MAURICE JOSEPH MORAN

Retired Navy Cmdr. Maurice Joseph "Moe" Moran, 74, passed away Thursday March 4, 2010. Though Moe's time is done here, he will live on in the hearts, stories and laughter of all who love him. He is survived by his wife, Mary "Bo," the love of his life; his children, Laura Moran of Virginia Beach, Doug and Laurie Moran of Richmond, Leslie and Brian Baltimore of Midlothian; and seven adoring grandchildren, Mary Kate, Max, Lauren, Luke, Sarah, Rhyan and Claire. After graduating from West Catholic High School in Philadelphia, where he was born and raised, he attended the United States Naval Academy (1960) in Annapolis and later earned his master's at the Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey. Moe was proud to be an officer and loved the Navy. His 30-year Naval career included sea duty aboard the USS Essex, USS Kanakakee, USS Biddle, and USS Manitowoc, shore duty at USNPG School, Monterey and Office of the Chief of Naval Operations - OpNay 35. In his Vietnam tour, he earned the Bronze Star. After retiring from the Navy, he continued work in surface warfare and developed the Electronics Division for SAIC/AMSEC. Moe was a "plank member" of Holy Family where he served in the Parish Council, the church choir, Christian education and confirmation, and Habitat for Humanity. He was a member of the Ryan Club, Knights of Columbus, and the USNA Class of 60 Retirement Group.

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