



Herman Miller Orrell III

December 10, 1929 - September 5, 2013

Lt. Col Herman Miller "Dick" Orrell, III, USA, Ret., died at the University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore, on Thursday, September 5, 2013. He was 83.

Born in Easton, December 10, 1929, he was the son of the late, Herman M., Jr. and Ruth Stewart Orrell. After graduating from Centreville High School in 1946, he attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University where he received his B. S. Degree in Agricultural Economics in 1950. In August of 1951, he joined the U. S. Army and served during the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam War, retiring in September of 1971 with the rank of Lt. Colonel. During his career, he was primarily engaged in aviation and air safety. Among his many decorations are the Master Aviation Badge, the Vietnam Campaign Medal w/60 device, Bronze Star Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Korean Service Medal, and the Air Medal w/4 Oak Leaf Clusters.

After his release from active duty, he worked as a Civil Servant with the Dept. of Navy and, later, the Dept. of Army, retiring again in the 1990's. Following this retirement, he returned to Wye Mills where he served as President of the family business, Orrell's Maryland Beaten Biscuits.

A member of the Oxford United Methodist Church, he was a member of the Centreville Rotary Club and the V.F.W. Post 5118 in Easton. He was also a life

member of the Army Aviation Association.

Devoted to his family and pets, particularly his dog, Maggie, Dick enjoyed golf, fishing, cards and traveling both in the U. S. and worldwide.

Surviving, are his wife, the former Margaret Tull whom he married in 1951; two daughters, Bonnie O. Reichert of Liberty Hill, TX, and Betsy A. Skinner of Chestertown; a son, Phillip S. Orrell of Easton; eight grandchildren, Christopher and Aimee Reichert, Jason and Brandon Orrell and Matthew, Laura, Andrew and Rebekah Skinner and five great grandchildren, Colby and Olivia Orrell and Graham, Evelyn and Desmond Reichert. Dick had enjoyed taking most of his grandchildren on special trips either in this country or abroad.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, September 9, at 2 p.m. at the Oxford United Methodist Church in Oxford where friends may call one hour prior to the service.

Burial with military honors will be in the Oxford Cemetery.

Memorial donations, in Dick's memory, may be made to the Talbot Senior Center, 400 Brookletts Avenue, Easton, MD 21601.

Cemetery Details

Oxford Cemetery

Oxford, MD

Previous Events

Service

SEP 9. 2:00 PM (ET)

Oxford United Methodist Church
Oxford, MD

Visitation

SEP 9. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Oxford United Methodist Church
Oxford, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *I just
Came
Across this. I worked with Dick at The US Army Logistics Evaluation
Agency. Dick was a great
Leader and a patriot. I enjoyed working with him and under him.*

phil Gunning - July 16, 2024 at 11:59 AM



“ *Herman Miller Orrell III*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Herman Miller Orrell III*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Herman Miller Orrell III*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

MW

“ Dear Orrell Family---John and I send our sympathy and are sad to learn of Dick's passing. We don't get back "home" very often but keep in touch through our memories of good times and much laughter with all the Orrells. My house has many treasures purchased by Peggy when you all lived abroad in various countries during those years of military duty. Take care - we will keep you in our prayers during this time of transition.

Best,

Mary Lynn and John Wigodsky

Mary Lynn Wigodsky - October 10, 2013 at 09:40 PM



“ To the Orell Family, I am sorry to hear of Mr. Orell's passing. When ever we set up our Civil War Camp at the Tuckahoe Steam and Gas show, I always enjoyed talking military history as well as local history with him. A trip into the craft pavillion to say hello and get a couple of fresh hot biscuits was always a requirement for me. He always had a smile, a story to tell, and the ability to make you feel like you had known him forever. He will be missed.

James Foxwell - September 30, 2013 at 08:22 PM

BB

“ Brenda Beaver lit a candle in memory of Herman Miller Orrell III



Brenda Beaver - September 11, 2013 at 11:44 AM

BT

“ *Bob Thomas lit a candle in memory of Herman Miller Orrell III*



Bob Thomas - September 08, 2013 at 08:46 PM

BT

I have known Dick for many years as well as his mother and father. The town of Wye Mills has lost one of a kind. This man was always nice to everyone and a joy to be around. As a youngster I remember beating the biscuits for his mother and riding the milk truck with his father. I am very sorry to hear of his passing on.

Bob Thomas - September 08, 2013 at 08:52 PM

TM

“ *Orrell Family, Dick was a very kind and thoughtful person he was a great mentor to my husband and family. It was a privilege and honor to call him a friend.*

Trudy McGrane - September 08, 2013 at 02:29 PM

BP

“ *Dear Peggy, Betsy and All of the Family, We have fond memories of Dick. The times we all were together, he was very gracious to us and made us feel like family. We are sorry for your loss.*



Bill & Janet Keegan, Pittsburgh, PA - September 07, 2013 at 09:22 AM

PF

“ Dick was one of the people who defined this community and he will be missed by all who knew him. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.



Phil Foster - September 07, 2013 at 03:16 AM

WD

“ Wayne Dandridge purchased the Ghirardelli Galore for the family of Herman Miller Orrell III.



Wayne Dandridge - September 05, 2013 at 08:41 PM

WD

“ I have been a close friend of Dick and his family since 1974 when we met in Iran as fellow advisors working for the US Army Technical Assistance Field Team (TAFT) and the US Army Military Advisory Group (MAG) in Tehran, Iran. He has been my mentor, friend, advisor, comrade, and an inspiration to me. He always had my back and he was a soldiers' soldier. I am sure the Lord has made him an Angel First Class by now and that he is serving as God's personal pilot. My deepest and most sincere sympathy goes to Peggy, Phillip, and his entire family. I pray he puts in a good word for all of us with the Lord. I will not forget Dick and will pray for him and his family each day in the future. Thank you Lord for honoring me with the title of "his other son and his friend". God bless.

Larry Dandridge (and Judi Dandridge), LTC (Ret) US Army Aviation
843-276-7164, LDandridge@earthlink.net, Charleston SC.

Wayne Dandridge - September 05, 2013 at 08:31 PM

SM

“ *Steven Mccarty lit a candle in memory of
Herman Miller Orrell III*



steven mccarty - September 05, 2013 at 05:29 PM