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PASSING OF CAPTAIN (RETIRED) MARC M. WATERMAN

June 1946 – October 2016

It is with deepest sympathy that we announce the passing of CAPT (ret) Marc Waterman, an American patriot and a Navy Dental Corps legend. Marc retired in October 2014 after celebrating 46 years of distinguished, active duty service. While battling bravely against a recurrence of cancer, Marc tragically passed away on 12 October 2016. Those of us who knew Marc's history as a Marine, SEAL, and Navy Prosthodontist considered him indestructible and were deeply saddened by the news of his passing.



A United States Marine: "First to Fight for Right and Freedom"

Born in Ohio, June 1946, he completed high school and immediately enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1964 at the height of the Vietnam War. Private Waterman completed basic and infantry training at Parris Island, SC and Camp Geiger, NC. While assigned to VMA-324, MCAS Beaufort, he was accepted by the Marine Corps Aviation (MARCAD) and Naval Academy Preparatory School (NAPS) programs. PFC Waterman attended NAPS in Bainbridge, MD and subsequently received an appointment to the U.S. Naval Academy in 1966.

US Naval Academy and a Navy SEAL

Graduating from the Naval Academy in 1970, Ensign Waterman then entered Basic UDT/SEAL Training Class 015 in Little Creek, VA. During his three-year tour as a Frogman, he completed the U.S. Army's Special Forces Officers Course and made numerous deployments to Europe and the Caribbean as a platoon commander. In 1973 LT Waterman reported to Underwater Demolition Team TWENTY-ONE. He served as a platoon commander, head of the Swimmer Delivery Vehicle (SDV) Department, and deployed as a platoon commander to the Mediterranean and Caribbean with Marine Amphibious Ready Groups.

Navy Dentist and Prosthodontist

In 1976 LT Waterman was accepted into the Navy's Dental School Scholarship Program. He attended the University of Michigan School of Dentistry and received his DDS in 1980. His tours of duty included:

General Dentist - Branch Dental Clinic, Annapolis, MD
Department Head - USS Guam (LPH 9)
Prosthodontic Resident - National Naval Dental Center, Naval Dental School, Bethesda, MD
Naval Air Station North Island
USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70)
Naval Dental Center Southwest, Naval Station San Diego
Company Commander - 21st Dental Company, 3rd Dental Battalion MCBH Kaneohe Bay
3rd Dental Battalion/Naval Dental Command Okinawa
Branch Dental Clinic Naval Air Station North Island

Marc was a proud and dedicated student of life and mentor of junior dental officers. Together with Miki, his wife, Marc initiated a 3rd Dental Battalion study club that mentored hundreds of junior officers and enabled them to earn their Fleet Marine Forces Warfare Pin. A perpetual and successful student, Marc also earned his Masters of Arts Degree in Management from the University of Redlands in 1994.

Marc was avid about physical fitness, scuba diving, and motorcycling. He continued to participate in the PRT during his Retired Retained service and routinely beat his younger colleagues and enlisted staff. He LOVED his time in the Navy, saying it was the best decision he ever made. It was this genuine love for his service to this country that encouraged his sons to join the Army Dental Corps and Navy Submarine Community.

He is survived by his wife, Miki Waterman, four sons, MAJ Douglas Waterman (USA), Mike Waterman, LT Matthew Waterman (USN), Kevin Waterman, daughter, Heather Fitzhugh, and step-daughter Sierra Keanum.

After 46 years of traveling the globe, Marc and Miki purchased their dream home that they could renovate and call their own. CAPT Marc Waterman was a man of few words with an extremely kind heart, who touched many through his actions. Together Miki and Marc made a lifetime of friendships and memories with colleagues and shipmates from the Navy.

Marc was a dedicated father, husband, friend, clinician, leader and mentor who will be deeply missed by those who knew him.

Memorial Service will be held Thursday, November 10, 2016 at 1000, Naval Medical Center San Diego Chapel.

Due to base security regulations, any flowers must be coordinated through the following designated florist: Genesee Florist and Gifts at 858-278-4220

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in tribute to CAPT Marc Waterman at the Fisher House. The following link will enable you to donate on line or provide the address to mail any contributions:

<https://donate.fisherhouse.org/default.aspx?tsid=3147>

