



## Robert Douglas Nester

October 26, 2022

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Robert Douglas (Doug) Nester died at his home on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, just shy of his 71st birthday, in the peaceful presence of his loving family. A Celebration of Life will be held at St. James Episcopal Church in Fairhope, Alabama, on Saturday, November 5th, 2022, at 10:30 AM. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Lymphoma Foundation of America (<https://www.lymphomahelp.org>).

Doug was born on November 1st, 1951, in New Orleans, LA, to Captain John Martin Nester, Sr. and Barbara Louise (Osbourn) Nester of Metairie, LA.

Doug graduated in 1970 from St. Martin's Episcopal School in Metairie, LA where he was a member of the football and track teams. As a member of the 1970 Track and Field team, he was later inducted into the Saints' Athletic Hall of Fame. Doug earned his Master of Science from the University of South Alabama in Mobile, AL in 1979.

Doug devoted 32 years of service to the US Army Corps of Engineers. During his employment, he served as the Operations Manager, followed by the National Team Leader and Program Manager of the Deployable Tactical Operations System (DTOS). While with DTOS, he was a first responder to the World Trade Center September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks as well as numerous hurricanes and other natural disasters.

Doug and his wife, Marlene, were lifetime members of the National Corvette Museum (NCM) in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The NCM opened doors to many enjoyable travel opportunities with other Corvette enthusiasts across the country. When not driving his Corvette, Doug could be found outside enjoying nature or in his workshop with his countless tools.

Doug is survived by his wife of over 43 years, Marlene of Spanish Fort, AL; daughters, Renee Messenger (Stephen) of Covington, LA and Rachael Zanetti (Nathan) of Daphne, AL; grandchildren, Lucas, Martin, Elliott, Connor, and Bennett; brother, John Martin Nester, Jr. (Daphne) of Fairhope, AL; aunt, Gilda Nester of Fairhope, AL, and devoted dog, Melvin, along with other loving relatives and friends.

2 Timothy 4:7 - I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My heartfelt sympathy and prayers for peace to Marlene, Renee, Rachael and the entire family. Doug, a wonderful friend and neighbor, was beloved by all. May God rest his soul.*  
*Barbara Goula*

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**Barbara Goula** - November 03, 2022 at 03:49 PM

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“ *Family Helmut Krethe, Germany purchased the Celestial Love for the family of Robert Douglas Nester.*



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**Family Helmut Krethe, Germany** - November 03, 2022 at 04:38 AM