



David Lee Kopp

September 15, 1949 - January 27, 2018

David Lee Kopp, age 68, passed away peacefully on January 27, 2018 in Bellingham, WA. He was born on September 15, 1949 in Mandan, ND to Elizabeth & Frederick Kopp. He graduated from Mandan High School and attended the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, graduating 41st in his class of over 700 in 1971. He then spent over 10 years in the Army Reserve, rising to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He worked for ExxonMobil as an engineer in Corpus Christi, TX. After retiring from Exxon, he earned an M.S. from Iowa State University and later a teaching degree (M.A.) in Mathematics at the University of Washington. He taught high school math at the Chrysalis School in Woodinville, WA for 14 years. After retiring, he continued private tutoring until last year.

He is survived by his loving wife Deirdre (DeeDee) Dilbeck-Kopp, stepdaughter Jennifer (Aaron) Rose of Portland, OR; brothers Bob (Gail) of Benton, LA, Bill (Nancy) of Bismarck, ND, and Dick (Brenda) of Fort Worth, TX; nieces Sara, Lindsey & Whitney; nephews Bill & Jared; and new great-nephew Braden.

David was an avid Seattle Mariners and Seahawks fan, enjoyed the outdoors, traveling with his wife, and living the last 4 years on Lake Whatcom in Sudden Valley, WA. He was a kind and gentle man. He was loved and will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Tribute Wall

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“ To the David L. Kopp family,
We crossed paths often at the Academy at West Point. David was in C-2 and I was in C-4...sister companies to those who knew how West Point academics and athletics worked. Dave was a good guy and really respected. All the obits written on him support the cadet I knew at the Academy. We also briefly crossed paths as Air Defenders. This is clearly written for my condolences to DeeDee and your family. I know I was honored to have known Dave for only a few years of his life but he left a remarkable impression that I can remember and recall over 47 years later.
Be Thou at Peace...

Rodney Erb - January 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ I am one of Dave's classmates from USMA, Class of 1971, Company C2. We have been looking for Dave for the last few months, as we have lost touch with him. I am very sorry to learn of his passing. You have our heart felt condolences. We try very hard at West Point to remember our fallen brothers. If possible and you see this, please let me know if we can write a Memorial for Dave for our classmates to see and remember him. My email is above and my phone number is 408-307-0775. Again, our sympathy to you.

Richard L Rowe - January 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ I had the privilege of working with Dave at Chrysalis High School He was a wonderful teacher to his students and a wonderful friend to his colleagues. He was a great story teller and he entertained us on many a lunch with his stories about growing up in North Dakota. He is remembered.

Andy Cahn - January 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ I will always remember Dave as my dear and gentle neighbor, a seriously intelligent friend with an excellent sense of humor, and the only person brave enough to skydive with me. Dear Dave, you are so missed.

Carla Hasche - January 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM