



Christopher B. Benham

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Christopher B. Benham, 73, of Clearwater, Florida, passed away Friday October 8, 2021.

Mr. Benham graduated with honors from the United States Military Academy, West Point, where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in general engineering. He also earned an Executive Master of Business Administration degree from Averett College. Mr. Benham served more than seven years in the United States Army as a commissioned officer with specialties as a combat engineer and aeroscout/reconnaissance pilot. He was part of the first desert trained armored cavalry unit fielded by the Army in response to rising tensions in the Middle East back in the 1970's. The flying tactics developed during his tenure were used successfully in the Gulf War of 1990. Upon his departure from active duty, Mr. Benham entered the business world where he developed skill sets in business development and general management in both federal government and commercial markets. He also had extensive experience with profit and loss management and business reengineering. Mr. Benham has held positions in program management, business development, sales and marketing, general management and at the senior executive levels to include Vice President of Sales and Marketing, Chief Operating Officer, President, and CEO. He has also assisted in business startups as a consultant and recently provided executive level assistance with mergers and acquisitions to the business founded by one of his classmates from West Point.

He is preceded in death by his mother, Elizabeth A. Benham, father, Philip Benham, and brother, Philip Benham.

He is survived by his wife, Debra J. Benham, sister Marsha Rich, five children, Deborah L. Bednarz, Stephanie L. Hartley, Michelle L. Frazier, Christopher B. Benham II, Cherie B. Benham, two stepchildren Melissa Ramos and Christopher Ramos; eighteen grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.



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A Visitation will be Saturday, October 16, 2021 at Moss Feaster Funeral Home in Dunedin, Florida, at 3-5 pm with a Chapel Service at 5:00 pm.



Events

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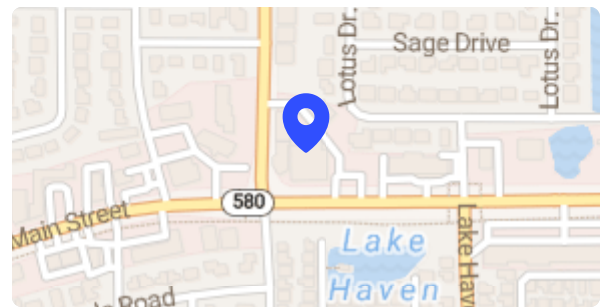
Visitation

Saturday, October 16, 2021

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM ET

Moss Feaster Funeral Home and Cremation Services - Dunedin

1320 Main Street, Dunedin FL 34698



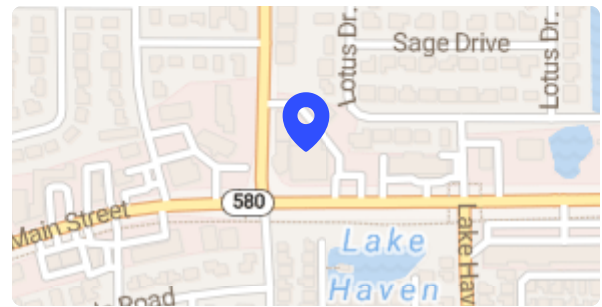
Funeral Service

Saturday, October 16, 2021

5:00 PM ET

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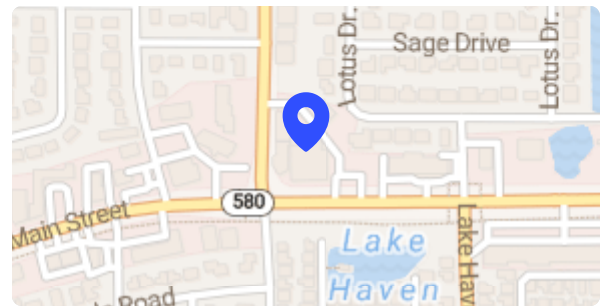
Gathering of Friends and Reception

Saturday, October 16, 2021

5:30 PM ET

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Michael O'malley shared an album called **Memories Album**.



February 28 at 3:31 PM



Michael February 28 at 3:35 PM

Chris @ our wedding December 1970 Michael & Nancy O'Malley



Michael O'malley posted:

Chris & I were friends in High School. We both attended Marian High in Framingham MA. Lost touch with Chris after he left for West Point. Lots of good times @ the Benham home, the football field & for sure the senior play. May he rest in piece. Mike O'Malley Marian High (66)

February 27 at 1:10 PM



William Fay March 2 at 2:24 PM

Though I didn't know Chris well, I always thought of him as a good guy. Not surprised he ended up at West Point.



Paul Joseph posted:

Although years cloud the memories, I do remember Chris as a plebe when I was a firstie at USMA. You normally don't get close to Plebes but Chris was simply just a truly nice young man and a pleasure to know. We never connected after I left USMA but it does not diminish the memories I had of him nor the sense of loss I feel in his passing. Please know you all are in my thoughts and prayers. Paul Joseph, USMA '68

October 27 at 10:38 AM



Anonymous sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Benham family.



October 14 at 3:23 PM



Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent a Basket of Memories to the Benham family.

October 14 at 11:16 AM



Anonymous sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Benham family.

October 14 at 11:10 AM





Michael O'malley shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.

February 28 at 3:31 PM



Chris @ our wedding December 70 Mike & Nancy O'Malley



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Christopher by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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