



Paul Fratarangelo

February 24, 1943 - August 24, 2017

Paul A. Fratarangelo, Major General, USMC (Ret.), passed away Thursday, August 24, 2017 at his residence. He served as President of Contrail Group, Inc., a management consulting firm in Alexandria Virginia. General Fratarangelo was a designated Naval Aviator and has flown over 5,900 mishap free hours, including 485 combat missions and 263 carrier landings, primarily in fighter / attack aircraft. His 33 years as a Marine officer include nine years in command as a squadron, aircraft group, aircraft wing, air base and Joint Task Force commander. His staff assignments include serving as the Inspector General for the United States Central Command, and as an Operations Analyst with the Tactical Aircraft Division, Program Analysis and Evaluation, Office of the Secretary of Defense. He also served as the Senior U.S. Representative for the successful Prisoner of War repatriation negotiations following the Gulf War. During his final active duty assignment as Commander, Marine Corps Air Bases, Western Area, he served as a member of the Marine Corps Morale, Welfare and Recreation Board of Directors, and as Chairman of the Budget and Oversight Committee. Additionally, he developed successful Master Plans for the closure of two major installations and the realignment of two additional major installations. Paul is survived by his wife, Andrea H. Fratarangelo; Daughters and sons-in-law, Linda Ann and Jacque D. Steer, and Lori Ann and Michael M. Pratt; and Grandchildren, Hailey Ann Steer, Heather Ann Steer, Andrea Michelle Pratt, Amanda Elizabeth Pratt, and Audrey Lynn Pratt. Funeral Mass will be held Saturday,

Sept. 2nd, 11:00AM at the Blessed Trinity Catholic Church, 5 SE 17th Street, Ocala. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Semper Fi Fund, 825 College Blvd., Suite 102 PMB 609 Oceanside, CA 92057. The General will be buried with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

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“ To a fallen comrade and fellow veteran, may the Lord keep you in his arms for eternity and may your family cherish and celebrate the memories and the contributions you made for our country.Semper Fi!Dick Rose

Richard J. Rose - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM