



(LCDR) Scott R. Dancer
January 11th, 2020

Lieutenant Commander (LCDR) Scott R. Dancer passed peacefully from this life, on January 11, 2020, after enduring over a decade of critical symptoms, due to a combat related lung injury. Scott was surrounded and supported by his loving family and Hospice caregivers, during the last year and a half of his life. He was born in Staten Island, NY, on April 15, 1964, to Robert C. and Gail V. Dancer (King), but considers himself a San Antonio native, moving here in 1966 and graduating from Southwest High School in May 1982.

Scott is survived by his loving wife of 29 years, Donna Catherine Dancer (Hyde), of Jacksonville, FL, his two children, Austin Robert Dancer, 25, born in Rota, Spain, and his daughter Sarah Josephine Dancer, 17, born in Prince Georges County Maryland. Scott will also leave behind his sister, Cheryl L. Marcom (Dancer) and her husband Ray, in Gilbert, AZ, his brothers-in-law, William J. Jackson Jr., in St. Augustine, FL and Stephen E. Hyde, in Oklahoma City, OK and many nieces, nephews, and cousins located throughout the United States. As Scott left this physical Earth, his spirit soared and he was met by his parents, his wife's parents, and other family members and friends.

Scott is a combat veteran of Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF), and Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF). He began and began his naval career in September of that year. His enlisted rating of Aviation Boatswain's Mate (ABH) included tours of duty on the USS CONSTELLATION (CV-64), NATTC Millington TN, the USS FORRESTAL (CV-59), the USS LEXINGTON (AVT-16), NAS Whiting Field, Pensacola, FL, USS MIDWAY (CV-41), the USS GEORGE WASHINGTON (CVN-72), NAS Rota Spain, Commander in Chief US Naval

Forces Europe (CINCUSNAVEUR) Sailor of the Year. Scott's tours of duty as an ABLDO (Aviation Boatswain Limited Duty Officer) began on the USS INDEPENDENCE (CV-62), as Flight Deck Officer, USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV-67), as Air Bos'n and Flight Deck Officer, Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) Patuxent River, MD, as Project Manager/Subject Matter Expert for the Air Department of USN Navy Air Craft Carriers, USS CARL VINSON (CVN-70), as the Aircraft Handling Officer "Handler," and Naval Air Technical Training Center (NATTC) as the Officer in Charge (OIC) aka "Air Boss", Air Training Department, Pensacola, FL.

LCDR Dancer is authorized to wear the Global war on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global war on terrorism Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Award (two awards), Southwest Asia Service Medal (three awards), Liberation of Kuwait Medal (Saudi Arabia), Liberation of Kuwait Medal (Kuwait) and Marine Corps Commendation Medal (four awards), Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal (four awards), Navy Good Conduct Medal (three awards), National Defense Service Medal (two awards), and numerous other individual and unit awards.

Scott and his family chose to settle and retire in San Antonio, TX, ultimately Bulverde, TX in the Texas Hill Country. Scott loved the Dallas Cowboys, the San Antonio Spurs, The Alamo, downtown River Walk, Garner State Park, ghosts & hauntings, fishing, metal detecting, weather watching, working on classic cars, building Christmas village towns, RVing, with his family, traveling to each of the United States, but five, and many other hobbies. His favorite countries he visited as a U.S. Navy sailor are Greece and Australia. Those who knew him well, would agree, he was a an excellent leader, a man always doing something fun, the life of a party, had a wit that would make a person laugh uncontrollably, and enjoyed saying, "I woke up this morning, it's a great day!" In lieu of flowers, Scott wishes donations to be made to the American Lung Society on his behalf.





