

MILLER, Robert Forrest "Mickey"

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FUNERAL SERVICES HELD MONDAY FOR CAPT. ROBT. MILLER

Funeral services were held on Monday at 3 p.m. for Robert F. Miller, Captain in the U. S. Army, from the First Baptist Church in Viborg. The Rev. Gordon McMillan officiated. Mrs. McMillan sang two solos and Mrs. Leonard Holm was the organist. Pallbearers were, Charles Christopherson, Lyle Peterson, James Buckstead, Merlin Hansen, Burdell and Burnell Christensen. Interment was at Rose Hill Cemetery under the direction of the Viborg Funeral Home.

Robert Forrest Miller, son of John and Loretta Miller, was born at Viborg, S. Dak., March 25, 1933, and passed away at the base hospital at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, July 2, 1963.

Robert, better known as Mickey in his home community, attended and graduated from the Viborg Public Schools. He graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Electrical Engineering from South Dakota State College at Brookings in 1955 and from North Eastern University of Boston with a Masters Degree in Electrical Engineering in 1962.

He became a member of the Signal Corps, U. S. Army, in Sept. 1956 and served as an instructor at the Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama, until he went on a tour of duty, for one year, in Korea.

Since graduation from the University in Boston, he has been stationed at the Electronic Proving Grounds, Fort Huachuca, Ariz. In company with Major Glen Jackman and a civilian consultant he went on a camping trip in the Chiricahua Mountains of Arizona. There he had the misfortune of falling into an unmarked pit. He sustained several fractures from the fall. After seemingly on the road to recovery a pulmonary embolism ended his career and life.

He was married to Marian Sperry of Bath, S. Dak., Sept. 29, 1957. To this union were born two boys: Robert F. Jr. and Steven J., whom with his wife Marian survive him. Besides his immediate family he leaves to mourn his passing, his father, John E. Miller of Viborg; two brothers, Harry B. Miller of Clear Lake, S. Dak., and John E. (Pat) Miller of Sioux Falls, S.D.; several cousins, nephews and nieces.

He was preceded in death by his mother, an infant sister and brother.

CARD OF THANKS

We cannot find the words which should adequately express our gratitude and appreciation for the aid, sympathy and kindness extended to all of us during the recent tragic death of our Mickey. We hope that all, who helped in any way, may read these lines and know that we feel we owe a large debt of gratitude to all of you. To Rev. Gordon McMillan and wife, Helen Holm, the women of the neighborhood, the men who so willingly acted as pallbearers, members of the color guard and firing squad. To those contributing memorials to Mickey and messages of sympathy to the family, the Rebekahs who served refreshments, and all who contributed to make this sad episode of life more bearable. To Captain Frank O'Leary of Fort Huachuca, Ariz., who was Military Escort for his fellow officer, to Burnell and Burdell Christensen for all their kindness and efforts expended to help an old man and his family. Again, "Thank You!" to all of you.

— Marian Miller,

Robbie and Steve;

John E. Miller, Sr.;

Harry (Buster) Miller & Marilyn;

Pat, Penny, Dusty, Jackie, Patricia, Karin, & Erik Miller;

and from Mickey, could he but speak.