



USMC (Ret.) MSgt. Floyd Patterson

November 18, 1956 - March 21, 2010

USMC (Ret.) MSgt. Floyd Patterson, age 53, of Charlotte, North Carolina, passed away on Sunday, March 21, 2010, in the comfort and privacy of his home with his loving family by his side. Born in Utica on November 18, 1956, Floyd was the son of the late Daniel J., Sr., and WillieLue (Lumpkin) Patterson. He was raised and educated locally and was a graduate of Utica Free Academy. From July of 1978 to August of 2004, Floyd answered a true calling to serve his country with The Few. The Proud. The Marines. His 26-year career allowed him to see the world and meet his current fiance and partner in life, Denise Crosby, who was also an enlisted marine; Floyd was an honest, fun-loving companion and a great father to his children. He was a respected provider, protector, and patriarch to his loved ones. Upon retiring from his military career, Floyd worked as a truck driver for various companies. His excellent work ethic and love of travel made him highly competent in his vocation. Affectionately called Pat by his friends, he was blessed with the attributes of a natural leader and was the neighborhood Mr. Fix-It. He derived fun and excitement from fast cars and big trucks. He was very mechanically inclined, and even as a child, he could fix or build just about anything. During his youth, he enjoyed the activities at the Boys & Girls Club. He was a member of the Fraternal Order of Masons, and while residing in North Carolina, he joined the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Fraternal Order of the Police. Floyd is survived by his fiance, Denise Crosby; his daughters, Demetria Patterson, Latoya Hynes and Phyllis Gary, all of Utica; his sons,

Travis Patterson of Charlotte, NC, and Michael MJ Crosby of Houston, TX; and his seven grandchildren. Survivors also include his sisters, Patricia Patterson, Willie Lou Patterson, Elizabeth A. Patterson-Moyer and Cynthia R. Patterson, all of Utica; his brothers and sister-in-law, Daniel Patterson, Jr., of Rome, Oscar Patterson of Utica, Booker and Debra Patterson of Liverpool, Elmer Prince of Utica, Tony Woods of VA, Freddy Pete of VA, and Melvin Pete of Utica; his sisters and brother-in-law, Tisha Prince of MA, Patricia Pete of Utica, Joyce Pete of Utica, Clynell Pete-Gary of Utica, and Tina and Tim Pete-Coleman of Utica; numerous nieces, nephews, with special mention of his nephew, USMC Sgt. Shinard Patterson, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, and aunt, Nancy McClendon of GA. In addition, he leaves Denises family; his father-in-law, Bennie Howard of the Bronx, NY; his sisters-in-law, Angela Rivera of MD, and Barbara Bostic of GA; and his brother-in-law, Bennie Howard, Jr., of New York City. Floyd was also favored by many friends, especially the Awesome Four, Robert Smitty Smith, Billy Johnson BJ, and Nate Sanchious Stick. He was predeceased by his brothers, Samuel Patterson and Cleave Prince; his sister, Lois Wilcox; and his mother-in-law, Earline Howard. The family extends gratitude to the personnel of Hospice & Palliative Care Charlotte Region in North Carolina for the additional and comprehensive care rendered to Floyd, the staff of the Presbyterian Hospital for their compassion and guidance, and the A.T.F. Charlotte Field Division for all the support given to the family. Visitation will be held Saturday (tomorrow) from 11:00-12:00 at St. Pauls Baptist Church, 219 Leah Street. Floyds Home Going Celebration with Military Honors will commence Saturday at 12:00 noon at the church, immediately upon conclusion of visitation, with Rev. Robert Rassberry officiating. Interment will take place in Forest Hill Cemetery. Arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

"Semper Fi"

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul's Baptist Church
219 Leah Street
Utica, NY

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of USMC (Ret.) MSgt. Floyd Patterson*



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - March 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I have been searching for MSGT Patt for awhile and I'm sad to see that he has passed away. I served with him at MARFORLANT Camp Lejeune, N.C. (1995-1997) . I'd like to say that he was more than just my NCOIC, he was a true friend. He took me a young Marine under his wing and made sure I was a proper Marine. He was a good role model. I have so many stories where he would show me the "real Marine corps way". Thank you F.Patterson for all of you guidance. RIP*

Danyawn Pettus - April 28, 2022 at 04:53 PM



“ Hello Denise Crosby,
April 12, 2010

What a very sad shock to Martha and I as Pat was the very best neighbor and friend we ever had he will be missed by all. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and Travis.

Bob and Martha Davis##imported-begin##Robert "Bob" & Martha Davis##imported-end##

April 12, 2010 at 03:43 PM



“ *In a crowd you're bound to spot him,
He's standing so very tall
Not too much impresses him;
He's seen and done it all.
His hair is short, his eyes are sharp,
But his smile's a little blue.
It's the only indication
Of the hell that he's gone through.
He belongs to a sacred brotherhood,
Always Faithful 'til the end.
He has walked right into battle
And walked back out again.
Many people think him foolish
For having no regrets
About having lived through many times
Others would forget.
He's the first to go and last to know,
But never questions why,
On whether it is right or wrong,
But only do or die.
He walks a path most won't take
And has lost much along the way,
But he thinks a lot of freedom,
It's a small price to pay.
Yes, he has chosen to live a life
Off the beaten track,
Knowing well each time he's called,
He might not make it back.
So, next time you see a Devil Dog
Standing proud and true,
Be grateful for all he's given;
He's given it for you.
Don't go up and ask him
What's it's like to be in war;
Just thank God that it's your country
He's always fighting for.*

