



Fernando N. Madison

February 11, 1941 - October 19, 2015

Retired Senior Chief Petty Officer Fernando Nicholas Madison, Jr. was born on February 11, 1941, in Baltimore, MD, the son of the late Fernando and Ellen Madison.

Fernando graduated Valedictorian from Frederick Douglas High School, for highest academic rank achieved, and outstanding attendance in the graduating class of 1958.

Soon after graduation, he enlisted in the United States Navy in 1959. Fernando was later stationed in Charleston, S.C. where he met and married his wife, the former Patricia A. Dixon, in 1968, in a union that extended for 47 years, until Patricia's passing in 2003.

Fernando was highly recognized for his expertise as a Molder (ML) in the U.S. Navy. Throughout the course of his military career, he served on board the USS Cadmus (AR-14), USS Holland (AS-32), USS Piedmont (AS-17) and the USS Frank Cable (AS-40). He was known by many of his shipmates as "Mad Dog".

In 1972, Fernando accepted shore duty assignment as a Naval Recruiter in Baltimore, MD. His superb record and outstanding display of initiative and professional ability, earned hi statewide recognition as "Recruiter of the Year".

Fernando Madison's military career extended 30 years, and he was "Honorably" discharged/retired in June 1989, from his last duty station, Naval Station Mayport, in Jacksonville, FL.

His military awards include the National Defense Service Medal, Navy Achievement Medal (2), Meritorious Unit Commendation (2), Seventh Good Conduct Award, Battle "E" Ribbon (3), Sea Service Deployment Ribbon and Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist.

Once retired, Fernando was able to partake in his favorite pastime, fishing from the rocky shorelines near the ocean in Atlantic Beach, FL. He enjoyed watching Western movies, and spending time as a Boiler Tender with a Government Contractor at Naval Station Mayport, FL.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia, and brothers, Charles, Wilton, Ralph and Leslie.

Fernando is survived by three wonderful children, Terry Ann (Perry), Fernando Nicholas III, (Natalie), and Hondre Jose (Scarlet). He also leaves four sisters, Lorraine, Ellen, Sharon and Mildred, on brother Joseph and one sister-in-law, Virginia Madison. Grandchildren, Ramona, Tasha, Najee, Nikko, Ada Jean, Markie and Younger, 4 great-grandchildren. He also leaves a host of special nieces and nephews and one great-great nephew.

Previous Events

Wake

OCT **26**. 6:00 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
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Baltimore, MD 21215
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fernando N. Madison*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Fernando Madison was not only my Navy recruiter, he was also my uncle. He talked me into becoming a Boiler Technician. I gave the Navy 2 tours. I didn't know he passed. My sincerest condolences to his family.*

Jerome Thompson

Jerome Thompson - November 06, 2021 at 12:25 PM



“ *Rest in Peace Senior. We have the watch.*

Randy Howard - February 10, 2016 at 06:50 PM



“ *I would like to send my heartfelt sympathy to the madison family at the this time its hard to believe the mad dog has gone to that big kennel in the sky I am going to miss you and all the memories we had at sima mayport love you big guy and miss you. HT1 (SW) EVANS take care T.*

JOHNNYEVANS - December 22, 2015 at 09:23 AM



“ *Very sorry to hear of the lost of Mr.Madison old friends of Hondrea and Fernando. We are trying to contact the Madison family from Summerville , SC. My condolences to the family.*

Vincent Washington - November 21, 2015 at 12:03 AM

BW

So sorry to hear of this because Vincent and I have been trying to find the Madison family for years. Fernando or Hondre if you could pls contact Vincent or myself it would be greatly appreciated. Bernadette White@(843)330-3361. Again we are so sorry to hear of this because we are your extended family from Summerville S.C God bless

Bernadette white - November 21, 2015 at 03:04 AM

LC

“ I am honored and blessed to have known and to have had Madison and Pat as second parent. He was truly a blessing in our lives and my family will miss him and continue to miss Pat. It will be the little things that I will remember, the smiles, the laughter, the pipe, the sea stories as we sip on our flavored water and although it may seem hard right now, it will be the memories of these little things that help to push away the pain and bring the smiles back again. Now, I feel as if we've gained another angel to watch over us. To the family:

*Those we love don't go away,
They walk beside us every day,
Unseen, unheard, but always near,
Still loved, still missed and very dear.*

*The Chandler Family
Jacksonville Florida*

Lennie Chandler - October 26, 2015 at 11:25 AM

LF

“ Our family would like to express condolences to The Madison Family. May you find peace and comfort from Jehovah God's Word The Bible where He assures our loved ones of a resurrection and that "death will be brought to nothing". Our prayers are with your family.

Linn Family - October 24, 2015 at 08:43 AM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

March Funeral Homes - October 22, 2015 at 12:33 PM