



Dennis Morony

August 25, 2015

Dennis Paul Morony quietly passed away August 25th, 2015 from Parkinson's disease. He was born at home near Campo El Gato, south of Alamo, TX, Hidalgo County, on July 31, 1947. He never married. His surviving siblings are his two sisters, Kateri Rose and Catherine Ellen Morony and brother, John Joseph. He graduated from Donna High School then joined the Marine Corps. He attended the University of Texas, El Paso with a major in Spanish Literature but lacked a semester to graduate. He was polished in Spanish and knew French. He loved history and had a marvelous memory for facts of any nature but especially history. He last resided in Brackettville where he attended to his garden as long as he could. He was an active member of St. Mary Magdalene's Catholic Church.

He enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps in 1966. Two combat tours in Vietnam; Nov. 1966 to Dec '67; Fox Company, 2nd Bn, 1st Marines and Feb, 1968 to Sep, '68; Hotel Company, 2' Bn, 27th Marines from Sep 1968 to '69. 7th Co., Combined Action Group of the 314 Marine Amph. Force. "Served as enlisted platoon leader of both a unit operating out of a sandbagged outpost close to the Da Nang and of a mobile unit further south. In the latter case we had to move every 12 hrs as they were constantly "dogged" by scouts of both the NVA and the regular Viet Cong units looking to even the score."

He received the Purple Heart for a shrapnel wound and a Bronze Star for heroism after taking out a machine gun nest on his own using hand grenades after this patrol was pinned down by an ambush. He was later diagnosed with

p.t.s.d.

Mass was held Saturday at 10 a.m. at St. Mary Magdalen's Catholic Church.

Burial followed at the Catholic Cemetery.