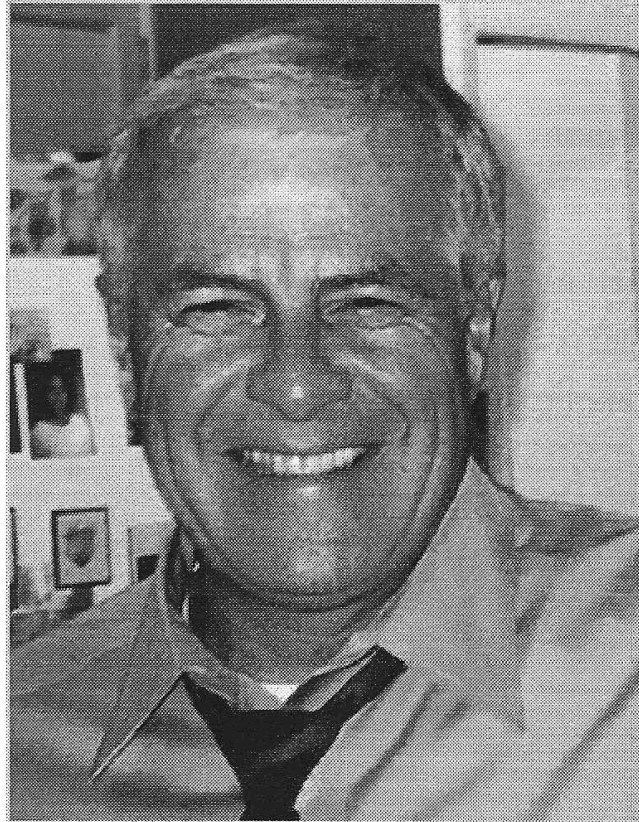


*Celebrating the Life of*  
**James Forrest Ross**



Born - Vero Beach, FL

October 21, 1946

Promoted to glory – Orlando, FL

July 15, 2015

## **A Professional**

Jim Ross was a quiet American who was a standout among America's heroes. He was one of the original members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol / Ranger Company in Vietnam.

As a 19 year old, he was selected to command a LRRP team. These teams operated deep behind enemy lines for seven to ten days without resupply or fire support. Their mission was to find the enemy. This was a very dangerous mission for a six man team.

His efforts played an important part in helping the 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division's LRRP / Ranger Company become the most decorated unit in Ranger history --- honors earned with lost innocence and blood.

He has earned a place in the pages of history along side the likes of Kit Carson and Jim Bridger.

We salute you.

Rest in peace brave warrior and friend,

James D. James  
Colonel, US Army (RET.)