace!  
Yours was a life worth living and will not perish from our memories!

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**Uncle Cas Kriechbaum** - January 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM