



Remembering our brothers who have passed from this life

Joseph Holmes Burnett, '61

February 20, 1942 - January 18, 2021



Pvt., 1; Sgt., 2,3; Cotillion Club, 1-3.

“Mr. Man,” our Rebel from Alexandria, makes a real impression on every girl he meets, and that’s exactly what he wants. His civilian clothes are an excellent mirror of his personality. We’ll never forget the fact that Joe always has a smile regardless of how things are going. At the drop of a hat, Joe likes to be the center of a debate — on any subject. His intelligence and vocabulary stand him in line as a real champion.

I am sadly reporting the death of my husband, Joseph Holmes Burnett, class of '62 (correction he was class of '61).

His time at the Academy were some of the best and most memorable years of his life. He reminisced frequently about AMA. On a trip to Virginia a few years ago, I visited the grounds and museum. I brought back photos and memorabilia, including his yearbook. He loved it.

Joe served in the Air Force for 20 years and then worked at Boeing for a further 20 years.

The last 15 years we have enjoyed retirement on our country property in Washington state.