



Remembering our brothers who have passed from this life

DICKINSON, COLONEL WILLIAM J. JR. '36

Died 1989 at Buena Vista, VA; attended AMA, graduated from UVA.

Served with US Marine Corps in WWII, where he commanded an anti-tank battery with the 1st Marine Division at Guadalcanal. He was awarded the Purple Heart on 2 November 1942 and the Silver Star on 27 December 1943 for gallantry during the Battle for Cape Gloucester, New Britain.

Recalled for Korea, he commanded an anti-aircraft artillery battalion with 2d Marine Division. He remained on active duty and served with the Marine Corps Manpower Team in I Corps in Vietnam.

In 1945, he served as an aide to President Roosevelt, and commanded the Honor Guard on the train that took Roosevelt's body to Hyde Park for burial. He commanded the guard at the President's Camp (Camp David),

and was an aide to President Truman, as well. He left the service and was aide to Governor Thomas B. Stanley for four years.

After retirement in 1980, Colonel Dickinson became deputy director of Naval Military Correspondence and Congressional Liaison Office and remained with that office until his death.

Dickinson was at Augusta one year: Private, Company A; Wrestling, Rifle Team, Baseball; Glee Club.