

Neal E. Norman

CPT Neal Norman, from Illinois, was the Commanding Officer of the 101st RRC from December 1967 until September 1968.

Information provided in the obituary shown below suggests a commission date which would likely make him a captain in the 1967 and 1968 timeframe. Although the obituary does not mention service in Vietnam, information on FindaGrave.com, with dates of birth and passing matching those in the obituary, does provide this link.

Neal Norman Obituary

NORMAN, NEAL E., COL USA (Ret.) passed away on May 30, 2005 at his home in Locust Grove, VA. Neal and Marsha, his beloved wife of 49 years, moved to Locus Grove from Burke, VA in June, 2003. Both have been actively involved with the Burke United Methodist Church and in Locust Grove, with The Lake of the Woods Church. In addition to his wife, Neal is survived by three children and their families, Beverly Benfield and her husband, Wade, of Spotsylvania, VA, Lt. Col. Douglas Norman and his wife, Felicia, of Burke, VA and Robert Norman and his wife, Kristen, of Fredericksburg, VA. Neal was also the proud grandfather of nine, Bernie, Steven, Christopher, Taylor, Easton, Margaret, Jakob, Adalynne and Gabriella; great-grandfather of Daisha. He is also survived by two sisters, Virginia Reininger and Beverly McMurtrie, both residing in Southern Illinois.

Neal was born May 30, 1937 in Carterville, IL. He excelled in academics and sports in high school. Following graduation in 1955, he enrolled in Southern Illinois University. The year 1956 brought two significant events in Neal's life: First, he and Marsha were married on November 10 and second, he enlisted in the United States Army. Following three years of active duty, Neal returned to SIU and after receiving his degree, was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in July, 1963. He quickly rose through the ranks and retired a Colonel on May 1, 1989, having devoted 30 years to his country.