



Alan R. "Tex" Porter

April 19, 1930 - February 2, 2007

Alan R. "Tex" Porter, age 76, of Salisbury, died Friday, February 2, 2007 at Coastal Hospice At the Lake in Salisbury.

He was born April 19, 1930 in Rock Hall, Maryland, a son of the late Louis Howard Porter and Florence Amelia Dodson Porter.

Tex, as he was known by all of his family and friends, proudly served his country in the U.S. Army for over 20 years and retired as Staff Sergeant in 1969. During his service, he fought in Vietnam and Korea and was able to travel to many places, and was stationed at Ft. Meade, MD, Ft. Bliss, TX and Germany to name a few. The Korean Service Medal, the Army of Occupation of Germany Medal and the Vietnam Service Medal with a Bronze Service Star were among his decorations that he was the most proud. He also retired as a bank teller, working at a bank in El Paso, Texas and Maryland National Bank. He was a very active member of the Salisbury VFW, Post 194, where he was always willing to step in and lend a helping hand to anyone. As a member of DAV, Chapter 34, he volunteered as a driver, where he logged more than 100,000 miles assisting disabled veterans with doctor's appointments and medical needs. He was also an active member of the Salisbury American Legion, Post 64, Loyal Order of the Moose Chapter 1280, Salisbury and a member of the Military Order of the Cootie, where he was the Seam Squirrel of Pup Tent 6. He was an avid, lifelong N. Y. Yankee fan, he enjoyed reading

and was a big fan of Country & Western music. For the many family and friends that knew him, his kind and gentle spirit will always remain.

He is survived by his daughter, Judith Lynn Renner of Bloomington, Illinois; two grandsons, Max and Alex Renner; and a sister, Miriam Watson of Rock Hall, MD. Several nieces and nephews also survive him.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Roy Alan Porter; 4 brothers, Owen, Carl, Harold and Roy Porter; and two sisters, Myrtle Perry and Evelyn Stevens.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, February 9, 2007 at 11:00 a.m. at Immanuel Baptist Church, 1514 Old Ocean City Road, Salisbury, MD. The Reverends Woodrow Crouse and J. Harvey Dixon will officiate. Interment with military honors will be held at Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery in Hurlock.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to: Salisbury VFW, Post 194, 821 E. William Street, Salisbury, MD 21804.

Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com .

Previous Events

Service

FEB **9**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Immanuel Baptist Church
1514 Old Ocean City Road
Salisbury, MD

Tribute Wall



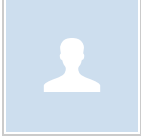
“ Dear Judy,
I was so saddened to hear of your dad's passing (and think fondly on the days when I called him Dad!).
It had been my intent to attend his service this morning, but I am unable to do so....these days I work as the General Manager of WOLC, the Christian radio station here on the shore, and I have tower climbers out there today in this frigid weather, so I need to hang close.
It would have been a joy to see you despite the circumstances.
I pray that God will comfort your heart during this difficult time!
With love and cherished memories!
Debbie Byrd###imported-begin##Debbie Byrd###imported-end##

February 09, 2007 at 11:15 AM



“ I'll miss our fun and whitty conversations
we've shared.my codolences to your family.
Bernie###imported-begin##bernie mattei###imported-end##

February 08, 2007 at 05:43 PM



“ I just wanted to express my condolences to the family and friends of Alan Porter. We lived in the same building together on Walnut Avenue in Salisbury, where I met him for the first time when I moved into the building over the summer. Mr. Porter was a very, very nice man, and he always stopped to give me a friendly hello whenever we saw each other. Please accept my sincere condolences in losing one of your loved ones.

Sincerely,

David T. Johnson##imported-begin##David Johnson##imported-end##

February 08, 2007 at 10:20 AM



“ Dear Judy,
Having known your dad for the past seven years at the VFW has truly been a blessing to us.
He was a kind and gentle man who was loved by all who had the pleasure and blessing of calling him friend.
May your memories bring you and your family comfort and peace in the days to come.
The angels must have been smiling when they welcomed our beloved "TEX"
to his eternal home.##imported-begin##Gene and Beverly Foster##imported-end##

February 06, 2007 at 04:46 PM



“ Dear Judy,
I am thankful that I had the opportunity to care for your father at Coastal Hospice at the Lake. I will remember him fondly as a loving man who spoke with enormous affection and pride about you and your family. His humble demeanor and wonderful sense of humor were attributes which quickly drew people to him. But it was his understanding and gentle nature which kept people close. I know he is missed by many friends and loved ones. I am glad to have known him. For you and your family, I wish you peace.
Fondly, Judith "Delia" Grise RN##imported-begin##Judith "Delia" Grise, RN##imported-end##

February 06, 2007 at 01:51 PM



“ Judy, I was saddened to hear of your father's death. I am glad that we were able to ease some of the stress of his last days and you should know how proudly he spoke of you. May you find comfort from knowing his suffering has ended. He was a sweet man and you are a wonderful daughter. Sincerely, Cheryl Plymale##imported-begin##Cheryl Plymale##imported-end##

February 06, 2007 at 12:03 PM