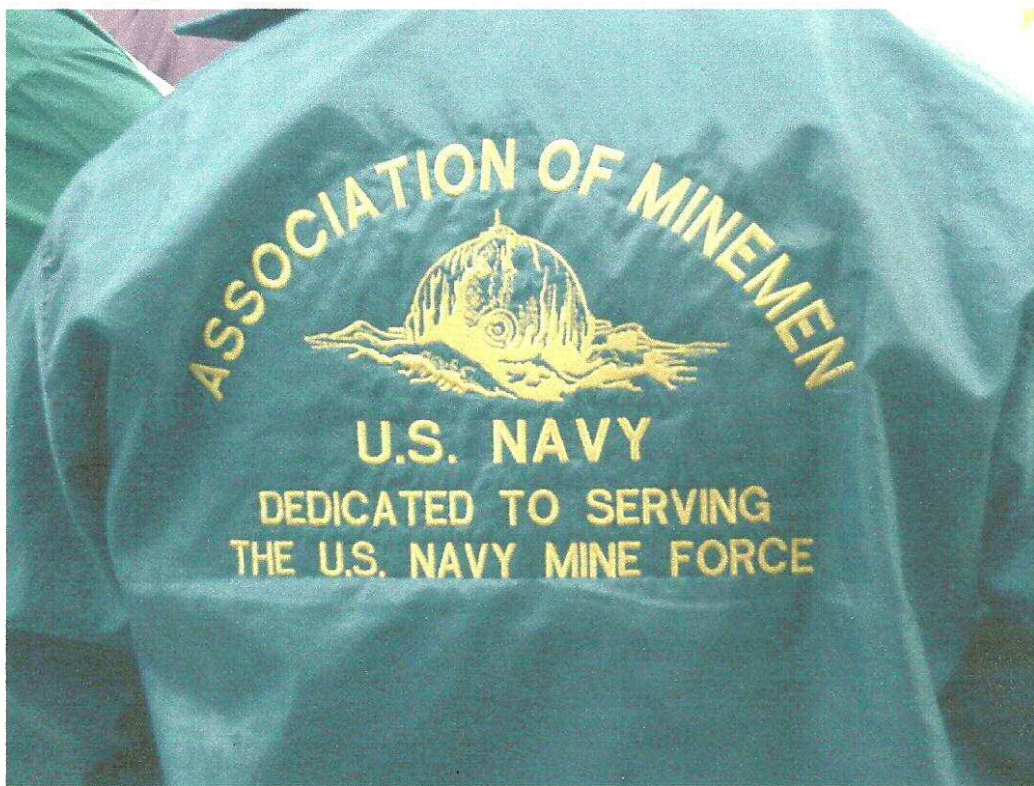


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# 30th Annual Reunion

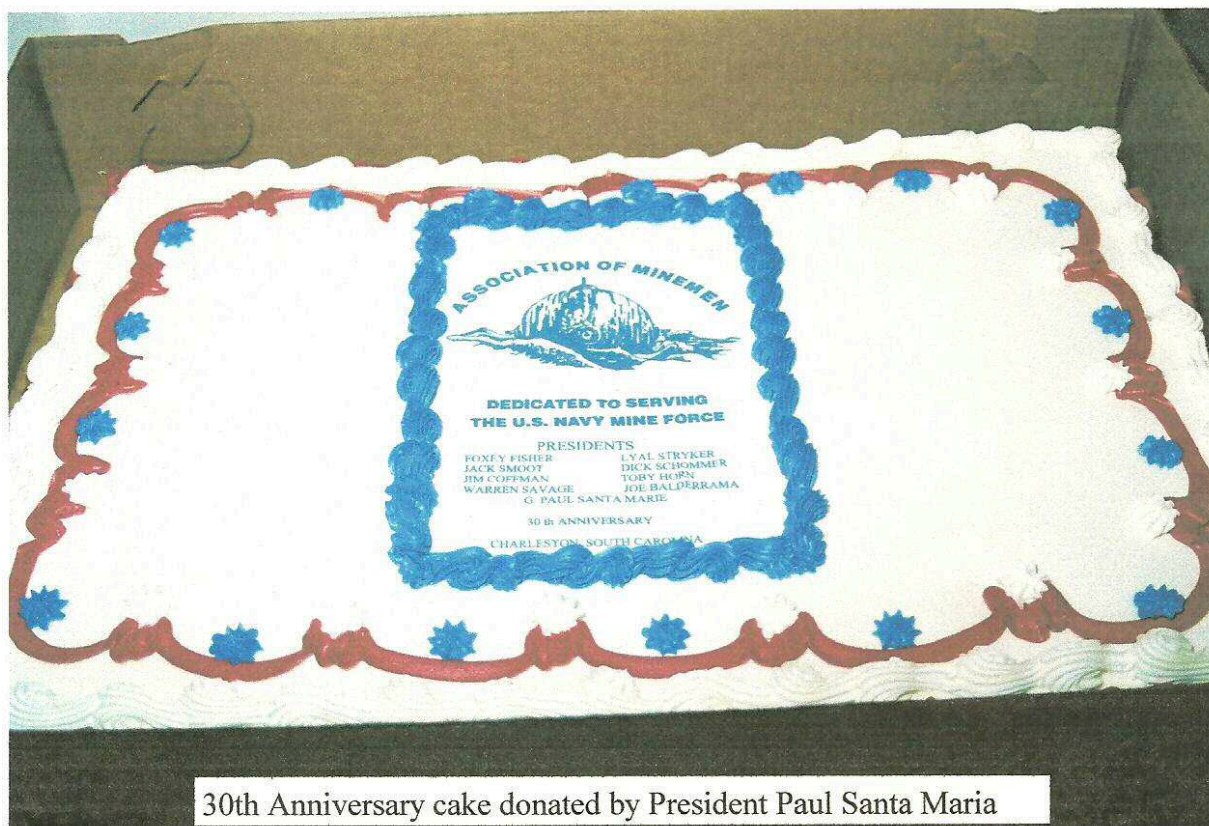
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MOMAU 11 Color Guard  
IT3 (SW) Christy Riley, MNSN Daniel Kline, MN2 (SW) Ruben Stretch & MNSN Brian Osborne



