



**Captain Scott  
Thomas Gerard ✓  
Rice, USMC, 28**

**Sept. 28, 1967 - May 10, 1996**

**JACKSONVILLE, NC** - Captain Scott Thomas Gerard Rice was born on Offutt Air Force Base in Omaha, NE Sept. 28, 1967. He graduated from Springfield Catholic High School in 1986. He attended the University of Kansas, graduating in 1990 with a Bachelor of Arts and a member of Pi Sigma Alpha, the National Political Science Honors Society. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant after graduation May 21, 1990. Second Lieutenant Scott Rice graduated from the Basic School on the Commanding General's Honors List Dec. 14, 1990.

Dec. 29, 1990 he married Mary Susan Walters and was transferred

to Marine Aviation Training Support Group, Naval Aviation Training Course, NAS Pensacola, FL. He was designated a Naval Aviator on April 25, 1992, graduating with distinction as a member of the Commodore's List. In May 1992, he was reassigned to HMT-303, MAG-39 at Camp Pendleton as an AH-1W student pilot. Reassigned to HML/A-167, MAG-26, First Lieutenant Rice served as AH-1W Cobra pilot in Oct. 1992. During this time, he participated in Operations Deny Flight in the Adriatic Sea, Operations Quickdraw and Continue Hope in Somalia and Operation Support Democracy in Haiti. He was promoted to Captain Oct. 1, 1994. In Dec. 1995, he was assigned Temporary Additional Duty to HMM-266 where he served as the Squadron Tactics Officer. His decorations include the Meritorious Unit Commendation Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the Sea Service Deployment Medal and the United Nations Service Medal. He died May 10, 1996 at Camp LeJeune, NC.

He is survived by his wife, Susan; son, Patrick; parents, Thomas and Martha; brother, David; sister, Michelle, and grandparents, Leonard and Agnes Rasmussen, Harlan.

Funeral services were held May 20, 1996 at the St. Agnes Cathedral with the Bishop John Leibrecht, the Reverend Thomas Reidy and the Reverend Thomas Kiefer officiating. Burial was in the Resurrection Cemetery, Springfield, MO. Military honors were conducted by Weapons Co., 3rd Battalion, 24th Marine Infantry Regiment. Casket bearers were Lt. Col. Thomas Conant, Lt. Col. Jerry Durrant, Chris Sulzer, Captain Robert Curtis, David Rice and Captain Mike Walkins.