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From the President



Cadets, Faculty & Friends:

Greetings to all as we wind down somewhat from the COVID craziness. I hope this finds you and your families well. As I write this, which will be my last as President of our Association, I must reflect on the past five years. I had no idea when I started this journey what a roller coaster ride it would be. It has been a privilege to serve the Association as a Board Member, Secretary, Vice-President, and President. Who would have thought the little nine-year-old kid in the 4th grade, (the last 4th grade class @ CMA with Jim Borum & Ronnie Poetz), would wind up here? I was smart enough coming into this that I knew I could not fill the shoes of my predecessors. My goal was to keep the train on the track and hope the wheels did not fall off. The support I have received from young and old, including treasured advice and input from Past Presidents, has been humbling. This is such a Special group of people that I have had the pleasure of being a part of, I really do not have the words to express. It just makes my heart smile. I hope I have been able to give back a little of what I received from CMA.

We had our Board of Directors meeting via Zoom, and it went well. Our bunch of old guys has stepped it up

and moved into the new world of technology. We discussed the Reunion plans and confirmed the schedule of events and activities. We will Honor our Valetictorians & Salutatorians at the Reunion as we had planned to do in 2020. We agreed to donate our CA Scholarship again to a graduate determined by CA.

As our Reunion is right around the corner, NOW is the time to make your reservations and send in your registration. As of this time we have a low response for registration. With COVID concerns still on everyone's mind, please know that we will follow the local COVID protocol and guidelines throughout the Reunion. I have had a good response from several of our older Alumni who are anxious to gather and visit with classmates and friends. As I have said repeatedly, we are dependent on the 70's Alumni to support our Association and keep it active. Our goal is to maintain our Association as long as possible, but especially keep it active and keep having Reunions until our class of 1979 has their 50th Reunion.

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August 2021 is your opportunity to do your part in keeping our Association productive and stable as we move forward to the future Reunions.

Please remember, the CMA Alumni Association is for anyone who attended CMA for one year, several years, graduate or non-graduate. We all shared the same experience and have many of the same stories.

Please contact your Classmates and Friends and encourage them to attend our 2021 Reunion and renew old friendships and share our old stories.

Cordially,

Robin

Robin Salze
Class of 1966
CMAAA President

2021 Reunion A Chance to Start Again

The past year and a half has been a strange experience for the entire world, the United States and the CMA Alumni Association. In order to do what was right during this pandemic, the CMAAA made many decisions that, unfortunately, put normal association activities on hold. It was the right thing to do. We now have the opportunity to restart our activities and bring the CMAAA back on line, so to speak. The 2021 CMAAA Grand Reunion gives us that opportunity. While we may never see the normal that we knew before 2020 (what a year), we can begin to see each other again. Please consider your personal concerns first and join in the reunion this year if you are able.

CMAAA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes 24 April 2021

Attendees

Robin Salze-President (66), Sandra Hasler-Secretary (74), Becky Moon-Treasurer (75), Tom Carr-Asst Treasurer (75), Skip Snow (55), Lynn Bowles (58), Tom Walbert (58), Ron Nall (61), James Madison (62), Charles Field (63), Mike Gilchrist (63), Eugene Van Meter (63), Billy Akin (66), Bill Wade (68), H.C. Keltner (69), Bobby Bain (72), Woody Pettigrew (73), Marshall Briggs (75), Van McMinn (76), Jay Robins (76), James Thomas (CA President, Honorary Board Member)

Meeting Minutes

The CMAAA Board meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM on Saturday, April 24, 2021. The meeting began with a moment of silence in remembrance of those we have lost and their families. The invocation was given by Mike Gilchrist and Ron Nall led the Pledge of Allegiance. Becky Moon gave the Treasurer's report and she stated that there is \$32,379.92 in the general account and that all outstanding bills have been paid. Woody Pettigrew gave the Museum report and the amount of cash on hand is \$16,948.34. Budgeted income includes \$1,200.00 and payback for the Memorial update, \$7,900.00 (this will be needing further discussion after the reunion), totaling \$9,100.00. This brings the total budget to \$26,048.34. Budgeted expenses include rent (Oct. 2021- Oct. 2022), \$1,200.00; insurance (Oct. 2021- Oct. 2022) \$240; Miscellaneous, \$1,200.00. Total expenses total \$2,640.00. Our projected available amount is \$23,408.34. The final payment on the lease will be in Oct. 2022. There are two five-year extensions that can be used, if needed. Discussion with Dr. Thomas will be made at that time, to decide if the lease is to be extended. Robin made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report and the Museum Financial report; the motion was seconded and approved by the Board.

