

## **SGM Richard Schleimer, Retired, 71**

*June 9, 1936 - Aug. 30, 2007*

**COPPERAS COVE, TX** — Richard Ronald Schleimer was born June 9, 1936, in Portsmouth, to Frank and Josephine Thraen Schleimer. He attended school in Irwin, graduating from Irwin High School in 1954. He joined the Army April 23, 1958.

Richard married Ly T. Nguyen April 11, 1972, in Nha-Trang, Vietnam. He received the Bronze Star Medal with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters; Meritorious Service Medal with 1 Oak Leaf Cluster; Good Conduct Medal (Silver, 4 loops); National Defense Service Medal; Vietnam Service Medal with 3 Silver Service Stars; NCO Professional Development Ribbon (Numeral 5); Army Service Ribbon; Overseas Service Ribbon (Numeral 2); Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal; Meritorious Unit Commendation with 2 Oak Leaf Clusters; Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross Unit Citation Badge with Palm; Republic of Vietnam Civil Actions Medal Unit Citation Badge; Republic of Vietnam Armed Forces Honor Medal 2D Class; Expert Badge (Rifle) and Driver and Mechanic Badge (Driver-W). He retired from the service April 30, 1988. He died Aug. 30, 2007, at the Scott & White Hospital in Temple, TX, at age 71.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Donald Schleimer. He is survived by his wife, Ly T Schleimer of Copperas Cove, TX; two daughters, Ursula Ly (Fernie) Jimenez of Cedar Park, TX, and Raquel Linh Schleimer of Austin, TX; his sisters, Marge (Lawrence) Leinen of Yutan, NE; Joyce Strode of Ashland, NE; and Jolene Vosler of Omaha, NE; and a sister-in-law, Helen Schleimer of Irwin; nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Sept. 5, 2007, at the Central Texas State Veterans Cemetery in Killeen, TX. Sheppard Funeral Home in Copperas Cove, TX, in charge of arrangements.