



Capt. Robert "Shane" Evans

December 5, 1955 - June 5, 2018

Capt. Robert "Shane" Evans (USMC, Retired), 62, of Bloomfield passed away Tuesday June 5, 2018 at his residence. He was born in Weimar, Texas December 5, 1955, the son of Robert E. Evans and Betty J. (Fade) Evans.

Shane graduated from Malakoff High School and enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps in 1974. He retired after 20 years of service and began a 23 year career with SAIC, retiring in October 2017 as Vice President, Programs. He dedicated his life to the defense of our country and to his family and friends. He rarely parted ways without saying "call if you need anything" and he meant it.

He was a lifelong learner and had a passion for the game of baseball. He coached hundreds of children locally and across the country in baseball, basketball, and football. He coached countless others in the Game of Life. He respected effort over outcome and exemplified "Semper Fidelis".

Surviving relatives include his wife, Mary (Rivard) Evans, his children, Shauna (Jason) Pegg, Tucker (Vanessa) Evans of Bloomfield, Tyler (Taleah) Evans of Bloomington, his beloved grandchildren, Oscar, Annie, Leo and Maxwell Pegg, Ava, Mia and baby Evans, one sister Sherry (H.L.) Beaubien of Palestine, Texas, niece, Brandy (Jeff) Martin of Palestine, Texas and nephew Cole (Morgan) Beaubien of Athens, Texas, two great- nieces and two great-

nephews. He is also survived by one brother, Robin (Debra) Cromwell of Mitchell, Indiana.

Shane was preceded in death by his parents.

Join us at Shane's residence on Saturday June 16, 2018 from 1600-2100 to celebrate his life.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Bloomfield High School Baseball Program in Shane's name and in care of Jenkins Funeral Home in Bloomfield.

Online condolences to the family can be made at www.jenkinsfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall

“ I met Shane in 1983 in Yuma LAAM Bn. He was then working for another Battery. When we got together we only talked about our enlisted experiences and baseball. No work talk allowed; he wouldn't have it. It became readily apparent to me and clear as day that here was a man you could count on when you needed something done or help in getting something done, a person that said what he meant and meant what he said, someone you could totally rely on through thick and thin. He was always cheerful, friendly and quick witted even at times when he was having a rough day. We served together again in 1988 in LAAM Bn in Okinawa. Shane was our sponsor and just like he had always done, he took great care of us those first few weeks from meeting us at the airport, to driving us all around the island at all hours of day and night. He helped us get our car and even provided us food. He definitely went above and beyond the call of duty with the Wesche family. It was during this tour of duty that I became closer to Shane as I took on the responsibility of coaching little league baseball, which of course peaked his interest in me. He was always available in providing tips for drills to run and advice on how to handle parents. To Sylvia and I, Shane will always be this gentle giant of a man whose presence will truly be missed. I can see him now as if it was just yesterday, meandering up towards me still in his utilities as I'm screaming at kids to take the field and he would ask, "How's it going?" with a huge grin on his face. Perhaps to others he was that tough persona of a Marine, but to us he was a caring and extremely thoughtful person always with a huge smile on his face.

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Sylvia and I send our heartfelt sympathy as you grieve Shane's passing. Believe that within our hearts remain forever memories of those we love. Praying that our Lord God will see you through these dark times.

Michael Wesche - June 16, 2018 at 10:40 AM

SW

“*Sylvia and Mike Wesche purchased the Pretty Pleasure for the family of Capt. Robert "Shane" Evans.*



Sylvia and Mike Wesche - June 16, 2018 at 10:34 AM

SE

“ I met Shane in 1982 at the Yuma LAAM Bn, it was clear from the beginning that he was a special Marine. We worked together at Yuma for a couple of years. His ALWAYS positive, never quit attitude was something to see. In 1989 we again served together, this time at the Okinawa LAAM Bn. Kay and I were so relieved to learn that Shane and Mary were to be our sponsors to help get our young family of four settled in to the Island. They took great care of us those first few weeks from meeting us at the airport, getting us settled in quarters, making sure our new place was stocked with food, and on and on. In 1993, I arrived at Marine Corps Systems Command, and Shane was there again getting me all settled into a new environment. Kay and I had many great visits with Shane and Mary during that tour. A funny thing that Shane and I didn't discover until later in our time together was that we both served at the Cherry Point LAAM Bn at the same time, around 1977. Both young Marines at the time, just trying to figure things out.

