



COL Margaret Jean "RET" Madden

April 27, 2013

MADDEN COL Margaret Jean Madden, (RET) US Army, age 87, deceased on April 27, 2013 at The Forum At Knightsbridge, Columbus, Ohio. Born in Radcliff, Vinton County, Ohio on July 2, 1925 to Clyde Ervin and Gladys Barnes Pierce who preceded her in death. Graduated from Vinton Rural High School, Ohio University (BS ED) and the University of Colorado (MA). She taught five years in Ohio before joining the Women's Army Corp (WAC) in 1951. She retired in 1977 as a Colonel, having been promoted in 1976. She was the first WAC, pinned a full bird Colonel, from Ohio. She served her country for 26 years. Preceded in death by her husband LTC Theodore Madden USAF (RET) on August 17, 1989. Also preceded in death by her older sister Mary Lou Palmer on February 13, 2013. Survived by sister Ardath Shelton, step children David (Gail), and Linda Madden Levens; nieces Tara (Dan) Ruggles and Nancy (Len) Williams and nephew John (Connie) Palmer; step grandchild Alexa Madden; sisters in law Corinne (Ralph) Woodward and Cynthia Madden; brother in law Leonard (Eva) Madden; special cousin Margaret Trent; trusted friend Mary McCullough, many other relatives and a host of friends. She was a member of the Worthington Presbyterian Church, P.E.O. Chapter CT, Worthington Women's Club, Ohio Veterans' Hall of Fame, Military Officers Club of Ohio, life member of the American Association of University Women, American Legion Post 476, AMVETS Post 89, Korean War Veterans Association Chapter 3, WAC Veterans Association and Vinton Township Garden Club. She served several years on the Governor's Advisory Committee on Women Veterans and Board of Directors of the WAC Foundation (later Army Women's Museum). Local arrangements are being made by RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High Street, Worthington, Ohio 43085 where friends may call Friday, May 3, 2013 from noon-1:00pm, with a service immediately following, also at Rutherford Corbin Funeral Home. Reception following service at Worthington Presbyterian Church, 773 High Street, Worthington, Ohio. Burial will take place at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery where she will be buried with her husband. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to The Mid Ohio Food Bank.

Tribute Wall



“ COL Margaret Jean "RET" Madden

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM

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“ JEAN MAY YOU REST IN PEACE AND MAY THE LORD JESUS GIVE YOUR FAMILY THE COMFORT THE NEED AT THIS TIME.

FRANK M WELLS - May 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ With deepest sympathy for the loss of a fellow U.S. Army Soldier. Her dedication to her country will never be forgotten.

COL Beth Salisbury - May 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ There are some people that you just wish could live forever. Jean will be greatly missed by many.

Nancy A. Black - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ God bless Jean, a gracious and wonderful woman, a friend and supporter. we will all miss her! Phil Hazelton

Phil hazelton - April 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM