



## Andrew James Vestal

February 4, 1990 - September 25, 2023

Andrew James Vestal, 33, passed away after suffering a coronary event on Monday, September 25, 2023. Andy is survived by his parents, James & Julie Vestal; Grandfathers, James Vestal and Joseph M. Quinn Jr., and his brother, Aaron Rice. He was preceded in death by his grandmothers, Doris Vestal and Carole Quinn.

Petty Officer Vestal graduated with his Bachelor's Degree from Southeast Missouri State University in 2013. Answering the call, he chose to enlist in the United States Navy on November 14th, 2013.

After graduating from the Cryptologic Technician "A" School, he was immediately selected for the National Security Agency's Global Targeting And Tracking Center in Colorado. In August 2015, he screened and was selected for the US Navy's Tactical Information Operations (TIO) Program, and was assigned to Special Reconnaissance Team ONE in San Diego, California.

As a quiet, dedicated professional, he qualified as both a Geospatial Analyst / Small Unmanned Radio Frequency Receiver operator and as a TIO Operator, providing direct support to Naval Special Warfare. He led his operational team through multiple deployments, including those with SEAL Teams ONE and SEVEN in the CENTCOM and INDOPACOM areas of responsibility. His leadership and expertise were instrumental in dismantling terror networks and

removing violent extremists from the battlefield.

Having completed his tours with Naval Special Warfare, he was selected for duty with the US Navy's Third Fleet in San Diego, CA, in 2021. CTR1 Vestal was an invaluable member of the Intelligence and Information Operations directorate. His deep experience in tactical Signals Intelligence and operational focus made him a natural and gifted Special Intelligence Correlator (SICOR) on the THIRD FLEET Battlespace Awareness Watch, where he provided critical indications and warning intelligence to the Three-Star Fleet Staff, as well as to subordinate units across the entire Pacific basin. A senior analyst, he had recently been assigned to the Cryptologic Analysis Support Element (CASE) at THIRD FLEET, providing deeper levels of analytic rigor to the FLEET's collection tasking and performance.

Petty Officer Vestal was among our top analysts, a leader among our cryptologic team, and a mentor to junior Sailors throughout the command. He was our Shipmate.”

A visitation will be held from 10:00-11:30 AM with a Celebration of Life beginning at 11:30 AM Friday, October 13, 2023 at the Maple Hill Funeral Home in Kansas City, Kansas. Burial with Military Honors will begin at 1:30 PM at Leavenworth National Cemetery in Leavenworth, Kansas.

# Cemetery Details

## Leavenworth National Cemetery

150 Muncie Road  
Leavenworth, KS 66048

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

OCT **13**. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home  
3300 Shawnee Dr  
Kansas City, KS 66106  
(913) 831-3345  
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com  
<https://maplehillfuneralhome.com>

## Celebration of Life

OCT **13**. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Kansas City, KS 66106  
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## Burial Service

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OCT **13**. 1:30 PM (CT)

Leavenworth National Cemetery  
150 Muncie Road  
Leavenworth, KS 66048

# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Andrew James Vestal.

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October 14, 2023 at 04:59 PM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



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**Matt Malecki** - October 13, 2023 at 03:32 AM



“ Nathan C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Andrew James Vestal.

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**Nathan C.** - October 12, 2023 at 09:36 PM



“ 271 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - October 12, 2023 at 03:58 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.



October 12, 2023 at 03:32 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Andrew James Vestal.

October 12, 2023 at 03:32 PM



“ Joe & Veronica Quinn & Thoennes Families purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Andrew James Vestal.



Joe & Veronica Quinn & Thoennes Families - October 12, 2023 at 11:21 AM

MU

“ Megan U. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Andrew James Vestal.

Megan U. - October 12, 2023 at 10:55 AM

CM

“ Commander, U.S. 3rd Fleet Chiefs Mess purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Andrew James Vestal.



Commander, U.S. 3rd Fleet Chiefs Mess - October 11, 2023 at 05:57 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.



October 11, 2023 at 05:11 PM

TH

“ Terry H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Andrew James Vestal.

Terry H. - October 10, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.*



October 09, 2023 at 10:37 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.*



October 09, 2023 at 10:25 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.*



October 09, 2023 at 10:22 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Thinking of you all. Hugs and Prayers. Love, Donnie & Linda*



**linda** - October 09, 2023 at 11:50 AM

SB

“ Rest easy Andrew, do in heaven as you did here on earth watch over and protect your family, sending all our love to the Vestal Family during sad and difficult time.



Samantha Brownfield - October 08, 2023 at 05:50 PM

SB

“ Samantha B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Andrew James Vestal.

Samantha B. - October 08, 2023 at 05:39 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.



October 08, 2023 at 01:05 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Andrew James Vestal.

October 08, 2023 at 01:05 PM



“ Andrew James Vestal

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.*



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October 07, 2023 at 05:11 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.*



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October 07, 2023 at 05:05 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.*



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October 07, 2023 at 04:42 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Andrew James Vestal.*

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October 07, 2023 at 04:42 PM

DN

“ I spent a little over a year standing watch with Andy at Comthirdflt. I had countless hours of just being able to chat with him and realize how down to earth and compassionate he was about those around him. We were able to get fairly close and talk about everything under the sun. Anything from work to everything we did outside of work. I distinctly remember the time that he invited me out for a movie while my family was out of town and we ended up walking from his place to the movie theatre which was about a 2-3 mile walk. I had no idea that this was the plan prior but we got to do a bunch of talking on the way and getting to know each other even better. He was always very passionate about making sure the people he cared about were okay mentally and physically. I will never forget his presence and will continue to remember him in every way possible.

*My sincerest condolences,  
Dylan Newborn*

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**Dylan Newborn** - October 07, 2023 at 03:31 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.*



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October 07, 2023 at 03:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.*



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October 07, 2023 at 02:21 PM



“ *A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Andrew James Vestal.*

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October 07, 2023 at 01:24 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Andrew James Vestal.*



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October 07, 2023 at 12:54 PM



“ *Asimina G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Andrew James Vestal.*

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**Asimina G.** - October 06, 2023 at 05:44 PM