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**CONDOLENCES WITH THE PASSING ON OF GENERAL (RETD)
CONSTAND VILJOEN**

The Chief of the SA National Defence Force, General Solly Shoke, and the members of the Military Command would like to express their sincerest condolences to the family of General (Retd) Constand Laubscher Viljoen, SSA, SD, SOE, SM, MMM, who served as Chief of the SA Defence Force (SADF) from 1980 to 1985 and who passed on Friday 3 April 2020 on his farm near Ohrigstad, Limpopo at the age of 86.

Gen Viljoen was well known as a "soldier's soldier" and was described by his contemporaries as an outstanding man and a disciplined soldier. He was a professional soldier who was always forthright and honest.

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