

Obituaries

Russan Adams, 72, died April 3, 2025, in Lompoc, Calif. The former Vandenberg Space Force Base Exchange Military Clothing store manager retired in 2012.

Carrie E. Banister, 90, died March 10, 2025, in Lago Vista, Texas. The former HQ occupational health nurse retired in 1991.

Yvonne G. Benton, 89, died March 31, 2025, in Midland, Texas. The former HQ Loss Prevention administrative technician retired in 2000.

Jewell C. Brewer, 81, died April 1, 2025, in Pleasant Plains, Ark. The former Barksdale Air Force Base Exchange service station manager retired in 1995.

Virginia R. Brooks, 75, died Feb. 8, 2025, in San Antonio, Texas. The former JBSA-Randolph Air Force Base Exchange shift manager retired in 2014.

Alice Contreras, 90, died March 3, 2025, in San Antonio, Texas. The former Fort Meade main store manager retired in 1991.

Clarence L. Coomes, 87, died March 20, 2025, in Montgomery, Texas. The former HQ supervisory computer system analyst retired in 1995.

Gregory A. Covert, 76, died March 1, 2025, in Alvarado, Texas. The former Sheppard Air Force Base Exchange restaurant manager retired in 2007.

Zoila G. Cruz, 94, died April 20, 2025, in Hopewell, Va. The former Fort Lee (now Fort Gregg-Adams) Exchange operations assistant retired in 1996.

Betty L. Dean, 89, died March 30, 2025, in Kenova, Wyo. The former Capital Exchange Region associate retired in 1990.

Kenneth R. Dorey, 82, died March 28, 2025, in Columbia, S.C. The former Ramstein/Baumholder Food Service Management instructor retired in 2003.

Kenneth C. Dunn Sr., 84, died March 27, 2025, in Bedford, Ky. The former Capital Exchange Region retail operations specialist retired in 1991.

Jacqueline M. Epps, 81, died April 14, 2025, in Columbus, Ga. The former Fort Benning Exchange Military Clothing customer service representative retired in 1997.

Dorothy L. Erickson, 89, died April 11, 2025, in Hurst, Texas. The former HQ supervisory purchasing technician retired in 1991.

Christine Garibay, 91, died April 2, 2025, in Baker, Fla. The former Eglin Air Force Base Exchange accounting associate retired in 1995.

Veda Godwin, 65, died March 30, 2025, in Newport News, Va. The former Dan Daniel Distribution Center logistics associate retired in 2014.

Brian M. Greene, 61, died April 04, 2025, in Peoria, Ariz. The former Luke-Williams Air Force Base stockroom manager retired in 2022.

Cassandra L. Hajduk, 77, died Nov. 24, 2024, in Augusta, Ga. The former Fort Gordon (now Fort Eisenhower Exchange store associate retired in 2002.

James M. Hale, 72, died April 21, 2025, in Perryville, Md. The former Joint Base Andrews store manager (branch/gas) retired in 2012.

Ellen K. Hatfield, 72, died March 23, 2025, in Dixon, Mo. The former Fort Leonard Wood Exchange store manager (branch/gas) retired in 2008.

Yolanda F. Hendrickson, 77, died April 6, 2025, in Ferris, Texas. The former HQ accounting technician retired in 2009.

Marlene J. Hill, 87, died April 18, 2025, in Gwynn Oak, Md. The former Joint Base Andrews Human Resources associate retired in 2002.

Norma J. Johnson, 89, died March 24, 2025, in Kansas City, Kan. The former Fort Leavenworth Exchange retail manager retired in 1997.

Helen Krynski, 84, died March 20, 2025. The former Europe Region accounting associate retired in 1996.

Vilma P. Lorenzo, 54, died March 31, 2025, in Salinas, Calif. The former Presidio of Monteret Exchange assistant store manager (branch) retired in 2023.

Elizabeth A. McCraw, 85, died April 4, 2025, in Jackson, Mo. The former Barksdale Air Force Base Exchange customer service representative retired in 1980.

Rita M. McLaughlin, 78, died April 1, 2025, in Grovetown, Ga. The former Fort Gordon (now Fort Eisenhower Exchange) senior store associate retired in 2010.

Ruth Ann Merkins, 88, died April 24, 2025, in Arvada, co. The former Little Rock Air Force Base Exchange assistant store manager (branch) retired in 2001.

