



**Manuel Pena**

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Manuel Pena, 78 of Johnstown, Pennsylvania passed away on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at the VA Medical Center in Altoona, Pennsylvania. A Vietnam War veteran (1967-68), Manual returned stateside and served as an automobile maintenance technician until his retirement as a Chief Warrant Office (CW3) in 1981. He is survived by his wife (Janet) and son (Martin). At his request, no services will be held. Interment will be in Texas at a later date.

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December 6, 2025 (Ag 78)

Johnstown, Pennsylvania

Vietnam War Vet

SFA Chapter 67, Mem# A-2378

Manuel "Mike" "Manny," 78, of Johnstown, died late Saturday evening, Dec. 6, 2025, at the James E. Van Zandt VA Medical Center, Altoona. He was born May 7, 1947, in Corpus Christi, Texas, a son of the late Manuel G. and Mary Frances (Gonzalez) Pena. He married Janet L. Murphy, May 29, 1982, in Laurel, MD. Surviving are his wife, Janet Murphy Pena; a son, Martin Pena Eustis (Paige), of Taneytown, Maryland; three grandchildren, grandson, Tobias Eustis; granddaughter, Permelia "Peaches" Eustis; and grandson, Manuel "Manny" Eustis; and a son, Kenneth Pena, of Columbia, Maryland. Mr. Pena was a U.S. Army veteran serving during the Vietnam Conflict from 1967-1968. He served as an auto maintenance technician in the Army until 1980. He attained the rank of CW3. Manny was a member of Mystic Tie Lodge F&AM #1032, Schweinfurt, Germany, and the Jaffa Shrine, where he was a member of the Jaffa Shrine Legion of Honor. He was proud to be the founding member and past officer of the Order of Quetzalcoatl, Colotic Miztli #91 based at the Jaffa Shrine, Altoona. He was also a member of the Sankertown VFW #7377, and the American Legion Post #970 located at Park Hill, Cambria County. He was especially proud to be a member of the Special Forces Association, Chapter #67, Ebensburg. At the request of the deceased, no viewing or funeral services are planned to be held locally. A future graveside service is planned to be held in Texas.