

Ulrich, Carl William (Carl), 5th Platoon

20 September 1944 - 10 December 2010

Belmont United Methodist Church, Richmond, VA



Carl Ulrich passed away Saturday, 4 Dec 2010, at the Medical College of Virginia. He was 66.

Carl William Ulrich was born September 30, 1944, in Mount Vernon, New York, to Carl A. and Alice B. Ulrich, and attended schools in Bethesda and Annapolis, Maryland. His step-parents, Dorothy M. Ulrich and Charles Wesley Winter, each played an influential role in his early life. He attended Rice University in Houston, Texas, on an NROTC scholarship and served in Vietnam as an officer of the U.S. Marine Corps. He and his wife Christine R. Ulrich had two daughters, Susanna V. and Catherine L. Ulrich. He had one grandson, Cassius Corey.

He received a law degree from Georgetown University and entered private practice in Washington, DC, where he worked as an energy and utilities attorney for almost three decades, interrupted by a two-year stint as in-house counsel for Texas Eastern in Houston, Texas. In addition to being a member of the D.C., Texas and Virginia state bars, Carl was a member of the Public Utilities Section of the American Bar Association. He served as both a lecturer and conference moderator on professional responsibility issues, and as Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Legal Ethics Committee of the Energy Bar Association. He also provided pro bono legal counsel to the Chesapeake Bay Foundation to defend the health of his beloved Chesapeake Bay.

Throughout his life, Carl felt a strong spiritual calling. He entered Wesley Theological Seminary in 1999 to prepare for a second career as a Methodist minister. He left the practice of law in 2000, graduated from Wesley in 2002, and was ordained an elder of the United Methodist Church in 2005. He served as minister of Accotink UMC in Fort Belvoir, Silverbrook UMC in Lorton, Central UMC in Mathews, and Belmont UMC in Richmond, all in the Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church. He was very active in the conference, and served on the boards of the Society of Wesleyan Studies and the Virginia United Methodist Foundation. He greatly valued the many wonderful friends he made in both his legal and religious careers.

USMC Resume:

The Basic School Class 1-68 Alpha Company, 1st Platoon, Jun-Nov 1967

Personal Reflections about Carl Ulrich: