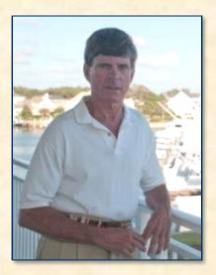
In Loving Memory

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MEMORIAL SERVICE
2 p.m., Sunday, December 10, 2023
Munden Funeral Home, Morehead City, NC
Officiated by Joey Dean, Music by Bryan Mayer

ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening Prayer

"Amazing Grace"

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Military Honors

The family invites you to join them for a further celebration of Joe's life following the service at Jack's Rooftop, featuring music by Bryan Mayer.

Joseph "Above Average Joe" Walter Neal III, 77, of Morehead City, North Carolina, passed away peacefully after a long battle with ALS on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, at the Crystal Coast Hospice House.

A memorial service to honor Joe's life will be held at 2 p.m., Sunday, December 10th at Munden Funeral Home. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service.

Joe was born on October 12, 1946, in Raleigh, North Carolina, to the late Dr. Joseph Walter Neal Jr. and Daisy Martin. As a Vietnam Veteran of the Air Force, he served his country with bravery, honor, and pride.

Joe pursued his education at Duke University where he earned his bachelor's degree. His passion for aviation led him to become a successful self-employed professional in the industry. His expertise and commitment were highly respected by his colleagues and clients alike.

With an adventurous spirit, Joe found joy in collecting obscure t-shirts, a unique expression of his personality. His love for fast cars, planes, and boats reflected his adoration for all things thrilling. Whether it was embarking on a road trip, taking to the skies, or cruising on the open water, Joe embraced every opportunity to experience new adventures.

Joe was a kind-hearted and easy-going individual who effortlessly won the affection of everyone he met. His genuine Southern charm, friendly demeanor, and storytelling made him a joy to be around. He could always be counted on to bring a smile to your face. His laid-back nature made him the life of any gathering, and he cherished the friendships he cultivated throughout his life. Joe will be remembered as a loving husband, brother, and treasured friend.

Those remaining to cherish his memory are his loving and devoted wife, Ann Winfield "Wyndy" Hoover; brother, Kent Conrad Neal and wife Donna Susan Youraine of Morehead City, NC; beloved goddaughter, Mary Linton Kops of Kinston, NC; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Daniel Curran Hoover and Lynda Edwards Hoover of Simpsonville, SC; sister-in-law, Dana Lyn Hoover of Morehead City, NC; brothers-in-law, Daniel Curran Hoover Jr. and wife Kathryn of Raleigh, NC, Aubrey Miller Hoover and wife Shannon of Spartanburg, SC, and David Tyler Hoover of Atlantic Beach, NC; 3 adored nieces and I nephew; along with numerous caring friends.

As an expression of sympathy, memorial contributions may be made to the Foundation of Hope, 3108 Glen Royal Rd., Raleigh, NC 27617 and the Crystal Coast Hospice House, P.O. Box 640, Newport, NC 28570.

Online condolences may be made at www.mundenfuneralhome.net Arrangements by Munden Funeral Home, Morehead City, NC



I was standing by my window
On one cold and cloudy day
When I saw that hearse come rolling
For to carry my mother away

Will the circle be unbroken By and by, Lord, by and by There's a better home a-waiting In the sky, Lord, in the sky

I said to that undertaker Undertaker please drive slow For this lady you are carrying Lord, I hate to see her go

Will the circle be unbroken By and by, Lord, by and by There's a better home a-waiting In the sky, Lord, in the sky

Oh, I followed close behind her Tried to hold up and be brave But I could not hide my sorrow When they laid her in the grave

Will the circle be unbroken By and by, Lord, by and by There's a better home a-waiting In the sky, Lord, in the sky

