McCormack, Orval Wayne (Mac), 3rd Platoon 18 February 1943 - 1 October 2002 Quantico Nat'l Cemetery, VA





Colonel Orval Wayne "Mac" McCormack, USMC, Ret. 59, of Spotsylvania served 30 years in the US Marine Corps. He was a 1967 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and received his masters from George Washington University. Col McCormack was an active member and Vice-Commander of the Spotsylvania American Legion Post #320.

Mac's USNA yearbook biography reads: "Mac, who hails from Pryor, Oklahoma, came to the 'Trade School' on the Blue Severn via the Marine Corps and the Academy Prep School at Bainbridge. A winning personality and a flare for storytelling make Mac a center of attraction. Never one to let academics get the best of him, Mac could more often be found applying his strategic mind to a chess board than to a physics lesson. Following his daily contests with the Academic Department, Mac added his talents to athletics, enjoying Volleyball, squash, and sailing. However his primary athletic endeavor was exerted in beating the PT department in swimming. His interest and vast store of professional knowledge in the Marine Corps will undoubtedly lead to a successful career in his chosen service".

Col McCormack is the husband of Virginia C. McCormack; the father of son, Chris McCormack of Manassas and daughter, Melissa McCormack of Stafford. His mother is Thelma McCormack of Pryor, Oklahoma; brothers, Terry McCormack of Shalimar, Florida; Tom McCormack of Adair, Okalahoma; sisters, Norma Callicoat of Stillwater, Oklahoma and Kay Rogers of Pryor, Oklahoma.

USMC Resume:

The Basic School Class 1-68 Alpha Company, 3rd Platoon, Jun-Nov 1967 Legion of Merit, PH, MSN, NCM, NAM

Personal Reflections about Mac McCormack: