

Donn Gibson Miller Co H-1

After slipping rather apprehensively, he tried to conform to the too straight and too narrow for too long. Then he found his motto – "Look afar and see the end from the beginning." His only question now is – "Is this the end of the beginning or the beginning of the end?"

Born – 9 Aug. 1939, in Woodsville, NH.

**To USMA** – from Woodsville, NH.

**Died** – 24 Dec. 2017 (age 78) at Wayne, PA. Buried at the West Point Cemetery.

**Military Awards** – Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal.

**Schooling** – Defense Language Institute, MA Degree in Russian Language and Literature, University of Pennsylvania, Naval War College, Armed Forces Staff College, Master of Education in Guidance and Counseling, Providence College.

**Family -** Wife – Carol Miller (55 years) – 2 children (Kimberly and Donn Scott) – 2 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren.

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Donn served on active duty in the Army (Infantry) for 25 years, retiring in 1986, with the rank of Colonel. His first assignment was in Korea. He then served in Vietnam, Fort Sill (Artillery Career Course), Monterey, CA (Defense Language Institute, DLI), Philadelphia, PA (University of Pennsylvania), West Point, NY (Assistant Professor, Foreign Language Department), Norfolk, VA (Armed Forces Staff College, AFSC), Germany (Commanding Officer, 16<sup>th</sup> Infantry), Fort Bragg, NC (Institute for Military Assistance, IMA), Newport, RI (Naval War College), Pentagon, VA (Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, OJCS), Newport, RI (Professor of Strategy and EO of the Strategy Department, Naval War College), Pentagon, VA (Air Staff, Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations, DCOPS), Providence, RI (Province College).

After leaving active duty in the Army, Donn had a successful career in education. He served as the Dean of the Valley Forge Military Academy in Wayne, PA and then the Chair of the History Department at the Haverford School in Haverford, PA. Donn passed away on 24 December 2017, from leukemia.

Footnote from Donn – "One of the proudest experiences of those days in the Pentagon was coauthoring President Reagan's National Security Strategy......Life, faith, family, health, work, and even my current passion of motorcycling give me much to be thankful for."