Robin asked Dr. James Thomas to give an update on CA. Dr. Thomas was walking around during our meeting because he wanted to show some of the updates virtually since we were not meeting on campus. New windows have been placed in the Science Building and the main road that goes between the football field and Science building

was widened. Due to widening the road, part of the sidewalk had to be removed; however, a new sidewalk was laid. Dr. Thomas stressed every effort was made to match the color to the original brick. He said he is well pleased with the results of the project and wanted us to be aware of this recent improvement. He said that the students have been able to meet in person all year, although they have had their fair share of cases among faculty, staff, and students. A couple of teachers were hospitalized, but everyone has recovered. They've had fewer cases this spring. The school enrollment is continuing to grow. There have been several families joining ranks; they are at a record enrollment of 992 students, with an additional 130 students in attendance at the Spring Hill campus. There is a waiting list and it's possible they will reach an enrollment of 1,022 students in the fall. There are a lot of people moving to the area and many are interested in what CA is offering. Dr. Thomas shared that they had a Junior/Senior banquet on Friday evening. They have 55 seniors graduating in May. Plans are to have the ceremony on the front lawn, weather permitting. He mentioned that their softball team has a good chance of going far in the state tournament; being in the private school division this year. Their baseball team has done well, also, but has been a bit more competitive than softball. The track and cross country teams have done well. CA had a cross country runner who won State this year. He has a good chance of winning State in both cross country and track. There are about 30 students participating in track this year. Dr. Thomas wanted to share an update on a couple alumni from CA. Marshall McKee, an outstanding student from Chapel Hill, who played football and basketball while attending CA, is graduating from the Citadel Military College this year and will be flying C-130s. Another alumni is Grant Pinkston, who is a major in the U.S. Army and is also a professor at West Point. He is nearing the end of his term at West Point. His mother taught at CA for a little over twenty years. Dr. Thomas was unsure at this time where he would be stationed next. He said many of their alumni have done quite well; some graduating with degrees in medicine and dentistry. Dr. Thomas stated they are doing studies for plans to expand the lower school. There is a need for more space. He said they will begin a capital campaign in the near future. He also gave an update on the "Fence Project", which is ongoing. This project involved the first time CA has sent let-

ters to all CMA alumni, sharing concerns for needed maintenance. He wished to tell the alumni how appreciative he is because of how well the letter about the project was received. CMAAA gave about \$20,000 toward the fence repair. The West 7th side is almost completely repaired. They are in the process of repairing the large section on Academy Lane that was damaged by trees. They also received a State/Federal grant to help fund about \$3,000 of the project. The donations from the alumni go directly to the CMA Alumni Endowment Fund, which helps provide 5% of the principle each year. They pull it out to help with maintenance and upkeep of the campus; the original buildings, etc. In conclusion, Dr. Thomas wanted to make the alumni association aware that there is a beautiful ring display that has been placed in the Museum. The display was handmade in Texas, custom designed and made of cherry. The display holds class rings that have been donated. Each ring display will include the name of the person and the class year. If anyone is interested in donating their class ring, you can contact Dr. Thomas's office and they will be happy to help you. Next time anyone comes to visit the campus, check out this new addition to our Museum memorabilia!

Old Business

Robin addressed the upcoming Grand Reunion and the Marriott accommodations. Robin spoke with the Marriott Sales Director last week to discuss the required minimum number of rooms, which was originally 155. They have graciously reduced the number to 125 due to the uncertainty of how many will be attending. Our food and beverage minimum was \$8,000 and that amount was reduced to \$7,000. These reductions will help give us a financial "cushion" if our number of attendees is down considerably. Woody asked Robin if we foresee that our minimal numbers are not going to be met, is there a cancellation policy in place that would allow us to avoid some, if not most, of the expenses. Robin said that there is an option to cancel, if need be; however, there may be a penalty for cancellation. He feels confident that the Marriott would be willing to work with us and would make any accommodations to encourage us to continue doing business with them. Mike Gilchrist agrees that the Marriott will be more than willing to work with us because Nashville re-

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lies heavily on them for their tourism and conventions. Becky Moon interjected that at this point the number of reservations that have been submitted is less than twenty. We encourage everyone to please send in those reservations so our Reunion will not be subjected to cancellation again! Thank you to those early birds who have already registered! Woody has included a hyperlink in the spring Bugle that can be used when making reservations at the Marriott. There is a special rate of \$139 for CMA alumni. Check it out! There are plans to have an auction at the Reunion this year. Robin is asking if anyone has any ideas to share or items to donate, please contact him.

New Business

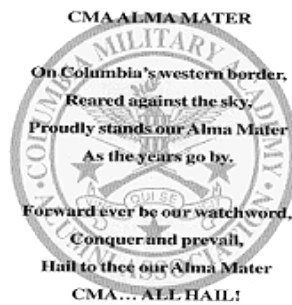
A motion was made to continue the CA Scholarship Fund this year; the motion was seconded and approved. Robin has asked Mike Gilchrist to head up our nominating committee this year. We suffered a devastating loss this year; Randy Howell was such a dedicated leader and a very involved and highly motivated personality in our Association. He will be greatly missed. We are hoping to have more folks from the latter 70's become more involved so we can keep the "ball rolling". Robin is asking for everyone in the 70's group to help get the word out to other classmates about our reunion. Those who attend the 70's reunions are graciously being asked to attend our Grand Reunion, as well. Woody has sent registration forms for the Reunion to everyone he has addresses for from the 70's classes. We are encouraging everyone who can possibly attend, to please participate so we can keep our goal alive; to help the class of 79 reach their 50th. Not only that, but to see and visit with classmates while we can. It's sad to hear about how many alumni we've lost over the years and how our numbers are continuing to dwindle. Attending our reunions gives us a chance to see friends, catch up, and just remember good times shared together at CMA.

Closing

At the end of our meeting, Bill Wade stated that there have only been five people committed to playing in the golf tournament, thus far. Hopefully others will show interest, because he feels with such a small number of players, he would be unable to gain private access to a golf course. Please let Bill

know if you are interested in playing in the golf tournament this year.

Mike Gilchrist was asked to give the closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM.



"Whhhhaazzuupp Dudes" Odds and Ends



Tex Tucker ('71), above left, and Jim Law ('72), above right, made a trip out west in March to do a little visiting with old friends. While traveling, they met Lyle Hampton, above center, for dinner and breakfast the next morning in La Jolla, California. Lyle (Major Hampton) was with CMA for 8 years on the faculty. They then traveled to Phoenix, Arizona and had dinner with Jim Ford ('71), below right. A good couple of visits.



Class of 1970

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50 Year Reunion Contacts For 2021

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50 Class of 1971

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Phone: 501-551-1534

Valedictorians and Salutatorians Recognized

This reunion's recognition group is those individuals that were the Class Valedictorians and Salutatorians.

Thanks to the yearbooks for the years 1953-1979 we know the Valedictorians and Salutatorians for those years. We encourage those from earlier years to indicate on your registration form if you were either honoree when a senior at CMA so you can be recognized.

Each Valedictorian and Salutatorian is encouraged to attend the 2021 Grand Reunion and be recognized during the banquet Saturday night.

Support Your Association

If you want to help your Association with some expenses the opportunity is right before you. We have the Beatles cover band, FAB Nashville, playing at the reunion after the banquet Saturday night. That is an added reunion expense and the Association could stand to have your help in deferring that cost. If you would like to make a donation to help with the expense, please mark the appropriate block on the Registration Form and include the amount in your registration payment. You can also help with our annual expense of providing the CMAAA Scholarship to a CA graduate each year. If you would like to specify a donation to the CMAAA Scholarship Fund you can do that on the Registration Form as well. Please consider helping the Association with these expenses.

GRAND REUNION
CMAAAA
2021



**Marriott
Reservation Process**

Please make Reservations by 9 July

Via Phone (1-888-236-2427):

1. Ask for Reservations
2. Provide arrival/departure date
3. Reference the CMAAAA to get the special rate of \$139.
4. If they ask for a code to receive the rate, it is CMA.

Via Internet:

1. Click this hyperlink: [Book your group rate for Columbia Military Academy Alumni Association](#)
2. To go to the hyperlink, left click on it. This puts you at the CMA Reunion Room Registration page with the special \$139 per night rate.
3. Enter the check-in and check-out dates as well as the room information and click on Check Availability.
4. Verify the room information and rate on the next page and click Select.
5. Continue making reservations by following instructions on the next page.

