



Major LaRoy M. Slaughter

November 28, 1952 - February 19, 2025

LaRoy Michael Slaughter was born November 28, 1952, to John William Slaughter Jr. and Esther (Williams) Slaughter in Camp LeJeune, North Carolina. The family moved back to Chicago where he attended St. Anne Catholic school and Lindbloom Technical High School. He continued his education at Wesleyan Kansas and later Fort Hays Kansas State where he received his Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and Physical Education. Also during that time, he became a life member of Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity.

LaRoy joined the U.S. Army in 1979 where he served in Military Intelligence, Armor Cavalry and in South Korea before being stationed at Ft. Carson, Colorado. While there, he met and married Laura Lee Osborn. He moved to Ft. Knox, Kentucky as Company Commander and later to Ft. Bragg, North Carolina, as part of the Psychological Operations Team. During that time, he earned his Master's Degree in International Relations.

He served in "Just Cause" and "Desert Storm" as well as other numerous assignments in Africa and the Middle East as an African Regional Specialist. His last military assignment was with the Eighth Army in Seoul, Korea. He earned his second degree in Computer Science, while serving at Joint Command Services in Yongsan, South Korea.

He was awarded 3 Bronze Service Stars, a Silver Star, the Kuwait

Liberation medal, Joint Service Achievement medal, Expert Infantryman Badge, Master Parachutist badge, Humanitarian Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal and many others.

LaRoy held 3 company commands before retiring as a Major in 1996. Since high school, LaRoy had a love for football, softball and martial arts. While serving in the military, he competed in martial arts, both nationally and internationally. He reached the level of Second Degree black belt in Tae Kwon Do. He placed in the top 3 in the majority of his competitions. After retirement, he continued his love for sports by volunteering his time to coach and mentor boys' baseball, high school football, women's softball, and an all-ages US martial arts competition team. Under his leadership, his teams won several individual and team medals.

LaRoy truly had a lust for life. He will be remembered for his courage, charismatic personality and great sense of humor. He leaves to cherish his memory: His daughter Adrienne, sons, Michael, Vincent and Rylan, his grandchildren, Jhordan and Carlie, his sister Angela, brother Glenn, his nephew Reginald and a host of family and friends.

LaRoy Slaughter was preceded in death by his grandparents, parents, sister Diane and his brother David.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 26. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Calahan Funeral Home Landmark Chapel
7030 S. Halsted
Chicago, IL 60621

Visitation

FEB 27. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Calahan Funeral Home Landmark Chapel
7030 S. Halsted
Chicago, IL 60621

Funeral Service

FEB 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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7030 S. Halsted
Chicago, IL 60621

Burial/Interment

FEB 27. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery
20953 W Hoff Rd
Elwood, IL 60421

Tribute Wall

LN

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. I served with the Major in the Army. A great man and a great leader. My daughter also babysat for his children at Ft Bragg. RIP, Sir* ☐



Laurie Nordstrom - August 08, 2025 at 08:57 AM

FM

“ *One of the best Company Commanders I've had the privilege of serving with!! You deserved better than what 6th POB gave you!! Blue skies Sir!! Much respect!!* ☐

Fred Marble - August 07, 2025 at 10:15 PM

VW

“ *Even though I never got to meet you and get to know you you were, the family that you left behind have given me a great picture of who you were and the lasting lessons you have taught them. I'm sorry I couldn't be present but I'm at peace that you are in a better place.*

Vincent Wideman - March 10, 2025 at 01:16 AM

WP

“ *Laroy and I shared several classes during our high school years at Lindblom. He was a fierce competitor on football field, where he gave 100%. He was kind, thoughtful and self-contained. He was a good friend.*
LaRoy, thank you for your friendship and for your service to our country. May you RIH, good friend. 💜🇺🇸💜🇺🇸💜🇺🇸

Winfrey Pierce - February 26, 2025 at 12:36 PM

DF

“ Debrina and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Major LaRoy M. Slaughter.



Debrina and family - February 26, 2025 at 06:36 AM

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“ Debrina and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Major LaRoy M. Slaughter.

Debrina and family - February 26, 2025 at 06:36 AM

LD

“ Sending prayers and sympathy to the family of Mr. Slaughter. May God give you strength and peace.
Sincerely,
LaNiece Dandridge



LaNiece Dandridge - February 24, 2025 at 08:59 PM

JH

“ Granddad was a real student of life, and he was always ready to pass on the lessons he learned to anyone who asked for it. I'll miss his humor, his wisdom, and his guidance, but I'm grateful that he's finally enjoying the rest he earned. Love you, Granddad.

—Jhordan

Jhordan - February 24, 2025 at 09:51 AM

DF

“ *May God continue to bless, comfort, and give the entire family peace during your time of grief! You are in my thoughts and prayers.*
Delorse Felton



Delorse Felton - February 24, 2025 at 09:13 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Major LaRoy M. Slaughter.*



February 24, 2025 at 02:59 AM

RM

“ *Sending my heartfelt condolences to you and your family. Wishing you peace and comfort in this time of sorrow.*
Rev. Momon

Rev M Momon - February 23, 2025 at 11:03 PM