



Tarey Bassette Schell Co B-2

Tarey was transferred from K-2 to B-2 where his exceeding great height (?) was out of place. His major activity, not counting the Public Relations Council and Debate Council and Forum, has been the "pad." The initiative and bulldog determination to get things done, which he has shown the last four years, insure a success in whatever career he follows.

Born – 19 Jan 1939, Rugby, ND.

To USMA – Came from Klamoth Falls, OR. Appointed by Oregon 2nd.

Died – 7 Sep 2011 (age 72) at Piedmont Hospital, Atlanta, GA. Buried at Westminster Memorial Gardens, Peachtree City, GA.

Military Awards – Bronze Star Medal, 2 Air Medals (one with V), Army Commendation Medal, 4 Meritorious Service Medals, Legion of Merit.

Schooling – Master's Degree in English Literature, University of Pennsylvania, Command and General Staff College, Law Degree, Georgia State University.

Family - Wife – Priscilla J. Healy Schell (50 years – married 3 days after graduation) – 4 children (Gretchen, Adrienne, Lauren, and Christopher) – 9 grandchildren.

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Tarey served on active duty in the Army (Artillery) for 23 years, retiring in 1984, with the rank of Lt. Colonel. His first tour was with the 11th Field Artillery. He then served as Ft. Sill (Artillery Advanced Course), Philadelphia, PA (University of Pennsylvania), Vietnam (Operations Officer, 19th Field Artillery, 1st Cavalry Division), West Point, NY (Instructor, English Department), Ft. Leavenworth, KS (Command and General Staff College), Ft. McPherson, GA (Public Affairs Office, PAO, U.S. Army Forces Command, FORSCOM), West Point, NY (Assistant Dean), Korea (Headquarters, 2nd Division Artillery), Ft. McPherson, GA (Assistant Public Affairs Officer, PAO, Headquarters FORSCOM).

After retirement from active duty in the Army, Tarey attended Georgia State University Law School in Atlanta, GA. He then established a private law practice, was appointed an Assistant District Attorney, became a Partner in the law firm of Burn & Schell, was appointed a Griffin Judicial Circuit Judge - in the Juvenile Court and then Felony Drug Court. Tarey passed away on 7 September 2011, from a stroke.

Footnote from Tarey – “Looking back 50 years while sitting in the den of our home of some 30+ years. I can see why other Graduates have said that going to West Point gave them more than they themselves ever could return to their Alma Mater. When I arrived at Thayer Gate from the hills of Oregon in 1957, a true hillbilly with a money belt sewn into my pants to protect my meager wealth from the evils of NYC, I had absolutely no idea of how my life was going to change from living in a small town.....All I can say is, ‘Thank You, West Point, and I pray I have bought some added honor to your good name, West Point by Thee!’”