

Police Officer John Squire Riley (1946-2021)

John was born February 3, 1946 in Perry County, Kentucky to Samuel and Isabelle (Smith) Riley. He graduated from Buckhorn High School in 1964.



Ten days later he joined the United States Air Force and trained in Texas. He served as an Air Policeman in Panama, Oklahoma, and Vietnam where he came into contact with Agent Orange. John was honorably discharged in 1968.

John then worked as a police officer in Hazard, Kentucky from 1968 to 1969.

Officer Riley then came north and found a position with the Fairfield Township Police Department. Due to blindness caused by Agent Orange, he retired in 1995 with three decades of service to his country, city, and township.

He also worked at Avon for 24 years.

On March 22, 2021, the FOP Lodge No. 38 alerted its members that Officer Riley was experiencing serious medical issues. He died peacefully at home during the afternoon of March 24th at the age of 75.

He was predeceased by his siblings, Bert, Ed, Billy, Charlie, Glenn, and Helen. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Eva Carol (McIntosh) Riley; children, Greg (Jackie) Riley, Michelle Riley, and Amanda (Brian) Teates; grandchildren, Kerina, Chase, Dryden, Contessa, Evander, and Kyle, great-grandson, Denali; and siblings, Sam and Ruth.

Visitation will be 5 to 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 28, 2021 and 12 to 1 p.m. on Monday, March 29, 2021 at Rose Hill Funeral Home at 2565 Princeton Road. A FOP service will be held at 1 p.m., followed immediately by a funeral service. Burial will immediately follow in Rose Hill Cemetery.