



Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.)

June 24, 1941 - August 19, 2023

Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.) "Rudy". August 19, 2023. Age 82. Beloved husband of the late Carole. Loving father of Jim Tress (Melinda), Kim Tress (Kevin O'Brien), and Teri Tress (Norm Moats). Proud and loving grandfather of Trevor, Gina, Cass, Jeff, Melissa, Ally (Chris) and Justin (Sam) and great-grandfather of Madeline. Dear brother of the late Elaine Tress. Rudy proudly served in the United States Air Force Reserves and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1987. He also had a successful career in bank property management. Rudy loved living on Cass Lake and enjoyed fishing, and especially liked taking others out on the lake with him. He loved to play cards when unable to be out on the water. He was genuinely kind and friendly and always made friends wherever he went. Visitation Tuesday 3-9pm and Wednesday 9am until time of 12 noon funeral at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc., 36900 Schoenherr at Metro Parkway (16 Mile), Sterling Heights. Interment, Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township. Memorial contributions to Disabled Veterans of America or Henry Ford Hospice are appreciated. Please share memories with the family at their online guestbook at WujekCalcaterra.com

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road
Clinton Township, MI 48038

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **22**. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wujek - Calcaterra & Sons Inc - Sterling
36900 SCHOENHERR RD
Sterling Heights, MI 48312

Visitation

AUG **23**. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

AUG **23**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.)*



Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. - August 22, 2023 at 01:33 PM



“ *Family L. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).*

Family L. - August 22, 2023 at 05:59 PM



“ *Sweet Liberty was purchased for the family of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).*



August 22, 2023 at 01:37 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).*



August 22, 2023 at 11:43 AM

JA

“ I’ll remember Rudy as a good and decent guy. Together with Carole they raised three outstanding kids. Their devotion to family has certainly been demonstrated during the last 8 months. Kim, Jim and Teri making Rudy feel loved and as comfortable as possible, and Rudy doing the same for them. Amazingly they all kept their sense of humor in the mix. Love to you all. RIP Rudy. ☐

jane - August 22, 2023 at 10:27 AM

MD

“ 11 files added to the album Wonderful memories with a special guy!



Marie Dempsey - August 21, 2023 at 09:27 PM

LB

“ We have special memories of vacations down south with Rudy, Kevin and Kim. Rudy was such a gentleman, always had a smile and loved to chat with everyone. We were blessed to have known him and will miss him.

Paul and Lori O'Brien

Lori O'Brien - August 21, 2023 at 07:34 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).*



August 21, 2023 at 06:57 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Wonderful memories with a special guy!*



Lori O Brien - August 21, 2023 at 02:15 PM



“ *I meet this very kind and compassionate man at Kim's & Kevin's wedding.*

When I arrived at the resort on the same plane as Kevin's relatives I also meet I grandmother and her granddaughter . She ask if I could look out for her at night I said sure that night young guys were trying to get her drunk, finally I told them to leave her alone. They got aggressive. I felt I tap on my shoulder and it was Rudy telling me that his son and him had my back. From that moment Rudy and I became friends He was one of the few people that I held in great respect. He was truly a person of great compassion Rudy you will be missed

Ian Roeser 🙏

Ian Rieser - August 21, 2023 at 12:40 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).



August 21, 2023 at 10:37 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).

August 21, 2023 at 10:37 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).



August 21, 2023 at 10:13 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).

August 21, 2023 at 09:18 AM



“ *Heavenly Light* was purchased for the family of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).



August 21, 2023 at 09:18 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).

August 21, 2023 at 07:29 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).



August 21, 2023 at 07:29 AM

JK

“ Rudy and I were best friends through grade school and high school. He was also my Best Man at my Wedding. Although we grew apart after I was married I never forgot him. We recently reconnected and had a wonderful day remembering the 'old days', and just catching up. I'll never forget him, his sister and parents.

To all his family I'd just like to say: They don't come any better than Rudy! May he rest in peace.

John Kaiser

John Kaiser - August 20, 2023 at 10:19 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Lt. Col. Rudolph J. Tress, USAF (Ret.).



August 20, 2023 at 02:00 PM

SK

“ Uncle Rudy, I always have and always will remember you being in really good parts of my life. You were there all of my life at the Christmas's, the 4ths of July other family events that were wonderful memories, you were a stable, happy, fun uncle and I'm so grateful that you were there. I have no doubt in my mind that you are now young again, and with everyone you loved....especially Aunt Carole



Sandee Kuprel - August 20, 2023 at 12:35 PM

AC

Rudy will be missed! I had the honour of traveling with him on a number of south vacations. He was a true gentleman. I always enjoyed his company immensely. My condolences to his family, especially Kim and Kevin. I love you guys. Anita

Anita Cairns - August 20, 2023 at 05:52 PM

GC

On behalf of the Cliff George Jerry and myself Gary 😊 Rudy will be missed at are monthly Dinners 😊 It was are time to talk about time we worked at Lowe's and how to change the world for the better 😊! Just want to thank his two Daughters Kim and Teri for making are last dinner together as they said his last Her ra Rudy will be missed 🙏🥰

Gary Czerniak - August 21, 2023 at 06:48 PM