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From the President



Bellhops, Faculty & Friends:

I hope our CMA Family has been safe through this crisis and uncertain time. This pandemic is something which I could have never imagined happening to the entire global population. Who would have ever thought the whole country would be asked to stay home, shut in and quarantined for months? It reminds you of our life at CMA. When you can leave your room, when you can go out to eat, when you can go to town. The further we get away from our CMA life, the closer our real-life experiences mirror it. Due to the health concerns of our Association Members, most of whom are in the higher at-risk group for the COVID-19 Virus, the Board of Directors has voted to reschedule the 2020 Reunion for August 2021. Due to the urgency of the situation, and unable to hold an in-person Board Meeting, I held an online, email meeting to discuss the COVID-19 concerns for our 2020 Reunion. The Board of Directors was unanimous in voting to reschedule our Reunion for August 2021. The dates for the 2021 Reunion will be Thursday August 5, through Sunday August 8. I have spoken with the Marriott and I have our rescheduled 2021 contract in hand. I discussed the situation with Juanita, the Marriott Sales Manager.

She was very understanding and rescheduled our contract with no additional cost. The room rates will be the same and the food & beverage minimum will be the same. We have the same contract cost that we had in 2018. The Marriott continues to accommodate us in all areas for our Reunion functions. Juanita told me her entire staff had been furloughed and they had over 100 employees laid off. She said they had about 10 cars in the parking lot when we were talking. The Marriott will contact those who have made reservations for 2020 to cancel them. If you have made your 2020 reservation you may want to contact the Marriott to verify your cancellation. The 2021 Reunion schedule of events will remain the same as 2020. We will celebrate the 50th Reunion for the 1970 & 1971 Classes. The Honor Group will be the Valedictorians & Salutatorians as planned for 2020. As we move forward, the Reunion will be held on odd years (2023, 2025, etc.). The Board of Directors will finalize the 2021 Reunion plans during our Meeting in October. Hopefully, we will be able to hold CMA Day on the CA Campus in October, which has become a nice tradition. If you have already sent your 2020 Reunion registration to our Treasurer Becky Moon, you have the option of receiving a refund of the Reunion activity fees or applying them to the 2021 Reunion. Dues paid will be applied to your account. This does give us an extra year to round up those who have been AWOL for the past Reunions. Please encourage all our former Cadets & Faculty to join us in 2021. The 2021 Reunion will begin the celebration of the 50th Reunions for the Classes of the 70's. As our older Alumni are not able to attend, we will be depending heavily on the younger folks

from the 70's to support our Association. We want to hold Reunions as long as possible, but the main goal is to at least make it until 2029 so the 1979 Class can celebrate their 50th Reunion. Please remember, the CMA Alumni Association is for anyone who attended CMA for one year, several years, graduate or non-graduate. We all shared the same experience and have many of the same stories and memories. Please contact your classmates and friends and encourage them to attend our 2021 Reunion and renew old friendships and share those stories.

Cordially,

Robin

Robin Salze
Class of 1966
CMAAA President

Reunion Postponement - Things You Need To Know -

Yes, the CMAAA Grand Reunion for 2020 has been postponed to 2021. Here are some fun facts you need to know to ease the frustration of this change. First and foremost, anyone who has made reservations with the Marriott will be contacted by the hotel to cancel the reservations or move them to next year. Second, if you have paid your registration fees to the CMAAA to sign up for the reunion, you have the option to get a refund or applying them to the 2021 reunion (contact Becky Moon at becsmoon@gmail.com. Dues paid with the registration will be credited to you. The 2021 Reunion will recognize the 50th Reunion for the Classes of 1970 and 1971. Finally, Class Valedictorians and Salutatorians will be honored at the 2021 Reunion.

Open Letter to CMA Alumni and Friends

When Captain Roy Hamilton arrived at CMA in mid-1964 he had completed 8 years active military service plus 3 and 1/2 years in the active Reserve. This included service as a platoon leader and company executive officer with the 22nd Infantry Regiment of the 4th Infantry Division, service as a photo interpreter in Europe and at Department of the Army Intelligence working with photos of the U2 overflights of Russia, as a Company Commander training young soldiers as they began their service and as a Senior Advisor to a Vietnamese Battalion Commander in Vietnam working from the DMZ south to Danang and west to the Cambodian border. That involved a lot of walking through jungle with periodic firefights and sniper activity. He also ran a small airfield in Hue, Vietnam. He served with another Captain in Hue who is well known. His name is Colin Powell.

