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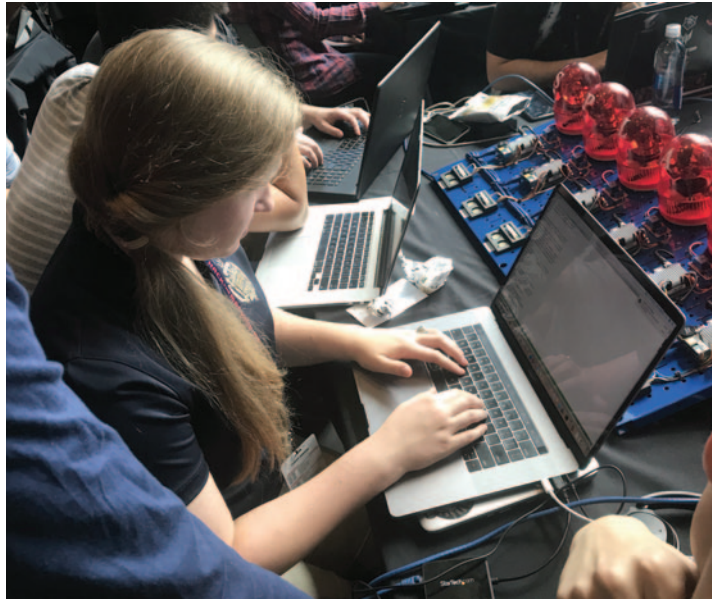
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Midshipmen first- and second-class detailers conducted a turnover ceremony in King Hall on 24 July.

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65/66 CLASS NEWS



'65: The Bassett/Luecke/Crum family from four generations gathered in Florida and visited the

flew a dozen combat missions in Vietnam with then LCDR Lyle Bull in VA-196. This obviously called for a family trip to Pensacola to view some of this history. In early June over twenty members of the Bassett/Luecke/Crum family from four generations and across 11 time zones gathered in Florida for a fabulously fun reunion and vacation. I've attached some photos of our gang in front of the PB-5 which Tom Bassett flew and also in front of the A-6 which I flew. Our son-in-law Maj Vince Crum, USMC (Ret.) flew F/A-18's during Desert Storm so we had three generations of Naval Aviation having served in three different conflicts represented. It was a fabulous visit to the Museum and a terrific vacation. Mike



From **Phil Ferrara**, 23 Jun

☒ On the nice mild day of the summer solstice, three intrepid '65ers were out on the waters of the Severn River kayaking in and out of various creeks including Weems Creek. In the photo are **Phil Ferrara, Bob Green** and **Sonny Harrison**. Joining the boys out there on the water was **Judy Harrison** as she led the way.



6-21-22, Severn River kayaking at Jonas and Anne Green Park, **Phil Ferrara, Bob Green** and **Sonny Harrison**

And in response to Phil's kayaking report, **John Flynn** chipped in with this on 23 June. "I have been an avid kayaker for some time here in Florida. Here is a picture of me catching a very large snook from my kayak John Flynn"



From **Denny Neutze**, 22 June

☒ Aloha! Sunny and I are celebrating our 50th Anniversary at the Hale Koa. We cannot imagine a better place in which to celebrate. Our "official" anniversary was 4 March, but the celebration was postponed until the grandkids were out of school for the summer. Since the initial planning, the family has been blessed by the addition of our new granddaughter, **Navy** (GREAT NAME!), who joined us for the event.



Last but not least, from **Mike Epprecht**, 18 June

☒ I know it's hard to believe, but it is time to think about our 60th reunion. We have made arrangements so please read carefully and put it on your calendar for Wednesday, 22 Oct. through Sunday, 25 Oct., 2025, with the class hotel being the Annapolis Crowne Plaza Hotel. As in the recent past, all events will be ala carte. Rooms are under contract at an attractive rate starting on Tuesday night. We will have only one hotel. For more details, please contact Mike at: mike.epprecht65@gmail.com.

Thazzit guys! Aloha, Dave

'66

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It's September, and where has this year gone? By the time you read this, the much anticipated 55th + 1 Reunion will be history. I hope many of you were there and enjoyed the festivities.

There were only a couple of items to publish, but they took up most of the allotted text. I'll start with the letter from outgoing Class President, **Carl Fulford**. It is posted on the Class website and was sent to everyone in June, but I believe it's worth repeating it here.