Shane even preceded me and provided a place for me in my post Marine Corps work, making sure I made the mil-civ transition just fine and providing that friendship, leadership, and mentorship that he was known for.

Though he would cringe with this comment, Shane was most definitely one of the most kind people I've known. Kay and I have been fortunate in our lives to have known and been friends with Shane and Mary.

I always felt confident and comfortable that all was going to be well in our Marine Corps work, and even post Marine Corps work, when Shane was around. He's the only person I've known who I can say that about. I will miss him for sure, but sure am fortunate to have known him. Steve Elkins

Steven Elkins - June 14, 2018 at 07:40 AM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Capt. Robert "Shane" Evans.*



June 12, 2018 at 01:19 PM



“ *There were 2 people in the Marine Corps that my husband had total admiration for. Shane Evans was both of them. I have never met more wonderful people and a more perfect couple than Shane and Mary. I remember calling Mary once we were back from Okinawa, they had come stateside before us. Once I heard her voice I started crying and then she started crying. This went on for a while, we tried to talk, but couldn't through all of the tears. We were trying so hard to say something, anything but were too choked up with tears. I can still see Steve and Shane rolling their eyes at their cry babies. But when you love someone I think you can convey a lot through those tears. There's just no one quite like you all and we love you so much! Kay Elkins*

Kay Elkins - June 12, 2018 at 12:45 PM

JS

“ Mary and Family, I met Shane in 1988 at 2d LAAM Bn in Yuma. He was a great mentor to me, and one of the very best I ever served with. Was lucky enough to stay close to him and Robin through the years. His impact on those that he led and served with as a Marine, as well as those boys/young men that he coached on the diamond, will be long lasting. I always admired him, never more than the past 2 years, watching how he dealt with his illness with such dignity, courage, and that Shane sarcasm and dry-witted sense of humor. I will miss him. God bless you and your family. With great respect,
Jeff Speights

Jeff Speights - June 11, 2018 at 10:07 AM

SD

“ Shane was a wonderful boss and friend,. He was a man that always had your back.
Rest in peace-May God keep your family.

Susie dean - June 11, 2018 at 07:33 AM

SH

“ Sue Hopkins lit a candle in memory of Capt.
Robert "Shane" Evans



sue hopkins - June 09, 2018 at 02:16 AM

SH

“ So many wonderful memories of Shane throughout the years that we were stationed together both in Yuma and Okinawa. He was even coaching way back then. Love the times we had dinners together and the kids played. Mary, kids, family and friends: healing light and prayers of comfort ❤️😭🙏❤️

sue hopkins - June 09, 2018 at 02:13 AM

NB

“ True Man of Iron whom I have been blessed to have known. Taught me the Lessons of Life through the Game of baseball and will always honor his memory. Our thoughts and prayers are with you now and forever. Semper Fidelis Coach.

Nathan Leroy Brown - June 09, 2018 at 12:24 AM

JD

“ To the Evans family, I am so sorry for your loss.

*Jane Duzan,
Mike's mom*

Jane Duzan - June 08, 2018 at 08:44 PM

DM

“ Those of us who had the privilege to work with Shane over the years were truly blessed. We were inspired by his hard work, dedication and commitment to supporting our Warfighters. He made us better through his example. Shane was a great "no-nonsense" friend to us all, and will be sorely missed. Please accept our deepest sympathies for your loss.

God Bless, Doug McDaniel and the staff at Scientia LLC

Doug McDaniel - June 08, 2018 at 01:13 PM

DO

“ Mary and family. I am so sorry for your loss. I have too many memories to share. They are all great. Shane not only influenced SAIC, he was a great influence on the kids in Greene County with his baseball knowledge and work ethic. He done so much for Travis. His work ethic today at Crane is partly due to Shane. He will truly be missed by us all! This picture says it all!



