



## George Hegstrom, Jr. Ret. Col.

May 15, 1934 - February 23, 2010

Bluefield, VA- Colonel George R. Hegstrom, Jr., M.D., born in Sioux City, Iowa on May 15, 1934, was a native of Portland, Oregon. He attended Mt. Angel College in Oregon, receiving a degree in Philosophy. He then attended Portland State University, majoring in pre-medicine and completed medical school in 1963 at the University of Oregon Medical School. After medical school, he served as a General Medical Officer in the U.S Army Medical Corp from 1963-1967 in Germany. Upon completion of his pathology residency in Portland, Oregon, Dr. Hegstrom reentered active duty assigned to the 97th General Hospital in Frankfurt Germany from 1972-1977, where he served in a variety of staff and command positions. He completed the Command and General Staff College in Leavenworth, Kansas in 1978. His next assignments were in Hawaii where he served as Division Surgeon for the 25th Infantry Division in Schofield Barracks, Commander of Schofield Barracks Health Clinic, and Chief of Emergency Medical Services at Tripler Army Hospital. He excelled and was awarded for his teaching duties at Tripler Army Hospital. He returned to the mainland to Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania to serve until 1986 as Commander of Dunham U. S. Army Health Clinic. He then served in a succession of command positions in Camp Zuma, Japan; Noble Army Hospital at Fort McClelland, Alabama; and Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. He retired from the U.S. Army in 1994. His military awards included Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster and Meritorious Service Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters. Dr. Hegstrom had a passion for politics; he enjoyed reading, and loved Penn

State Football. He also had a lifelong commitment to physical fitness and completed multiple marathon runs. Survivors include his wife, Nancy Maloney Hegstrom of the home; his children, Dr. Michael T. Hegstrom and his wife Stephanie and their daughter Amelia Hegstrom of Bluefield, VA, Stephen Hegstrom and his daughter Harley Lynn Hegstrom of Bluefield, WV and Melissa Ann Faust and her husband Brian and their children Brian George Faust and Lauren Faust of Moses Lake, WA; one brother, Terrence Hegstrom and his wife Joy of Portland, OR. The family will receive friends at Mercer Funeral Home on Friday February 26, 2010 from 6:00 until 7:45 p.m. A Christian Wake Service will be held at 7:45 p.m. with Father Paul Wharton officiating. Military honors will be rendered by the West Virginia Honor Guard and the Mercer County Veteran's Council. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday February 27, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Bluefield with Father Paul Wharton officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions, if desired may be made to the Beckley Veteran Administration Medical Center, c/o VA Voluntary Services, 200 Veteran's Avenue, Beckley, WV 25801. Those wishing to share memories or condolences messages with the family may do so by visting [www.MercerFuneralHome.com](http://www.MercerFuneralHome.com) Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of Colonel George R. Hegstrom, Jr., M.D.

# Tribute Wall



“ *George Hegstrom, Jr. Ret. Col.*

October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *I am saddened by the loss of such a great mentor to many. It was a real privilege to have served under his command. I learned a lot about leadership from COL Hegstrom, and a lot about being a good man. Best regards to all of his family.*

*Mike Buckellew*

**Mike Buckellew** - May 17, 2014 at 03:46 PM



“ *We served with George and Nancy at Ft. McClellan. We remember so many great times and will sorely miss George. He was a remarkable doctor and leader, and a wonderful friend. They say you are never gone as long as you are remembered by others. George will always be in our thoughts and memories. With our deepest sympathies, Cliff and Diane*

**Dr. and Mrs. Clifford Black** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM



“ *we are very sorry for the loss of a great man, friend and father he will be missed anything we can do please notify us ....*

**Scott Williams & family** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM



“ *Please accept our deepest sympathy for the loss of your father*

**Lenord S. Horwitz** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

TM

“ Nancy: My condolences to you and your family. I told Terry that I will offer a Mass for George at school. Maureen is aware of George's death. Also, I see Mary Ellen Stewart each Sunday at her Care Center. Recently, she has been hospitalized. My thoughts are with you at this time and I will keep all the Maloneys, living and deceased, in my prayers.

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**Tim Murphy** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

HP

“ my heart goes out to the entire Hegstrom family during this time of loss and sorrow. George will be missed by so many. I have some wonderful memories of time spent with George and family I will continue to cherish. Love and hugs to you all. Holly

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**Holly Poupore** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

JH

“ Please know how saddened I was to hear this news and it kills me not to be with my Aunt Nancy and cousins at this time, I've always enjoyed my time with you guys so much, from visits in Hawaii, to when Steve and Melissa moved to Portland and even stayed with us for a while. My Uncle George was always a kind and generous man and I will miss him dearly! Dad, I can't imagine what it must be like to lose your brother, I know how much you have enjoyed talking with him over the past several months while he was dealing with his condition, Please know I am keeping Uncle George and you in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Joe Hegstrom** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

JK

“ I am a friend of George's brother Terry. I did not know George but will remember him at Mass on Sunday. My condolences to the Hegstrom family.

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**Joe Kremers** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

LC

“ Nancy and family, We were shocked and very saddened to hear of George's passing to his eternal reward. The bonds of friendship we developed up at Mt. Angel were stretched by years of worldwide separation but not severed. I will continue to remember him in prayer and at Mass in the time i have left. Know that you will also be in our prayers, as you face life without a really great guy .

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**Len and Joann Cooper** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

DD

“ Nancy Terry sent me an email on George's passing, please accept my condolences and I will keep him in my prayers. Stay well. Jim Dunne

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**Dr. James R. Dunne** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

JS

“ Dr. Hegstrom, We are so sorry to hear about your loss. I know you find comfort in the fact that your father was a very prestigious and loving man, and he is with our Heavenly Father. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of grief. Just know that you will find comfort and you will see him again in eternity!

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**Jeff abd Marcy Swecker** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

BM

“ I was so sorry to hear of George’s death. My thoughts and prayers are with wife Nancy, brother Terry and all the family, who will surely miss George. I will say some special prayers during these difficult days.

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**Bill McDonald** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

KS

“ We are so sorry for George's passing. We had really enjoyed sharing Thanksgiving with him this past year.

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**Kristi Snow** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM

SC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Please know that we are thinking of you and are here for anything you need.

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**Sandee and George Cheynet** - March 07, 2014 at 04:21 PM