

Class of 1960 Procedure
for
Notification of Death of a Classmate
&
Obituaries

Discussion:

In order to more easily manage the increasing number of mortalities in the class, this procedure will try to define the process the class will follow in executing the notification of deaths to the class and provide guidelines for obituary writing, and where applicable, military funerals with burial or inurnment at the Naval Academy.

Process:

It will be the responsibility of the Class President to notify the Class when a death of a classmate or his spouse occurs. The Company representative of the deceased will have the responsibility of organizing representation, tributes and donations of flowers, or gifts in lieu of flowers, at the request of the Family. The Company representative will also be responsible for publishing the obituary in Shipmate with the approval and consent of the Family.

Obituaries:

Shipmate obituaries cannot exceed 400 words. The class webpage www.usna60.com contains a sample Shipmate obituary from the Stewardship 2011 edition. An outline of a newspaper obituary is also included on the webpage.

Burial/Inurnment at the Naval Academy:

The expansion of the Columbarium at the Naval Academy offers an attractive resting place for those graduates who so desire to use it. Information relating to points of contact and required information need for inurnment are also contained on the class webpage. A description of the Columbarium is available on the Naval Academy website – www.USNA.edu/cemetery/index.htm.

Summary:

The Class recognizes the very personal trauma that death brings to a family. If we as Classmates can help the family through these times by providing support, direction and information, we should do so.