☒ Dear Classmates,

The Class of 2022 graduated last month, and they are on their way to join the Fleet as a new generation of Navy and Marine Corps leaders. In my observation, this Class bounced back from all the COVID disruptions and persevered. I will wager that they will be exceptional leaders in days to come. The Class of 2026 arrives next week, and the sacred process continues. Time does pass quickly!

By now, I hope most of you have made plans to join us in Annapolis for our 55 + 1 Reunion on 1 through 4 September. I am regrettably informing you of one event cancellation, but otherwise, plans are solid, and we look forward to a great weekend. 1966 had 11

athletes approved by NAAA to be recognized in the “Legends” display in the new Student Athlete Center in Ricketts Hall. Nine of these Classmates are already in the display, and I have been assured the other two will be included by September. It is a hike down to Ricketts Hall – across from the Visitors Center – but I encourage you to go see the display if you can.

Unfortunately, the tour of Hopper Hall which was scheduled from 1700 to 1900 on 1 September has been cancelled from the program. The timing of this event just as people are arriving at the hotels, the difficulty of coordinating transportation and other logistical elements, and the high risk of afternoon storms this time of year all combined to lead the Executive Committee to delete this event. I sincerely regret doing this and apologize to anyone who is disappointed. I am working directly with the Superintendent and the Director of the Cyber Center to find other opportunities for anyone to go visit Hopper Hall during the weekend. Your leadership will get back to you on these opportunities. A visit instead of attending the Parade is not a good option!! **Rod Rempt** will be representing our Class at the Parade, and we all want to be there to show our admiration to Rod and Pam.

Lastly, this will be my final letter as your Class President. It has been a distinct honor to serve you and represent the great Class of 1966. Personal changes in my life as well as some health considerations caused me to ask to step down as your President. The Class Executive Committee accepted my resignation and asked **Scott Redd** to finish the last two years of my term. Scott graciously agreed, and the change will occur at our reunion. I hope to be there, and look forward to thanking you all personally, for your support and friendship. Warm Regards and Semper Fidelis, Carl Fulford”

And to that letter I add a “Thank You” to Mary Ann and Carl for their service to the Class, and a “Welcome Aboard” to our interim Class President, Scott Redd and wife Donna. Thanks for stepping up, Scott.

John Posoli forwarded an email from **Carl McCullough**, who has been on a mission to Romania to help Ukrainian refugees. Here is Carl’s email.

✉ Hello to all of you from Cluj-Napoca, Romania.

Some of you may receive this from other sources. If so, please disregard this. Others may not have received my first email on this subject dated 23 May. I’ve added some names this time, so this won’t be an update—rather an introduction. Some may just want to delete it. That’s easy!

So, a lot has changed since I wrote that I was coming to Europe. I had only a vague idea what this effort entailed. It’s a project begun by a loose-knit but highly effective group called A Jesus Mission, whose website is: <https://ajesusmission.org/ukraine-response/>

I initially thought my work would entail caring for refugees plus a little driving. Wrong! There are a number of volunteers here in Romania who look after Ukrainian refugee families, providing them with food, housing, and childcare—and more. Based on my upbringing on stick shift driving, I was immediately assigned to food delivery duties. I arrived here in Cluj on 14 June and have since been a part of two caravans into Ukraine—delivering around 18,000 pounds of food. The first trip (June 16-19) was to Mykolaiv, a city you can read about in the news. The second trip (21-23 June) was to the area north of Mykolaiv. My third and last trip will be next week to the same general area.

We took three vans the first time, four the second. The number is determined by the number of drivers available. So if you have time, please meet my fellow drivers (all volunteers):

Dave, our lead driver, is 63, an Army veteran and retired high school physics teacher from Petaluma, CA. He has been here over two months, will stay several more weeks.

Rick, four days older than Dave, arrived last weekend and made his first trip this week. He’s a retired contracts specialist in marine engineering, hails from San Juan Island, WA, and will return there after our next trip—a day before I’ll leave.

Brad and Cyrus are two men in their early thirties from the same church in Lafayette, Indiana. They’re devoted fathers and husbands who made their only trip into Ukraine this week and will depart tomorrow. That will leave us with six, including Dave, Rick and me and the three below. There are two young women who have made shorter trips in the past and who may be called upon to go next time if we have four useable vans. They are currently working on children’s programs.

