BRADSHAW, JOHN

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BRADSHAW, John K., U.S. Army Col. (Ret.), 66, of Chesterfield, Va., passed away Wednesday, February 25, 2015, at Johnston-Willis Hospital, with his wife and children at his bedside.

He was born July 21, 1948 in Sandusky, Ohio, the son of Gloria and John W. Bradshaw, who preceded him in death. As a youth, he moved with his family to Scottsdale, Ariz. He served with the U.S. Army as a First Lieutenant in the Vietnam War. He continued his military career in the Army Reserves, retiring as a Colonel in 1999, last stationed at Fort Monroe, Va. After retiring from the military, he continued as an Army contractor at Fort Lee, Va., until his death.

His favorite pastimes included woodworking, reading, traveling, attending Richmond Kickers soccer games, collecting Southwestern memorabilia, and spending time with his family.

He married Carla Jean Birky of Illinois on April 21, 1984 in Scottsdale, Ariz. He is survived by his wife; four children, Michael (Mandee) Bradshaw of Los Angeles, Calif., Teri (Joe) Woolard of Chesterfield, Va., Jenna Bradshaw (fiancé, Kenneth Collier) of Petersburg, Va. and Erika Bradshaw of Baltimore, Md.; three grandchildren, Bryce and Ethan Woolard and Ella Eckhart; two sisters, one brother and their families. One sister preceded him in death.

A memorial service will be held 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at Chester Presbyterian Church. Interment will be held this spring in Arlington National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Chester Presbyterian Church, 3424 W. Hundred Rd., Chester Va. 23831 or Army Emergency Relief Fund, 1231 Mahone Ave., Bldg 9023, Ft. Lee, Va. 23801.

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