

David Leon Miller, Jr. Co L-1
Some may have accused him of not being able to tame the elephant, but we never believed it for a minute. As a star athlete and coach in intramurder soccer, he always tried to keep L Co on the Top. In academics he was neither to top nor the bottom. '61 can be proud to call him a classmate.

Born – 8 July 1938, in Asheville, NC.

**To USMA** – from Fayetteville, NC. Nickname – "Cabezza".

**Died** – 23 Jan. 2021 (age 82) at Chapel Hill, NC. Buried at Lafayette Memorial Park, Fayetteville, NC.

Military Awards – Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, 2 Meritorious Service Medals, Legion of Merit Medal.

Schooling – Master of Arts, MA Degree, University of Pennsylvania, Master of Business Administration, MBA Degree, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Command & General Staff College, CGSC.

**Family -** Wife – Dorothy Ann Byrd Miller (59 years) –3 children (Deborah, David III, Daniel), 4 grandchildren.

**Contact** – Dorothy (Dot) Miller, Address 343 Collingwood Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28305, Phone unknown, Email unknown.

Dave served on active duty in the Army (Artillery) for 28 years, retiring in 1989, with the rank of Colonel. His first assignment was with the 6/21 Field Artillery (Honest John Rockets), 5<sup>th</sup> Mechanized Division at Fort Carson, CO. He then served in Germany (15<sup>th</sup> Missile Detachment and Headquarters, 514<sup>th</sup> Artillery Group, Northern Army Group), Vietnam (Advisor to ARVN Artillery, MACV), Fort Sill, OK / Fort Bliss, TX (Artillery Advanced Course, The Artillery School, TAS), Philadelphia, PA (University of Pennsylvania), West Point, NY (Instructor, English Department), Teaneck, NJ (Fairleigh Dickinson University), Monterey, CA (Defense Language Institute, DLI), Thailand (Support Activity Group, 17<sup>th</sup> Air Force), Fort Sill, OK (Battalion Commander, 3/9 Pershing Missile Battery and Staff & Faculty, Field Artillery School, FAS), Milwaukee, WI (Professor of Military Science, PMS, University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee), Fort Monroe, VA (Director of Human Resources, Development, Headquarters, Army Training and Doctrine Command, TRADOC), Richmond, VA (Director Installation Services, Defense General Supply Center, DGSC, Defense Logistics Agency), Fort Devens, MA (Garrison Commander / Chief of Staff Headquarters).

After retiring from active duty in the Army, Dave had a successful career in teaching. He taught writing, literature and public speaking classes in the English Department at the Fayetteville Technical Community College, NC. Dave passed away on 23 January 2021.

Footnote – David met his sweetheart Dot in the Methodist youth group when "she slung a hymnal" in his lap. He always told that story with a gleam in his eye. They were married for just short of 60 years.