

Craig Lee Reed

June 28, 1944 – March 28, 2022

It's with great sadness we announce the loss of our friend Craig Reed. Most of you remember him as the guy in the black Mercedes cruising around Point Roberts. Although he lived a longer life than he ever expected, he did pass away suddenly at the gym he frequented in Tsawwassen after the border reopened.

Craig was raised and lived throughout the Pacific Northwest, usually never far from a golf course and/or near water. So, it's no wonder he wanted to call Point Roberts home.

He was drafted for two years from 1966-1968 and served as a medic with Company C of the 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 50th Infantry Regiment from 1967 to 1968. This unit was attached at times to the 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile), the 4th Infantry Division and the 173rd Airborne Brigade in the Central Highlands during the Vietnam War. Among his awards he was proud to wear the Combat Medic Badge.

After his service, he came back to Washington to study business at the University of Washington. From there, he started a lifelong career in human resources, finance, banking, accounting and then as a commercial broker. He married twice and is survived by his step son (Julius Gaité) who lives in Sacramento, California.

Ten years ago, Craig's dear friends Wayne and Linda Knowles introduced him to Point Roberts and from that moment on he was home. With Wayne's help, Linda's caring disposition and the support of many neighbors, locals and some Canadian friends, he was settled and so happy to be in Point Roberts. He lived the majority of these years in the condos at the golf course. He loved having visitors, golfers to watch, great neighbors and being surrounded by the natural beauty of the Point.

Throughout his long life, his passions were traveling, fixing up older cars, boating, wintering in Asia (the last few years before Covid), road trips, cooking dinners, James Bond and hanging out with friends for hours of thoughtful conversation.

Craig's greatest strength and pleasure came from many lifelong friendships. Some have passed too soon, but those of us remaining, gathered in Seattle last month for a meaningful day of stories, food and boating in his honor!

We can't thank everyone in Point Roberts enough for their help and support during this time and for the years of friendship shared with Craig. You made his last years here so happy and memorable.

Craig is preceded in death by his mother Elaine Granroth-Hews, step-father Richard Hews and many life-long friends to include Wayne Knowles and John Henry Lysaker. RIP our forever friends, forever loved!

