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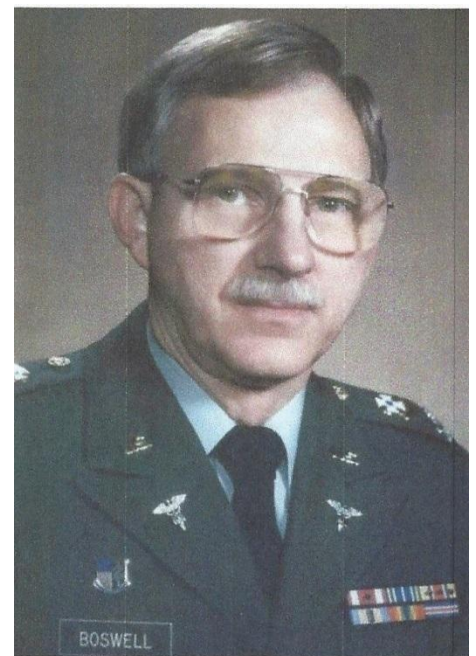
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Carl L. Boswell

United States Army

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Colonel Carl L. "Boz" Boswell graduated from high school in 1956. He then enrolled and graduated from Kansas State College with a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technology. He was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant Infantry through the Reserve Officers Training Corps program. He later earned a Master of Business Administration degree from Drury College.

His military education began with Infantry School, Officer Basic Course at Fort Benning, Georgia. When he transitioned to the Army Reserve, there were no combat units to which an Infantry Officer could be assigned, but there were medical units. He had to change his branch from Infantry to Medical Service Corps to continue with his assignment in the medical unit. He then enrolled in the Medical Service Corps, Officer Basic Course, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Upon completion of the basic course he was able to make the branch change. After completing the basic course he enrolled in the Officer Advanced Course, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He then completed the Command and General Staff College Course, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Later he had the opportunity to attend the Reserve Components National Security Course in Washington, DC.

While on active duty he was a Platoon Leader in a Basic Training Regiment Unit at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. He was then transferred to Post Headquarters, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, as the

Supply Officer W/G-4. This position had the authority to approve the equipment requisition and transfer from one unit to another on the Post. He also approved the ordering of unit equipment to fill out the units Table of Organization and Equipment (TO&E). He was the Officer in Charge of the Command Maintenance Management Inspection (CMMI) team made up of representatives from all the major functions on Post such as Transportation, Engineering, Quartermaster, Signal, G-3 Training, G-2 Security, Property Book inspection, etc. He was responsible for reviewing and writing the response on Reports of Survey for the approving authority, his boss the Colonel, who was in charge of the G-4 Supply. During the Cuban Crisis, he was immediately ordered to go to Fort Riley, Kansas, to assume the position as Company Executive Officer/Platoon Leader, Company A, 1st Battle Group, 28th Infantry, 1st Infantry Division.

In Reserve duty, he was assigned to the 5503rd Station Hospital Unit, as the Training Officer. His next assignment was with the 14th Preventive Medicine Unit (PM) as the Sanitary Engineer. He later became the Executive Officer of the unit. After being promoted to Colonel in 1983, he was reassigned to the Madigan Army Medical Center, Fort Lewis, Washington, as the Plans, Operation and Training Officer. He was then assigned as the Commander of the 14th PM Unit. A PM unit functions much like the Public Health group in the civilian community.

At the end of his three year command with the 14th PM Unit, he was assigned as the Commander of the 139th Medical Group Headquarters Unit in Independence, Missouri. As the Medical Group Commander, he had the responsibility to oversee the Training and Readiness of the 26 different types of medical units in the state of Missouri. These units totaled more than 3,500 personnel, to include over 500 doctors and nurses. Colonel Boswell transferred to Retired status in 1990 after more than 30 years in uniform.

Carl's medals and ribbons include Army Achievement Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal w/oak leaf cluster, Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon, and Army Meritorious Service Medal w/oak leaf cluster.

Carl married his high school sweetheart, Linda, after they graduated from college. They have two children and three grandchildren. In his civilian employment he was a member of the American Institute of Industrial Engineers and later the American Production and Inventory Control Society.

He is a life member of both the Military Officers Association of American and the Reserve Officers Association. He is a member of First & Calvary Presbyterian Church and has served as Elder Trustee and now as Deacon. Carl has been a member of the Lions Club for over 19 years and currently serves as the Treasurer.

Rachel Donelson Daughters are proud to honor and recognize Carl L. Boswell as Patriot of the Month and extend their gratitude for his patriotic service and commitment to our great nation.