Some of my recollections in other than the teaching, drilling and routine activities of CMA are the special events. The cadets ably demonstrated their skill at the Cotton Parade in Memphis. Nobody got shipped either. A few faculty members were a little surprised but were told they underestimated the self discipline of the cadets as well as the control set up by the NCO cadre.

The Korean Ambassador visited Columbia to present an award to the family of a fallen soldier. The Military Department proposal was accepted that the Cadet Corps provide a parade, including a gun salute followed by a reception for the dignitaries. The Commanding General of Fort Campbell attended and was really impressed with the performance of the cadets in the proceedings. He expressed some degree of surprise that the procedure was so faultlessly done by high school level cadets. We were not at all surprised and I so expressed the same to the general.

The guest of honor at the Military Ball was then Captain Roger H. C. Donlon. He was the first person awarded the Medal of Honor in the Vietnam War. I highly recommend you find his book, "Beyond Nam Dong", to understand why he was so honored. It is still available on Amazon and maybe through other bookstores.

Columbia State Community College was opened with a dedication ceremony and the cadets of CMA provided the

military honor guard. The guest speaker was Lady Bird Johnson who was somewhat upstaged when President Johnson decided that he also wanted to come. It turned out to be a good show and the cadets continued to impress.

Of course, there were a few pranks such as painting the turret of the tank pink. MSgt Allen quickly traced the culprit down. On one parade day a cadet told Mary Gilchrist, the Commandants wife, that a pair of panties was flying on the flagpole. Her comment was "Well! they are not mine". A detail was dispatched to correct the display. Major Hamilton is sure there are others he never heard about.

As 1967 wound down, Major Hamilton made a decision with his family to leave the military after a combined 15 years service. He joined First Farmers and Merchants National Bank. The first 5 years were spent in commercial banking when he was selected by Senior Management to head the newly formed Trust Department. It had the princely sum of \$1 million in assets in several small and one larger account. There were two employees, and everything was done manually. The department grew to \$1.4 billion in assets administered and held when Roy Hamilton retired as Executive Vice President and Senior Trust Officer at the end of 1997. Interestingly, one of his former Trust Officers is now Chairman and CEO of the Bank while another is President. He only takes credit for recognizing talent. The Trust Department now has assets exceeding 5 billion dollars.

The family moved to Lexington, Kentucky for 11 years to be near and assist older parents before relocating to Greer, South Carolina near their daughter and her family. Their daughter was a military officer and is still active with the ROTC Alumni at Tennessee Tech. Their son and his family remain in Tennessee.

CMA and the experiences remain evident in the Hamilton house. There is a brass shell casing displayed on a chest by the front door engraved with the date commemorating the gun salute mentioned above. There is also the saber presented to Major Hamilton by the Cadet Officers of Class of 68.

Former Major Hamilton would like to borrow from the late Bob Hope the phrase "Thanks for the Memories".

Roy Hamilton
CMA ROTC Department
1964-1967

50th Anniversary Special



A 50th Wedding Anniversary comes once in a lifetime, so Jim and Barbara Dickinson decided on 8 days to revisit the city where they began as a married couple...New Orleans. Home at first was a three room apartment on the second floor of a complex just off Airline Highway near the city's international Airport. They wanted to relive the experience as the travelers who journeyed to New Orleans 150 years ago, so they booked transportation on a paddlewheel riverboat (American Queen Steamboat Company) from Memphis to New Orleans, with stops along the way in towns where cotton, agricultural products, and livestock would have been loaded for transportation to market on this same type boat. Stops in Vicksburg and Natchez provided much American history. The trip included meals and sleeping quarters in a "stateroom" (rooms were first identified by states, not numbers, so that's the origin of the term). River travel was found to be refreshing, and the plantation visits were exciting (so, for those not paying attention in U.S. History classes in junior high, now here is the chance to connect the dots). The Riverlorian aboard each boat will tell you more. The Mississippi River was paramount in transporting goods and supplies for new settlements in the West. And that's exactly how General U.S. Grant saw it in 1863! And Civil War history relates the rest of the story.

This couple's other ties to Louisiana: Barbara received her master's degree in Elementary Education from the University of New Orleans and Jim served five years in the Louisiana National Guard's 20th Special Forces unit. Their son, David, got his master's degree from LSU in Baton Rouge. Their origins - Barbara grew up in Wichita Falls, Texas; Jim grew up in Brilliant, Alabama. They reside today in Delaware. Their immediate family includes two daughters, one son and six grandchildren; and more are anticipated!

Jim Dickinson
CMA Class of 1955

Latin American Alumni

Nevin Williams is wondering if any attempt has ever been made to locate our Latin American alumni? Nevins says that the late Buz Dooley roomed with a Venezuelan named Jose Iturbi and he (Nevin) roomed his first year with a Cuban Cadet named Gustavo Rodrigo Carvajal.

Nevin often wonders what happened to these guys, especially considering the turmoil that has occurred in Cuba and Venezuela. He recalls that during his 40th reunion (1992) there was a Cuban in attendance from Miami that apparently knew some status but he does not know if he passed that information on. If anyone has any information on these alumni, please let Nevin know or send the information to Woody Pettigrew at wpettigrew@knology.net and he will let Nevin know and will provide an update in the *Bugle*. Some pictures are below. It would be great to locate these guys.



**GUSTAVO RODRIGO CARVAJAL
HAVANA, CUBA**



**CADETS WILLIAMS & RODRIGO
ROOMMATES 1950-1951**



MARTIN ITURBE

RODRIGO

Special Request on Dues Payment to the Alumni Association

The postponement of this year's Grand Reunion has caused some real adjustments for the Alumni Association and one of the most impacted areas is in dues payment. Since the Alumni Association does not send out notices telling its members to pay their dues at a specific time, the best thing to do to keep up with dues payments is to make your payment every two years in conjunction with the CMAAA Reunion. Since we are not having a reunion this year, the convenience of paying dues when registering is missing. However, the Association has to keep on with its financial obligations and in order to meet those it depends on member dues. The Association is asking that you pay one year's dues (\$25) this summer to help the Association during this next year and then resume making two-year dues payments next Spring/Summer in conjunction with registering for the 2021 Grand Reunion. Dues are critical to keeping the association going, especially this year when we are missing out on revenue generated from the reunion (auction, raffle, memorabilia sales, donations). Please submit your \$25 check made out to CMAAA and your dues are good until the next reunion year in 2021. Mail your payment to:

CMAAA
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Columbia, TN 38401

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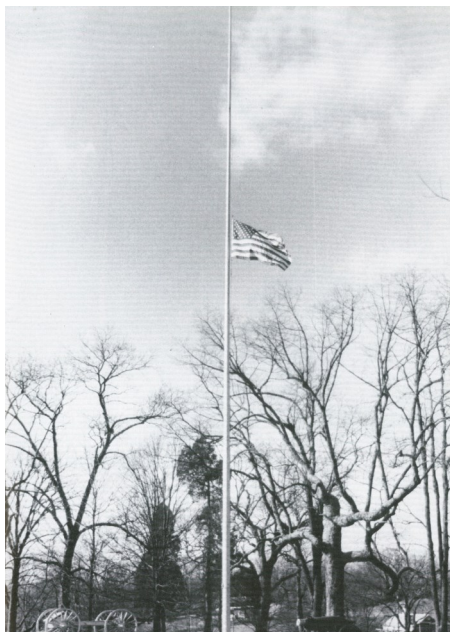
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A Memorial Day Remembrance



This is a solemn remembrance of those who did not return but died fighting for people they loved and for some they did not know. There is no greater love.

This is a memory of the most emotionally stressful time of my military service. It was not the stress of tromping through the jungle for weeks on end and eating whatever the Vietnamese troops carried, with an occasional firefight or sniper fire. It occurred while I was at CMA.

