



Remembering our brothers who have passed from this life

ALDRICH, WILLIAM THOMAS '48

Bill Aldrich died of pneumonia at his home in Houston on 5 March 2007. He was 75. He graduated from West Virginia University with a B.S. in business administration and a year in law school. He was a member of Phi Delta Phi Honor Society.

He served in the US Army as a First Lieutenant of Infantry until his father's illness brought him home to Charleston, WV, where he became a licensed insurance broker. The Berlin Crisis in 1961-62 saw him called back to active duty as an intelligence officer with NSA. During the Cuban Missile Crisis, he earned a Distinguished Service Medal.

He joined Union Carbide as a project manager in The Bahamas, oversaw the construction of a marine terminal in Florida, and built a terminal facility in Houston. He helped to develop an ecologically positive non-wood railroad crosstie, (See *Bayonet*, Summer, 2004). One of the founding

members of Covenant Bible Study Class.

Survived by his wife of 53 years, Natalie; two children, Jeffrey Brooks Aldrich of Cape Town, South Africa and Amy Norman of Charlotte, NC; and four grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother **Edwin Aldrich**, '39, who returned to AMA after World War II to serve in the military department.

At Augusta four years: Captain, Company E; editor, *Recall*; staff, *The Bayonet*; Roller Rifles; AMA Debating Society; fencing; Ad Astra per Aspera.

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