



## Duane Richard Sprick, Lt Col USAF(Ret)

November 29, 1932 - April 7, 2013

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Age 80 of Fort Calhoun, NE Born November 29, 1932

Died April 7, 2013 Preceded in death by: wife, Carol (Sievers) Sprick, twin brother, Doyle R. Sprick, brother Erwin F. Sprick Jr. Survived by: daughter, Paula (Carl) Grotelueschen of Schuyler, NE, sons Duane R. (Rick) Sprick II (Holly) of Kansas, Stu (Diane) Sprick of Fort Calhoun, NE, sister, Donna Hansen of Washington D.C., brother, Roger (Irene) Sprick of Omaha, NE, sister-in-law, Claire Ann Sprick of Raytown, MO, grandchildren, Nathan (Kira) Grotelueschen and Abby Grotelueschen, Sam and Hannah Sprick, Tony and Alex Sprick, nieces, nephews and many friends. VISITATION: 4:00-8:00 pm Thursday, April 11, 2013 with Family Receiving Friends from 6:00-8:00 pm and a Masonic Service at 7:00 pm conducted by Solomon Lodge #10 A.F. & A.M., all at Sievers-Sprick Funeral Home. FUNERAL SERVICE: 10:30 am Friday, April 12, 2013 at Fort Calhoun Presbyterian Church. INTERMENT: Fort Calhoun Cemetery with Military Honors conducted by Fort Calhoun American Legion Post #348. MEMORIALS SUGGESTED TO: Fort Calhoun Presbyterian Church or Fort Calhoun Fire and Rescue or Fort Calhoun American Legion Post #348.

# Tribute Wall

KD

“*My name is Kristin DePasquale. I have been whereing Duane's brother Doyle's MIA bracelet for years. He has been in my thoughts and praires and has traveled with me to ground zero and other locations. I thought it appropriate that this part of him be with family if interested. My email address is krisdep35@yahoo.com if anyone would like to touch base with me*”

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**Kristin DePasquale** - September 04, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GV

“*My thoughts and prayers are with you Stu and for your family. I will always remember your dad's unique sense of humor, and gentle way about him. He will be missed.*  
*Sincerely Gayle Vittitoe*”

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**Gayle Vittitoe** - July 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DM

“Duane, your dad was my boss at SAC when he was the chief of the environmental planning division...probably 74 til 76 or so. we moved to California in 77 and pretty much lost track of he and your mom. You know there are times in your life that you need help and in the mid 70's the Air Force was getting ready to send me on a remote duty assignment for a year. This came with the career field and I was prepared to go..however my wife and I were in the middle of an adoption proceedings on my daughter and I needed to stay in Nebraska for another six months...they refused and my only course of action available was to resign my commission and get out of the service. ...with no employment prospects...your dad was kind enough to convert my military position to a civilian position in the same office...sounds easy, but virtually impossible without bending the rules. He violated a number of policies and standard procedures to secure a position for me. He put his own career at risk to secure a career for me...when I desperately needed a hand..he was there. I retired myself from Air Force civil service ten years ago at the grade of GM-15...a very enjoyable, challenging and successful career.. I thanked your dad in the 70's, but always felt bad that I didn't follow up with he and Carol as my career progressed, or when my wife passed away in 2003...Just this week, when I decided to use facebook to track your folks down, did I learn they had passed...your dad just weeks ago... I am devistated I didn't try sooner,. I literally owed your dad for a successful career. Your folks were the greatest...God love them both. Dave McPhee”

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dave mcphee - June 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MN

“Dear Rick, Holly, Sam, Hannah, & family -- Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time and in the days to come. May you be surrounded by the grace of God and the love of your friends & loved ones. Love, Mike & Erin Nash”

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Michael Nash - April 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“We wish to express our sympathy to all the Sprick family. We are thinking of you, and remembering Duane. We would like to attend the service, but will miss, due to present health problems. --Dwain & Jean Jordan”

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**Dwain Jordan** - April 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JO

“Dear Stu, Diane, and family, Sam and I are very sorry for the passing of your Father. I like to believe that when we lose someone close to us they still live through us and give us strength. The time we have spent with those we've lost makes them part of us. Duane was always very kind and courteous to us. When we would walk past his house with Poochie, he always told us what a beautiful dog he was. In February this year, our Poochie passed away, so now Duane will be in heaven with Poochie. Our sincere condolences to all of your family. Sam and Joy Ruma”

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**Joy** - April 11, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RL

“Roger Sprick, I'm sorry to read about the passing of your brother, Duane. He must have been a fine man to have been an Air Force fighter pilot. You and your family have been fine people. I owe you.”

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**Richard Lloyd** - April 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JB

“Dear Paula, Carl, Rick, Stu and families;  
Our heartfelt sympathy to you...he was a blessing to you all. Your faith will give you comfort in the days ahead knowing that he is in no more pain, enjoying life everlasting & reunited with your dear mother. He leaves you with many wonderful memories near and dear to your hearts. He has new "wings"....God has called unto him..."Come fly with me". Our sincere sympathy, love & prayers..."

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**Jon and Dianne Botsch** - April 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TG

“Stu, Diane and the entire Sprick Family, So sorry to hear about Duane's passing. He was an active part of our community and lives over the years, and he will be missed. You are in our thoughts and prayers.”

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**Tom and Jennifer Gepson** - April 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MP

“I just wanted to say I am so sorry for your loss. I only knew Duane for a short period but in that short time I knew what an amazing man he was and what a loving family he had surrounding him.”

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**Michaela Piccolo** - April 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MP

“We send our condolences to all of Duane's family; we had the deepest respect for him. He had a wonderful sense of humor and was a very kind and caring person. Surely, he is happy to see his beloved Carol again. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.”

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**Mary Beth Brandt and Kaye Parnell** - April 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“*Jeremy Workman*”

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**Jeremy Workman** - April 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM