



## Remembering our brothers who have passed from this life

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### **PILLEY, COL CHARLES FRANKLIN JR. '51**

Died 15 November 2006, after an apparent heart attack, at Fairfax Hospital, Fairfax, VA He was 73.

Frank retired from the Air Force with the rank of full colonel. Since, he had been a professor of mathematics at George Mason University and an adjunct professor at Marymount University. His own education included VMI, BS, Electrical Engineering, 1955; Master of Electrical Engineering, University of Oklahoma, 1964; Master of Business Administration, George Washington University, 1967; Master in Management; Rensselaer, 1990.

In the USAF, he went from navigator/instructor to Deputy Director, Strategic Forces Analyses, Headquarters, USAF. Fire Control Officer, AC-130H gunship, 16th Special Operations Squadron, Thailand. His last post was Chief of the Strategic Missile Division at the Pentagon. He was awarded the Legion of Merit with cluster, Air Force Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal. He received special commendations for his part in the evacuation of Saigon in the Vietnam War and the recovery of the ship *Mayaguez*. He is listed on the Military National Roll of Honor, Washington Cathedral. He taught at The Madeira School and was recognized as Virginia Teacher of the Year, 1989.

Co-captain of VMI tennis team; tennis coach at Springfield (VA) High School; two Virginia State individual tennis championships in singles and doubles. Tennis team captain ,AMA-Fishburne/Hudgins-Roller Cup competitions from 1999 to 2002.

Survived by his wife of 44 years, Judy; two sons, Charles, III, of Charleston, WV and Michael of Mount Pleasant, SC; and two grandchildren.

At AMA four years: *.Ad Astra per Aspera*, Best New\_Cadet; Honor Roll; Roller Rifles; Captain, Adjutant; YMCA Medal; co-captain, tennis team; basketball; editor, *Bayonet*; *Recall* staff; History, Math and ROTC Medals; valedictorian.

Reported by his best friend since 1944, Captain Bill Ault, '51, USN, Retd.

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