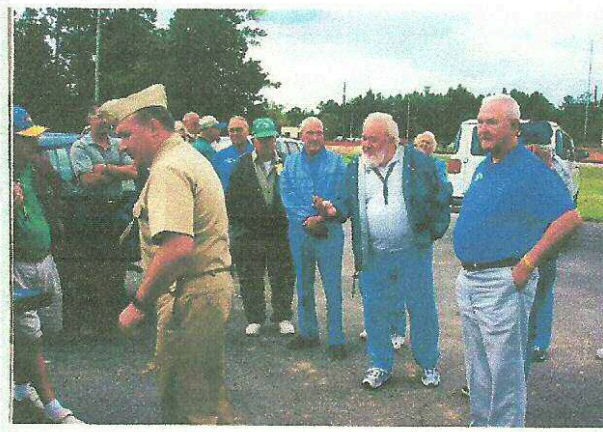


30th Anniversary cake donated by President Paul Santa Maria





MOMAU 11 Tour



MNCS (SW) Mike Morus musters the tour group



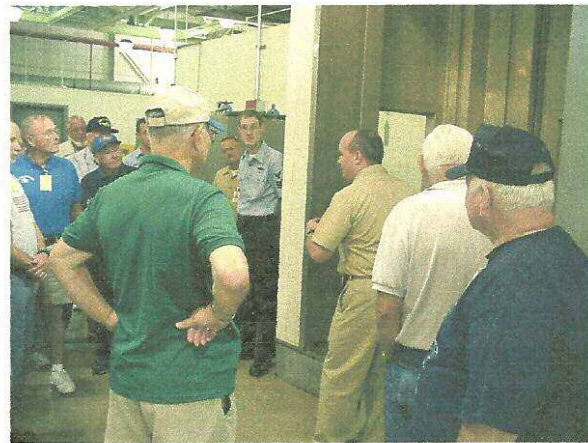
Welcome to MOMAU 11



We do it a little different today



Lots of room to work these training mines



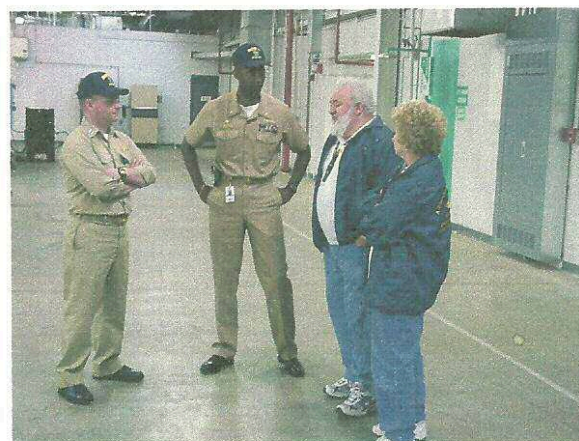
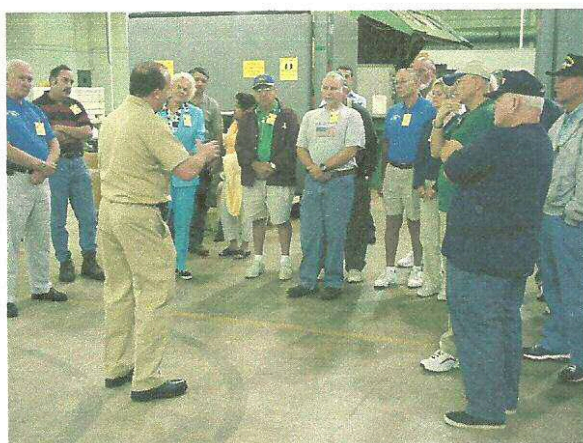
Today's water-blasting and painting booths



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Lots of room for a build-up



XO LT Jay Gulley & CO LCDR Marquis Patton brief Bill & Patti Johnson



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Component Test



Black Box



Supply MNCS Allston



CO & the Hoffmans



UNIT 11 & Tour Group



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Early Bird Social



Mac McCarthy center



Linda & Jim Gray



Mal & Fran Hubner



Bob Hart explains to the Whitner's



Bob Wilson, Joe Balderamma \* Jim Gray



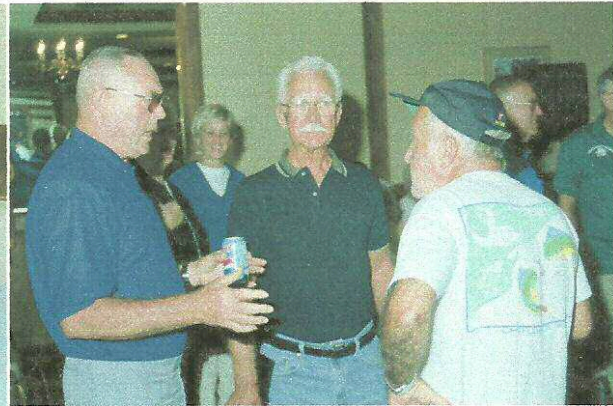
Al Bauer, Shelly Kelly, Bill Johnson & Yosha Kelly



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S R Stephens



Wes Keith, Bo Bellamy & Ken Harder



Wisniewski



Ray Cobis, Dick & Charlotte Cox



Masako Swart & Paul Santa Maria



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Roger Adams, John Boden, Wildman & Dave Walker



