



## Joseph "Joe" Patrick Vines

March 13, 1936 - January 2, 2026

Joseph Patrick "Joe" Vines, 89, of Fayetteville, North Carolina, passed away peacefully on January 2, 2026. Born in Opp, Alabama, Joe dedicated his life to service and to Alcoholics Anonymous.

Joe honorably served in the United States Army for 20 years (1954–1974), completing two tours in Vietnam. Throughout his distinguished military career, he earned numerous awards, including the Bronze Star Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal with five awards, National Defense Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, as well as the Valorous Unit Award and Meritorious Unit Commendation. His courage, dedication, and leadership left a lasting impact on his fellow soldiers and all who knew him.

Beyond the uniform, Joe knew life's challenges intimately. He found strength and fellowship in Alcoholics Anonymous, where he embraced support, service, and the principles that guided him through life's challenges, serving as a sponsor and mentor to others.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Kazuko Vines. He is survived by his children: Joseph P. Vines Jr., John L. Vines, David K. Vines, and Emily J. Vines, as well as his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Joe will be remembered and deeply missed by many. He did his best to be the family man he knew how.

A memorial service to celebrate Joe's life will be held at the Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery, 8220 Bragg Blvd, Spring Lake, NC 28390, from 12:00 to 12:30 PM on Friday, January 30, 2026.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Special Forces Foundation (<https://givebutter.com/donatetoSFF>) for a one-time donation.

# Cemetery Details

## Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery

8220 Bragg Blvd  
Fort Bragg, NC

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

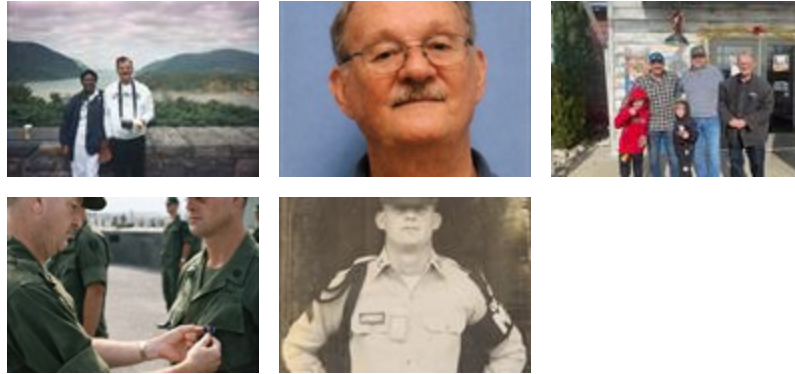
JAN 30. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery  
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Fort Bragg, NC

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our Dad*



**John Vines** - February 01 at 03:15 AM

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“ *Pamela, Tristen, and Nalani purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Joseph "Joe" Patrick Vines.*



**Pamela, Tristen, and Nalani** - January 27 at 08:41 PM

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“ *Christmas 2024! All the great grandchildren got to meet grandpa Joe. He was excited and happy to be meet all of them as well.*



**Allen Vines** - January 15 at 07:17 PM