Daniel is 25—raised in an Amish family in Maryland, and now living in Montana. He’s no longer Amish, belonging to a non-denominational church near Bitter Root Valley, Montana, but has a great accent that reflects his upbringing. He and I have shared driving duties and many stories the past two trips—logging over 3000 miles, or roughly the equivalent of across the US—on many VERY bad roads. He’s a delight to spend countless hours with—thankfully. We’ve not only driven countless hours (but the number is more than 50) but have also endured ultra-long border stops. Yesterday’s stop was over three hours long waiting to leave Ukraine. On the way in there, I counted 993 semi-trailer trucks parked on the shoulder for over five miles waiting to leave Romania. Daniel was building barns before coming here and will attend smoke-jumper training when he returns next month.

Sam and Gabe, ages 23 and 20, are our two free spirits. Both found this by looking for ways to help spread God’s message. Sam is from Nashville and Gabe is currently from Harrisonburg, VA. As luck would have it, Gabe

is the one who can sing, and I add really well. Sam definitely, can’t. Both are staying as long as their visas permit.

As you can see, I’ve got a few years on all of these lads. They’re a joy to work with, and our teamwork would impress you. Between driving duties, we shop for food at the Romanian version of COSTCO, load it onto the trucks, along with a couple dozen five-gallon cans of diesel which we hide under the food for refueling in Ukraine. The efficient loading and unloading exercises, both here in Ukraine, would make NASCAR pit crews proud—but probably not envious if the truth be known.

Where does all this go? The recipients are determined by a church bishop in Mykolaiv—an amazing man who oversees around 60 churches and who doubles as a military chaplain. He’s highly respected and has a lot of clout—for which we’re really thankful. Two days ago he led our convoy for over 60 miles—expediting our way through many military checkpoints. His name is Oleg, and he directs our distribution to those most in need. The area has been badly torn by war—and the shelling continues. We haven’t been directly exposed (he and God have kept us safe so far), but we’ve seen the results of long shelling, heard air raid sirens (even where we were Wednesday, north of Mykolaiv), and watched troops on the move. Typically our vans go in different directions once we reach the Mykolaiv area. That area is key to Ukraine’s defense, as letting it fall would likely lead to the Russians taking over Odessa and cutting off all access to the Black Sea. We’ve observed people who are brave, determined, and resilient—and who need help desperately. I’m not into the politics of their situation. That’s for others to ponder. What I know is that this little band of volunteers is the only source of humanitarian aid for that area that I’m aware of. International Red Cross, AID, and others are nowhere to be seen. I’m confident that they’re serving other people in other places, but not where we go.

Our most common stop for a room is in Uman, a city of about 82,000 in central Ukraine. I’ve spent 4 of my 10 nights there. It gives us a route around Moldova where slow, difficult borders stops (two each way) and corrupt law enforcement keep us away.

It’s important to note that no one at this charity takes a penny away from the donations it receives. All are either volunteers or missionaries supported by churches back home. Every dollar goes into the food and the costs associated with delivering it—mostly the maintaining and fueling of the vans. That’s significant because the vehicles take a pounding.

Now for notes to selected constituencies: Naval Aviators and other military pilots—Driving these vans through Ukraine is demanding in the same way as parade formation—or sometimes a loose cruise. Ignore the gauges and focus on the one ahead of you. Stay tight for hours at a time. Relief

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stops are few and far between. Turbulence ranges from moderate to occasionally severe.

Sid and the Boys; Ernie, Petey, Scott, Marty, Jack, Steve and Dr. Don...You're world famous now. Several copies of the book have been sold in Romania and Ukraine—in English and on Amazon of course.

Philadelphia Presbyterian Church in Mint Hill, NC—Herbie and Katie please note that the three crosses given to me by an elder on 12 June have been a true inspiration, and the cash handed to me quietly by a good friend has gone to a worthy cause. He is bcc'd on here. Thanks for your prayerful support.

I'm sure I've forgotten half of what I intended to write.

All of you stay safe and well and take time to appreciate and be thankful for what we have. Hope to see many of you soon. Carl"

Thanks, Carl and God-speed to you all. Get home safe.

If anyone has photos or vignettes, or both, from the Reunion, please send them to me. Until October...All the best, Mike!!!