Whenever a soldier from our area died in Vietnam I would get a phone call from Fort Campbell notifying me of his or her name, the next of kin and the address. These calls usually came about midnight. It was my duty to ar-



rive at that location dressed in full uniform and tell that family their loved one was not coming home alive. They knew when they saw me why I was there. I have been on porches and in barns where a farmer was beginning his day and the sorrow was as one would expect. Fort Campbell was expecting a call after contact was made so a follow up telegram could be sent. There is no easy way to perform that task. You cannot ease the pain or shock. It is felt by the family and the messenger. I made all those calls while at CMA except two. One morning as I was about to begin a class a call came in. No one was prepared to teach so I asked the late SGM Lambert to do it. He came back absolutely shaken. The widow was a young woman who became hysterical. He said it was the worst experience of his career. I promised him I would never ask him to do it again. The other was near the end of my service at CMA. Major Fred Karner was then the new PMS so I suggested he should do it. I reminded him there is no easy way, but just do it as calmly and respectfully as he can. I would notify Fort Campbell when he finished.

This Memorial Day brought back that time in my career.

Roy Hamilton
CMA ROTC Department
1964-1967

Tales From Columbia Military Academy — Church

I am an Ohio *Yankee* who attended CMA for two years and I went through a lot of pain over the mandatory church attendance as my family in Ohio never attended church. My father had been reared in a very religious family and he vowed that as soon as he got out of the house, he would never again set foot in a church, and HE DIDN'T.

Of course, most of the CMA student body was from the South and (at least in those days) the South was much more religious than the North. I recall when Dad was registering me the first year, whoever the CMA person was that was taking the information asked Dad "What church?" Dad turned to me and asked, "what church?" I, of course, had no answer and most likely I volunteered "Methodist" as that was a church I had heard of. So, I was assigned to the Methodist Church.

Bad guess on my part as the Methodist Church was the most distant from the campus and we had to march there and back each Sunday. Plus, in my

opinion, the church was full of old "battle axes." The choir was full of them, ugly, old women who were mostly "clothes horses." So, I tolerated it.

On one occasion I was invited to go home for the weekend with another cadet in my barracks. I was not accustomed to the South yet, so I looked upon this weekend diversion as an opportunity to "sleep in" on Sunday morning. No such luck! We were all roused out of bed Sunday morning and proceeded to church.

I also had a close friend in my barracks who was Catholic. He would rise very early in the morning and go to mass and would be home before we Protestants departed for mandatory church formation. So, the entire time we were engaged in attending church my friend was free to do as he pleased. So, since I had no religion, maybe I could switch churches. My friend actually accompanied me when I went to the school officials to change churches. No such luck. Permission denied. The officials said they did not think my parents would approve of me going to a Catholic church. I knew my Dad would not care but maybe Mom would care. So that effort was nipped in the bud.

Somewhere I was talking to a cadet who was a member of the "Christian Church." This individual told me that his church was just a few feet out the back gate! I recalled that my Grandmother (the one who had soured my Dad on religion) belonged to "the" Christian Church. So, I changed from Methodist to Christian Church for my senior year. What a difference that made. It was just a short trip to the church and the congregation were mostly young folks—no battle axes. So, I got through my senior year with no church problems.

I would often go home on weekends with my roommate. Every Sunday we would go to the Lutheran Church and I would proceed up front and take communion—whatever that was.

Once I graduated my church attendance ceased. I went to Ohio University and joined a fraternity. Occasionally we would visit Churches. I often got conned into attending with the group. No religious affiliation has ever stuck with me. My wife, although a Catholic (Latin American) is not a strong church supporter and I am nominally a Protestant (of some sort—my Army "dog tags" read "NP" or no preference). So, although CMA taught me a lot, religion was not included!

