



Charles Mansfield Murray

October 18, 1932 - February 29, 2016

Charles M. Murray MG USA (Ret.)

Major General Charles M. Murray, was born in Laurel, Mississippi to the late Jack and Ada Murray on October 18, 1932 and passed away in Ft. Belvoir, Virginia on February 29, 2016. General Murray enlisted in the Army on May 31, 1950, shortly after graduation from Shelburn High School in Shelburn, Indiana. In 31 months, he rose from Private (E1) to Master Sergeant (E7), the senior enlisted grade available at that time. He served in the Korean War as a rifle platoon sergeant with the 45th Infantry Division. After the war, General Murray served as a company First Sergeant in Fort Dix, NJ and with the 25th Infantry Division in Hawaii.

General Murray graduated from Infantry Officers Candidate School as a Distinguished Graduate in December 1958. After normal infantry company grade assignments in the United States and Germany, he transferred to the Ordnance Corps in 1962. His command assignments include, the 512th Heavy Equipment Maintenance Company, Korea, the 703d Maintenance Battalion, 3d Infantry Division, Germany, the Division Support Command, 3d Infantry Division, Germany and the 19th Support Command, Korea. His major staff assignments include, G-4, 3d Infantry Division, Germany, Director, Supply and Maintenance, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Logistics, Department of the Army, and the Deputy Chief of Staff, Supply, Maintenance and Transportation, US Army Material Command. He also served as an ammunition staff officer in Vietnam.

General Murray received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Educational Administration from the University of Omaha, and a Master of Science in Communications from Shippensburg State College. He is a graduate of the Ordnance Officers Advanced Course, the Command and General Staff College, and the Army War College.

His awards and decorations include the Combat Infantry Badge, the Distinguished Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Legion of Merit (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Bronze Star Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), Joint Services Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), and the National Medal of Military Merit from the Republic of Korea. He is a member of the Infantry and Ordnance Halls of Fame.

General Murray is survived by his beloved wife, of 56 years, Eileen Dugan Murray; children, Michael Higgs (Kathleen), Andrea Cruz (Frank) and Steven Murray (Sarah); grandchildren Katie, Cameron, Caitlin, Kevin, Andrew and Colin; great-grandchildren Savannah and Evan and siblings, Judy, Carol, Lillian, David and Wayne. Relatives and friends may call at Jefferson Funeral Chapel, 5755 Castlewellan Dr. Alexandria, VA on Friday, March 4, 2016 from 2-7 PM. Mass of Christian Burial at Ft. Myer Old Post Chapel on Wednesday, July 27, 2016 at 10:45 AM. Interment following at Arlington National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project or the Alzheimer's Association.

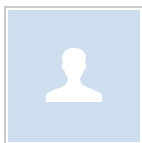
Tribute Wall



“ Major General Murray and I served together in the 101st Ordnance Battalion where he was the Battalion S2 as a 1LT and I was the Company Clerk as an SP4. He was just a true delight to serve with; always professional and always great to be around. We ran into each other again when he was in the ODCSLOG at Department of the Army and I was in the Operations Center of DCSOPS. It is with sadness that I have learned of his untimely passing. Though we had not seen each other since the mid 60s I followed his career and when I was commissioned a 2LT of Air Defense Artillery I sent him a note letting him know. I still think of him often and I am sure he's a squad leader in the Army of our good and gracious God.

Ronald D. Scurry
Major, US Army (Retired)

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“ I just read of Chuck's Passing in the retired officers magazine. Chuck and I knew each other for years while on active duty and after retirement.
He was a great soldier, gentleman and friend. I can still here his legendary response to each of my requests of "how are you doing?"
"He would responde"Fit to fight and trained to win!"
He truly was one of the good guys.
Ginny and I send our belated but deepest sympathy to all of his wonderful family.
May he rest in peace and may his memory be eternal.
Harry G Karegeannes
Maj.Gen.(RET)USA

May 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Chuck, from our first meeting in Heilbron and Siegelbach, Germany I respected your attitudes and actions in helping young tyros like me and Sid Davis. We learned so much from you in getting the job done and, over the years maintained contact in our Logistics careers.
May God bless you and honor you. The services needed many more men like you to keep the caissons rolling.
As for your family, I offer each of them my consolations and sorrow at your passing.
What a wonderful life.

March 04, 2016 at 12:00 AM