



## Lt Col John C. Pignato Sr. USA, Ret.

January 20, 1938 - February 12, 2021

Hampton – Lt Col John C. Pignato Sr. USA, Ret., 83, of Hampton, passed away on Friday, February 12, 2020 at Exeter Hospital.

He was born in Boston, MA on January 20, 1938 the son of the late Joseph Pignato and Enda (Sholes).

Raised in Brookline, Mass., he graduated from Brookline High School. Leaving school early, he enlisted in the United States Army and proudly served 30 years. During his military career he had multiple tours in Vietnam, from which he received three Bronze Stars and a Purple Heart.

Using his G.I. Bill, John received his undergraduate degree from Northeastern University and later received his master's degree from American University. He went on to teach for several universities for a number of years after his career in the military.

John was a gentle soul and first and foremost a family man, who enjoyed animals, especially his Labs.

Surviving family members include his wife of 60 years, Pat (Nasuti) Pignato of Hampton; two children, Susan Pignato of Exeter, John C. Pignato Jr. and his wife Carline of Acton, MA and grandchildren, Colton, John Pignato III, Oliva

and Christopher.

All services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donation may be made the Wounded Warrior Project (<https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/Default.aspx?tsid=10043>) , P.O. Box 758516, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lt Col John C. Pignato Sr. USA, Ret.*

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September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *I just came across this obituary on line and was so saddened to see it. I am very sorry for your loss. I served under Lt. Colonel Pignato at Fort Devens, MA from 1979 1981. I was enlisted administrative assistant. I was a homesick 19 y.o. girl from Minnesota and your Dad/Husband was like a second father for me. He looked out after me (and all of us enlisted in the office) with kindness and he steered us always in the right direction. I have thought of him and his kindness often over the years. What a wonderful man he was! Lori Kryzsko (PFC Nelson)*

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**Lori Kryzsko** - July 03, 2022 at 02:03 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss Pat. RIP my old teammate. Charlie Ritter*

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**Charlie Ritter** - February 24, 2021 at 11:47 AM

BJ

“ Jack was a year behind me at Brookline High , and both of us played football but Jack was a terrific player enabling him to go to Northeastern and play for Joe Zabilski. He was a friend to hundreds and well liked by everyone. After he retired from the Army we got together for lunch a number of times , meetings which I thoroughly enjoyed and well remembered . He was reluctant to spell out some of his Army missions but said a few things which suggested he had an amazing career and had mixed assignments with other government agencies. He will certainly be missed. My thoughts and prayers are extended to his wife and family. This is certainly a sad time for us all. Rest in peace , Jack, you earned it. God bless him!  
Bob Johnson

Bob Johnson - February 23, 2021 at 11:17 AM



“ John and I were buddies in the College of Education at Northeastern University, Class of 1963. Dave Sawyer; LTC US Army retired

David Sawyer - February 23, 2021 at 10:13 AM

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“ Love and miss you Dad. Life won't be the same.....😞

Susan Pignato - February 22, 2021 at 05:10 PM

PC

I watched John play football at Tech. Field . I think he was on the team that beat Weymouth for the state champs. He was also a friend of my older brother John. Truly sorry for your loss. Paul L. Crump

paul l. crump - February 23, 2021 at 09:37 PM