



Craig Franklin Lofland

March 9, 1951 - October 10, 2019

Obituary information for:

CRAIG FRANKLIN LOFLAND

Date of Birth: March 9, 1951

Place of Birth: Baker, Oregon

Date of Death: October 10, 2019

Place of Death: Kaiser Sunnyside Medical Center, Clackamas, Oregon

Biographical Information

Craig Franklin Lofland was the youngest son of William Marvin Lofland and Jeanne Lofland, born in Baker, Oregon on March 9, 1951. His family lived in various cities in Washington, Oregon and California. He spoke affectionately of his high school years at Mt. Shasta High School in Northern California where he participated in the pep band. Craig joined the U.S. Marine Corp in December 1969. Among the medals he received were the National Defense Medal, Vietnamese Service Medal, Vietnamese Campaign Medal, Rifle Marksman Badge. He retired as a federal police officer from the Federal Protective Service in Portland, Oregon. His favorite hobbies were playing golf, watching car races, football, singing karaoke. In retirement he became a part-time karaoke DJ.

Survivor information

Craig married Nancy Thomas in 1971. Together they had a son, William (Will) Lofland. Craig is survived by his children, Will Lofland and Cari Gesch; two grandchildren, Sage Reeves and Odessa Gesch; half-brother, Danni Lofland and nieces and nephews.

Scheduled Services

1) Memorial service will be held on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at Turning Point Church, 13333 SE Rusk Road, Milwaukie, Oregon 97222 (503) 305-8704, at 1:00 P.M. Friends and family welcome. Reception following.

2) A private military honor ceremony will be held at Willamette National Cemetery on October 29, 2019 at 1:00 P.M.

Contributions can be made in remembrance of Craig Franklin Lofland to:

National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Oregon
5331 SW Macadam Avenue
Suite 290
Portland, OR 97239
(855) 372-1331

Link: nationalmssociety.org

Arrangements by Simon-Cornwell Colonial Chapel
www.cornwellcolonial.com

Cemetery

Events

Willamette National Cemetery **OCT**

11800 SE Mt Scott Blvd

Portland, OR, 97086

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Memorial Service

01:00PM

Turning Point Church

13333 SE Rusk Road, Milwaukie, OR, US, 97222

Comments



“ Yesterday afternoon my dear father-in-law passed away. I remember when Will told me how he reacted when he showed him my engagement ring and told him he was going to ask me to marry him... He said, "Dad cried! He's so happy, he cried"! I am so glad we went with our guts and got married when we wanted to, otherwise Craig Lofland would've missed the happiest day of our lives! So glad he was there with us! We will cherish those memories forever! RIP Craig, we all love you!!

Krystle Lofland - October 19 at 08:44 PM



“ Thank you for sharing that Krystle.

Midori Thomas - October 21 at 01:49 AM



“ There was this really cute but annoying guy in my accounting class in business school. I didn't know if he was pretending he needed help. Everyday he'd talk me into going out to lunch so we could do our homework together. I didn't know we were "dating." He finally invited me out for a real date to see the movie "Paint Your Wagon." I wasn't really sure it was a date because he invited his mother. She really wanted to see the movie. But after the movie, after he took his mom home, he asked me to marry him. I said, "no." He never stopped asking me. He never went away. He was everywhere. He teased me constantly. Everytime I tried to talk, he'd start singing some stupid little song. Everything reminded him of another song. Oh my gosh, he was so annoying. Everyone thought he was so cute. He knew everybody. Everybody knew him. Well, he got mad at his mom one day and joined the Marines. Ha! I guess he showed her. He thought following the rules at home was tough! He came home from boot camp all buffed up. It's the only time in his life that he ever gained weight. He'd get so hungry he'd go through the chow line about three times. It's the only time in his life that he was not a picky eater.

Midori Thomas - October 19 at 03:04 AM



“ When Craig and my sister were married, I sometimes stayed at their house as a kid. One time they took me to the Oregon State Fair. I talked him into going on The Zipper, an amusement ride, with me. He got irritated right off the bat because as soon as we went upside down, his cigarettes fell out of his pocket. Then he got motion sickness. I loved the ride, but his face was very green when we got off. I hope he forgave me for laughing.

I used to love riding on the back of his motorcycle too. He took me home one time all the way from Portland to Garibaldi. That was a great adventure for twelve year old me.

I have great memories of singing karaoke with him a time or two. Till we meet again,

brother, Rest In Peace.

Janet Doty - October 18 at 12:18 PM



“ Janet, during those years, Craig and I worked opposite shifts. Since I worked days, he'd take off and ride his motorcycle all day...trips up and down the Columbia River Gorge or down to the coast.

Midori Thomas - October 19 at 02:46 AM