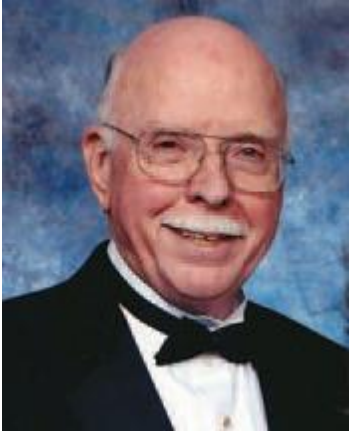


Larry Glen Cox



Captain Larry G. Cox, USNR (Ret.), passed away peacefully on Easter Sunday, 4 April 2021 in Westmont, IL, as a result of a yearlong bout with cancer. He was 83 years old.

Larry was born in Pampa, TX, on 16 January 1938, the son of Odis and Dorothy Cox. His father died when he was 7. He enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserves in his junior year and graduated in 1956 from Pampa High School. Larry was active in scouting, achieving his Eagle Scout. He also was awarded a Presidential citation for saving the lives of two neighborhood boys. Larry received his USNA appointment from Congressman Walter Rogers.

He graduated with honors with the Class of 1960's Sixth Company. Larry attended Nuclear Power Submarine School in Groton, CT. Upon completion, he began his career in the ballistic missile submarine force with tours on TECUMSEH (SSBN-628) and ROBERT E. LEE (SSBN-601). After serving ten years on active duty, he left the Navy to join the private sector.

Larry began his over 50-year civilian career in project development and management. He held senior engineering and management positions with Exxon Company USA for 11 years, working in Latin America and on the north slopes of Prudhoe Bay, AK. He spent 14 years with Parsons Corporation in Pasadena, CA. Larry's venturesome spirit led him to start an engineering company in 1997 and after a successful business endeavor, he formed his own company in 2002. Along with several Naval Academy friends, family members and business associates, the International Development Engineering Associates (IDEA) holding company was founded with Larry as CEO, pursuing work in the U.S. and overseas. He engaged in investments in the energy sector business including ethanol, oil and gas, and conversion of municipal solid waste into fuels. The business will reorganize after Larry's untimely death.

Larry married Melody Platson-Cox in 2000. Along with his wife, he leaves behind a daughter, Terri Lea Smith of Utah; sister and brother-in law, Karla and Reggie Smith of Texas; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His son, David, from his marriage to Diane Wilkinson (1960-1980) predeceased him in 2011.

Larry will be deeply missed and remembered by many close friends from high school, business associates and loving family members.

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