Colonel (R) Nevin R. Williams
CMA Class of 1952

Reunion Memories



2012—2018

Come Make Some in 2021

Then and Now

Henry M. Bennett, Class of '58

Henry M. Bennett was born in Owensboro, KY, November 11, 1939, but lived his early life in Calhoun, KY, a small town of about 750 people. Calhoun was a good recruiting source for CMA's Major Cannon in the mid 1950's as he recruited Keith "Birddog" Bachman, Billy Brenner, Lindley Clark and Henry during that time. Henry spent 3 years at CMA, graduating in 1958. He says he is deeply indebted to his mother and father for the sacrifices they made to give him the opportunity to get the excellent education that was available at CMA. Lee Hall was his home there all three years. Howard Holmes and Jack Martin were his roommates his sophomore year. Howard longed for home in Alabama and Martin picked the guitar and grinned. They were all waiters in the mess hall that year – poor boys. Henry roomed with Birddog Bachman his junior year and Lindley Clark his senior year. It was a long, cold walk to Old Main in the winter. But there was a lot of camaraderie amongst the Lee Hall gang as they traipsed back and forth, so Henry never thought about moving closer even though they often made the trip several times a day. Henry made some great friends at CMA and was fortunate to get the cushy job of Chemistry Lab Assistant for Major Towles during his senior year. Henry was in B Company all three years and a platoon leader his senior year. During the last few weeks of the year, he was the Commander of D Company. Although some may remember that Henry played the piano for chapel and the YMCA prayer meetings, what many probably don't know is that he played the piano on Sunday morning during his senior year for a small Baptist church pastored by one of the Lower School teachers. After CMA, Henry received a Highway Scholarship to the University of Kentucky that gave him a job in the summer and paid a stipend during the year. He did 4 years of ROTC at UK and was the Cadet Battalion Commander his senior year. Although he received his Second Lieutenant gold bars in May 1962, he needed additional engineering hours for a CE degree, so he was there until January 1963. After a BSCE at UK, Henry received a deferment from the Army which allowed him to earn an MSCE in

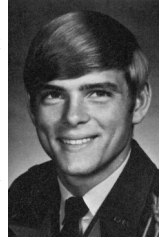


Civil Engineering from North Carolina State University. Uncle Sam called in the spring of 1965, and before he knew it, Henry was a platoon leader in B Company of the 70th Engineering Battalion (Combat), 937th Engineer Group in An Khe, VN, supporting the 1st Cavalry Division. After about 6 months of actual engineering work, Henry was appointed assistant S-3 for the battalion which involved acquisition and allocation of resources among the battalion's various projects. He completed his 2-year tour of active duty as an instructor at the Engineer Officer Candidate School at Fort Belvoir, VA, teaching fixed bridge construction. Military obligation satisfied, Henry headed to the Kentucky Department of Transportation. He spent most of his career there in planning. He was even the assistant state transportation planning engineer for a couple of years and state highway engineer for about 6 months. The politics of the latter were more than Henry cared to deal with, so he found a job with the Army's Military Traffic Management Command. He spent 18 years there and wound up as the Systems Engineering Division Chief which included not only traffic engineering, but deployment capability analysis of installations and ports worldwide. Henry and his wife Joyce, an RN, retired in 2000. They will celebrate 59 years of marriage in August 2020. They have resided in Newport News, VA, since 1981. They were blessed along the way to have 2 children, a girl and a boy, who each have two children, a girl and a boy. Since retirement, they have been blessed to travel into about as much of the world as they desired. Both say their African Safari in 2008 was their favorite trip. However, each remembers great moments from visits in England, Ireland, Wales, Scotland, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Italy, Australia, New Zealand, Costa Rica, Peru, Canada and many places in the US. They have been blessed with good health and good friends in retirement. Normally, Henry plays golf twice a week, volunteers at a nonprofit clinic or social service organization twice a week, and does whatever Joyce wants him to do the rest of the time. They are fortunate to be able to still do a lot of the landscaping work at their church together.