Mike Vargo & S R Stephens



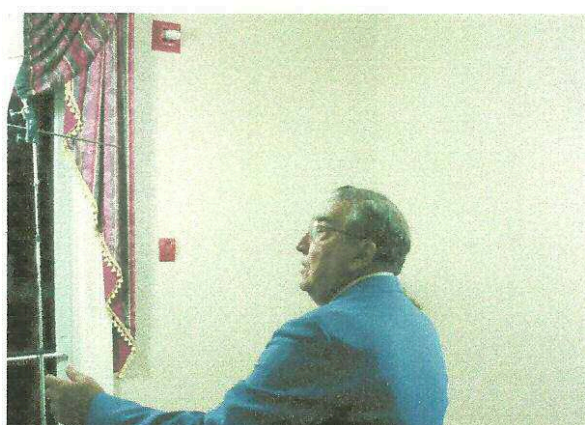
Bruce Swenson & Wes Keith



Shelly & Yasha Kelly    Norman Wicky



Walter Peters & Mac McCarthy



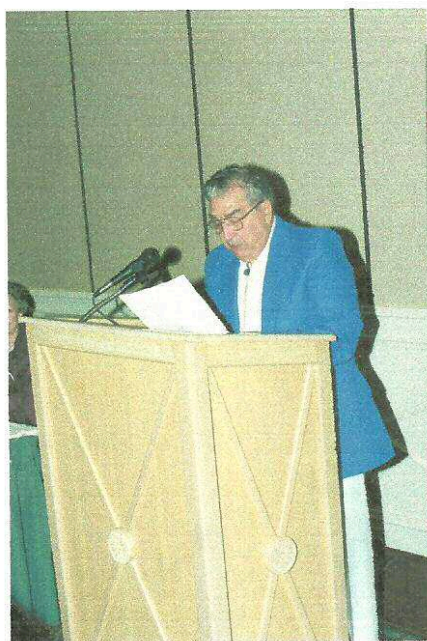
Paul Santa Maria



## Business Meeting



## Dinner Meeting

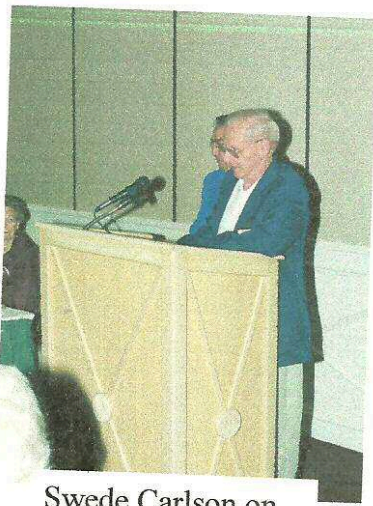


President Paul Santa Maria

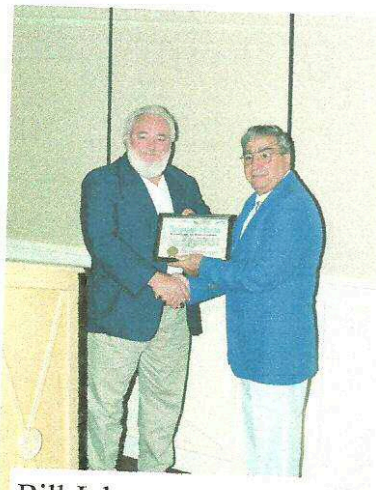


Bob Hart, Joe Balderamma, Bill Fortner, Patti & Bill Johnson, Boots & Paul Santa Maria





Swede Carlson on Scholarships



Bill Johnson outgoing Director



MNCM Dave Walker Reunion Support



Phil DeChene Webmaster



Joe Balderamma Jr. Past President



Swede Carlson Scholarship Chair



John Loonam outgoing Director



Curtis Christian Secretary/Treasurer



Ron Swart outgoing Historian



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Jack Smoot outgoing  
Vice President



Warren Savage out-  
going Parliamentarian



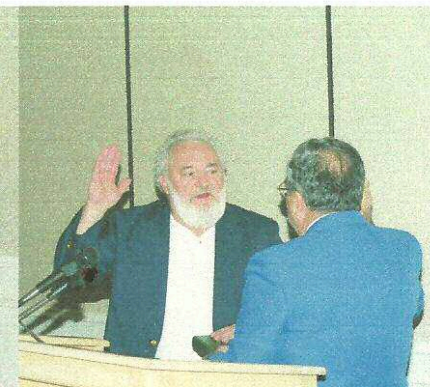
Bill Fortner Dashpot  
editor



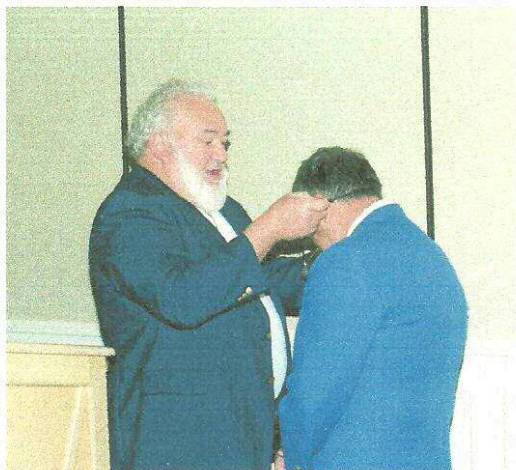
Ray Cobis Order of  
the Clock Cocker



Outgoing President Paul and  
Boots Santa Maria say thanks



President Bill Johnson  
takes oath of office



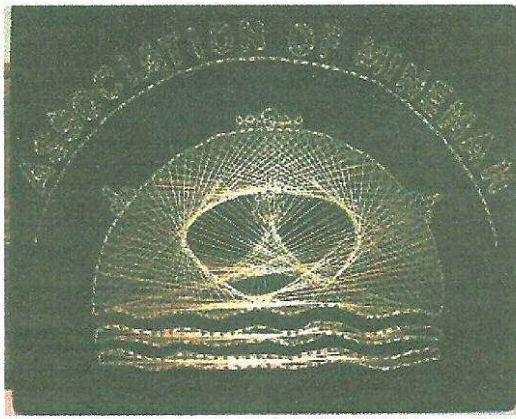
Passing the Presidents medallion



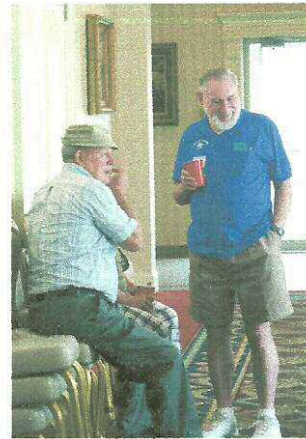
President Bill Johnson presents Cer-  
tificate of Appreciation to outgoing  
President Paul Santa Maria



