



## SFC. James Edward Shappie (U.S. Army, Ret.)

November 27, 1945 - August 14, 2020

James Edward Shappie joined his Lord on August 14, 2020 at his residence in San Antonio, Texas. He was born on November 27, 1945 in Terra Huate, Indiana to Paul Lammers Shappie and Armela Rose O'Hickey. James is survived by his loving wife of 38 years, Opal Coleman Shappie; daughter, Lisa Jones; son, Paul Lammers Shappie (Joyce); sisters, Julie Richardson (Levi), Louise Levinson and Kathy Schidel (Tom); brothers, Steve Shappie (Kit), Bill Shappie Sr. (Lorrie), David Shappie; and grandson, James Henry Shappie.

### SERVICES

Visitation will be held on Monday, August 31, 2020 from 6:00pm-9:00pm at Mission Park Funeral Chapels North. Funeral Services will be on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 9:00am at the funeral home chapel, with interment to follow at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery with U.S. Army honors.

For personal acknowledgement, you may sign the online guestbook at [www.missionparks.com](http://www.missionparks.com) in the Tributes section.

MISSION PARK FUNERAL CHAPELS NORTH  
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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78230  
(210) 349-1414



# Cemetery Details

## **Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery**

1520 Harry Wurzbach  
San Antonio, TX 78209

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

DW

“ To Lt James Shappie,  
Sorry to hear you passed. 😞 It was a pleasure to have you as one  
of my Lts on the Guard Force out at Camp S. I learned quite a bit  
from you  
about how to handle stuff out there when I arrived. You were  
definitely  
one of the most dedicated and caring guards. God bless you.

*Don W.*

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**Don W.** - January 31 at 12:07 AM

BL

“ I would like to send my condolences to Opal and the family. I  
worked with James and Opal for little while. James was always  
great to be around. James I hope heaven has a Goldwing for you.

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**Bill Lay** - January 23, 2021 at 08:26 PM

LF

“ Our deepest sympathy, thoughts and prayers go out to the family  
and friends of James. He had such devotion to his fellow veterans  
and we know he will be very missed by all.  
*Larry, Cindi, and Christi*

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**Larry Furrow** - September 02, 2020 at 03:26 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of SFC. James Edward Shappie (U.S. Army, Ret.).*



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August 17, 2020 at 02:10 PM



“ *As Commander of the Fort Sam Houston Memorial Services Detachment I would like to express on behalf of the entire Memorial Services Detachment membership our condolences to the entire Shappie family and their friends. I must tell you that that there was no one more loyal and dedicated than James. James involved himself with every phase of our organization and it made everyone's job easier. We all will miss James for his professionalism, his enthusiasm, and his devotion to duty. Rest in Peace James, you did your part and then some. You stand relieved soldier, time to rest.*

*Manny Mendoza  
MSD Commander*

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**Loreto Mendoza** - August 16, 2020 at 08:22 PM



“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



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**Loreto Mendoza** - August 16, 2020 at 07:37 PM

LM

“ Manny,  
This is sad news for me! James was always someone I could depend on and was fun to hang around with.  
It was an Honor and Privilege to serve with him on Tuesdays. I miss all you great American Veterans!!  
Give Opal my condolences and I will have her in my prayers!!!

Respectfully  
CSM "T" MSD Tuesday Squad.

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Loreto Mendoza - August 16, 2020 at 07:23 PM

LM

“ My deepest sympathy goes out to the Shappie family!

Sean Habina, MSD Friday Squad.

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Loreto Mendoza - August 16, 2020 at 07:20 PM

LM

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Loreto Mendoza - August 16, 2020 at 07:20 PM

LM

“ We have lost a most remarkable member of MSD.

*James Shappie was very dedicated to the mission of MSD. He had an excellent sense of humor and I personally enjoyed his sharp wit!*

*As a member of the MSD Color Guard, James Shappie participated in numerous patriotic and civic events. Events such as presenting the Colors for the Annual MSD Banquets, VA Sponsored Fischer House Fundraisers at area golf clubs, the Annual SAHA Golden Gala and Senior Expo at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, Saint Patrick Day Parades, honoring resident military veterans at area assisted living centers and retirement homes and more! See a few attached photos.*

*His involvement with the MSD Color Guard helped with recruiting, fundraising for MSD and community awareness of the mission of the Fort Sam Houston Memorial Services Detachment.*

*James Shappie assumed command of the MSD Color Guard on 6 July 2018.*

*May God always be with James Shappie and his family.*

*Gene Kuwik*

*Friday Squad Leader*



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**Loreto Mendoza** - August 16, 2020 at 07:10 PM