

Kenneth Bucher

Master Chief Petty Officer (Storekeeper)

Submarine Requirements Officer

Submarine Forces – U.S. Pacific Fleet, Saigon – RVN (3 Tours)

Service dates: Feb. 1970 – Nov. 1972)

Navy of the United States

**North Richland Hills, Texas
July, 1943 to March 12, 2021**

Awards & Decorations: Joint Service Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Award, National Defense Service Medal, Navy Unit Commendation, Vietnam Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Navy Achievement Medal, Navy “E” Ribbon

Cause of death: Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma
Inurnment at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery



Ken Bucher died at his residence in North Richland Hills, Texas. Ken was born in Cape Girardeau, Mo. To Albert and LaVera Bucher in 1943. He graduated from Kelly High School in Benton, Mo. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1961 to 1981, achieving the rank of Master Chief Petty Officer.

Bucher served on four ships and did three tours in Vietnam, as well as tours of duty in Iceland, Guam and several naval bases Stateside.

Following his retirement from active duty, Ken worked for several defense contractors before returning to the Dept. of the Navy as a civilian employee. Ken retired from Civil Service in August 1998.