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I received a call from **Ed Kerins** just after our I-Day lunch that **Dale Heely** had died suddenly on 25 June 2022 at home in Columbia Falls, MT. Dale had had heart issues for some time and was doing some light yard work when he collapsed and could not be revived. Dale was in 31st Company and became a Marine aviator after graduation, flying first the F-4 Phantom then the AV8 Harrier. At my deadline, I have no further details, but those will have been distributed separately by the time you read this.

Bob O'Rourke shared memories of Dale:

✉ Dale was just about to finish flight training at Laughlin AFB when I showed up in early 1969. He and his Marine roommate Pete Hendricks took me under their wing. Dale went F-4's and Pete A-6's. We did a lot of fishing around Del Rio. I remember both of them flying their jets to Laughlin for a visit. Dale was also at TBS at same time. He and I played our guitars and sang at **Jim Goebel's** wedding. Good times! He was quite a jock at Navy.

On 4 May 2022 we received a note from **Jules Seldon** that he had been diagnosed with Stage four pancreatic cancer and was beginning aggressive chemotherapy. Not long afterward, we received word that he had passed away on 19 May 2022. Jules was born in 1944 in Philadelphia and after four years at USNA he

served in the Marine Corps until 1972. He graduated from law school in 1977 and eventually worked for Clean Harbors Environmental Services for over 20 years as Vice President and Chief of Commercial Litigation. While stationed in Boston as a Marine he met Nancy, and they were married in 1972. In addition to Nancy, he is survived by their son Jonathon (Erin) as well as his sister Michele. Nancy can be reached at 23 Hemlock Dr., Norwell, MA 02061-1221 or nancyseldon@gmail.com. Jules was buried at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne, MA on 23 May 2022. Memorial donations may be made to either the American Cancer Society (<https://www.cancer.org>) or the Vietnam Veterans of America (<https://vva.org/donate>).

In a tribute to Jules, **John Kieffer** wrote:

✉ I'll always remember Jules for his unique ability to recall facts and details from times long ago. I remember many a day when he, **Bart Clark** and I would be sitting in our room, feet on our desks discussing the matters of the world. Academics always challenged Jules. Or so he said. He always seemed to do well when it mattered. He'd get on our case (Bart and I) when we were horsing around, and say he needed to study.

I'll always remember fondly the casual days of Youngster year with two dear friends, now passed on to the hallowed halls of our heavenly father. I hope when my time comes, I can be assigned to a room close to them to continue to remember those long gone days of brotherhood and friendship.

Fair winds and following seas, Bart Clark and Jules Seldon. I'm a better person for having known you.

Bill Dukiet notified us that **Dave Spisso** passed away on 20 June 2022 in Hardeeville, SC after a very short illness. Dave was born in 1944, attended NAPS and graduated with us in 1967 before attending flight school and being assigned to fly the P-3C. His Navy career spanned 25 years. He and Martha were married in Jacksonville in 1971. His family lived in Macon, GA for 28 years where Dave worked for Acquisition Management, Inc. He was active in the community, President of the Middle Georgia Soccer Association, and was selected as a "Local Hero" to carry the Olympic Torch for the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. He and Martha moved to Hardeeville in 2011 where he continued his active community involvement, serving two terms on the Hardeeville City Council. In addition to Martha, Dave is survived by sons D.J. (Melinda) and Michael (Juliane). Memorial donations may be made in Dave's name to the Jasper County School System Technology Fund and the Families in Transition C/O the Antioch Educational Center PO Box 1930 Ridgeland, SC 29936 (<https://rb.gy/mhdudy>). Dave will be inurned in the USNA Columbarium this fall. Martha can be contacted at mfspisso@gmail.com or 372 Shearwater Point Drive, Bluffton, SC 29909.

We also received word of the death of **Dan Goodwin**, a non-grad Classmate who left USNA in December 1964. He died 16 May 2022 in Pensacola. He was a NAPster and a member of Plebe Year 6th Company. After leaving Navy, he transferred to the University of Texas at Austin where he graduated with a degree in Petroleum Land Management before spending a career in the oil business. Dan is survived by his children, daughter Heather Maloney (Patrick) of Pensacola, FL and son Cameron of San Antonio, TX, and a granddaughter. He is to be interred in the Daniel Family Cemetery in his childhood home of Duncanville, TX.

As you've undoubtedly noticed we're losing Classmates at an increased rate. Something about the age cohort to which we all belong, I guess. A comment I'm starting to hear is "Boy, I should have gotten hold of him before." I'll try to help with that. If you go to the Alumni Association website: (www.usna.com) log in and go to "Alumni Lookup," you undoubtedly know you can put in a name and Class Year and get contact information on that individual. But ... you don't need the name. If you put in Class of 1967 and just the state of Texas, for example, the search will return a list of all Classmates in Texas. If you put in Class of 1967 and just a USNA Company, it will return a Company list. Do it with City, too. Give it a shot! (OBTW: The information you get reflects only currently recorded data. Go update your profile so yours will be accurate!)

Over the years, the Great Class of 1967 has been a generous supporter of the Academy through the Alumni Association and Foundation. According to **Dave Church**, since graduation, we have donated over \$29.5 million to various causes/campaigns/facilities around the Yard. This places '67 in fifth place in total giving of all classes that have graduated in the past 88 years, and in second place in the decade of the '60s. In our current effort, we have raised gifts and pledges of \$1,259,478. To date '67 has 69 Alumni Association and Foundation Center Plank Owners (fully paid or pledged) which is 17% of all Plank Owners to date (#1). Our Class has set a strong example of supporting our alma mater.

And by the way, there's still time to become an Alumni Association and Foundation Center Plank Owner. Go to www.usna.com/give.

Jack Parry, while running his trap lines, noticed that he'd lost **John Chehansky** so he sent out a ping. From John... he's been pretty busy:

✉ Thank you so much for reaching out to Marge and me. Yes, we are fine, but been pretty active with the family this past month or so. Also, in May we were down in South Carolina with **Danny Wong** and some other '67 11th company mates for a fun week. Then, during commissioning week we were in Orlando for the HS graduation of our oldest grandson (Jack) - he will be attending Alabama next year. So, we were not even in Annapolis

LAST CALL

"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old; age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them." —Laurence Binyon, 1914

Matthew Arthur Cullen Jr. '44
23 April 2022

Claude Noel Debuhr '44
CDR, USN (Ret.)
11 July 2021

George Henry Mahoney '44
CDR, USN (Ret.)
5 June 2022

William Bentley Sprague '45
CDR, USNR (Ret.)
14 July 2022

Leslie Klett Pomeroy Jr. '47
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
23 July 2022

Frank Lawrence Boushee '48 ■
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
5 July 2022

Herman Joseph Bushman Jr. '49
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
21 June 2022

G. Donald Fisher Jr. '49
20 July 2022

Richard Wilbur Kelly '49 ■
28 June 2022

James Patrick Kittler '50
CAPT, USNR (Ret.)
19 June 2022

William Walter Boyes Jr. '51
15 July 2020

Lester Kenneth Fortney '53
6 February 2022

George Richard Matais '53
CDR, USN (Ret.)
21 June 2022

David Rudolph Raunig '54 ■
CDR, USN (Ret.)
12 July 2022

Eugene Norman Wilfert '54
CDR, USNR (Ret.)
22 September 2021

Robert Francis Gallagher '55
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
25 June 2022

George Hoyt Martin '55 ■
LCDR, USNR (Ret.)
18 January 2022

Howard Thompson Ballard '56
25 May 2022

Philip Harold Christos Jr. '56
3 August 2021

Franklin Joseph Lewis '56
Maj, USMC (Ret.)
24 July 2022

George Reagan '56
Maj, USAF (Ret.)
13 April 2019

Richard Stuart Varney '56 ■
LtCol, USMC (Ret.)
11 July 2022

Joseph Martin Pickett Wright Jr. '56 ■
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
14 July 2022

John Aubrey Chrisman Jr. '58 ■
23 June 2022

Melvin Arthur Runzo '58 ■
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
20 June 2022

James Richard Fuqua Jr. '59
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
10 July 2022

William Christian Gabrielsen '59
17 July 2022

C. Dennis Blanz '60
CDR, USNR (Ret.)
8 July 2022

Michael David Porter '60 ■
CDR, CEC, USN (Ret.)
15 July 2022

Gilbert Broadwell Perry Jr. '61
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
13 January 2022

Robert Joseph Ross '61
CDR, USN (Ret.)
22 July 2022

Raymond Joseph Wilson '61
LCDR, USN (Ret.)
31 May 2022

Thomas Morton Mustin '62
5 July 2022

Richard Anderson Riddell '62 ■
RADM, USN (Ret.)
27 May 2022

Clay LaValle Sharp Jr. '62
26 June 2022

Thomas Edward Uber '62
LCDR, USN (Ret.)
1 July 2022

John Stanley Volk II '62 ■
CDR, USN (Ret.)
9 April 2022

Donald Lloyd Reeves Jr. '63
22 June 2022

John Glenn Wilkinson Jr. '63
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
22 June 2022

Gary Warren Wilson '63
CDR, USN (Ret.)
15 July 2022

George Alan Mayfield '64
CDR, USN (Ret.)
19 June 2022

Robert George McClure '64
16 June 2022

Kenneth Michael Viafore '64
5 January 2021

William Cruickshank DeFries '65 ■
Capt, USMC (Ret.)
4 November 2021

James Floyd McPhetridge '66
23 June 2022

Warren Burns Partain Jr. '66
22 June 2022

William Ashley Evans IV '67
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
21 May 2022

Eldwin Dale Heely '67 ■
25 June 2022

John Lewis Perry Jr. '67
25 May 2022

David Joseph Spisso '67
LCDR, USN (Ret.)
20 June 2022

Timothy John Sullivan '67
CDR, USN (Ret.)
14 July 2022

Marvin Hubert Floom Jr. '68
Col, USMC (Ret.)
21 July 2022

Samuel Lawrence Sorice '68
21 July 2022

George Fulton St. John III '68 ■
12 July 2022

Carl Joseph Tamulevich '68
CDR, USN (Ret.)
17 July 2022

Larry Ray Albert '72
13 July 2022

David William Hamilton '72
7 July 2022

Dan Lawrence Hill '72
26 January 2022

David Bruce Powell '75
14 June 2022

John Stanley Althans '77 ■
LCDR, USNR (Ret.)
23 June 2022

David Milton Anderson Jr. '80 ■
CDR, USN (Ret.)
27 July 2022

Glenn Reverdy Snyder '82
CAPT, USN (Ret.)
21 July 2022

Laura Ann Riek Padovano '85
29 June 2022



■ Obituary appears in this issue

This list consists of alumni deaths we have learned of since our last issue. Full obituaries will appear in Last Call if/when families send them in.

Bill is survived by his children, Carrie Marquez (Michael), Melissa Seal (Michael) and William B. DeFries (Daniela); five grandchildren, Jackson Marquez, Kate Marquez, Bennett Marquez, Blair Seal and Elin Seal; and his siblings, Celia DeFries (Eric) and Richard DeFries (Kristi). He was preceded in death by his parents, Dr. William A. DeFries and Cecilia Cruickshank DeFries; and his brother, David "Fritz" DeFries.

Services were held on 13 July 2022 at Arlington National Cemetery. Memorials in Bill's name may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital (www.stjude.org/donate).

Carrie Marquez, Melissa Seal & William Zuna '65 ★



TERRY JOHN TERELESSY '66

Terry J. Terebessy died of a heart attack on 3 November 2021. He was 78 years old.

Terry, son of John and Della Terebessy, was born in Aurora, IL, on 7 October 1943. He was raised for the first couple of years by his mother and grandparents as his father was serving as a SeaBee in London during World War II. Prior to receiving his appointment to Annapolis, Terry spent one "eventful" year at the University of Illinois. "Turk" spent his off

time at the Naval Academy by playing anything with strings (with a painful focus on the banjo). He spent a lot of his time in the fencing loft, as well as the pool, trying to break his own record.

He spent most of his short military career in Vietnam and Southeast Asia, with a strong focus on damage control. This led to him pursuing his professional engineer's license. He met Carol Rejebian at the officer's club in Long Beach, CA, and they were married on 14 October 1969.

After the Navy, Terry spent nearly 50 years in control systems. He worked for several control system manufacturers including, Power Controls, Johnson Controls, Andover Controls, Barrington Systems and KMC Controls. Terry also ran his own control systems business for more than 30 years. He helped to build and commission more than 38 embassies and consulates in the last 20 years of his career.

Terry was always a sailor by heart, having restored three separate vessels, including a 32' Luhrs, 80' YP, as well as a 60' buoy tender. He enjoyed fishing, cooking and travel.

Terry is survived by his wife, Carol; three children, Melissa, Michael and Michelle; nine grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Services were held at Holy Angels Byzantine Catholic Church, followed by burial at Miramar National Cemetery with military honors and a missing man flyover.

