



Col. Henry Martin Dermody Jr.

February 13, 1939 - November 24, 2012

Colonel (Ret) Henry M. Dermody, Jr., was a 1965 graduate of the United States Military Academy. In 1970, he received his Masters Degree, MBA in Industrial Management, from the Wharton School of Business and Finance, University of Pennsylvania. A graduate of the Airborne and Ranger schools, he had attended the Marine Corps Communication Officers Course, Logistics and Procurement schools, the Command and General Staff College, the Industrial College of the Armed Forces and the Advance Management Programs at the University of New Hampshire (Whittemore School of Business and Economics) and Eckerd College.

Colonel Dermody enlisted in the Army as a Private in 1958. Appointed to the United States Military Academy from the enlisted ranks and commissioned in 1965, his first duty assignments after completion of Airborne and Ranger schools were as a Platoon Leader and then Company Commander in the 5th Infantry Division (Mech). In 1967, he was assigned to the 196th Light Infantry Brigade, Vietnam, and served as Communications Officer and Company Commander, 4th Battalion, 31st Infantry and Radio Officer of the Americal Division. Following assignments include: ADP Plans Officer, Defense Intelligence Agency; Aide-de-Camp, Deputy Commanding General, DARCOM; Executive Officer and Materiel Officer, 703d Maintenance Battalion, 3d Infantry Division, Federal Republic of Germany (FRG); Procurement Staff Officer, Directorate of Procurement, DARCOM; and

Logistics Staff Officer, Army Force Modernization Coordination Office, Office of the Chief of Staff, Washington, DC. From 1983 to 1985, he commanded the Main Support Battalion/725th Maintenance Battalion, 25th Infantry Division, In 1986, upon graduation from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, he was assigned as Executive Officer to the Deputy Commanding General for Materiel Readiness, USAMC. From August 1988 to August 1990, he commanded the 61st Ordnance Brigade, U.S. Army Ordnance Center and School, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland. In September 1990, he assumed the position of Deputy Commander, 3d Corps Support Command, V Corps, FRG and served in the position through Desert Shield/Desert Storm until August 1992. In August 1992, he was assigned to First U.S. Army as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Support. He retired from the Army 1 August 1993 with 30 years of service.

Upon retirement Colonel Dermody and his wife built their home in Centreville, Maryland where he was active in political, fraternal, social, alumni, church and community activities. His activities in retirement have been: General Advisor, Class Officer and Class Trustee, United States Military Academy; Chairman, Class/Annual Giving, United States Military Academy; Chairman, Class of 1965 Fundraising Committee, United States Military Academy; Co-Chairman, Our Mother of Sorrows/Saint Peter's Finance Council; Chairman, Our Mother of Sorrows/Saint Peter's Increased Offertory Campaign; Member of Our Mother of Sorrows/Saint Peter's Renovation Study Group; Member, Board of Trustees and Treasurer, Adkins Arboretum; and, Member, Academy Selection Board for Congressman Wayne Gilchrest and Frank Karatovil. Additionally, Colonel Dermody was a member of the Association of Graduates, United States Military Academy; West Point Society of Annapolis; United States Naval Academy Golf Association; The American Legion; VFW; Our Mother of Sorrows/Saint Peter's Parish; and, the Eastern Shore Retired Officers Association. He maintained an interest in golf, skiing, boating, fishing, woodworking and gardening.

Colonel Dermody's decorations include the Legion of Merit with 3OLC, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal with 3OLC, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with OLC, Good Conduct Medal, the Valorous Unit Citation, the Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry, DA Staff Identification Badge, and the Combat Infantryman Badge.

He is survived by his wife, the former, Kathleen (Kay) Theresa Hurley of Arlington, Massachusetts; two daughters, Laura Dermody Lampshire of Olney, Maryland and Joanna Dermody Gale of Bridgewater, Massachusetts; five grandchildren, Jared and Nathan Lampshire, Natalie, Colleen and Maria Gale; three sisters, Joan MacGillivray, Marianne Seaver and Maureen Dermody. He was pre-deceased by a brother, Dr. Francis Dermody.

A visitation will be held at Our Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church, Centreville, MD on Friday, November 30, 2012 from 4 - 7 PM where a Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, December 1, 2012 at 12:30 PM.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, KS 66675 (www.woundedwarriorproject.org) or Hospice of Queen Anne's Inc., 255 Comet Drive, Centreville, MD 21617.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **30**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Our Mother of Sorrows Church
303 Chesterfield Avenue
Centreville, MD

Service

DEC **1**. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Col. Henry Martin Dermody Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Col. Henry Martin Dermody Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Col. Henry Martin Dermody Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I used to be his driver while stationed in Weisbaden Germany. I had no idea that he had passed away. I am very saddened by this new information. He did my re-enlistment ceremony. I enjoyed his company very much while working for him. He was one of the kindest men I had ever met. Will try to find the re-enlistment ceremony photo and post.*

Ken Celsa - October 04, 2013 at 06:29 PM



“ *Sending our deepest sympathy to Harry's whole family from the Class of 1957, Story High School, Manchester -by-the-Sea, Massachusetts*

Carol Powers, former classmate - November 27, 2012 at 01:46 PM

DC

“ Colonel Harry Dermody has made us extraordinarily proud over the many years. As a committed husband, father, sibling, relative, military leader, volunteer and friend, Harry always put forth his best effort to help others. As an accomplished professional, my cousin always credited his beloved wife as the greatest complement to his life. Most definitely, Harry will be missed by all whom were privileged to know him. His impact was profound and I am confident that he is at his reward.

With the Greatest Respect, Love and Sympathy

Dr. Erik Champy - November 27, 2012 at 11:07 AM

GP

“ Gene And Lynda Palmatary lit a candle in memory of Col. Henry Martin Dermody Jr.



Gene and Lynda Palmatary - November 27, 2012 at 06:27 AM

FG

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Fred Gale - November 26, 2012 at 07:15 AM

KG

The world was certainly a better place while you were here. We thank you for your dedicated service to our country - May you rest in peace and know that you are loved by many and will be missed by all! Kristen Golden

Kristen Golden - November 26, 2012 at 09:59 AM

KM

Colonel Dermody's organization and intelligence was beyond impressive. A true hero and servant of our country, his love for his nation and military was always evident. Rest in Peace Colonel. Kara K. Morris

Kara K. Morris - November 26, 2012 at 06:13 PM

FM

Col. Harry Dermody was a soldier, family man and community organizer all worthy of 5 stars. My favorite Daily Mass Mafia member and we will all miss "Give Them Hell" Harry's conversations and companionship. Rest in peace and GO ARMY, BEAT NAVY!!!! Fred McNeil

Fred McNeil - November 27, 2012 at 01:40 PM