

**DAVE  
DRESIA**

1941-2019



**CHARLIE COMPANY**  
1966



**2ND PLATOON**  
1967



**EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
1967

# WE REMEMBER



## DAVE DRESIA

David R. Dresia David R. Dresia, age 77, passed away October 24, 2019 in New York City. He was born November 8, 1941 in Covina, California and was raised in San Rafael, and was a Class of 1959 graduate of San Rafael High School. David graduated from UCSanta Barbara. He went to Infantry Officers Candidate School in Fort Benning, GA where he was commissioned lieutenant. He served in Vietnam in 1966 and 1967 where he saw combat. He received a Combat Infantry Badge, a Bronze Star, the Army Commendation Medal for Valor, two Valorous Unit Citations and other service medals. David's career was in the area of scientific and technical publishing. He was managing

director of the American Society of Civil Engineers for over 20 years. In retirement he and his wife divided their time between New York City and Waupaca, WI, and enjoyed traveling. David was preceded in death by his parents, William and Joyce Dresia. He is survived by his wife, Michelle Peterson Dresia, and his sister Sara Basque (Ron) Novato, California.

## Central Wisconsin Services

Outdoor Memorial Services with full military honors were conducted on what would have been, Dave's 78th birthday, November 8, at the Wisconsin Veterans Home - Pavilion, King Wisconsin. Inurnment was also in King, at the Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery.

Michelle later hosted a luncheon at Dave's favorite local restaurant in the small community of Waupaca. Waupaca is also the location of their summer residence.



### *Dave & Michelle at Red Warrior Reunions*



*Dave, the 6'4" gentle giant, and his wife Michelle have attended almost every reunion that the Red Warriors have held. He served on the Association's Executive board and Michelle has sung the National Anthem at many of our reunions.*



*Left: Guests arrive for outdoor services commemorating Dave. Local VFW Post 1037 Chaplain Tony Turner awaits and later presents a very touching remembrance of Dave's service to the country, the VFW, Post 1037, and to the Waupaca community.*

*Right: Dave's wife Michelle eulogizes her husband. The cold 24 degree November day provided little physical comfort, but Michelle summarized the high points of their 30 plus year marriage and of Dave's love to his profession, friends and family, and to his Red Warrior brothers.*

*She concluded by saying that; "David wants you to know that he enjoyed his life and he wishes you all a fond farewell."*



*Above:; Michelle, left, and her brother Mark Peterson, his wife Bonnie, watch as the Honor Guards fold the colors prior to presenting the flag.*



# Photo Page



*Red Warriors in attendance:  
Pictured: L to R.*

*Ed Northrop, Dennis Witt, Tom Hedin, Gene Sjoquist, Tim Swan, Jim Daniels. All, except Daniels, served with Dave 1966/67. Daniels served in C Company 69/70. Also in attendance, but not in the photo, was Red Warrior, Ray Hart.*