The Terebessy Family ★



ELDWIN DALE HEELY '67

E. Dale Heely, 76, passed away unexpectedly and peacefully on 25 June 2022 at his home in Columbia Falls, MT.

Known as "Dale" to his friends, and as "Buddy" to his family, Dale was born on 18 November 1945 in Portsmouth, VA. He graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School, class of 1963, as the captain of his football team. He entered the Naval Academy in 1963 and graduated on 7 June 1967. He was commissioned into the U.S.

Marine Corps and completed Officer Candidate School at Quantico, VA. Admitted to the Marine aviation program, he earned his coveted Flight

Wings from both the Navy and Air Force. He flew the F-4 Phantom, the most elite and lethal fighter aircraft of its day. Dale's lifelong dream of becoming a fighter pilot was realized.

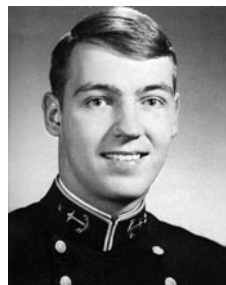
Dale flew 200 combat missions in Vietnam and was awarded 12 Air Medals at that time. He was also designated a combat division leader and air combat instructor in the Phantom. Dale joined the first Marine Harrier squadron and learned vertical takeoff. He was involved in developing and implementing first time uses of the Harrier in various tactical applications and participated in air shows all over the country demonstrating this unique aircraft. When eventually assigned a desk job with minimal flight time, Dale was honorably discharged from the Marines and entered the civilian ranks. His warrior days were behind him.

For the next 25 years, Dale worked in the security industry, managing security installations in a number of high-profile projects, including the San Diego airport, the Goodwill Games, hydroelectric dams and others.

Dale's wife, Joy, has shared a Montana home with him for 22 years. Predeceased by his parents, Dale Horstman Heely and Isobel Boustead Heely, Dale is survived by two children (from his first marriage to Frances Kavarova Heely), Dale Thomas Heely (Elizabeth) and Tanya Andrea Heely; two beloved grandchildren, Miles Thomas Heely and Blythe Josephine Heely; brothers, Robert Alan Heely (Lush), James Evan Heely (Judi) and Jonathan Blake Heely (Lauri); sister, Susan May Heely; and many wonderful cousins, nieces and nephews.

In his retirement years, Dale was happiest in the beautiful country around his home in Montana, where he enjoyed all of nature's wonders. The family will partake in a celebration of his life at a later time. Dale's remains will be scattered in a quiet spot of his choosing.

Online condolences may be left at (www.columbiamortuary.com). ★



GEORGE FULTON ST. JOHN III '68

George F. St. John III of Stamford, CT, passed away on 12 July 2022, following a battle with metastatic pancreatic cancer. He was 75 years old.

Born in Baltimore, MD, "Jeff" grew up in Northfield, attending Mt. Vernon Avenue and Mill Road schools and later graduating with the Mainland Regional High School class of 1964. He was appointed to the U.S. Naval Academy and upon graduation from there in 1968, was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Marine

Corps. His duty stations as a Marine included, among others, Vietnam (where he was a rifle platoon and company commander and was awarded a Bronze Star w/Combat V for meritorious service); aboard the aircraft carrier KITTY HAWK on Yankee Station off Vietnam and elsewhere in the Pacific; and the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at San Diego, CA.

In 1974, following his discharge from the Marines, Jeff embarked on a highly successful civilian career in the energy industry that took him to Los Angeles, New York City, New Orleans, Houston, Boston and eventually to Stamford, CT, where he settled in 1986.

Jeff was predeceased by his parents, George F. St. John Jr. and Elaine W. St. John. He is survived by his four siblings, Robert of Fernandina Beach, FL, Andrew (Jacqueline) of Egg Harbor Township, NJ; David of Pittsburgh, PA, and Sally Haupin (Jim) of Yardley, PA; and four nieces.

A graveside service was held at Friends Central Cemetery in Linwood, NJ, on 29 July 2022.

In lieu of flowers, please direct donations to Friends Central Cemetery, 5 W. Marvin Avenue, Linwood, NJ 08221; or to your favorite charity in Jeff's name.

Condolences may be left for the family at (www.adams-perfect.com/memorials/george-st-john/4912936/obituaryphp). ★

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