



# Dale Nesbit

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## **Dale Nesbit**

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**D**ale was a native San Diegan, born June 28, 1942 at Mercy Hospital to Milton and Dorothy Nesbit. He grew up in Spring Valley and La Mesa, participating in Boy Scouts and spending a lot of time outdoors. As a student at Helix High School, he played clarinet in the marching band and ran track and field, graduating in 1960. He continued to City College, where he studied electronics and earned an Associate of Arts Degree. In 1962, Dale enlisted in the Army and was stationed at Fort Bliss in El Paso, TX where he worked on missile systems. There he met Carroll Cernaghan on New Year's Eve 1964 and they married on July 10, 1965. Dale and Carroll moved to Fort Monmouth, NJ where he attended signal school and was asked to stay on as an instructor until he was deployed to Vietnam in 1968. Upon his discharge in 1969, Dale and Carroll returned to San Diego, where they lived in Santee and then settled in Tierrasanta in 1973 with their two sons. After leaving the Army, Dale's education and training led him to a career in electronics manufacturing, including time at Cipher Data, Innovative Data Technologies (IDT), and ComStream. In his family life, Dale was active with his sons in Indian Guides and Boy Scouts, serving as Scout Master for several years. Dale continued to be active with his daughter, serving in the Band Boosters of Serra High School. Dale took his family on many camping trips to his favorite places in the Sierra Nevada mountains – Rock Creek Lake and Yosemite National Park. He spent many hours fishing by the lake, or napping in his camp chair while he waited for a bite. Dale's interest in genealogy was sparked by a visit to a genealogy fair at the Scottish Rite Temple in the mid-90's. He was very intrigued by his family history and loved researching his ancestry and that of his extended family. He also held office in the Computer Genealogy Society of San Diego for many years. In 2009, Dale took the trip of his lifetime to Scotland with Carroll, her sisters Daphne and Boots, and brother-in-law John. They attended the first ever Scotland Homecoming, celebrating Scottish heritage with Scots from all around the world. It



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was a weeklong event where each clan had a tent illustrating their heritage and place in Scottish history. The festivities culminated in a parade of clans in Scottish dress up the royal mile from Holyrood Park to Edinburgh Castle. One of the highlights for Dale was marching with his clan for the duration of the parade in his Scottish kilt. Dale is survived by his wife, Caroll; son and daughter-in-law, Craig and Bernice Nesbit and their daughters Caitlin (11) and Keira (8) of San Diego; son and daughter-in-law, Chris and Lisa Nesbit and their daughters Julia (12), Sarah (7), Lauren (4) and Elise (4) of Pennsylvania; daughter and son-in-law, Suzanne and Steve Hoke and their son Henry (2) of Pennsylvania; and a brother, Jay Nesbit.



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DC

**Dorothy Carroll** posted:

I only knew Dale at the Computer Genealogy Society for the past year. Dale was always kind, warm, friendly, pleasant, and helpful as he welcomed us at the Membership table each month. Never be sad because you didn't have one more chance to tell him you loved him. He KNEW! He KNEW he had a loving family, and he was content and secure in that fact. THAT is what made him the kind and friendly man that he was. He KNEW you all loved him and he loved each and every one of you in return. Be at peace in that knowledge.

June 8 at 5:00 PM

GH

**Gary Hoffman** posted:

Dale was a good friend and a faithful supporter of the Computer Genealogy Society of San Diego. We appreciate the Nesbit family for sharing Dale with us and send condolences over his loss. His life of service to his country, his co-workers, and especially his family is an example to us all.

June 7 at 5:00 PM

RJ

**Ricky Jackson** posted:

My sympathy goes out to you and your wonderful family. A wonderful life creates wonderful memories. Those memories last forever and will always be with you. Ricky Jackson

June 7 at 5:00 PM

SS

**Sandy Scott** posted:

I was so very sorry to hear about Dale's passing. I worked with him on the Board for the Computer Genealogy Society of San Diego. I hadn't known him long but he was such a nice person. I pray God will give you and your family comfort at this time; I have leaned on Him heavily since my husband passed on 3 years ago.

June 7 at 5:00 PM



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**Kristin Davis** posted:

Gosh what a loss. I enjoyed seeing both he and Mrs .Nesbit just a few months back. They had not changed I could spot them anywhere. Your dads smile is what really lights up, it always has. I remember him helping at girls scout camping trips, even cookie sales. That big van he and your mom drove. It got us everywhere. Thank you Mr Nesbit for teaching me to fish and clean my fish. Suzie and I may have been unconventional with marshmallow bait but it worked. Thank you for sharing your time. Paul will miss you too. He would have loved to hear more of your army stories. Love to your family Kristin Langen Davis and Paul Davis

June 6 at 5:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Dale by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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