

SCOTT H. LAUWERS

MATTOON, ILLINOIS

AUG 5, 1944 - SEP 15, 2016 (AGE 72)

PC3, POSTAL CLERK – 1962-1965, USS HANCOCK CVA-19



Scott H. Lauwers, age 72, of Mattoon passed away at 12:25 p.m. on Thursday, September 15, 2016 at his residence. Memorial services for family and friends will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2016 at Salisbury Church, 2350 Madison Avenue, Charleston, IL. Schilling Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Scott was born on August 5, 1944 in Peoria, IL the son of Marcel and Ruth (Munson) Lauwers.

Survivors include his loving sons, Doug (Jeanna) Lauwers of Mattoon, IL, Adam (Jordan) Lauwers of Warrenville, IL and Whit (Amber) Lauwers of Charleston, IL:

Grandchildren, Mason and Kenzie of Charleston, IL and Owen and Lilly of Warrenville, IL; siblings, Barry (Jan) Lauwers of Yorkville, IL, Ruth Rankin of Mattoon, IL and Tom Tull of Windsor, IL; nieces, Stephanie Flohr of Grand Rapids, MI and Lindsey Garvin of Findlay, IL.

Scott was preceded in death by his parents; grandson, Hudson Lauwers; step-fathers, John Tull and Ray Hester; second parents, George and Mary Nelson.

Scott graduated from Yorkville High School.

He served honorably in the United States Navy from 1962-1965 where he served aboard the United States Ship, USS Hancock CVA-19, an Attack Aircraft Carrier of the Hancock Class (a modified World War II Carrier of the Essex Class Long Hull type.

Scott retired from Howell Asphalt. after over 30 years of dedicated service.

He also owned and operated a lawn mowing business for over 40 years.

Scott loved his hometown of Mattoon, IL and knew everyone no matter where he went in town.

He was an avid Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bears fan, enjoyed going out to eat and using metal detection to find coins.

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Schilling Funeral Home is assisting the family. In lieu of flowers memorial donation in Scott's honor are suggested to a local veterans' organization or animal shelter of your choice.

REMEMBRANCES



I am sorry to hear of my old Shipmate, Scotty Lauwers passing! He and I shared a special friendship that was over 56 years ago now.

The Navy sent him and me to ABC Warfare School in San Diego, California in 1962, while the USS Hancock CVA-19 was in Drydock after her return from her 7 month-long Cruise to the Western Pacific. He was a great kid (at the time), and going to a "strange place" was hard for both us alone, having left the "Nest" not long before, so the Navy sent us together. That was a 1 or 2-week training session on North Island in San Diego. We learned a lot about Atomic, Biologic and Chemical weapons and warfare. But Mostly, we learned about the Value of a Shipmate, and the Navy has always known about the Buddy System, for we truly have always been a "Band of Brothers" - I am sorry for the family's loss, but I know Scott is happy where he is, and one day you all will see him again, as I know all those who knew him and loved him will also.

Sincerely,

Jake Jaccard, Captain's Yeoman,

USS Hancock CVA-19, 1962-64

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January 9, 2018 | Winchester, TN | Shipmate

I just heard about your dad's passing Whit. I am so sorry for your loss. I just wanted to let you know that you and your family are in my prayers.

Denise Johnson

September 19, 2016 | Chatham, IL | Friend