

OBITUARY

William Joseph Lulves

MAY 30, 1945 – NOVEMBER 10, 2016



William Joseph Lulves, 71, of Punta Gorda passed away Thursday, November 10, 2016. He was born on May 30, 1945 in Pittsburgh, PA to John and Carmen Lulves. After completing an undergraduate degree in Biology, Bill went on to earn a Masters in Microbiology from the University of Missouri, and a Doctorate in food technology from Iowa State University. He retired from the Coca-Cola Company in 2010 as a senior scientist after nearly three decades in the food industry. Bill served in the US Army in Vietnam, 1969-70, with the 1st Cavalry as a First Lieutenant. He was awarded the Bronze Star for bravery. Bill was active with the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association, and was a parishioner of St. Therese Catholic Church. He was an avid collector of tropical plants. He is survived by his companion Marilyn, of 15 years; children Jill (Joe) Collard, Ricardo Lulves, and Maria Lulves; 10 grandchildren and brother Joseph Lulves. He is preceded in death by his wife Catherine, parents John and Carmen, and brother John Lulves. The viewing is scheduled Tuesday, November 15th from 1-4 pm at Coral Ridge Funeral Home and Cemetery, 1630 SW Pine Island Road, Cape Coral, FL. Burial will be Wednesday, November 16 at 1pm at Woodlawn Memorial Park & Funeral Home, 400 Woodlawn Cemetery Road, Gotha, FL. In lieu of flowers, please make memorial contributions in the name of William Lulves to: Combat Vets Motorcycle Association 20-8, 5020 Clark Rd., Suite 208, Sarasota FL, 34233