

Last post -- [Jackie R. Kays](#), Sat, Mar 07 2020, 1:20:33 PST (NoHost/64.188.254.59)

**To All my friends in the VSPA!**

Next month, I'll be eighty-seven years old. (And enduring a long list of ailments.) As a life member of the VSPA for approximately fifteen years, I have enjoyed the comradery of most of the membership! Friends like: Don P, Steve G, Bruce R., Jack S., Lew. G., Steve R., Terry S, Newell S., Glenn W., Howard Y, Pat. H., and numerous others!  
I would like to take this moment to thank and salute each and everyone.

This will probably be my last post due to failing eyesight.  
Gentlemen, it has been my pleasure and privilege to have been associated with each of you!

(I am forever honored, for I have marched with heroes!) J.R. K.  
SSgt. Jackie R. Kays (1949-1966, Korea and Vietnam)

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Date Posted: Sun, Mar 08 2020, 8:35:12 PDT

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Subject: Re: Last post

In reply to: Jackie R. Kays 's message, "[Last post](#)" on Sat, Mar 07 2020, 1:20:33 PST

SSgt Kays it leaves me with great sadness to read your post. In past years I have enjoyed reading your poems and thoughts on these pages. You have put words to all of the collective memories and experiences. The feelings and emotions which are sometimes hard to express can be reflected in your words. I am saddened by the loss of another voice on these pages. May a solution be found to keep you here. Larry Gramps LM 401

Date Posted: Mon, Mar 09 2020, 10:25:33 PDT

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Subject: Re: Last post

In reply to: Jackie R. Kays 's message, "[Last post](#)" on Sat, Mar 07 2020, 1:20:33 PST

My friend and mentor I will miss your post here but I will stay in touch via the phone I know you have trouble hearing also but Wanda can relay any messages I have for you. You have treated me like a son and for that my friend I am grateful. It is my honor to have you as my friend. Always here for you. Jack

Date Posted: *Fri, Mar 27 2020, 16:52:40 PDT*

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Subject: 😊 Re: Last post

In reply to: Jackie R. Kays 's message, "[Last post](#)" on *Sat, Mar 07 2020, 1:20:33 PST*

Jackie, my friend all the way back to Da Nang 1965-1966, and that November night of your heroics, if you have a poem now and then, email it to me—I'll post it on the bulletin board for you :). Don Poss