Jimmy Bane, Class of '72

Jimmy Bane, CMA Class of 1972, says it is hard to believe that it has been 48 years since he graduated from CMA. CMA raised him from a child to the man he is today. He had an uncle who graduated from CMA in the late 1930s. When Jimmy was asked if he would like to go there, for some crazy reason he said yes. The next thing he knew, Colonel J. B. Gracy was at his door telling him what CMA could do for him. Jimmy's parents believed it all. Then, before he knew what happened, he found himself miles from home at only 12 years old starting the 7th grade in Whitthorne barracks. Welcome to "Goober" school! That started things in motion that would shape him into the person he would become in life and who he is today. At CMA he learned the different cultures of people from all over the United States as well as the whole world. He found true brotherly friends that would always have his back and developed a bond that only those there would understand. A bond that still holds true today. One of the people that he remembers from CMA is Sergeant Bob Allen. He was the head of the Armory. Sarge had a special personality that was almost always comical and a love for all cadets. During Jimmy's senior year he was Cadet Major Battalion S-3 and was commander of the Armory Staff. There was a sign on the entry door that said, "If guns were outlawed, only outlaws would have guns". Sergeant Allen asked Jimmy to remove it for the Military Weekend (Annual General Inspection). Well, he did not and as fate would have it, the lead inspector that year was Brigadier General Outlaw. He was not impressed with the sign and informed Sarge of that. Needless to say, there was some disciplinary action taken by Sarge. He never gave demerits; being the jokester that he was he would always come up with something appropriate and comical for disciplinary purposes. He made Jimmy move that sign back and forth several times. Jimmy says there is no doubt in his mind that the biggest impact in his life and in developing him into who he is today was the 6 years he spent at CMA, even though he had to deal with Tommy Mitchell all 6 years



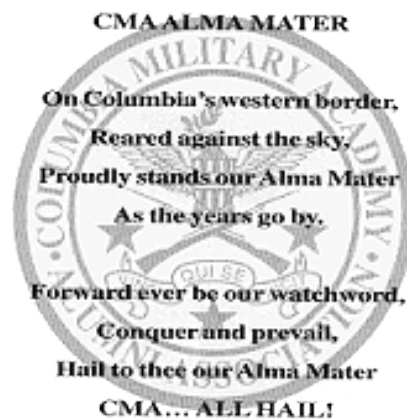
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and still deals with him today. After graduation he went to Walker College for 2 years and then to Livingston University majoring in performing arts. Throughout college he worked in the family lumber business in all areas of the business. Buying and selling land, planting trees, forest and mineral management as well as game management and selling lumber for construction. After college, however, he wanted to pursue his performing arts and moved to Aspen Colorado and then to Los Angeles. He found out that there were just too many strange characters in that business and moved back to Tuscaloosa. Throughout his life the tools he acquired at CMA have always helped him get ahead and once he returned home it didn't take long to find a job. With the leadership skills he had learned, he became the manager of a major financial institution. He learned what he could from this industry and left after he felt he had received all he could from them. He started a development company developing land for residential subdivisions. Since being involved with land he also started an investment company for land, timber and minerals. He has now retired to a different calling in life but still operates his land and mineral investment business as his source of income. His singing took him back to the bars where he was singing almost every night and, of course, that led him to, as they say, "sex, drugs, and rock and roll". With that he found that he needed to change his ways which brought him back to something else that he learned at CMA: "Vincit Qui Se Vincit", "He conquers who conquers Himself". Jimmy was headed in the wrong direction and needed to conquer the ways he had started living. Which meant conquer what he was doing and change. God stepped in and changed his heart and showed him His purpose for him...Jimmy has now been an ordained Minister for the past 12 years. His singing is now with the church's praise band on Sunday mornings. His primary ministry is helping those who struggle with substance abuse. His wife, Crystal, and he built a Mission on some of their land that is for those who struggle. It is an 8-month Christian program that is free, and they teach the lost about Jesus. Crystal and Jimmy have been together 28 years. God has blessed them with one son, James, and a wonderful daughter in



law. They have a grandson, Morgan, who is 14 and a granddaughter, Ellie Grace, who is 3 ½ that are both spoiled as much as possible by MawMaw and PawPaw. Most of his time now is spent loving others the way he wants to be loved and serving the Lord in many ways and, yes, singing is one of them. While doing that he travels all over this beautiful nation doing reciprocal hunts with his brothers from CMA. Because of the men he met there he has been able to hunt from Alaska to Maine, Canada to Florida and many places in between. He has also been able to visit different golf courses and play a few rounds with others who attended CMA. Life is good! CMA and the memories that could never be replaced. He has been blessed.



Calling All Valedictorians and Salutatorians

Please Contact Us

Out 2021 Reunion Honor Group includes all former CMA Valedictorians and Salutatorians. We have tried to reach out to those individuals but there are several that we do not have current addresses on. If you are a CMA Valedictorian or Salutatorian, please contact Robin Salze at frsalze66@gmail.com so he can talk with you about the reunion and the recognition planned. Each reunion has a designated group to be recognized and this group was selected by the Board for the upcoming reunion. Please reach out to Robin.



