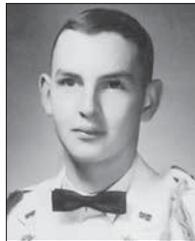




Remembering our brothers who have passed from this life

George Lee Reaves, '69

June 12, 1951 - June 5, 2020



A tribute to George, by good friend and classmate Steve Trent:

Like many AMA Alumni, George proved to be one of a kind. A quiet and unassuming professional, who many folks would never take notice he was ever there. A guy who could always be counted on to come through for the AMA Alumni Association.

At our annual reunions, George had various jobs to ensure our reunions were a success. He ran the Tower of Power and 50/50 and filled in for any other task asked of him. Not to mention he always wrote a substantial check each January to the Alumni Foundation.

George spent three years as a cadet at AMA and he was in Band Company where he played the bass drum. He was active with the Bayonet as an editor. George obtained the rank Sergeant his senior year. He had a dry sense of humor and loved to engage with Republicans like me in politics, since he was a union mediator. I will note that he would always patiently wait for me to say something and then strike!

George like others, stayed home to work in March. I spoke with him in early April and he told me he was having a lot of pain as well as trouble getting around. In May he went to Riverside Hospital initially for an MRI and once they had the results from the test he was immediately admitted and remained in the hospital for almost two weeks.

George was sent home with hospice and passed away within three days. Even though George was a very private and quiet man, he will not be forgotten by his AMA Brothers or the folks he worked with. This is truly evident by the people in attendance at his grave side service.

George Lee Reaves, Jr., 68, passed away on Friday, June 5, 2020. Mr. Reaves was a lifelong resident of the Peninsula.

In his youth, he was baptized at Orcutt Avenue Baptist Church.

He was a graduate of Augusta Military Academy and Virginia Tech and was employed by The National Association of Independent Labor.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George, Sr. and Eunice Reaves; uncle, Frank Reaves, Jr.; and cousin, Kenneth Reaves. He leaves behind to cherish his memory his aunt, Bobbie Reaves; cousins, Alan Reaves (Janice) and Donald Reaves (Mercedes); and many other family members and dear friends.

Family, friends, and colleagues will miss his kindness and caring nature.

