

Brock Harold Young

March 23, 1948 ~ May 14, 2022

Brock Harold Young left us unexpectedly on May 14, 2022 after complications from heart surgery. Brock was born to the late Blaine Edwin Young and Ann Lucille (Westcott) Young in 1948 at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He was brother to the late Pamela Young Feeney and Brian P. Young. Brock grew up in Hampton, Virginia. He was proud to be the son of a career Army officer and followed in his family's legacy of military service. When he was seventeen years old, Brock enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1965 and served numerous tours of duty in Vietnam (1966, 1967,1968,1970 and 1971). Brock was among those who helped protect the U.S. Embassy in Tripoli, Libya when it had to be evacuated.

During his service in Vietnam, and while on leave in Tokyo, Brock met the woman who would later become his wife, Takako. Together they have been married 45 years and 7 months. After several years in the U.S. Marine Corps, he then joined the U.S. Army for a tour in Hawaii. He surprised himself and his family by accepting a new adventure in policing (albeit a temporary career move, or so he thought) and moved everyone to the snowy, landlocked mountains of Utah, far from his beloved islands.

Brock hired on with the Salt Lake City Police Department and served in all Patrol Divisions, Traffic Division, and finished his long career as a Detective. In 1991, Brock received the Utah Peace Officers Association's Presidential Award in recognition of dedication to his profession after he had responded to an emergency situation where he jumped into a canal without hesitation to save the lives of others. Brock retired from SLCPD in 2002 after serving 25-years as a sworn police officer.

Brock's continuing lifelong service to his country and community did not end after his honorable discharge from the USMC. While he was employed with SLCPD, Brock remained in the Army Reserve and Utah National Guard. He retired (again) as a First Sergeant E-8 in 2008. Thinking his service was not enough, he continued to serve the residents of Salt Lake City, and the men and women of Salt Lake /city Police Department by returning to SLCPD working an additional five years as a police specialist -- helping to provide service to his fellow officers and detectives in their efforts to "protect and serve" the greater Salt lake community.

He was a life member of the Republican National Committee, Disabled American Veterans (DAV), Veterans of Foreign War (VFW), and the Marine Corps League.

Brock was a pragmatic, straight-shooting, tough-as-nails, stoic "Leatherneck" -- but his heart was huge where family and friends were concerned. He was exceedingly patient and tender with the family's dog -- the slightly demonic, definitely neurotic -- 'Sachi'. With his children he instilled a deep belief to live with honor, integrity and fortitude in all things. Brock was a loyal friend and rarely missed an opportunity to spend time hanging out with the "Coffee Buddies", and to honor the passing of those buddies who left this world before him. Our family appreciates

the kindness and camaraderie the "Coffee Buddies" and his neighbors have shown Brock, especially his good neighbor Michael Jefferson, for all their help and friendship to him through the years.

Brock loved skydiving and scuba diving and looked forward to his annual pilgrimage to Hawaii. He loved the ocean and it brought him peace and joy sitting at his favorite beachside table listening to the waves roll. In our hearts he is basking in the sunshine, content and carefree.

Brock leaves his wife of 46 years, Takako Miyazawa Young of Sandy, Utah, and his children: Melinda Nagai Seager (Brett) of South Jordan, Utah, Master Sergeant Harold Aldrich Young USMC (Vicky) of Oceanside, California, and Shaun Haruki Young of Sandy, Utah. Brock was a loving grandfather to Anna Maria Young and Jacob Kai Seager. He relished his time with them when his health allowed. He had a special place in his heart for his nephew, Shingo Oki, of Tokyo, Japan, who was like a second son and with whom he shared many poignant discussions together on topics like politics, philosophy and life's other mysteries. Also, Brock is survived by his sister-in-law, Yon Young of Saratoga Springs, Utah.

A viewing is scheduled for Monday, May 23, 2022 at 10:00 A.M. at the Larkin Mortuary Riverton location located at 3688 West 12600 South. Funeral services, also at the Larkin Riverton location, begins at 11:00 A.M. In addition, Brocks family warmly invites friends and colleagues to join us at 12:30 P.M. at the graveside. Brock will be interred with full military honors at the Utah Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Camp Williams, 17111 South Camp Williams Road, Bluffdale, Utah.