



## OBITUARY FOR JAMES P. FAKE

James "Jim" Patrick Fake, 75 years old and living in Altamonte Springs, Florida, passed away on June 28, 2019. He was born in Oakland, California on June 18, 1944 to

Esther and Leonard Fake. Jim graduated from St. Mary's College with a B.A. in English and Central Michigan University with an M.A. in Business Management.

Jim was married to Kyung Fake on June 22, 1977. He proudly served 21 years in the Air Force, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel and Vietnam War veteran including 173 combat missions; 98 of those missions were as a Wild Weasel in an F-105. He was a Master Navigator and earned numerous medals and decorations to include the Distinguished Flying Cross on four occasions, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal on two occasions, and the Air Medal on eighteen occasions.

After retiring, he worked within international marketing in the private sector before becoming an Air Force Junior ROTC Instructor. His passion for the Air Force, students, history, and mentorship contributed to his flourishing in his final career, and he was grateful for the experience and bonds he created while teaching at Gwynn Park High School (MD), Montclair High School (NJ), and Wekiva High School (FL). He was an avid skier, a history buff, a world traveler and a great husband and father.

He was survived by his wife of 42 years, Kyung; son, Zachary Fake; daughters, Lindsay Pokropski and Jessica Fake; and granddaughter Rowan Pokropski. He also had a close bond with his cat Oreo, but she predeceased him.

The burial of James Fake will be Wednesday, November 20th at 1pm at Arlington National Cemetery.

### Ceremony:

- Arlington National Cemetery (Address: 1 Memorial Ave, Fort Myer, VA 22211)

- Arrive by 11:45am to be IN the Arlington Administration Building by 12:15pm for the 1pm service.

There is only one entrance, at the guard gate, every driver must show photo ID and state that they are attending James Fake's funeral service. You will drive through THREE guard gates. At the third gate, they will wave you towards the lot - the sign will say "Funeral Parking Administration Building". If you go towards the visitor center and park there, you will be charged a fee. If you park in the correct funeral parking lot, there will be no fee. The funeral parking lot will have a big screen that says "Fake". Go to the Administration building, tell the receptionist you are there for James Fake's service. She will direct you to the

"family room". This is for everyone to meet there. The Family Room in the Administration Building is where you need to be at 12:15pm. We highly recommend you be at the cemetery by 11:45am because any latecomers could miss it. At the funeral site, there will be roses available. Everyone should take 1 rose to place on the casket at the end of the service.

**IF YOU ARE NOT IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT 12:15PM YOU WILL MISS THE SERVICE. ARLINGTON HAS NO FLEXIBILITY DUE TO RUNNING 30 FUNERALS A DAY.**

**Reception:**

- Bonchon (Address: 2201 N Pershing Dr Suite E, Arlington, VA 22201)  
- 2:15pm - 4:30pm

After the ceremony, everyone is invited to a casual reception at Bonchon Arlington for some food and company of those who loved James Fake. The location is very close by, however driving is required since it is about 2.5 miles away.

Please let me know if you have any questions. You are more than welcome to share this with any friends and family interested in attending, however *please let me know so I can have an accurate headcount.*"

Thank you,  
Jessica Fake  
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