



## Frank Davis III

December 8, 1946 - August 30, 2021

Frank Davis III was born in Shenandoah, Pennsylvania on December 8, 1946 and was raised in a military family. He graduated from Bishop Egan High School in Philadelphia in 1965. During his Senior Year at Bishop Egan, Frank was Class President, Student Council President and played on the varsity baseball and football team.

Upon graduation in 1965, Frank attended Texas A&M University as a member of the Corps of Cadets where he graduated in 1969 with a BA in Political Science and was named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. Following graduation, Frank was commissioned an officer in the United States Air Force. While in the Corp, Frank served as the Commander of the 2nd Wing and was a member of the Ross Volunteer Company, serving as Executive Officer his senior year. Being a Ross Volunteer changed his life as he met his future wife, Cynthia Diane Abbott while representing the Ross Volunteers at Mardi Gras in New Orleans in February 1969. They were married at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church in New Orleans on June 19, 1969.

He served his country in the United States Air Force for five years, including a combat year assignment in Vietnam. He was awarded the Bronze Star and the Air Force Commendation Medal for his service.

Following his time in the service, Frank entered the oil and gas industry. He spent the majority of his career at Pogo Producing Company and served as Vice President of Land from 1997 until 2007. Frank finished his career as the Land Manager for Nippon Oil Exploration Company (USA) until his retirement in February 2015.

After his corporate career, Frank joined the staff at Saint Cecilia Catholic Church as the Associate Director for Pastoral Care. Frank earned a Master's degree in Pastoral Studies from the University of Saint Thomas in December 2012, and was subsequently ordained a Permanent Deacon in the Roman Catholic Church on January 26, 2013. He has been a member of the Saint Cecilia Catholic Community since 1978 and has been actively involved in the RCIA process, and served as an Extraordinary minister of Holy Communion and Sacristan.

Frank and Cyndy were members of the Liberal Arts Development Council and Texas A&M, a member of the 12th Man Foundation and Association of Former Students. He and his wife were also donors of a General Earl Rudder Scholarship benefiting members of the Corps studying in the College of Liberal Arts.

Having a life long interest in the Battle at the Little Big Horn, Frank became a hobby historian and for a couple of weeks each year from 1990 to 2001, he served as a Volunteer-in-Park at Little Big Horn Battlefield in southeastern Montana giving tours and lectures to visitors.

Frank was active in sports with his children and he and Cyndy coached or managed football, basketball, baseball and soccer teams. Coaching and managing sports teams with his children was a great joy in his life. He and his wife have been so very blessed with his son and daughter, their spouses and seven grandchildren who call him "Lodi." Also important to Cyndy and Frank

were their golden retrievers. Beginning in 1980, they have had eight golden retrievers.

Frank is survived by his loving, devoted and faithful wife, Cyndy, of over 52 years, his son Frank IV (Pancho) and wife Bevie, with five grandchildren: Cameron Alicia Davis, Carrington Sloane Davis, Henry Thatcher Davis, Elizabeth Downing and Caroline Downing; and daughter, Heather Davis Brasher and her husband David Brasher, with two grandchildren, Sutton Grace Brasher and Wyatt Davis Brasher. His family meant the most to him.

He is also survived by his brother, Dr. Stephen Jeffrey Davis and wife, Karen, of Camp Hill, Pennsylvania and nephew, Justin Davis. He is preceded in death by his parents, Colonel Frank Davis Jr. and wife Josephine Rita (Habib) Davis, and sister Kristan Ann Davis.

Frank, throughout his life, always maintained his integrity and was a faith-filled man-faithful to God, the Roman Catholic Church and his wife and family. He was generous with his time, talent and treasure. The people he served, as well as those he served with, at St. Cecilia occupied a special place in his life.

The family would also like to thank all those who helped serve him over his last several weeks including Dorothy, Elizabeth and Precious from Evergreen Private home health care and Kita from IPR Hospice.

