

## DAVID ANTHONY QUINLAN

Colonel David A. Quinlan, USMC (Ret.), died on 7 November 2003 in Moscow while on a business assignment.

Colonel Quinlan was born in Ware, MA, in 1938 and was raised in Norwich, CT. He graduated with the Naval Academy Class of 1960 as a member of the 24th Company. He earned a master's degree in business systems analyses from the University of Rochester in 1970 and a J.D. from The George Washington University in 1979.

During his active duty years in the Marine Corps, Colonel Quinlan served in the First Marines in Vietnam, was wounded at Con Thien in 1968, and received the Bronze Star with Combat for meritorious service in combat. From 1973 to 1974, he served as aide-de-camp to the commandant of the Marine Corps. In April 1975, with Ninth Marines, he commanded the Amphibious Evacuation Security force during the evacuation of Saigon. During his career, he wrote various articles on Marine Corps history and co-authored, *US Marines in Vietnam: The Bitter End, 1973-1975*, published in 1990 by the U.S. Marine Corps History and Museums Division. His decorations also include the Purple Heart, the Joint Services Commendation Medal, and Navy Commendation Medal.

After retirement from the military in 1984, he joined United Technologies Corporation and later transferred to its subsidiary, Pratt & Whitney, where he remained until 1999, having served as vice president international operations, specializing in aerospace technology and related joint ventures in Europe and Russia. He then formed DAQ associates, promoting the exchange of technology between Russia and West. He also was a founder and CEO of Echotech, a start-up company involved in Russian earthquake detection technology. He did consulting work for ArrayComm, Inc., which promotes wireless broadband technology in the U.S. and Russia. He was managing director of AK Global, which also does work in broadband wireless networks.

He lived in the Alexandria, VA, area for the last 30 years, where he had been active in civic associations, youth sports, and the Boy Scouts America.

Colonel Quinlan is survived by his wife of 38 years, Suzanne Treadwell Quinlan; daughter, Kristen Treadwell Quinlan; son, Lowndes Christopher Quinlan and his wife, Cynthia; sister and brother-in-law, Kathleen and Richard Norman '61; and a grandson, Collin.

Memorial services were conducted on 19 November 2003 at Christ Church in Alexandria, VA. Interment with military honors was held at Arlington National Cemetery on 9 December 2003.

*Mike Willsey '60  
Shipmate, January 2004*