SILVER TAPS

Jim Cecil, Faculty

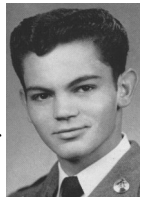
Jim Cecil went to be with his Lord on Thursday, January 17, 2019. Born November 7, 1938 in Nashville, Mr. Cecil served in the Air Force and National Guard. He attended Vanderbilt and graduated MTSU with a political science degree. He taught and coached soccer at CMA for 3 years (1967-70). His life of grace and faith in Christ made everyone he was in contact with richer. He was a member of South Decatur Church of God. He is lovingly remembered by his wife, Joyce; children, Dana Farris (Phillip), Greg Cecil, Kathy Blevins (Donald), Richard (Amanda) and Nathanael Clemons; six grandchildren; one great-grandson; sister, Mary Virginia Williams; one niece and one nephew.



Jim Cecil

Chester D. Martin, Class of '55

Chester Martin passed away on January 30th, 2020 in Waynesboro, Tennessee. He was born on July 8th, 1936 in Memphis, Tennessee, the son of Chester and Opal Martin. He attended CMA for two years graduating with the Class of 1955. After CMA he served in the US Army and was a member of the Rifle and Pistol Team. He was a member of the DeSoto Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite of Memphis and the Al Menah Shriners. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Sandra Martin; a son Chip Martin; three grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.



Chester Martin

Thurman L. Pitts, Class of '60

Thurman L. (Larry) Pitts was born in Tupelo, October 2, 1942 to Thurman and Anne Pitts and spent his childhood in Jackson. He attended CMA for three years, graduating with the Class of 1960. He then attended and graduated from Mississippi State University. A proud Vietnam Veteran, Larry served with the Marine's receiving numerous commendations. Prior to moving to Roanoke, Virginia



Larry Pitts

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where he was associated with McDonnell Douglas, he was affiliated with the banking industry in Jackson. He was preceded in death by his parents, Thurman and Anne Pitts. He is survived by his son, Clayton and wife, Casey; a granddaughter, Cambre; a sister, Cheri Pitts; a niece, and several cousins.

William Hensley, Class of '61

William Hensley was born on July 28th, 1943 and passed away on February 26th, 2020 in Ellenton, Florida. He attended CMA for two years, graduating with the Class of 1961.



William Hensley

Sidney Person, Class of '61

Sidney Person passed away on April 18th, 2018. He attended CMA for three years, graduating with the Class of 1961.



Sidney Person

Jarvis Aldridge, Class of '63

Jarvis Aldridge (McDonough, Georgia), born in Birmingham, Alabama, passed away on May 26, 2020. Jarvis attended CMA for four years, graduating with the Class of 1963 as the Co-Salutatorian. He was predeceased by

his parents, Jarvis Aldridge, Sr. and Mildred Aldridge, and his brother Harry Aldridge. He is survived by his wife Alice Aldridge; his children, Clinton Aldridge (Lynda) and Jennifer Richards (Cory); three grandchildren; his brother William Aldridge (Judy); and three nieces and nephews.



Jarvis Aldridge

George Westland, Class of '76

George Allen Westland Jr, son of Dr. G.A. "Al" Westland Sr. and Patricia G. Westland, passed away on March 7th, 2020. George was born in Cape Girardeau, MO. He attended CMA for three years as part of the Class of 1976. After CMA he attended Memphis State University. George was a longtime employee of Whitten Bros. Hardware Company and a member of Hope Presbyterian Church. He is survived by his mother Patricia Westland, his son George "Allen" Westland of Columbia Tennessee, and his daughter Taryn Shae Westland of Memphis as well as his nieces Darcy Westland Dellavecchia, Jessica Westland, and nephew Jeremy Westland and cousins Pat Peer-Fermier, Gene Peer, Stephanie Peer-Boyette, and Debbie Peer-Darby all from Jacksonville, FL. His mother fondly remembers how he enjoyed swimming, fishing, boating and all the family's activities at Snow Lake in Mississippi. In later years, he enjoyed growing vegetables on his patio.



George Westland

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