The Davis family will be present to receive friends Thursday, September 16, 2021 from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM with the Vigil Service beginning at 7:00 PM at Saint Cecilia Catholic Church at 11720 Joan of Arc, Houston, TX 77024. The Mass of Christian Burial also at Saint Cecilia Catholic Church will be the following day at 10:30am with Father Francis M. Macatangay, Pastor of Saint Cecilia Catholic Church, presiding. The Committal will be at the VA National

Ceremony on September 17th following Holy Mass.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to the St Cecilia Deacon Frank Davis III Pastoral Care Trust Fund at [https://secure.lglforms.com/form\\_engine/s/IPpJa297te7KZr4JwyllCw](https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/IPpJa297te7KZr4JwyllCw)

# Cemetery Details

## VA Houston National Cemetery

10410 Veterans Memorial Drive  
Houston, TX 77038-1502  
[http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/houston.as  
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# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 16. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Cecilia Catholic Church  
11720 Joan Of Arc Drive  
Houston, TX 77024

## Vigil Service

SEP 16. 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Cecilia Catholic Church  
11720 Joan Of Arc Drive  
Houston, TX 77024

## Mass Of Christian Burial

SEP 17. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Cecilia Catholic Church  
11720 Joan Of Arc Drive  
Houston, TX 77024

## Rite of Committal

SEP 17. 1:45 PM (CT)

VA Houston National Cemetery  
10410 Veterans Memorial Drive  
Houston, TX 77038-1502  
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/houston.asp>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Frank Davis III*

October 08, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ *Frank Davis III*

October 06, 2023 at 01:12 AM



“ *Frank Davis III*

October 05, 2023 at 09:45 AM



“ *Frank Davis III*

October 05, 2023 at 01:54 AM



“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



**Lissa Tucker** - September 22, 2021 at 08:08 PM

GG

“ Please accept my deepest condolences. It was my pleasure working under the direction of Frank for 7 1/2 years at Pogo Producing. May his family find peace and comfort during this time. Absent from the body and present with the Lord. May he rest in perfect peace.

Gwen Gabriel - September 17, 2021 at 01:44 PM

KG

“ Frank was the most genuine person I have ever known. Kind, gentle, gracious and always ready to serve. I hired him when at Texaco and then again when at Pogo Producing Co. Give Frank a job and you never had to worry that it would get done and done to the best of his ability. A true gentleman who put family first, but always served his Lord faithfully. He will be greatly missed, but all who remember him will do so with a smile. I believe his Lord has received him with these words- " Well done my good and faithful servant". What a pleasure to have known Frank for more than 45 years.  
Ken Good

Ken Good - September 17, 2021 at 09:28 AM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frank Davis III.



September 16, 2021 at 11:29 AM

J(

“ JX Nippon Oil Exploration (U.S.A.) purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Frank Davis III.



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**JX Nippon Oil Exploration (U.S.A.)** - September 15, 2021 at 05:36 PM

DO

“ *Mr. Frank Davis was kind, respectful, appreciative, and God-fearing. He maintained a cheerful and positive attitude throughout the time he was sick. As his caregiver, I looked forward to seeing him. He became like a father to me. He shared the word of God with me. I have never seen a sick man so optimistic. I am pained by his death but I know that he is with the Lord. May his soul rest in peace, amen!*

*My prayer is that the Lord will grant his family the fortitude to bear the loss. Be consoled knowing that he had lived a good and exemplary life which he would expect you all to emulate. May the Lord send His spirit to comfort you all, in Jesus' name, amen!*

*Best regards,  
Dorothy Okoro (Evergreen Private Care).*

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**Dorothy Okoro** - September 15, 2021 at 11:14 AM

KA

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



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**Karen Ann** - September 13, 2021 at 05:20 PM



“ 22 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Dettling Funeral Home** - September 13, 2021 at 12:34 PM



“ 83 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Dettling Funeral Home** - September 13, 2021 at 11:02 AM

PR

“ Our most sincere and loving sympathy to Cyndy and all of Frank's family. Henry and I will always treasure the gift of his friendship, through his beloved St. Cecelia Catholic Church. His kindness to us is cherished.

*Rest in Peace Deacon Frank.*

*We are missing you already.*

*Pat and Henry Ruehle*

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**Patricia Ruehle** - September 05, 2021 at 02:14 PM

CB

“ I know Frank because he came to Nosework lessons with Cyndy. He was such a kind gentle man. Also I think of him as the dog spoiler . He always had a special Golden in the group Usually a very special low drive dog... I will miss him..

