

Col. Michael H. Boyce USMC (ret.) September 1, 1949 ~ January 25, 2022 (age 72)

Mike Boyce, former chairman of the Cobb County Board of Commissioners, died Tuesday in South Bend, Indiana after suffering two strokes last week. He was 72.

He was born on September 1, 1949, in Brawley, CA, to the late Milledge and Rosario Rita (Gomez) Boyce. On April 22, 2000, at Ft. McPherson in Atlanta, GA, he married Judy Faye Moon, who survives. He is also survived by his daughter, Alison (Nicholas) Cotsonika of Saline, MI; his two sons, Kevin (Kaytie) Boyce of Summerville, SC, and Sean Boyce of Jacksonville Beach, FL; five grandchildren; Jacob Cotsonika, Ethan Cotsonika, Averyhart Boyce, Penelope Boyce and Charlotte Anders-Boyce; and by two brothers, Milledge Boyce of New Mexico and Mark (Mary) Boyce of Washington State.

Michael graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1971, then served in the Marine Corps for more than 30 years. He also earned a master's degree from Pepperdine University and was a distinguished graduate of the Naval War College.

He and his wife were in South Bend participating in the 2021-2022 Inspired Leadership Initiative at Notre Dame at the time of his death.

His funeral mass will be Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 9:30 a.m., at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart at the University of Notre Dame. He will be laid to rest at a later date at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA.

A Memorial Service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, February 18, 2022 at Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church, 4385 Lower Roswell Road, Marietta, GA 30068.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the University of Notre Dame. Please direct your gift to the Michael H. Boyce Memorial Fund. Gifts may be made online at http://giving.nd.edu/Boyce, by phone at 547-631-5150, or by mail. The address: University of Notre Dame, Department of Development, 1100 Grace Hall, Notre Dame, IN 46556.

Kaniewski Funeral Home, South Bend, Indiana is handling arrangements. To send online condolences, please visit www.kaniewski.com.