



Colonel H. E. Perea USMC Obituary

April 10, 1928 - March 16, 2011

Colonel Perea, originally from Clifton, Arizona, made Albany his home following his retirement from the Marine Corps in 1978. Following completion of his enlisted service in 1947, he attended Texas College of Mines and Metallurgy and earned a BS in Civil Engineering. He is also a graduate of George Washington University, MS in International Affairs, the Naval War College and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. During his 32 years of service he served in command and staff billets in the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Marine Division FMF, Force Troops, FMF Atlantic and the III MAF. Staff assignments were at DOD HQ Marine Corps, HQ FMF Pacific, Marine Corps Schools, Quantico and MCLB, Albany, GA. He was preceded in death by his son David Perea. He is survived by his wife, Paula G. Perea of Albany, Georgia; his daughter, Wanda L. Couch of Marietta, Georgia; and his Daughter-in-law Dina Perea of Brooks, Georgia and his grandchildren, Kristin and Alex Couch.

Tribute Wall

BF

“ *Mrs P and Wanda,*

Please accept my thoughts and regards for your loss. I was extremely fortunate to have graced his presence. His words of encouragement and insight remain vivid in my mind. I wish both of you and the family nothing but the best.

*Respectfully,
Bishop*

Bishop Hubbard - Thornton, CO - Friend - March 29, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *Our condolences to all the Perea family. My husband, Clay Miller, did a lot of work for Mr. Hank and he thought the world of him and his work ethic. I had the privilege of meeting him and found him to be a kind, gentle, loving man who loved his family deeply. I'm sorry we didn't hear about his death until today or we would have been at the funeral. Our prayers are with you during this difficult time.*

Rebecca Miller - March 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ *Col. I wanted you to know how much I appreciated the confidence you showed in me in VN. Letting me take over Company D after the ambush and we lost Capt. Rizzo, was a real confidence builder. I still think back on that today when major challenges comes my way. Good Trip Col. See you Gary*

Gary Ward - March 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ We were very sorry to hear of your loss. Aida and I met Hank through MOAA. Hank was a great Marine and a great American. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Semper Fi

Col Robert Cerney, USMC (ret) - March 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Dear Wanda, Kristin, and Alex, We are so sorry for your loss and will pray for God to comfort you during this difficult time. We love you, The Sims Family

The Sims Family - March 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Rest in peace Sir. I didn't know you but know you were a good Marine. Thank you and your family for all they gave to our great country.

Duel Jeans - March 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ My deepest sympathy to the Perea family on your loss. Hank and I worked together at Headquarters Marine Corps during the late 1960's. My prayers are with the family during this time of loss and for the peaceful repose of his soul. Semper Fidelis, Hank.

Thomas J. Dalzell, Colonel USMC (Ret) - March 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Hank and Paula were some of the first Marines I met just after I met my husband, Chuck, in Albany GA in 1956. My condolences to you, Paula, and your family.

Betty Gibson - March 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Mr. Perea was a true gentleman, family man, friend and American hero. My life has truly been enhanced with his friendship. He enjoyed showing pictures of his children and grandchildren. "Did I show you my latest picture of"...?, and out came his wallet as he told a story of his family and flipping through the pictures. Just made you feel good to be around him! He was an excellent land developer, always tried to consider the future owner. I'm thankful to say he was my friend. My prayers are with you as you adjust to his home-going.

Kay P. Bradley - March 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ My parents thought so much of Hank and treasured his friendship. He was such a kind, gentleman. My heart goes out to you all during this time of sorrow.

Susan Dowdell Smith - March 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ To Wanda and the Perea family, My prayers and thoughts are with your family during this difficult time. Wanda is one of my dearest friends and I am so very sorry for your loss. I wish you strength for the days ahead. Love, Cathy Long, Marietta, GA.

Cathy Long - March 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM