



Peter Mudge Noyes

May 6, 2024 - May 7, 2024

Peter Mudge Noyes, Beloved husband of Lucy Noyes passed peacefully at Memorial Hospital on 7 May 2024. He was born on 6 May 1939 in Lynn, Massachusetts to parents Oscar Augustus and Janet Mudge Noyes. Peter had just celebrated his 85th birthday.

He attended the Marble Head, Massachusetts school system, received his BS from Norwich University, and his MS in Systems Management from the University of Southern California.

In 1977 Peter married Lucy Butler Noyes on 1 July 1977 who survives. He was preceded in death by his parents Oscar and Janet Noyes; and his stepson, James Sawyer, from North Carolina. He is survived by his son, Christopher Mudge Noyes, and his daughter, Holly Anne Noyes, both from Alabama, and his brother, Lawrence, Colorado, and his sister Martha, Florida, and the following stepchildren: Chrisy Zamenik (David), Janet McElroy, Ray Sawyer, (Julie) and Teresa Ransdell. His step grandchildren are Kate McElroy, Ryan and Evan Sawyer, Eli McElroy, Sara Hartmann, Ellen and Jack Ransdell. Step great-grandchildren are Bryce Gaves, LJ Hartmann, and Zeke Ransdell.

Peter was a man who loved life and lived a full life. As a boy he didn't expect his parents to fulfill all his wants. He would look for work such as mowing yards, clearing snow and even collecting fat during the war effort. He was also a good ice hockey player, having played for his high school. Peter also had a great love for photography. After retiring and moving to Wapakoneta he

wanted to give back to the community and joined the Lima Elks Lodge B.P.O.E #54, Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post 8445, Wapakoneta Eagles Aeire #691, the Local Optimists, and Theater Clubs. He has served on the Civil Service Commission as chief for a number of years. He thoroughly enjoyed volunteering with the park system in Lima whether it involved leading hikes, teaching school children, working with the of Maple Syrup production, or monitoring the growth of wild flowers or butterflies. While a member of the Elks he supported the Dayton Veterans Hospital patients by visiting the hospital numerous times a year and in addition to visiting the patients, planned parties and activities for special days. Each Christmas he would get a list of what each patient would like and buy (with funds provided by the Elks and the government) a personal gift for each patient and see that it was wrapped and presented to them with a personal card.

He served in the Army from 1961 to 1983. He was an Army Aviator and flew both fixed wing aircraft and helicopters and as his expertise increased, he became an instructor on both types of aircraft. He served in various levels of first line management which led to direct supervision of 250 instructors. He designed, developed and implemented the Army's first self-paced course instruction. Peter served three years in Viet Nam where his helicopter was shot down several times, once resulting in a broken back. Based on his ability to achieve positive results at various levels of responsibility involving design and development of new equipment and training programs he was called upon to work on the M1 Abrams Tank. The last eight years of his service was dedicated to the tank program. Although the M1 Tank is over 40 years old it is still the best tank in the world. He was respected not only by his fellow officers but also by both high-ranking officers and enlisted personnel alike.

He loved our country and was pleased he had the opportunity to protect it and was heard numerous times stating that he would do it again if the situation arose and he was able to do it.

Memorial services will be 3:00 p.m., Saturday May 18, 2024, at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, with military rites preformed by the Wapakoneta

V.F.W. Post 8445 following the service. The family will receive friends from 1-3 p.m., at the funeral home. The family is requesting that instead of flowers, interested individuals give to their chosen charity. Condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 18. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory
1102 Lincoln Ave.
Wapakoneta, OH 45895
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com
<http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com>

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Tribute Wall

TM

“ I got to know Pete through the Wapak Breakfast Optimist Club. He had a great sense of humor and was a good friend to all of us. He enjoyed using his love for photography to record our events and place them on social media, as recently as Sunday April 28, to promote our club. His talents and friendship will be greatly missed.
Todd Meier

Todd M. Meier - May 18, 2024 at 02:00 PM

ER

“ Ellen and Jack Ransdell purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Peter Mudge Noyes.



Ellen and Jack Ransdell - May 17, 2024 at 08:06 PM

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“ Ellen and Jack Ransdell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter Mudge Noyes.

Ellen and Jack Ransdell - May 17, 2024 at 08:06 PM

ES

“ Evan and Miley Sawyer purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Peter Mudge Noyes.



Evan and Miley Sawyer - May 15, 2024 at 08:57 PM

JK

“ I had the honor of meeting Pete at Elks Lodge 54. He was a GREAT man and a honor to serve with in the officer group at the Elks. Pete was on of those guys that you could not help to like. I will always remember Pete for his love of his country and fellow man. I will be keeping his family in my thoughts and prayers

Jim Kilpatrick - May 14, 2024 at 11:50 AM

RH

“ Pete and I first met at Ft. Knox. He was a bit of a wild man always playing practical jokes. He is one of the finest officers and men I have ever know. He gave far more to the Army and the country than they ever gave to him. He is directly responsible for saving many American lives. Pete you will be missed!

Ralph Hill - May 11, 2024 at 05:40 PM

TA

“ Petey loved mowing the lawn and telling me short New England style funny stories and jokes. I remember he got his lawn mower stuck in the mud once in the backyard and I had to pull him out. He was a kind soul for sure. We will say a prayer for you. Thomas John and Sandy Adamovich, neighbors.

Thomas John Adamovich - May 11, 2024 at 12:40 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,

May your memories of Peter Mudge Noyes, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.
My thoughts
and prayers to the family of

US Veteran, Peter Mudge Noyes, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - May 11, 2024 at 11:53 AM

CF

“ *Pete was a good neighbor and public servant. He served many years on the city's Civil service commission. Always enjoyed his company. Denny and Colleen Faller*

Colleen and Denny Faller - May 10, 2024 at 05:49 PM

JW

“ *We love you forever Pete!*

John & Ingrid Willmott - May 10, 2024 at 09:44 AM

TS

“ *Pete is one of those people you can't find anything bad to say about! He was/is a great friend and will be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him.*

Tom Stinebaugh - May 10, 2024 at 09:26 AM

JS

“ *Pete was one of the greatest human beings I have ever known. We will miss him terribly. And be inspired by him forever. Jim & Barb Smith*

Jim SMITH - May 09, 2024 at 09:06 PM