*Cyndy - I am so very sorry for your loss. Sending healing prayers for you and yours.*

*Christie Baker*

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**Christie Baker** - September 04, 2021 at 02:02 PM

FB

“ Frank and I became good friends our junior and senior years at A&M. We shared a common bond because we both met our future wives at Mardi Gras in New Orleans through the Ross Volunteers, and both of our marriages have been blessed for over 50 years. Frank was a good man, a good friend and a loyal, dedicated, conscientious leader of the Corps of Cadets and the RVs. His leadership in later years at St Cecilia Catholic Church is evident. His passing is a terrible loss to his family, his church and to the TAMU Class of 1969, but Frank would be the first to say, "God's will be done." Rest in peace, my good friend.

Cyndy, Sue and I send our sincerest condolences to you and the entire family. May God keep His hand on your shoulders in the weeks and months to come; and may your many great memories give you comfort.

Sue and Fred Blumberg '69

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**Fred Blumberg** - September 02, 2021 at 07:13 PM

RM

Toby and I are saddened to hear of Frank's passing, and send our prayers to Cyndy, Pancho, Heather and families for peace and comfort. Your husband, father and granddad lived a full and active life, giving of himself throughout. Take comfort in the many sweet memories you have, and continue to spread his influences.

Rachel and Toby Mattox '59

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**Rachel Mattox** - September 05, 2021 at 11:26 AM

MM

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Mike Claudia McAnely** - September 02, 2021 at 02:13 PM

MM

*Frank, Hector, Mike and a few hundred other Aggies gathered together to celebrate 1972 Aggie Muster in Saigon.*

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**Mike Claudia McAnely** - September 02, 2021 at 02:19 PM

MM

“ 1 file added to the *tribute wall*



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**Mike & Claudia McAnely** - September 02, 2021 at 01:58 PM

MM

*We joined Frank and Cindy at the Royal Hawaiian in Oahu. We overlapped one day taking our R&R leave from Vietnam. Mike's parents were there too.*

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**Mike Claudia McAnely** - September 02, 2021 at 02:25 PM

JW

“ Joe and Linda Wakefield purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Frank Davis III.



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**Joe and Linda Wakefield** - September 02, 2021 at 12:58 PM

JD

“ Frank was a dedicated volunteer during the 1990's at Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument. He gave countless interpretive programs to park visitors on the Battle of the Little Bighorn, a subject that he knew well. Frank touched the lives of everyone he met. I will miss him and our conversations. He is no longer in pain or suffering, and is with our Lord and the faithful departed in Heaven. Take care my friend until we meet again in Heaven!



*John A. Doerner  
Chief Historian,  
Little Bighorn Battlefield National Monument - Retired*

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**John A. Doerner** - September 02, 2021 at 11:44 AM

HP

“ Frank was a great human being and was one of the most faithful individuals who walked this earth. He was a devoted husband and loved by all of his family. He was kind and gentle, always focused on the proper priorities, and was blessed to have Cyndy in his life for over 50 years. It was an honor for me to be his roommate my sophomore year in college, and the memories of that time in our lives will be cherished and remembered forever. We both served in the Air Force together and happened to be in Vietnam at the same time living in the same HOOTCH barracks. In his last year of his life, we became even closer friends praying for each other and reliving old memories. It was a joy for me to put him in touch with many former Aggie brothers and to focus on the blessings of life today as each of us age--a reminder to focus on today rather than yesterday.

*Frank was a blessing indeed to all that knew him. I will miss him greatly. Debbie and I share in this loss with so many who respected and loved this true GENTLEman and Faithful Servant to so many. May he Rest In Peace and God continue to bless Cyndy y familia as they go through their grief and loss. The puppy dogs will also not know what to do without his gentle touch and being treated like family indeed. God bless the Davis family. Hector and Debbie Gutierrez*



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**Hector and Debbie Gutierrez of El Paso** - September 01, 2021 at 07:59 PM

LH

“ *Linda Huff lit a candle in memory of Frank Davis III*



Linda Huff - September 01, 2021 at 05:24 PM

LH

*Praying for the family  
Love you Cyndy.*

Linda Huff - September 01, 2021 at 05:25 PM

JM

*SO SORRY FOR YOU LOSS. JANETTE McDONALD*

JANETTE MCDONALD - September 03, 2021 at 11:28 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Frank Davis III.*



September 01, 2021 at 03:06 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Frank Davis III.*



September 01, 2021 at 01:54 PM