

## **MICHAEL “MIKE” R. Mc CLANAHAN**

**Mike McClanahan was born on June 12, 1946 at the Whitlatch Clinic in Milan, Indiana to Margaret “Maggie” B. (Hayes) and Harold “Shorty” McClanahan, who was a Prisoner of War in World War II. His mom and dad were both proud to be World War II Veterans. He has two brothers: Patrick and Kelly, and a sister, Kathy (deceased).**

**Mike attended Moores Hill Grade School from 1951-62 and graduated from Moores Hill High School in 1965.**

**Mike joined the Naval Reserves in 1964 and was sent to Glenville, Illinois for 12 weeks of “A” School and then to Jacksonville, Florida for FI School for 6 months. He was assigned to the Naval Air Station (NAS) Sandpoint Seattle, Washington; NAS Alameda, California; Akron Squadron 304 Air Wing 30; Naval Air Training Center Memphis, Tennessee; Akron 204 Carrier Air Wing 20; USS Kennedy; Chief of Naval Air Training New Orleans, Louisiana; Naval Air Training Center Moffitt Field, California.**

**His rank was Aviation Ordnance Chief and he received 5 awards for Good Conduct, Naval Reserve service with five Air Crew Wings; Command Chief; National Defense Service Medal and Medal of Achievement. He was discharged in 1986 after 22 years of service.**

**One time, Mike rode his BMW motorcycle from coast to coast and back and enjoyed the wonderful experience.**

**Mike has two sons, Stephen J. and Brien M., who is deceased.**

**There are 5 grandchildren: Stefaine, Kevin, Adam, Tomi and Michael and 12 great grandchildren.**

**Mike retired at age 43 from the Navy and worked at the Irish Bowl in Moores Hill for several years and then at the Grand Victoria Casino in Rising Sun for 13 years.**

**Mike is a member of Moores Hill American Legion Post 209 and a past Commander; Life Member of the VFW; 40&8 member; Southeastern Indiana Vietnam Veterans of America, Lary D. Fogle, Chapter 71; and the Southeastern Indiana Honor Guard, where is is a Chaplain.**

**Mike is very proud of his military service and is honored to be a vital part of the Honor Guard and helping with the military rites at a funeral service for an honorably discharged American Veteran. He encourages you to Thank a Veteran anytime you see one.**