



Adolph J. Bennett, Capt. USA (Ret)

April 20, 1919 - January 28, 2009

Bennett, Adolph J. Capt. USA Ret.

On Wednesday, January 28, 2009 of Falls Church, VA Adolph J. Bennett passed away.

Dolph saw combat as a 2nd Lieutenant in the United States armored infantry, on the drive to the Rhine, under General Patton. Despite being wounded three times on the same mission, he brought his men to safety, earning a Purple Heart. After his discharge from the army at the rank of Captain he joined the Marshall Plan Organizers and was one of the original signers of the Marshall Plan. He served 32 years in the State Department as a contract officer, traveling the equivalent of twenty times around the world within ten years. He was stationed in Thailand and Nairobi from where he continued his travels in conjunction with being a contract officer. He received many superior honor awards. On a tour of duty in Vietnam he was taken prisoner by Pathet Lao and eventually was in charge of the evacuation of all American personnel. After his retirement from the US Government on February 29, 1980 he was involved with matters concerning retired military, government, Foreign Service officers, the elderly and the hearing-impaired. He was particularly involved with SHHH and the Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Advisory Committee of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

In his own words..."A marriage of twenty-eight years, blessed with three children from my caring first wife, a second marriage of thirty-three years with a loving wife and mother of two additional children."

Beloved husband of Rachelle M. Bennett; father of David Bennett, Jim Bennett, Faith Stoppelmoor, Sidney Gerson, Suzanne Ledwith; brother of Monty and Howard Bennett; grandfather of Alexander, Zachary, Rachel, Michael, Sarah, Heather, Emily and Aaron. Graveside service will be held at Arlington National Cemetery on Tuesday, March 17 at 11am. Please meet at the Administration Building of Arlington National Cemetery at 10:30 am, from where we will proceed to the gravesite. You are cordially invited to a lunch at the Ft. Myer Officer's Club, immediately following the service. Memorial contributions may be made to Capital Hospice, Attn: Development Office, 6565 Arlington Blvd. Suite 501 Falls Church, VA 22042 or Temple Rodef Shalom, 2100 Westmoreland St. Falls Church, VA 22043 or Self Help for the Hard of Hearing, 7910 Woodmont Ave Ste 1200 Bethesda, MD 20814. Arrangements by Jefferson Funeral Chapel.

Tribute Wall



“ *Adolph J. Bennett, Capt. USA (Ret)* ”

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