

PAUL MANKOWICH

Major Paul Mankowich, USAF died on 1 September 1975 while scuba diving in the Gulf of Mexico near Eglin Air Force Base in Florida. Mass of Christian burial was celebrated at St. Margaret's Church in Bel Air, Maryland. Entering the Naval Academy from the State of Maryland, he was graduated in the Class of 1960. At the Academy he was a member of the track team and was an end on the varsity football team. While on a flight to the Cotton Bowl during the 1959 season he met his future wife, Mary Hundley, a hostess on the flight. After graduation he took his commission in the Air Force, going to navigator's school, then to the McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey. From McGuire he flew missions to all parts of the world, including the Congo, and later he was navigator for the personal plane of Gen. Lyman L. Lemnitzer, NATO commander. He later took a masters degree in systems analysis and computer technology, then served at the Norton Air Force Base in California and flew supplies to Vietnam. He also served for a year in Thailand and was awarded four Air Medals for flying 65 combat observation missions. He is survived by his widow, Mary, and four daughters of Shalimar, FL, and his father and sister of Bel Air, MD.

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