



Colonel Ronald W. Clegg, U.S. Army, Ret.

March 29, 1941 - July 17, 2018

Colonel Ronald Walter Clegg, U.S. Army, Ret. passed away peacefully at Joanne's House at Hope Hospice on July 17, 2018 at the age of 77. Ron was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on March 29, 1941 to James Edward Clegg and Dorothy Kelly Clegg.

He was raised and schooled in Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania and Rocky River, Ohio. Ron attended The Ohio State University, graduating in 1965 as a Distinguished Military ROTC Graduate and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant.

Colonel Clegg served in various command and staff assignments during his 26-year military career and was a veteran, serving with Company F, 51st Infantry (Long Range Patrol), (Airborne) in II Corps, Vietnam, where he was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge. Colonel Clegg further served two years with JCS Project 404, Laos, supporting the Royal Lao Army's containment of the North Vietnamese Army's incursion into Laos. Ron's other assignments include the 82nd Airborne Division, 101st Airborne Division, 18th Airborne Corps, US Forces Korea, US Army Europe, Central Army Group Europe, Headquarters Baltic Approaches, Demark and US Army Element, Brussels, Belgium. The assignments Ron most enjoyed were with the elite airborne soldiers, where he earned his Master Parachute Wings. Colonel Clegg was also awarded the Army Ranger Tab and the Special Forces Green

Beret. Colonel Clegg's military career culminated at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he served as Director, Plans & Training, 18th Airborne Corps.

After retiring from the military in 1991, Ron moved to Naples, Florida and operated a family owned business, Friction Materials Florida, a national distributor specializing in automotive & industrial clutch and brake friction. Ron also owned and operated JASCO Properties, a commercial real estate rental company.

Predeceasing Colonel Clegg was the mother of his two children Karen Margret Ranney, Colonel Clegg's wife of 24 years, Lis Hansen Clegg, and his brother James Edward Clegg III.

Colonel Clegg is survived by his wife, Nadia Ouchattou Clegg; one son, Brian Todd Clegg; niece, Heidi Kwasney; and her children, Matthew and Kirsten.

Ron was immensely proud of the children's diligences in pursuit of higher learning and passionately supported their efforts.

Colonel Clegg will be laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery with full Military Honors at a date to be determined. Details of the service will be released when finalized.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations in Colonel Clegg's name to Wounded Warriors Project, P.O. Box 758517 Topeka, Kansas 66675.

To sign his guest register or to leave online condolences please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA 22211

<http://arlingtoncemetery.mil>

Tribute Wall



“ *Colonel Ronald W. Clegg, U.S. Army, Ret.*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *When time permits, I randomly search for old friends made during my 20 Military career; today I am saddened to find that my old boss, COL Ron Clegg, has passed on to Our Army In Heaven. I served with Ron during the SECRET WAR in Laos; PROJECT 404. He was a great boss and Officer! In fact, along with BG Trefrey (Deputy Chief JUSMAG), Ron assisted in 'pinning' on my Direct Appointment Warrant Officer bars. (A photo of this can be found in a book recently published by Special Forces Colonel Joe Celeski regarding the SECRET WAR.) My sincere condolences to Ron's children and family! Rest In Peace, Sir! DOL!*



Raymond Millaway - July 19, 2019 at 04:10 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Worked for him at Friction Materials. He was a kind and gracious man.*

JoyceWilliams



Joyce Williams - January 12, 2019 at 08:39 PM

SC

“ I was a 24 year old Lieutenant in C co when then LTC Clegg was our Bn Cdr in Germany. I had worked on getting another Bde to drop a circuit for ours. Of course they wouldn't. LTC Clegg, after hearing my frustration looked squarely at me and said: “Influence what you can. Let the rest go.” I've kept that guidance for my own ever since. Tried and True

scott - December 29, 2018 at 09:23 PM

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“ Ron was more than a friend, he was force. He truly exemplified all that we think of when we think of a true American soldier. Brave, strong of heart, true to his beliefs, caring of others. I will greatly miss him.

Ted DeGroot - October 10, 2018 at 08:06 AM

AO

“ I will always keep your image that you are the greatest source of inspiration and courage. May you rest in peace !

Aicha Ouchattou

Aicha Ouchattou - August 01, 2018 at 12:25 AM

AH

“ Love you Ron. See you on the drop zone. ART

Arthur Hayes - July 31, 2018 at 04:07 PM