



CSM John H. "Jack" Holman

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CSM John H. "Jack" Holman faded away on March 5, 2013, at the young age of 62. Jack is survived by his wife of 40 years, Diana, son Jarrod and wife Trina, daughter Lauren, and three perfect grandchildren, Madeline, Gabriel and Averie. His sister, Toni Collins and husband Jeffrey, and brother Evan and wife Gennie, still live close to the Philadelphia area where Jack was born. Jack remained very close to his parents-in-law, Vera and DJ, and brother-in-law and wife, Roy and Lisa.

CSM Holman was a Soldier. He entered active duty on December 31, 1969, as a medical specialist and went to Vietnam three months later where he served with three combat units and combat support units in the 1st Cavalry Division. He earned a Bronze Star, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Combat Medics Badge and Combat Infantryman Badge. He had numerous stateside assignments and was stationed in Germany and Belgium. He was also deployed in support of Operation Desert Shield/Storm. He was one of a few medics that were also a tank commander. CSM Holman served as the Command Sergeant Major of Bayne-Jones Army Community Hospital from 1993-2000. His duties were expanded to include Senior Medical NCO Observer/Controller of Echelons Above Division, Operations Group.

CSM Holman loved training Soldiers. His legacy is the numerous young men and women that he influenced and molded: Cody, Rader, Speedy, Bidez, Santiago, Torretti, Early, Tuna, Crosby, Martone, Talbert, and so many others. Lieutenants and Captains will remember him going through their combat gear piece-by-piece, explaining each item and welcoming his encouragement before they deployed. He also loved his BJACH civilians. There were few nights that Jack did not stop by the ER or the wards to check and make sure that everyone was doing okay or stop by the clinics during the day to "torment" the nurses with his crazy humor. He had a special place in this heart for the folks on the cleaning teams and the dining facility.

There will be no service. The family has instead chosen to have a simple ceremony at their home as Jack was not a man for pomp and circumstance. Arrangements are under the direction of



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Labby Memorial Funeral Home of Leesville. In lieu of flowers take a Soldier to lunch or put gas in a Soldier's car. Pay it forward and Jack will be proud.



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