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Captain Jarrett Hunter Crowley II, U.S. Navy (retired), 78, passed away peacefully in his home on Sunday, December 5, 2021, after a year-long battle with cancer.

Mr. Crowley was born in Waynesboro, VA to the late Jarrett Hunter and Mary F. (Dameron) Crowley. After he graduated West Virginia University in June 1966 he began his 31-year career in the Navy. He served in Vietnam and the Mediterranean, specializing in Operational Intelligence in Naval Aviation Attack Squadrons, aircraft carriers, and as a staff intelligence officer in operations and planning. He went on to graduate from the Naval War College in Newport, RI (1979) and the Armed Forces Staff College in Joint Military Operations (1983). He was designated as Joint Staff Officer for the Defense Intelligence Agency in Intel Support Systems and as Director of Programs and Policy at the National Security Agency. He retired with the rank of Captain in 1997. He went on to a stellar career in Intelligence at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab until retirement in 2017.

Mr. Crowley had a deep appreciation for excellent food, wine, and good conversation, all of which were part of his life in retirement in Rehoboth Beach, DE. He was a talented chef and an extraordinary host, with an uncanny ability to know just what his guests needed or wanted, all the while making it all seem effortless. He was an enthusiast of art, music, and Broadway theatre. His career in the Navy kindled an enduring curiosity for and love of travel, and as he and his friends wandered the globe, he often brought paintings home and in time created an impressive art collection. Over the decades he was devoted to his many Scottish terriers, and they are remembered in paintings in the art collection. In retirement he drew upon his lifetime of travel adventures and created the Crowley Global Travel Agency as part of the Avoya Network, helping others in their travel adventures.



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Mr. Crowley was a loyal and loving husband, son, brother, and uncle. He had a wicked sense of humor. He was an incredibly gifted Mr. Fix It and had a quiet way of showing up just when his helping hand was needed. He will be deeply missed by all who were lucky enough to know him.

He is survived by his spouse, James Lee Kemp of Rehoboth Beach, DE.; his sister, Pebble Dunn of West Palm Beach, FL; and three nephews: John Jay Williams, Raymond Hunter Williams, and Jerry Dunn, all of West Palm Beach, FL.

A Celebration of Life Ceremony will be held in Rehoboth Beach, DE in early 2022, to be followed at a later date by entombment with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest contributions in Mr. Crowley's memory to the St. Jude Children's Hospital, <https://www.stjude.org/give/memorials-and-dedications.html>.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.



Tribute Wall

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LH

Larry Hutton posted:

Hi My name is Larry Hutton, I went to WVU and was a fraternity brother of Jerry's. Jerry served as our consol (President) in Sigma Chi Fraternity. He was a good fraternity brother and made many contributions to the fraternity. Many of us lost contact with Jerry after we graduated. I would like to offer my sympathys to the family.

April 8 at 4:47 PM

MC

Mack Coperland posted:

I was fortunate to be a Sigma Chi Fraternity brother of Jerry at WVU, where he and I were in same pledge class, went active together, and shared the same Pocahontas County, W. Va background. He became president of our fraternity, made many friends, and was a true and honorable friend. I had lost track of him since our graduation, and often wondered what had become of him. It comes as no surprise that he served our country so faithfully and admirably, as he was truly a good man. The world is a better place because of Jerry's life. I am honored to call him a friend and fraternity brother.W. M. "Mack" Copeland

April 5 at 6:59 AM

TV

Thomas Mucklow, Martinsburg, West Virgi posted:

I just learned of Jerry's passing though the WVU Sigma Chi newsletter. I pledged the fraternity in 1966 and had Jerry as my Big Brother. I later learned that my acceptance in the chapter was largely due Jerry's having taken a liking to me during a rush session. He was a good mentor and friend. Several years later, I was walking through JFK Airport when I heard someone call out my name. I finally looked up to to upper section and there, some distance away, was Jerry in full uniform waving to me. We had a great meeting before catching our respective planes. It was few years after that Jerry gave my wife and I a wonderful wedding gift which we still treasure. While we lost touch as our careers took different paths, I still remember his kindness to me and the other Sigma Chi brothers. I was honored to know him. I treasure those memories.Thomas Mucklow, WVU, Sigma Chi, class of 1969.

March 28 at 3:35 PM

BM

Barb Murphy posted:

I knew Jerry in Stuttgart, Germany and enjoyed being his friend. Many of us from Stuttgart are morning his passing. Condolences to his family and friends. Sincerely, Barb

January 31 at 10:11 AM



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RS

Robert Silver posted:

I just learned of Jerry's passing. I am so very saddened by the loss. He was a great friend and honorable man. I am so very sorry for Jimmy Lee and their families. I can't imagine their heartbreak. Jerry was heroic in so many ways. Love. Bob

January 7 at 11:58 AM

JE

Jenpletcher shared an album called **Memories Album**.