## Picnic & Auction



String Art auction item



Joe Spoon & Dave Barclay



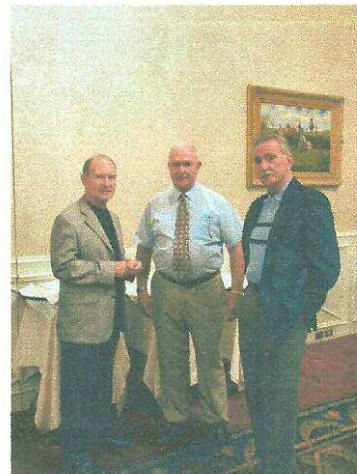
Doug DeLong, Tom & Marta Hoffman



Buffet line



John Loonam Curtis & Mary Christian



Ron Swart, Bob Hart & Bill Roberts



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Bill Roberts,

Bob Forbes



Evelyn DeChene and her family



Ron & Masako Swart



Marta & Tom Hoffman



The Hofmans, Irene & Stan Stancik



Karen & Dan Powers eye  
auction items



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Marion & Ted Newton



John Oponcensky & John Keen



Stan Stancik, Tony Sikorski & Jim Cottrell



Picnic



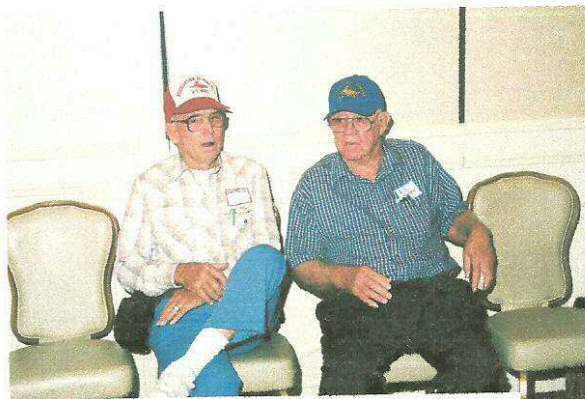
DeChene's & Hoffman's



Mike Whitner, David Fazenbaker & Mike Jargo



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Danny Priest & R O Smith



Mac McCarthy & Ted Newton



Curtis Christian



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Bob Forbes & Al Bauer



Ken Harder & Phil DeChene



Frenchy & Trish Lemiux, Abe & Peg Hinman



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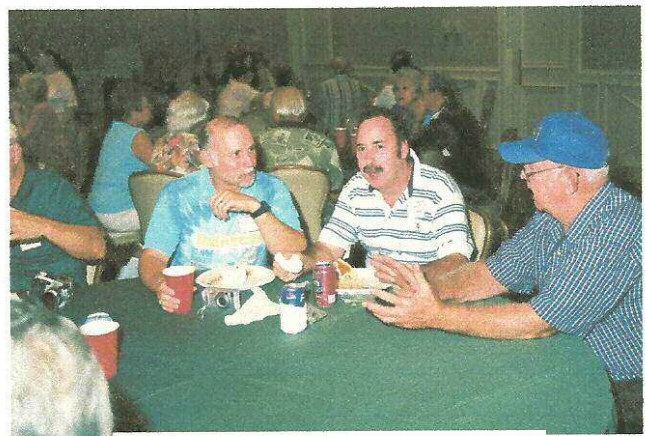
Lorraine Caffery



