

## **JIM TRESTER**

**Jim “Trees” Trester was born in Milan, Indiana on May 10, 1943 to Dale & Mabel “Polly” Trester. He has two sisters: Daisy (Gary Watts) and Tish Stiegler. He attended Southside Grade School in Aurora and graduated from Aurora High School in 1961.**

**Trees entered the United States Navy on August 22, 1961 and went to Great Lakes, Illinois for Boot Camp. He also completed radio school at Bainbridge, Maryland.**

**He sailed thru the Panama Canal and went to Vietnam where he served aboard the USS Canberra, CAG-2, in the Gulf of Tonkin and the South China Sea. He also served aboard the Thomas J. Gary, DER-26, a radar ship in the North Atlantic.**

**He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Navy Good Conduct Medal and a Meritorious Unit Citation. He attained the rank of RM-3 or E-4. He was honorably discharged on August 22, 1965.**

**Jim married Wanda Penn on January 22, 1966 and they will be celebrating 59 years in a few months.**

**Trees worked at, Seagrams, Cummins Diesel in Columbus and then at Indiana & Michigan (I&M) Power Plant in Lawrenceburg and retired as a Maintenance Supervisor after over 40 years of service in 2008.**

**Trees is proud of his service today in the Southeastern Indiana Honor Guard where he is a faithful and dedicated member for funeral details for departed veterans.**

**He is a life member of the Southeastern Indiana Vietnam Veterans of America, Larry D. Fogle Chapter 71, life member of the VFW and member of American Legion Post 231 in Aurora, life member of the Eagles in Lawrenceburg and Aurora (60 years), member of Aurora Moose and the Masonic Lodge 51.**

**Trees is proud to have served in the United States Navy and is proud to be called a VETERAN.**