Peter Stanley Sztaba, Sr., 66, of Tolland, passed away on Saturday, Sept. 25, 2010, at the West Haven Veteran's Hospital.

He was born Sept. 24, 1944, to the late Ann (Podhajski) and Stanley Sztaba in New Britain, and was a resident of Seymour, until he joined his son in Tolland in 2007.

Peter graduated from St. Thomas Aquinas High School, Class of 1962, and Fairfield University, Class of 1966, where he was a member of the Fairfield Ambassadors of Song.

After proudly serving his county during the Vietnam Era in the U. S. Army, Peter went on to work as Director of Facilities Management for the Town of West Hartford. Later he was employed as a construction consultant in several other communities in CT.

Peter was an avid NASCAR fan and enjoyed singing, boating, gardening, and spending time with his family. Peter is survived by his loving son Peter Sztaba, Jr., and his wife, Kim, of Tolland; his two grandchildren, Madison and Taylor Sztaba; his brother, Stanley Sztaba and his wife, Patricia, of Stamford; his sister, Ann Mary Puskarz and her husband, Anthony Richard, of New Britain; his sister, Mary Ann Sztaba of Taunton, MA.; his brother, Atty. Stephen Sztaba and his wife, Karen, of Wethersfield; and several nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank Aigul and the Veteran's Hospital for their years of compassionate care for Peter. Peter's funeral service will begin at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 29, at the Burritt Hill Funeral Home, 332 Burritt St. New Britain CT 06053, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. at Holy Cross Church.

Interment will take place in Sacred Heart Cemetery in New Britain immediately following the Mass. Relatives and friends are invited to call on Tuesday from 5-8 p.m. at Burritt Hill.

Memorial donations may be made to the Association for Frontotemporal Dementias online at http://www.ftd-picks.org/about/get-involved/donate. To share a memory with Peter's family please visit us at www.burritthill.com.