Walter & Sarah Peters



Fred Reid, John Opocensky & Bo Bellamy

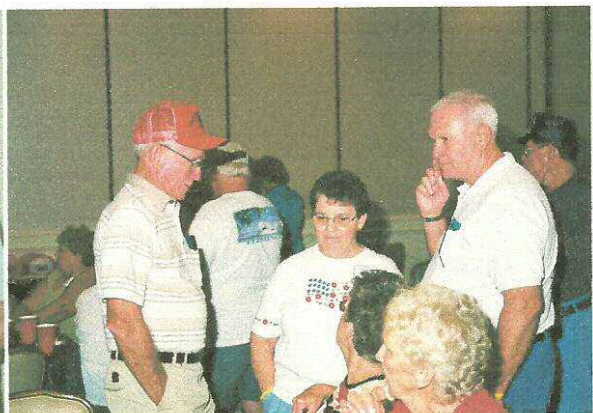


John Epps

R O Smith



Mike Dango, Bruce Swenson & Mike Whitner



Buddy Stewart,

Bob & Connie Hart



## 30th Anniversary Celebration



Presidents gather to cut the cake



A Toast to the AOM's 30th Anniversary



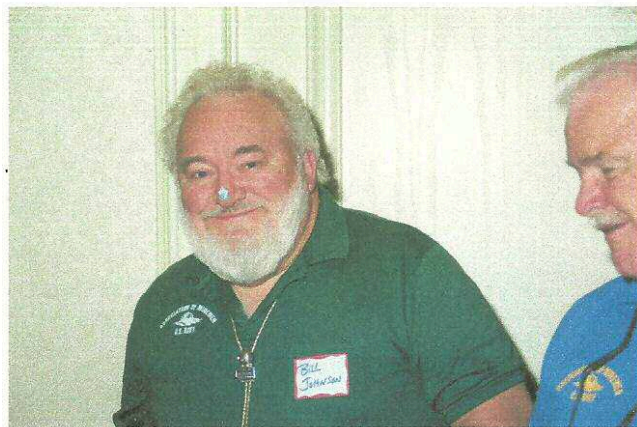
Presidents serve the cake



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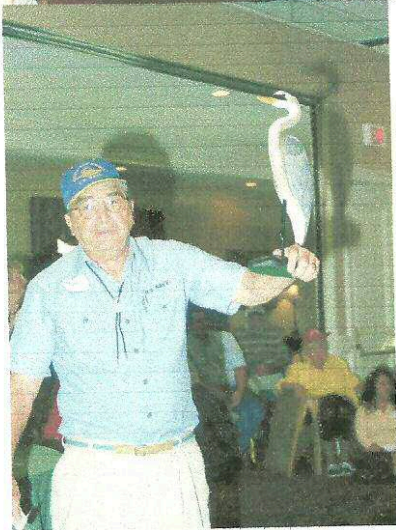
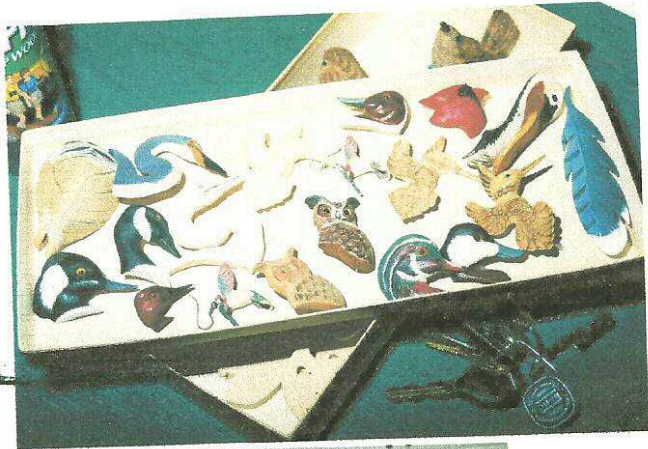
Presidents wear the cake well



Outgoing President Paul Santa Maria wears the 3rd class rating badge. His wife Boots wore a 2nd class rating badge to show us who is in charge!



## The Auction



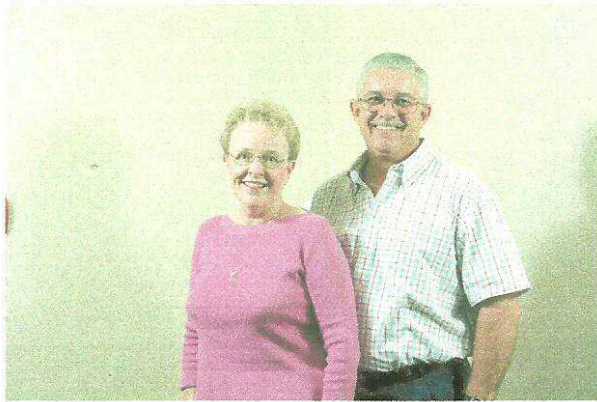


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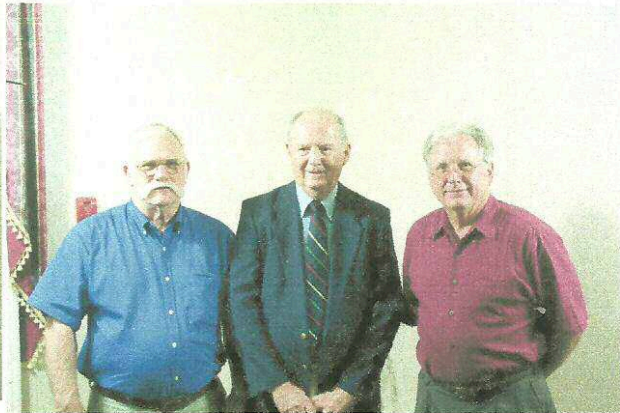




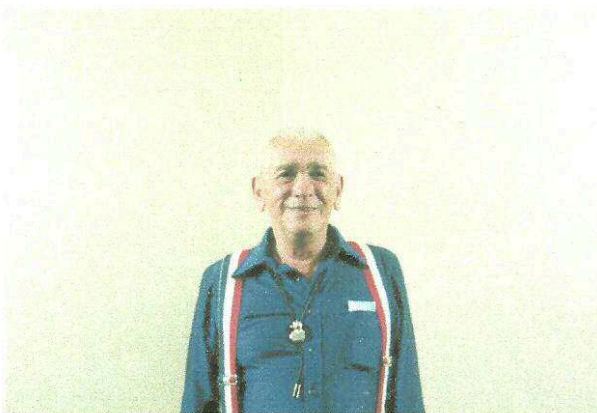
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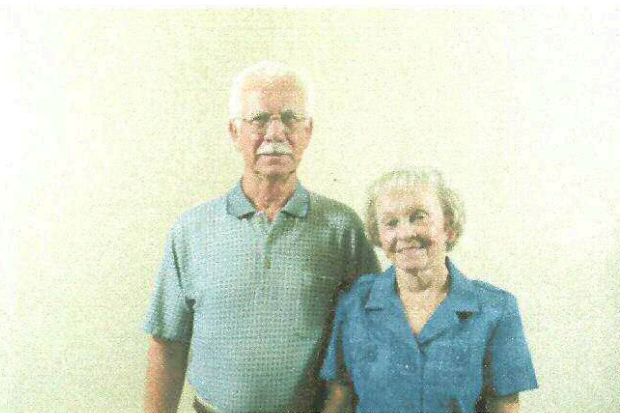
Libby & Roger Adams



Eddie Adams, Jack Smoot, Dan ~~Spencer~~  
EVERLY



Joe Balderrama



Bo & Kaye Bellamy



Barbara Handay & Don Bran Brannon



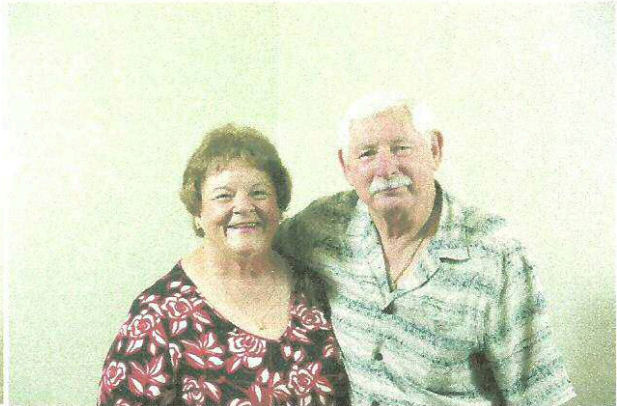
Swede & Irma Carlsen



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Paul & Ruby Chavez



Ann & Ray Cobis



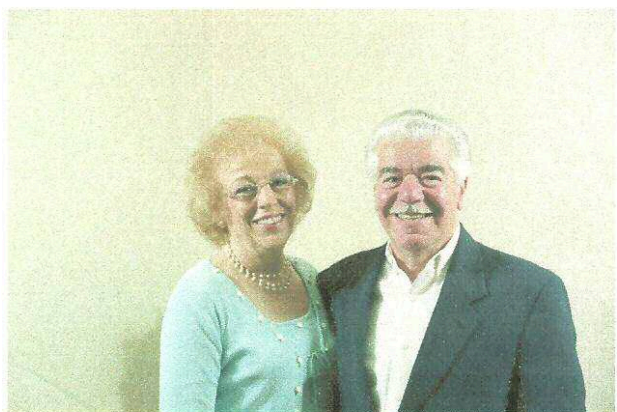
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Charlotte & Dick Cox