*And thank him too for all the hell
He's seen in that shade of green,
Thank him for having the guts
To be a United States Marine*

-John Wear

*Rest Easy, Marine.
Semper Fi!##imported-begin##Steve Zeigler##imported-end##*

April 06, 2010 at 10:28 PM



*“ May God continue to bless you Denise.##imported-begin##Carlton
Bowers##imported-end##*

March 31, 2010 at 10:59 AM



*“ Rest in peace Marine.
Semper Fi##imported-begin##SFC (R) Eugene DiFondi
##imported-end##*

March 30, 2010 at 09:36 AM



*“ love you Unk Floyd##imported-begin##Stanley L.
Wilcox##imported-end##*

March 30, 2010 at 09:29 AM



“ Floyd ("Pat") my brother taken at a prime young age of 53, somethings in life I just don't understand, this is one of them. You were and always will be a hero and a leader a true friend to all. Heaven needed your help and called upon you, knowing you for many years I suspect you are working and preparing for the arrival of others, you were never one to standby and watch someone in distress, you would bend over backwards to help, thank you for being Floyd ("Pat") Patterson the Marine the Friend the Brother. Rest in Peace my Brother.##imported-begin##Farzan Nabbie##imported-end##

March 30, 2010 at 06:57 AM



“ To the Patterson Family my most sincere condolences. MSgt. Floyd Patterson thank you for your service to OUR Country. Sempre Fi....##imported-begin##Paul Mangano##imported-end##

March 29, 2010 at 11:39 PM



“ Floyd you were an amazing brother - very loving, dependable, informative and fun. I am already missing our almost daily phone calls -- so what do I do now. Well the wonderful memories forever in my heart will get me thru. Love and miss you.##imported-begin##Pat Patterson##imported-end##

March 28, 2010 at 11:27 AM



“ I love you uncle. You will always be in my heart. Everyone says remember the good times that we have had together as a family, but its not that easy. Uncle Floyd you are an amazing man, uncle,father. It hurts to let you go, but knowing that you are no longer suffering puts my heart and mind at easy. I love you and look forward to seeing you soon. Rest In Peace LOVE ALWAYS, Joy(lil tony)###imported-begin##Joy Morreale###imported-end##

March 27, 2010 at 10:31 PM



“ I know you are in a better place. I Miss you and love you. May you rest in peace.###imported-begin##Aurora Patterson###imported-end##

March 27, 2010 at 09:18 PM



“ My prayers are with you all, may he rest in peace.###imported-begin##Debra Patterson###imported-end##

March 27, 2010 at 08:19 PM



“ I love you uncle Floyd. You'll be missed and remembered lovingly. -Quet###imported-begin##Jacquedda Valadez###imported-end##

March 27, 2010 at 01:00 PM



“ Floyd, I am truly going to miss you. You were a wonderful brother (advisor, protector, provider). I am going to miss our daily talks/e-mails. I have many wonderful memories & I will rely on them to get me through this. Missing & Loving you always,
Cynthia.##imported-begin##Cynthia Patterson##imported-end##

March 27, 2010 at 07:56 AM



“ Hey uncle Floyd

I know your in a better place, watching over us. May you rest in pece##imported-begin##Devin Patterson##imported-end##

March 27, 2010 at 04:52 AM



“ Through your difficult journey you remained strong and true. Fighting the battle with everything that was you. But the journey is over and while you are at peace. Our hearts are heavy because the Lord you did meet. Even in our sorrow we are happy for you. For you are truly with the ones that always loved you. But always remember that you are in our hearts. And nothing will ever keep us apart. Love you always. Denise, Travis and MJ.##imported-begin##Denise, Travis and Michael "MJ"##imported-end##

March 26, 2010 at 03:51 PM



“ I Will Always Love For The Discipline You Taught And Brought Upon Me. Good Times And Bad Unc You Stood Firm In Your Beliefs. Please Forgive Me For My Times Of Stubbornness. I Love You Unc And As Long As I Am Elliott You Will Always Be Remembered In My Heart And Soul As A True Friend That Never Left My Side In Any Situation, Up Or Down. I love You Uncle Floyd

Love Your Nephew
Christian "Elliott"

Love You
Your Nephew
"Elliott"###imported-begin##Christian Patterson (Elliott)###imported-end##

March 26, 2010 at 12:32 AM



“ Love you and Missing you###imported-begin##Jenny Patterson-Brown and LaToya Patterson###imported-end##

March 25, 2010 at 07:33 PM



“ To Liz and all of the Family,
You are all in my prayers.

Paulette###imported-begin##Paulette Brown###imported-end##

March 25, 2010 at 11:46 AM



“ I can't help but to break down and cry. I know your in heaven up above and watching over me with your love. Now I must remember the good times we had. Remember the man my wonderful DAD.###imported-begin##LaToya Hymes###imported-end##

March 25, 2010 at 09:51 AM



“ To the family: Pat is gone but not forgotten, He was a Leader of Marines. He always talked about his Jobs and family. Denise, Travis and family, Pat is in a place where he will not suffer any more. May God comfort and give you peace in your time of need.###imported-begin##Clarence and Veronica Judd###imported-end##

March 24, 2010 at 11:47 PM