



## Mr. Robert Ward Spell

June 20, 1940 - March 14, 2018

Mr. Robert W. Spell, 77, passed away on March 14, 2018 at North Mississippi Medical Center in Tupelo.

Born in Brunswick, GA, Mr. Spell was the son of Curtis and Genevieve Spell and the brother of Curtis Spell, Jr. He is survived by his wife Peggy Blankenship Spell, of West Point and two children: son, Robert Spell, Jr. of Memphis, TN; daughter, Teresa Spell Judge (Paul) and granddaughter; Sawyer Landin Judge, of Alexandria, VA.

Mr. Spell had a distinguished military career and served his country for 40 years. Bob served in both the United States Army and United States Marine Corps. During his three tours in Vietnam, he was awarded the Bronze Star with Valor, the Navy Commendation Medal with Valor, the Vietnam Service Medal with four stars, the Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Presidential Unit Citation, among others.

While on active duty, he rose to Gunnery Sergeant and proudly served his country as a member of the 101st and 82nd Airborne, the MARTD NAS Norfolk, the 2nd Aircraft Wing Cherry Point, the Marine Counterintelligence and was an early member of the elite Federal Sky Marshall Program. After uniform service, he dedicated his next 25 years to federal civil service at Columbus Air Force Base, MS.

Bob will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery with full military honors. The family requests memorials be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 in the name of Robert Ward Spell.

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Calvert Funeral Home of West Point is in charge of arrangements.

Friends may leave an online condolence at [www.calvertfuneralhome.com](http://www.calvertfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Peggy & Family~  
With our respect for a life well lived  
and our sympathy for your loss~  
John & Linda Woolbright*



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**Linda Blankenship Woolbright** - March 19, 2018 at 01:12 PM

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“ *Thinking about you and your family Peggy. Stay strong, remember  
all the good times and Bob will still be with you forever.  
Your distant cousins Pat & Douglas Landin, England*

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**Douglas Landin** - March 17, 2018 at 09:17 AM

MR

“ *Thoughts and prayers for you and your family during this time.*

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**Mary A Richardson** - March 16, 2018 at 09:58 PM

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*Lifting you and your family in prayer for comfort and strength!!!  
Respectfully, Bill and Judy Ladd*

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**Judy and Bill Ladd** - March 19, 2018 at 10:17 PM

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“ *With sympathy and friendship,*

*Susanne Allen Thomas*

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**Susanne Allen Thomas** - March 16, 2018 at 01:12 PM