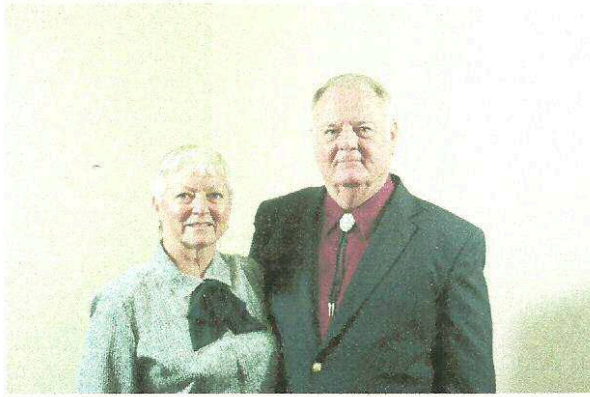
Evelyn & Phil DeChene



Ann Marie & Don Fanelli



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Dorothy & Bill Fortner



Linda & Jim Gray



Helen & Bing Hajnal



Ken & Sadie Harder



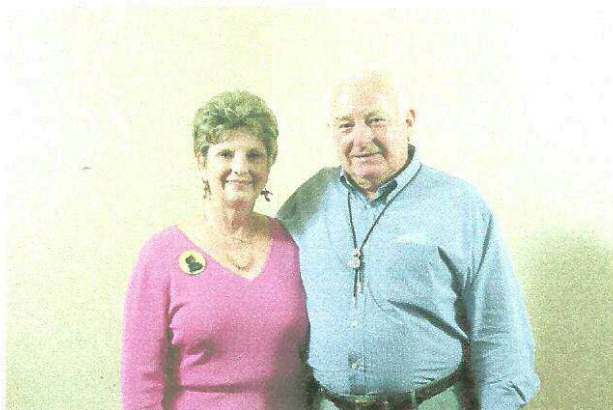
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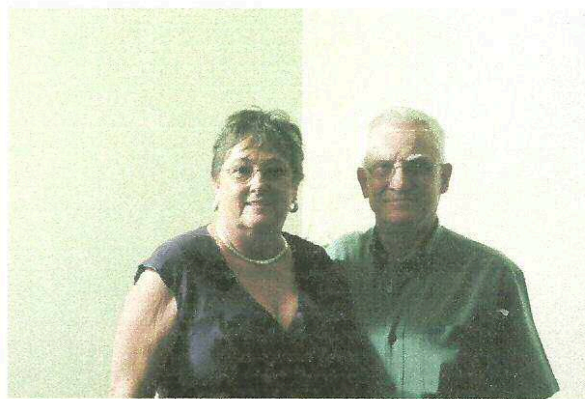
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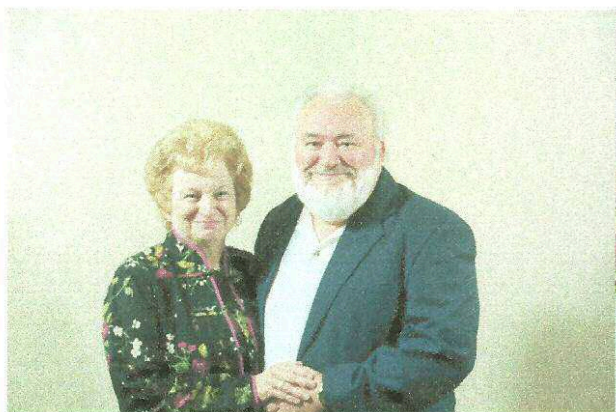
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Janie & Toby Horn



Fran & Mal Hubner



Patti & Bill Johnson



Bill, Patti , Kati & Mark Johnson



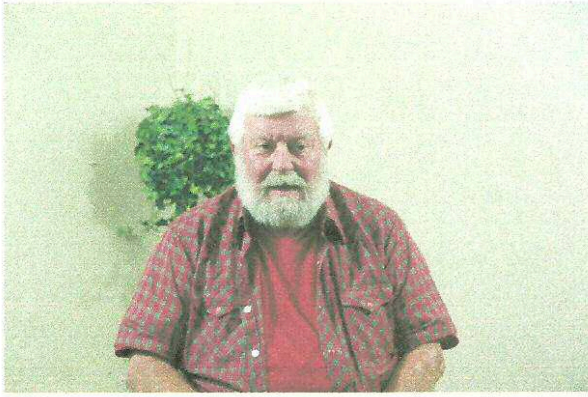
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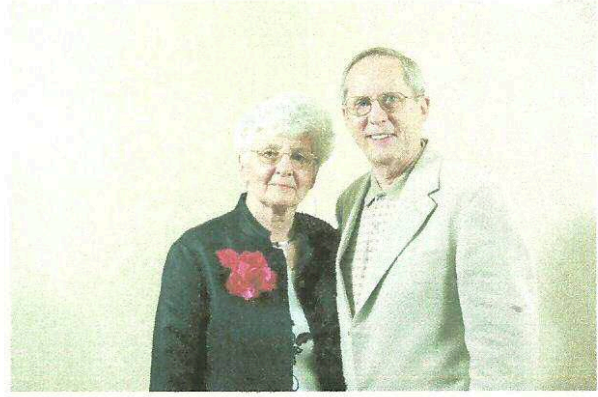
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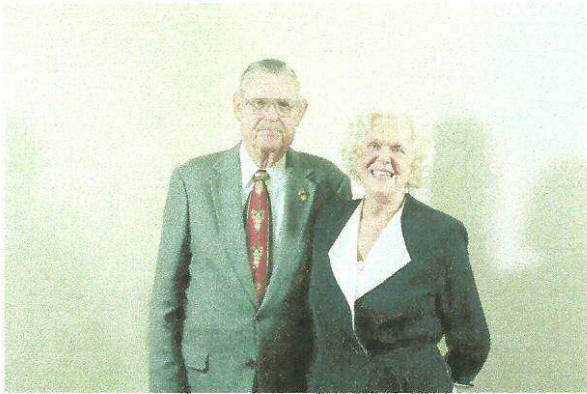
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Emma Jane & Bill Mehard



