



## Christian Tveit

September 9, 1938 - September 5, 2014

Christian Tveit, age 75 of Champlin, MN, passed away on Friday, September 5, 2014 at St. Cloud Hospital. Funeral Service will be held at 1 PM on Friday, September 12th at Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN, with visitation one hour prior to the service.. Rev. Mark Antel will officiate and burial will be at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery north of Little Falls.

Christian Tveit was born on September 9, 1938 in Grafton, North Dakota to the late Kristian and Selma (Nygard) Tveit. In 1956, he graduated from Edinburg High School in North Dakota. Soon after graduating high school, Christian entered into the United States Marine Corps. He served 28 years in the Marine Corps, achieving Master Sergeant rank, and spent two tours in Vietnam. Christian earned the Navy Achievement Medal, Combat Action Ribbon, Meritorious Unit Citation, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service, Vietnam Service Medal, Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. He retired from the U.S. Marine Corp in 1985. Christian then served 14 years with the Federal Civilian Service, doing contract work for the United States Air Force, retiring in 2000.

On December 16, 1968, Christian was united in marriage to Shirley Starrett in Churchville, Virginia. They raised 3 children; Kim, Daniel, and Jorgen.

Christian enjoyed working around the house with home repairs, and kept a vegetable garden. He enjoyed traveling, especially to visit his daughter, Kim, in Virginia and attended the Special Olympics to cheer on his son, Jorgen.

Christian always enjoyed family gatherings, and was known for mentoring and

sharing his experiences with his nieces and nephews. Christian had a way of making everyone feel special and he will be deeply missed by many.

He is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Shirley Tveit of Champlin, MN; children, Kim (Dan) Kim of Fairfax, VA, Daniel Tveit of Fargo, ND, and Jorgen Tveit of Grand Forks, ND ; grandchildren, Sarah, Shanna, and Austin Kim, and Kylin Riedberger-Tveit; and sister Maria Peterson of Edinburg, ND.

He was preceded in death by parents, Kristian and Selma Tveit; brothers, Jorgen and Konrad Tveit; and sister, Bertha Phillips.

Casketbearers will be Konrad Tveit, Tarren Tveit, Todd Tveit, Charles Phillips, Harvey Brown, and Charles Haugen.

# Cemetery Details

## **Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery**

15550 Highway 115  
Little Falls, MN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Christian Tveit*



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**Lemieur Funeral Homes** - September 10, 2014 at 02:12 PM

CA

*What a beautiful tribute to a wonderful and loving man!*

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**Camille** - September 10, 2014 at 06:48 PM

GW

*What a beautiful tribute. Have never seen this before but it was so great. Ginny*

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**Ginny Walker** - September 10, 2014 at 08:20 PM



“ *Christian Tveit*

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January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM

AM

“ *It is good to be able to see my old friends again. I met them before they were married. She worked with me at Henderson Hall. He worked at Andrews AFB. Chris was Shirley's great love.*

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**Ann Montgomery** - October 21, 2018 at 01:18 AM

JM

“ Peggy - I am Judy Matthews daughter of Maurice and Eva Nygaard. Trying to get in touch with you. Contact me at matthewsjh@gmail.com. So sorry to hear of Chris's passing.

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**Judy Matthews** - August 24, 2018 at 03:17 PM

DB

“ I've known Chris since 1970. Shirley and Chris lived in the apartment above me and my three children. Soon after I moved in, Shirley began to baby sit my little girl, Catherine, and watch Michael and Victoria, my other little children after day care. We called them Uncle Chris and Aunt Peggy. They are two of my dearest friends. I will always remember Chris and his fixing the holes in their trailer in Virginia with glue, it looked like someone let the bugs fly right into the screen! He was proud of his handiwork, so we laughed with him. I will greatly miss my friend, but I know he is in Heaven with our Father, because I was there when he received Jesus as his Savior. My deepest sympathies to Shirley, we always called her Peggy, and to her family. I will pray for strength and peace for the family and that they will find joy in his remembrances. For me, I will have joy that I had the privilege of calling him my friend and his wife, Peggy" my best friend. Love to all, Donna McLaughlin Browning.

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**Donna Browning** - September 14, 2014 at 10:04 PM

KA

“ Dad was a great man, may he rest in peace in Heaven while watching over us with God. We will not forget what he has done during his lifetime, and the lessons he had taught us- we hope to carry on his beliefs and make him proud as he watches over us.

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**Kang** - September 11, 2014 at 08:56 PM

MA

“ Dear Peggy and family, we are so sorry for your loss, but rejoice in knowing that Chris is no longer suffering and is in the arms of our dear Lord and Savior. We will miss him and will always cherish the memory of our train trip together. What fun it was. Love you much and think of you often. Frank and Marlene Anderson

Marlene Anderson - September 11, 2014 at 08:17 AM

CA

“ Dear Peggy, Kim, and Family, and Daniel and Jorgen, I am so sorry for your lost, I feel like I am more like Family to you. Peggy now Rich and Chris are enjoying their cup of coffee together in Heaven. Love you all, Auntie Camille

Camille - September 10, 2014 at 05:28 PM

GW

“ Chris and my husband Dewey would love to sit and watch train video's while us women chatted and did our thing. He was a great man of God and served our country honorably. He will be missed. Our prayer go out to his family and especially his wife, my good friend. We will meet again in heaven. Ginny and Dewey Walker, Hoople ND

Ginny Walker - September 10, 2014 at 08:21 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Christian Tveit.



September 09, 2014 at 10:39 PM

HK

“ *When I had to interview a veteran for a history project, grandpa gladly said yes for an interview. As I was asking questions I was just in awe that he experienced so much and just listening to him respect him even more. I am going to miss hearing stories that grandpa tells and may him rest in peace. You will be missed alot grandpa.*

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**Heewoo Kang** - September 09, 2014 at 10:23 PM