



Remembering our brothers who have passed from this life

Keith Leland May, '70

October 22, 1951 - September 15, 2019



Capt., 4; Roller Rifles, 2-4;
Honor, Roll, 3; RECALL, 1, 3,
4; Baseball, 1.

Keith May, AMA '70, passed away on September 16, 2019 at home with his family by his side, following a lengthy and brave battle with cancer.

Keith lived in Ferndale, Michigan with his wife Patty, and is the second of three AMA graduate brothers (see spring 2019 Bayonet) to pass away in less than a year.

The majority of Keith's career as a contractor was dedicated to specialized work on multi-million dollar new and large-scale renovation projects. He was sought after by several large custom builders for projects requiring someone with the professionalism, skills and workmanship that high end clients demand.

Keith was proud of his work, and it was reflected by his commitment to excellence, and the quality of his work; he was truly a master at what he did. His last project was a custom three million-dollar home being built for the owner of Hungry Howie's pizza, a top ten pizza chain in America.

Keith also excelled as a member of the color guard, an officer, in academics, sports and making numerous friends during his three and a half years at AMA.

A few of his friends had the following to say about Keith when they heard about his death:

Harry Campbell, '70, wrote, *"I remember Keith's sense of humor and can still see his smile. Keith is a part of my best AMA memories, and I hope you can take comfort in that he had many friends."*

Jeff Wenzel, '70, said, *"Keith was a mentor to me, and I guess because he came mid-term the year before he understood. Keith was always squared away when needed but fun loving when free time came. My*

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parents and grandparents always enjoyed him as a guest in Winchester as a cadet and later as a young adult. He was energetic and fit, and had a great laugh that would scrunch up his face; I can still see it and mourn that I will not see it again.”

Captain **Nicky Syropoulos, '69**, remembers how his bond and effort with his lieutenant, Keith May, helped catapult their company to more Sunday parade wins in '69 than any other company. His fondest memories of Keith are his cool demeanor and quick with a quip or laugh. *“We had many laughs together, and I considered him a great friend and brother. Love you Keith. Rest in peace.”*

Keith's younger sister, **Ginny (Virginia) May Robins** commented on how much she enjoyed visiting AMA over the years watching her three brothers, especially when Keith was carrying a flag.

Deeply saddened by his death, Keith will be forever missed by family and friends.

He's survived by his wife Patty, siblings Jack May and Ginny May Robins, nieces Kristin May Kuhn and Julie May McKenzie, nephews Justin, Chris, Ryan Robins, and his grandniece Taylor Kuhn. Keith is predeceased by his parents Carl and Thelma, sibling Rick, half siblings Carl W. May and Margaret Glynn.

He was also loved and had a special relationship with his step children and grandchildren that spanned over forty years. Step son Shawn Stevenson, step daughter Michelle Metty, step granddaughters Jessica and Samantha, and step grandson Jason Metty.

The battle is over my brother, rest in peace. I will never forget the sixty seven years we spent together as best friends and siblings.

~ by Jack May