Ted & Marion Newton



Vera & George Oxendine



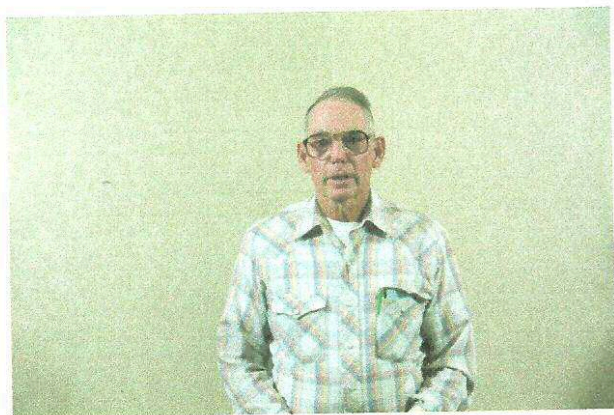
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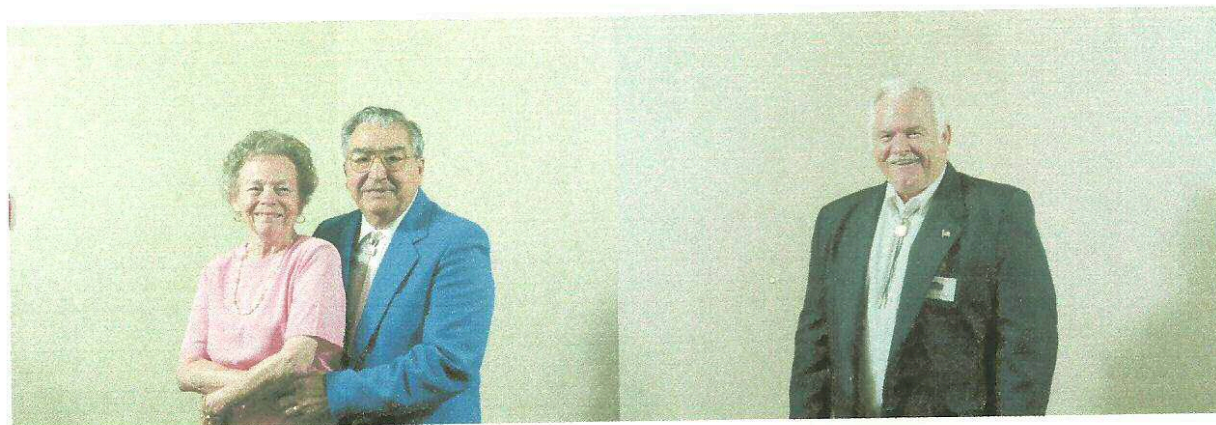
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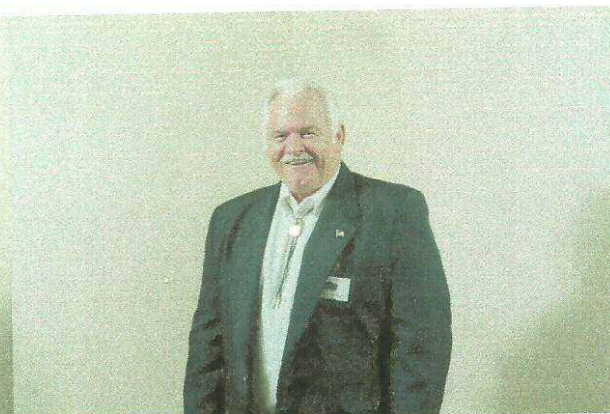
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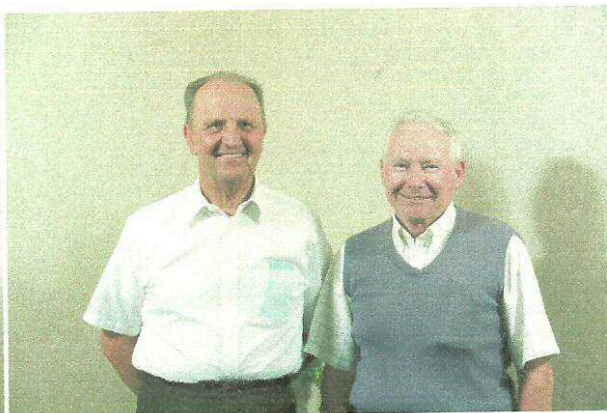
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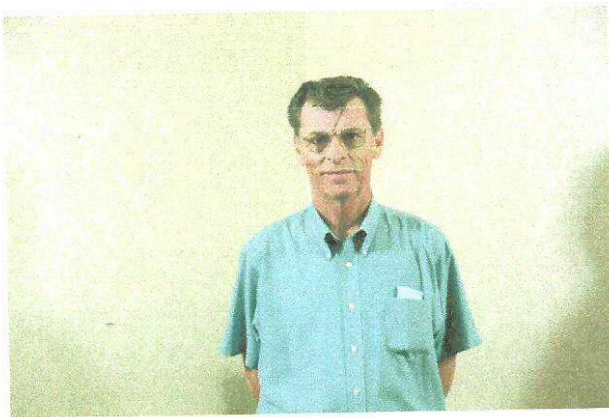


