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PASSING OF RETIRED CAPT LARRY JOHNSON HITCHNER, DC, USN

CAPT Larry Johnson Hitchner, DC, USN (Ret.), D.D.S. died peacefully, at home on October 12, 2015, at the age of 72. He was a graduate of the University of Richmond (class of 1965), and Georgetown Dental School (class of 1969).

A convert to the Catholic Faith, he was waked and a funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Winter Park, Florida. He was interred at Cape Canaveral National Cemetery in Mims, Fl.

He is survived by his loving wife of 46 years, Mary, and his three devoted children Hilary, Gretchen and Mark, his son-in-law, John DeLuca, daughter-in-law Aimee, and four precious grandchildren. His twin sister Jackie Williams preceded him in death, on June 12, 2015.

Larry proudly served on active duty in the Navy for 21 years, and another five in the reserves. Never one to complain, nor draw attention to himself, he was a gift to all who knew him. Described as "the kind of father every child deserves" and it "being a privilege to have been his friend," he was a most humble and gentle man. His laughter, kindness and love of life are missed by all. The family is grateful for the support from Larry's college and dental school buddies, friends and family, and most especially his sisters-in-law who loved him as their brother, and who were with him at the time of his death.