December 18 at 6:44 PM

SH

Susan J Hayes posted:

I am so saddened by the news of Jerry's passing. When we were stationed in Germany, the BOQ residents became our family. Jerry was an integral member of that family. Sadly, many of us lost touch after we returned to the US. Jerry was one of those, but he was never far from our thoughts, especially when those of us who did stay in touch were together and rehashing all the good times we had at Patch Barracks. I am happy to see how well he did after Patch and how rich and full his life was. I wish I had known of his illness if for no other reason than to have sent him encouragement as he battled the dreaded cancer. To Jerry's family at this difficult time, may you find comfort in knowing that others share in your sorrow. Jerry, thank you for your service to our country and for your friendship. It was a privilege knowing you. Rest in Peace my friend.

December 18 at 4:35 AM



Rose Murray posted:

Your life was such a blessing, and your memory will be a genuine treasure. I wish you, Jimmy Lee Kemp and Crowley family, healing, and peace. Rose Murray

December 17 at 5:52 AM

KL

Katherine A Lafleur posted:

Jerry was always a welcome "visitor" to our Travel Program Office at the JHU Applied Physics Lab. He will be missed. Prayers offered up for the family. Katherine Lafleur

December 16 at 9:05 AM



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MM

Mark Moore - Frank Molino posted:

Frank and I were truly blessed to have Jerry in our lives. He always had a smile and an open heart. We enjoyed our talks, dinners out, and just the 'knowing' that we had a friend we could always count on. We will miss you my friend, but you will always be in our hearts and memories. Until we meet again...

December 12 at 3:31 AM

IP

Irene Paonessa lit a candle in honor of Jarrett.

My deepest condolences for the loss of such a wonderful man. My heart goes out to you James and Jarrett's family.during this difficult time. I pray your memories will sustain you and make you smile many times over. Take care of yourself and many prayers and hugs for you. Irene Paonessa



December 11 at 11:20 AM

RW

Raymond Hunter Williams posted:

My uncle has always been a sense of pride and strength for our family and me personally. His memory will continue to be as long as I live. He survived by his sister my mom who like him is a great sense of pride and strength for me personally. Blessings to all his friends and his friends family at this time. And blessings to Jim for being there at this very hard time 🙏

December 10 at 11:45 AM

SS

Susie Smith posted:

I was fortunate enough to have worked for Jerry at JHU/APL and appreciate all that he did for me over the years. He was a wonderful man and a dedicated STILO and will be missed by so many. Sending my heartfelt condolences to all of his family during this difficult time! Rest in peace, Jerry!

December 9 at 8:54 AM

LL

Lisa & Lynne posted:

We were lucky enough to meet Jerry a few years ago and live in the neighborhood where he and Jimmy Lee chose to retire, He was a bright, friendly and dear man. We are saddened by his passing. Our condolences to Jimmy Lee and the family. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time.

December 9 at 6:31 AM



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JS

John Shissler posted:

Jerry was an exceptional boss and mentor. I will miss him greatly.

December 9 at 4:26 AM

MW

Miller Whisnant posted:

I worked with and became friends with Jerry at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory after he retired from the US Navy. He was a great help to all of us and was one the most well liked persons that I've known. He was just a really good person and will be missed. I know how much he loved his dogs - they were fortunate to have him also. Miller Whisnant

December 8 at 8:00 AM

JP

Jen Pletcher December 18 at 7:09 PM

So very sad to hear about Jerry, but comforted by the news that Jerry was at home surrounded by those he loved and who loved him in his final hours. I met Jerry in Germany as part of the Patch Barracks party group and party we did! Jerry was always a "class act" in who he was and everything he did.... the little Blue MG he drove, his lightning quick intellect, his infectious and wicked sense of humor, and the fact that he really listened to, and was interested in other people. One bit of advice that Jerry once gave me was If I were going to be impressed by a Mercedes owner, then ask them - which year? Jerry's last e-mail to me read: " Tore a ligament in my knee last year. Walking down stairs at a friend's house with a glass of wine. Stairs and floor were same color and lights were dimmed. Missed the two bottom steps and hyper extended my left leg. Good thing is, I didn't spill the wine!" I posted a photo of a wonderful clown Pierro vase that Jerry once gave me for a birthday present and now I will think of Jerry each time I see it . My sincere condolences to Jerry's husband and family during this very difficult time. Another star added to the heavens.....



Jenpletcher shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.

December 18 at 6:44 PM



Birthday gift vase from Jerry



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Jarrett by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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