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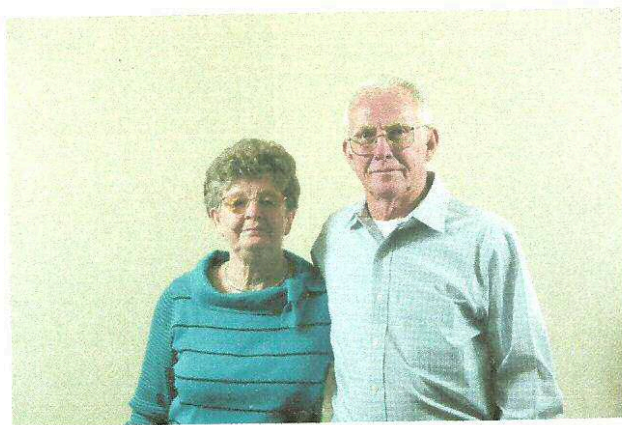




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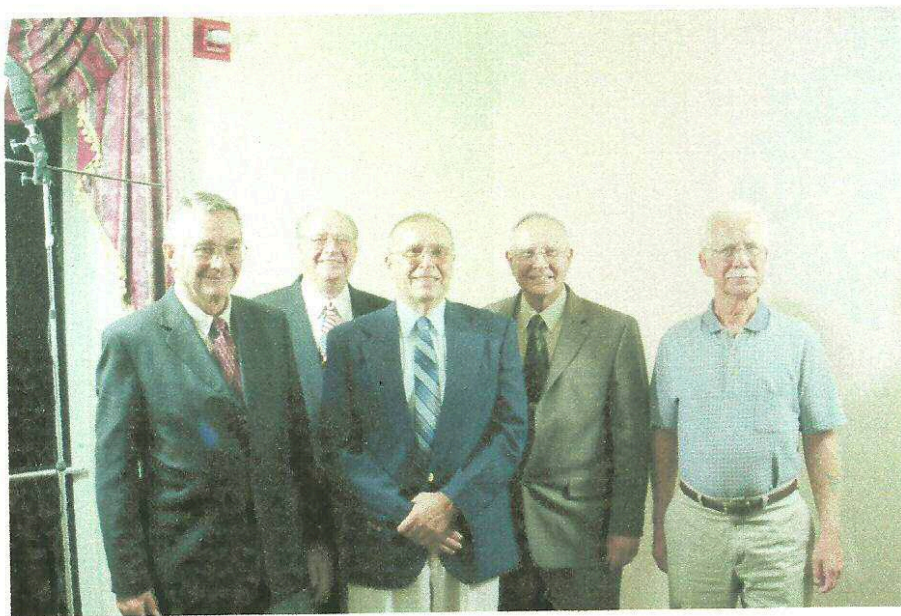
Irene & Stan Stancik



Jean & Horace Stewart



Bob & Betty Wilson



Stan Stansik, Curtis Christian, Tom Hoffman, Phil Dechene, Bo Bellamy  
All in same Mineman "A" school class



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30<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion Attendees

ADAMS, R  
BALDERRAMA, J  
BARCLAY, D  
BAUER, A  
BELLAMY, BO  
BRANAN, D  
BROYLES, ALLEN  
CARLSEN, W  
CHAVES, P  
CHRISTIAN, C  
COBIS, J  
COTTRELL, J  
COX, R  
CULOTTA, P  
DEARING, G  
DECHEN, P  
DELONG, D  
DET11  
EPPERLY, D  
EPPS, J  
FANELLI, D  
FORBS, B  
FORTNER, W  
GRAY, J  
HAJNAL, H  
HART, R  
HARTER, K  
HINMAN, A  
HOFFMAN, T  
HORN, TOBY  
JOHNSON, W  
KEEN, J  
KELLY, S  
KENNEDY, J  
LAFLEUR, F  
LEMIEUX, J  
LOONAM, J  
MACK, A  
MCCARTHY, F

MCPHERSON, A  
MEHARD, W  
MORIARITY, JIM  
NEWTON, TED  
OPOCENSKY, J  
OXENDINE, G  
PETERS, W  
POWERS, D  
PRIEST, D  
REID, F  
ROBERTS, W  
SANTA MARIA, P  
SAVAGE, W  
SCHOMMER, R  
SIKORSKI, A  
SMITH, LEO  
SMITH, R  
SMOOT, J  
SPOON, J  
STANCIK, R  
STEPHENS, S  
STEWART, H  
SWART, R  
SWENSON, B  
VARGO, M  
WHITNER, M  
WICKE, N  
WILDMAN, W  
WILSON, R



**TAPS LIST Aug 2003 – Oct 2004**

**ALMONRODE Ronald H. CDR; past NMEF OIC; June 18, 2004, Yorktown, VA**

**AUSTIN Robert, MNC; June 10, 2004; Goose Creek, SC**

**BARRETT, Alice; (Wife of Fred Barrett, MN2), Nov 28, 2004; from Fred Dane**

**BESS, James O. CDR, XO NAD Hawthorne & CO NAVMAG Subic, June 2004, MOAA Magazine**

**BUTT, Jim CDR USN Retired died December 21, 2003 in Aydlott, NC. Jim was Ordnance Officer in Fasron 201, Malta**

**CUSTIS, George MNC (Reported in the February 2004 issue of the FRA Naval Affairs)**

**GUYTON, John Robert 83; Reno, Nevada; September 10, 2004 - Don Decroner**

**HIEDBRINK Richard MN2; June 4, 2004; Huston, Texas - Reported by Mitchell Russ (REB) MN2**

**KIRKPATRICK, Wayne A. MNC, Naval Affairs May 2004**

**LEISY, Irene; (Wife of Kenneth Leisy); Oct 27, 2004; Orrville, Ohio - Fred Dane**

**LUKER, Bill MNC of Mesa, Arizona passed away on Jan 22, 2004. Bill was the MN Detailer in the late 70's and early 80's**

**MACE, Charles E. MNC - All Hands Jan 2004**

**McCUNE, Maurice L. (Mac) MNC; June 20, 2004 Williamsburg, VA**

**RODRIQUE'S Frenchy; NMEF CIV, July 5, 2004; 30 yrs at NMEF, then Northrop contractor, then DC at the Mines Desk.**

**SIEGLE, Michael E. MN1 December 2003 All Hands**

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