



Sr. CPO Pete Hodgkins, USN, Ret.

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PERRY -

Senior Chief Petty Officer Peter Henry Hodgkins, U.S. Navy, Ret. of Perry passed away peacefully on Monday, January 24, 2022, at his home. He was 70 years old. A Family Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

Pete was born on September 23, 1952, in Nashville, Tennessee. Joining the military in 1968, he proudly served our country in the United States Navy. He served two tours of duty in Vietnam as the Navy Radioman known as "Red". He also served our country on the USS Kennedy and the USS Truxtun. His military tenure took him all of over the world - to the United States Embassy in London, along with the United States Naval Group Activity ADAK Alaska, NATO Base Keflavik Iceland, and Naval Air Station Bermuda, among other places. In 1991, he retired having earned the rank of Senior Chief Petty Officer after twenty years of service. Over a long, accomplished military career, Pete formed and maintained life-long relationships with his shipmates.

Following retirement, he earned a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Georgia College. He then served his community as a Senior Counselor in the Georgia Correctional System for many years. Pete was an avid fisherman his entire life and was always happiest while on the water. He loved his family, his friends, and his golden retrievers.

Left to cherish the memories they made with Pete are his wife of forty-three years, Mary Hodgkins; and his children, Brian Hodgkins, Libby Hodgkins, and Peter Hodgkins.

Condolences for the family may be left in the online guestbook at www.watsonhunt.com. Watson-Hunt Funeral Home has been entrusted with the arrangements.



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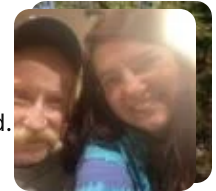
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JF

Jennifer Fitzgerald shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Senior Chief was a mentor and friend. He was there to help me through the loss of my own father, then became a second father to me. He will be cherished and missed. Rest easy, Senior Chief. We have the watch.

January 29 at 10:27 PM



MB

Mikayla Burke posted:

Pete had such a thoughtful heart. I only knew him for a few short years but I'll always remember the love showed me & my family. I know that he was happy and at peace when he left this Earth. I'm grateful for knowing him.

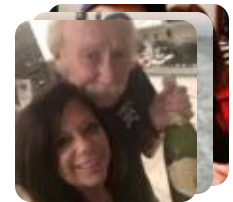
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AH

Amy Hoffmann shared 3 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Pete was a kind and loving friend. He helped me in a time me of need and I will be forever grateful. Pete will always have a very special place in my heart. I miss you so much. RIP Pete.

January 29 at 11:48 AM



AP

Ann Perales January 29 at 1:48 PM

Such lovely and fun pictures of our friend, Mr. Pete! Thanks for sharing them!



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Ann Perales posted:

Pete Hodgkins...what a guy! I met Pete several years ago through my husband, Jerry. He and Pete were shipmates on the USS Truxtun. I have never met a man that could tell a story quite like Pete and certainly never met a man that could make me laugh the way he did time and time again. He lifted my spirits in so many ways through the years that I knew him. And he so often affectionately referred to me as, "Doll". When I first got acquainted with Pete it was by phone and my husband and I were living in Texas. I had multiple back issues at the time and Pete would call me daily to check up on me, to tell me stories, and to make me laugh. We immediately became good friends. Pete also traveled to our homes to visit us in both Texas and in Missouri. He even rode shotgun with Jerry and our pup, Spicer, in Jerry's small Toyota pick-up truck filled to the brim with household goods across country to help us make the move back here to Missouri. I will also never forget how Pete LOVED chocolate, M&M's, and ice cream! I feel blessed to have known Pete and to have been a small part of his world...Good-bye dear friend! I will miss you and will never, never forget you. It breaks my heart that you had to leave us....

January 29 at 1:03 PM

AP

Ann Perales January 29 at 1:54 PM

I wanted to share with you that I am the one that took the photo of Mr. Pete in uniform that is being so proudly displayed on this website. He came to Missouri to visit us and to attend a Coast Guard Gala event downtown in St. Louis. I remember how excited and proud Pete was to, once again, wear this uniform. He wore it with such honor and pride....God Bless our friend and sailor!

JP

Jerry Perales shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Hi there Chief! We shared many times in the past, some happy, some funny and sometimes just being together. We'll all miss you very much, we loved you then as we love you now. Fair winds my friend. I will see you again, I am sure. My deepest condolences to all of his family on his passing.



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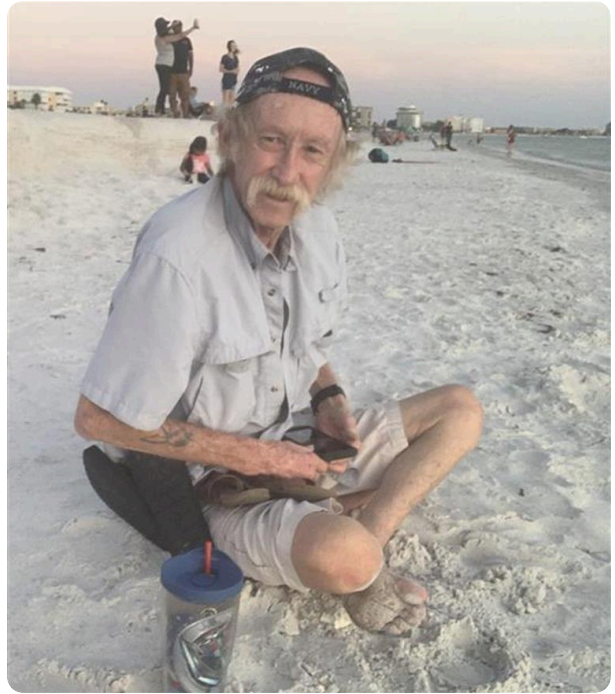


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Dinner in Perry.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Sr. CPO Pete by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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