Thomas F. Miller, 82, died April 7, 2025, in Tucson, Ariz. The former Davis-Monthan Air Force Base area Loss Prevention manager retired in 1997.

Christina M. Nichols, 78, died April 13, 2025, in DeSoto, Texas. The former HQ supervisory business systems specialist retired in 2000.

Shizuko K. Nogaj, 95, died April 16, 2025, in Rancho Cordova, Ca. The former Mather Air Force Base Exchange grill cook—who won an AAFES Worldwide Hamburger Cookoff in 1983—retired in 1987.

Martin T. Ponder, 77, died April 5, 2025, in Trinity, Texas. The former Fort Bragg Exchange Burger King manager retired in 2000.

Winfred R. Ponds, 74, died April 29, 2025, in Baltimore, Md. The former Fort Stewart Consolidated Exchange sales area manager retired in 2003.

Mary C. Santos, 86, died April 1, 2025, in Suitland, Md. The former Joint Base Andrews/Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling senior office associate retired in 2015.

Richard B. Savage, 73, died April 1, 2025, in Morrow, Ga. The former Atlanta Distribution Center in-line processing/bulk warehouse worker foreman retired in 2003.

Sandra J. Smith, 78, died March 29, 2025, in Defiance, oh. The former Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Exchange inventory control associate retired in 2020.

Murlene Thomas, 86, died April 2, 2025, in Lawton, Okla. The former Fort Sill Exchange cook retired in 1988.

Paul O. Torres, 93, died March 12, 2025, in Belen, N.M. The former JBSA-Fort Sam Houston Exchange warehouse worker retired in 1992.

Dorothy A. Underwood, 81, died April 29, 2025, in Duncanville, Texas. The former HQ business analyst retired in 2016.

Sally M. Van Gysel, 86, died April 5, 2025, in McDonald, Pa. The former Kelly Air Force Base Exchange store manager (branch) retired in 2009.

Walter G. Weber, 77, died April 13, 2025, in Torri di Quartesolo, Italy. The former Wright-Patterson Air Force Base senior facility manager retired in 1998.

Hattie R. Williams, 77, died April 6, 2025, in McDonough, Ga. The former Southeast Distribution Center logistics associate retired in 2012.

Eiko A. Zerr, 94, died April 19, 2025, in Berlin, Md. The former Fort Meade warehouse worker retired in 1991.

Transfers

Ann M. Biares – food concept manager, Fort Knox Exchange, to restaurant manager, Minot Air Force Base Exchange

Keon D. Boney – main store manager, Travis Air Force Base Exchange, to general manager, Edwards AFB Exchange

Courtney L. Escobedo – general manager, Edwards AFB Exchange, to chief regional business officer, Pacific Region

Jonathon Findley – Military Clothing store manager, Wiesbaden Exchange, to sales & merchandise manager, Eielson Air Force Base Exchange

Jarred Fukuda – store manager (branch), Schofield Exchange, to restaurant manager, Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson Exchange

Aisha J. Harrison – food court manager, Fort Novosel Exchange to restaurant program specialist, HQ

Matthew Skender – operations manager, EUCOM Exchange, to main store manager, Vandenberg Space Force Base Exchange

Johanne Smelser – services business manager, Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base Exchange, to assistant store manager (branch/gas), Fort Cavazos Exchange

Corey M. Sykes – store manager (branch/gas), Yokota Air Base Exchange, to store manager, (branch/gas), Misawa Air Base Exchange

Retirements

Qian An, Customer Relationship Management, 7 years

Johnnie M. Bizzard, Fort Eisenhower Exchange, 15 years

Lawrence E. Brown, Ramstein/Baumholder, 8 years

Josefina Curry, Fort Bliss Exchange, 7 years

Lori E. Eyre, Mountain Home Air Force Base Exchange, 15 years

Delia G. Farris, Fort Bragg Exchange, 5 years

Mary R. Gonzalez, Fort Bliss Exchange, 24 years

Leticia B. Jacob, Nellis Air Force Base Exchange, 35 years

Mary Lemmon, IT, 13 years

Richard Mack, Dan Daniel Distribution Center, 13 years

Lavetta McRae, Fort Bragg Exchange, 26 years

Frederick J. Puryear, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, 35 years

Vanessa R. Reed, Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, 8 years