DougTerinaBowlen - June 08, 2018 at 11:31 AM

BJ

“ Mary, you are in my thoughts and prayers. We will be gone next week but I will be thinking about you. Love, Bonnie

Bonnie K Jackson - June 08, 2018 at 10:36 AM

RW

“ I will always remember Shane as Fair, Tough as Nails , Dedicated to his Family, The Marine Corps, and the Defense of our Nation. You, Sir, will be missed, but NOT FORGOTTEN!!!! R. Weddle

rweddle - June 08, 2018 at 10:08 AM

KA

“ Kathy Axe lit a candle in memory of Capt. Robert "Shane" Evans



Kathy Axe - June 08, 2018 at 09:40 AM

KA

It was my honor and privilege to work with Shane for many years. He truly was the exemplification of the Marine Corps spirit. His example of dignity, bravery, good humor, and great work ethic will be remembered by all. My life is much better for having known him. Keeping all of his family in prayer. Semper Fi!

Kathy Axe - June 08, 2018 at 09:43 AM

LC

*“ I worked around Shane while he was with SAIC, a great guy. You just don't meet people like him very often. One of a kind, so sorry to hear of his passing, he will be sadly missed.
Prayers,
Leonard Carter*

Leonard Carter - June 08, 2018 at 08:19 AM

RB

Though I only knew Shane for a couple of years they were very meaningful ones at the end of my Marine Corps career. Shane was among the best of the best of the Marines with whom I have had the pleasure of serving during my nearly three decades. Clearly he carried the traits that made him a GREAT Marine into his civilian career. In all things Shane epitomized our motto...Semper Fidelis! My thoughts and prayers are with all of his beloved family. May the Good Lord bless and keep you in His strong and caring hands.

Col Reed T. Bolick, USMC (RET)

Reed Bolick - June 11, 2018 at 02:52 PM

JW

“ always enjoyed working games with Shane at the diamond. He gave you the up most respect . A great baseball man. Jack Wall umpire

Jack Wall - June 07, 2018 at 10:46 PM

BA

“ so sorry to hear thinking if u and ur family
Always Barb Slone

barb - June 07, 2018 at 07:37 PM

JA

“ My sincere condolences to the Evans family. Shane was a member the Marine cadre teaching Basic Electronics at Ft Bliss Texas back in 1980. I was a young Marine fresh out of Boot Camp. Shane was a great mentor to us Marines. Firm, Fair and "Hard as Nails". He was the embodiment of a Marine leader. I continue to benefit from the lessons he taught us about having a professional work ethic and total dedication to any assigned task. His legacy lives on. God Bless you Shane. You will be missed but never forgotten.

Joe Adamski
CW03 USMC Ret

Joe Adamski - June 07, 2018 at 07:28 PM

LL

“ His love for the game of Baseball has been passed on to so many kids thru his coaching. There was no quit in Shane and I am so Thankful to have known him. The strength Shane has shown as he walked through this illness is amazing and a tribute to being a great Marine. Prayers for his family as they walk through this time.

Liz Luse - June 07, 2018 at 04:48 PM

VA

“ Mary, I am so sorry for your loss. I will be keeping you all in my prayers.

Vickie Aydt

Vickie Aydt - June 07, 2018 at 02:26 PM

PS

“ Prayers for the family, Shane was one special guy. Loved his love for baseball and all sports. He was a great COACH !! Shane will be missed. I am sure he left many sports stories. Prayers from Peggy Sluder

peggy sluder - June 07, 2018 at 02:25 PM

AK

“ We lost a GREAT person, Marine, American on Tuesday! Shane was a true good guy and will be missed.

Semper Fi Marine, Rest In Peace!

Alan and Tammy Kirkman

(Our regrets that we will be out of town on 16 June and will not be able to make the Celebration of Life)

Alan and Tammy Kirkman - June 07, 2018 at 02:15 PM

JK

“ Sorry for your loss. Joe, Vanessa, Payton Karl and Shia Patton. Shane taught Payton a lot about the game of baseball, but more importantly the game of life!

Joe Karl - June 07, 2018 at 01:58 PM

KH

“ Shane is missed so much! You've all been in my prayers and will continue to be. Lean on the promise of Matthew 5:4. With sincerest sympathy ~ Kerri Helms

Kerri Helms - June 07, 2018 at 01:26 PM