Neck, David Archie

NOTE: Also shown in Eden Cemetery.

Col. David Archie Neck, 62, died peacefully in San Francisco, Friday, 14 Jun 2002.

He was born in Palatka and graduated from Palatka Senior High School and The Citadel. During his career as a U.S. Army officer he served in Korea and Vietnam. His military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Silver Star with 1st Oak Leaf Cluster and Bronze Star with 1st Oak Leaf Cluster. He retired from the Army at the Presidio of San Francisco in 1991 after 29 years of active service. He spent the last years of his life bravely battling Alzheimer's Disease and was an inspiration to all who knew him. He will be remembered for his positive spirit, friendliness, hearty laugh, jitterbug, collages and his signature phrase, "Everyday is a great day." He will be greatly missed, but his family is thankful that he suffers no longer.

He is survived by his wife, Sheila; daughters, Laura and Valerie; sons-in-law, John and Mike and granddaughters, Ada and Iris.

He was cremated and his ashes will be returned to Palatka, where a military funeral will be held at a later date.

Hogan, Sullivan and Bianco, of San Francisco, Calif., is handling arrangements.

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