



Donald Hugh Lewis Co E-2

Donny's warm smile and sense of humor has brightened the grey walls of Hudson High for quite a while. After breaking the language barriers, Donny didn't "sweat for a minute" the T.D. or A.D., but rather turned his efforts to the ever present fields of friendly strife, where he was a top notch performer.

Born – 10 Nov. 1937 in Auburn New York.

To USMA – from Auburn in the finger lakes region of upstate NY. Appointed as a Qualified Alternate (QA).

Died – 1 March 2024 (age 86) at Evans, GA near Augusta. Buried at West Point.

Military Awards – Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal, 3 Army Commendation Medals, 6 Meritorious Service Medals, 2 Legion of Merit Medals.

Schooling – Master of Business Administration MBA Degree, NY Institute of Technology, Armed Forces Staff College AFSC, Army War College AWC.

Family - Wife – Patricia E. Lewis (62 years) – 4 children (Sandra, Donald Jr., Keri, Jeffrey) – 7 grandchildren.

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Don served on active duty in the Army (Signal Corps) for 28 years, retiring in 1989, with the rank of Colonel. His first assignment was with the 501st Signal Battalion at Fort Campbell, KY. He then served in Okinawa (Company Commander, 999 Signal Company), Pentagon, VA (Office of the Secretary of Defense, OSD), White House, DC (White House Communication Agency), Vietnam (501st Signal Battalion), Fort Leavenworth, KS (Headquarters, Command & General Staff College, CGSC), Fort Monmouth, NJ (Advanced Course, The Signal School, TSS), New York, NY (Student, NY Institute of Technology), Korea (Headquarters, United Nations Command, UNC), Norfolk, VA (Student, Armed Forces Staff College, AFSC), Pentagon, VA (Office of the Army Chief of Staff, OCSA), Fort Campbell, KY (Battalion Commander, 501st Signal Battalion), Fort Bragg, NC (Commander, Army Communications Command, ACC), Carlisle, PA (Student, Army War College, AWC), Aberdeen Proving Grounds, MD (US Army Communications Systems Agency, USACSA), Fort Bragg, NC (35th Airborne Signal Brigade), Fort Gordon, GA (Deputy Army Commander).

After leaving active duty in the Army, Don had a successful career in a couple of different fields including volunteer work. Don passed away on 1 March 2024.

Footnote from Don – “The Company, Battalion and Brigade command tours were the most memorable and provided the greatest sense of accomplishment. The tour in the White House was the most educational as it provided daily lessons for better and for worse in the function of our government.....The year at the Army War College actually was the best year of my life.”