



Donald Edward Landry Co F-2

Whether be it a friend in need or a job requiring immediate and expert attention, Don was always there to fill the assignment. He was known for his mature, well rounded personality and could always be counted on for a few laughs at any gathering. He is without a doubt one of the most outstanding men of our class.

Born – 11 April 1936, in Massachusetts.

To USMA – from Athol, MA near New Hampshire. Appointed from MA.

Died – 21 Nov. 2023 (age 87) at Rio Rancho, NM. Buried at West Point Cemetery.

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

Schooling – Master of Science in Engineering MSE Degree, Texas A&M University, Command and General Staff College CGSC.

Family – 1st Wife – Janet Landry (23 years, deceased) – 2nd Wife – Sandra Landry (37 years) – 3 children (Donald, Lizabeth, Shannon) – 7 grandchildren – 3 great grandchildren.

Contact – Sandra Landry, Address 2624 La Luz Circle NE, Rio Rancho, NM 87144, Phone unknown, Email unknown.

Don served on active duty in the Army (Infantry and then Corps of Engineers) for 20 years, retiring in 1981, with the rank of Lt Colonel. His first assignment was with the 10th Infantry in the Panama Canal Zone. He then served at Fort Belvoir, VA (Student, the Engineer School TES), Vietnam (1st tour - Commanding Officer, 102nd Engineer Construction Company), Germany (Headquarters, 47th Engineer Construction Battalion), Vietnam (2nd tour - Advisor, MACV), College Station, TX (Student, Texas A&M University), Fort Leavenworth, KS (Student, Command & General Staff College CGSC), West Point, NY (Instructor, USMA Department of Engineering), Taiwan, Okinawa & Japan (Area Engineer), Fort Belvoir (Instructor, Engineer Studies Center).

After leaving active duty in the Army, Don had a successful career in construction management. He worked for CM Construction Managers (Senior Manager), then Fortis Corporation (Vice President), Parsons Construction (Construction Manager), Los Alamos National Laboratory (Construction Manager & Facilities Engineering Director), Merrick Engineering (Senior Manager), Burns & Roe (Configuration Manager), Los Alamos National Laboratory (Acquisition Manager & Nuclear Project Team Integrator). Don passed away on 21 November 2023, from a heart attack.

Footnote from Don – “.....when they (children & grandchildren) have the opportunity to reflect on their own lives, as I am doing, they will remember us as part of their own 'sweet ride.' Yes, it has been a 'sweet ride' for a small town boy from Massachusetts. I'm a lucky man.”