If Hyperlink does not work:

1. Go to this address:
www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1590167198776&key=GRP&ap=resvlink
2. This puts you at the CMA Reunion Room Registration page with the special rate of \$139 per night.
3. Follow instructions as above.

Make this Reunion the one that you will attend. Come spend time with your old classmates and share some memories.

**Sporting Clays Shooting Event
Set Up For Reunion**



A now regular activity at the CMA Reunions is once again being planned for 2021. Dudley Dolinger ('73) has again agreed to coordinate the event on Friday during the reunion for any CMA alumni and friends interested in participating. The event this year will be conducted at the Maury County Gun Club which is located at 2879 Parsons Bend Road in Columbia. This is the facility that was used in 2019 for the Decade of the 70s Reunion and provided a great day for the participants. The cost is \$28 for 100 sporting clays...there is no cost for using the range. William Dunnebacke ('74) is a Range Officer for the club and is sponsoring us using the facility. The event will start at 10:00 AM and will last as long as folks want to shoot. Participants need to provide all of their own equipment. All interested in registering for the shoot are asked to contact Dudley Dolinger by phone at 615-476-1820 or just as easily by email at ddolinger@comcast.net to sign up to participate. This event has proven to be a great time for all that participate. Join the group and shoot some clays!

**Golf Scramble For
2021 Reunion**



As in years past, the Association is looking at setting up a golf outing on Friday morning of the reunion weekend. This year's event will be at a local facility and set up as a fun morning to start the reunion weekend with a friendly round of golf. If you are interested in playing, please contact Bill Wade at 615-838-9730 or at englandclarkwade@bellsouth.net and let him know so he can begin to get an idea on the participation level. We need to have 16 players commit to participate by June 20th or the event will be cancelled for this reunion.

GRAND REUNION
CMAAAA
2021

Schedule of Events

Thursday, August 5th

- 1:00 PM: Early sign-in and registration in Marriott CMA Registration Room until 7:00 PM
- Optional: Individual class activities and free-style group gatherings

Friday, August 6th

- 9:00 AM: Registration in CMA Registration Room until 5:30 PM
- 8:00: Golf Tournament—Location to be determined.
- 10:00: Sporting Clays Shooting Event, Maury County Gun Club, 2879 Parsons Bend Road, Columbia, TN
- 3:00: Board Meeting, Marriott Meeting Room
- 5:30 PM: Welcome Reception, CMA Registration Room
- Optional: Individual class activities and free-style group gatherings

Saturday, August 7th

- 9:00 AM: CMA Museum open until 2:00 PM except during CMAAA General Membership meeting
- 10:00 AM: CMAAA General Membership Meeting in CA Chapel
 - Columbia Academy welcome and update
 - Election of Board Officers
 - Hall of Honor Inductions
- 11:00 AM: Flag Ceremony for Departed Cadets in Classes of '70 and '71
- 1:00: Individual class activities and free-style group gatherings
- 3:00 PM: Registration in CMA Registration Room until 6:00 PM
- 5:00 PM: Class Group Photos in CMA Registration Room
- 6:00 PM: Reunion Banquet / Recognition Ceremony / Dance at Marriott Ball Room

Sunday, August 8th

- Optional: Individual class activities and free-style group gatherings, breakfast, worship, and departure as desired



2020 ONE

REUNION REGISTRATION FORM AUGUST 5th—8th 2021

Please Respond by July 15th, 2021



NAME (Last, First, Middle) _____ Class of _____

HOME STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE (____) _____ BUSINESS / CELL PHONE (____) _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS (Please Print Clearly) _____

Count On Me to Attend the 2020 CMAAA Grand Reunion.

I Am Unable to Attend but have enclosed my \$50.00 for the next 2 Years Dues (\$25.00 per Year)

Names of Others Accompanying me to the Reunion _____

I Plan on Arriving at the Marriott, Franklin at Approximately _____ AM PM, on _____ (Date)

2021 CMAAA Grand Reunion Activity Check List

Please check those activities and functions of interest to your party. In so doing, indicate the number of participants and approximate fee per activity. Please mail this completed form with a check (payable to CMA Alumni Association) for the total amount in an envelope to arrive no later than July 15th, 2021. If you have any questions, please contact Becky Moon at 804 Athenaeum Place, Columbia, TN 38401-3156 or (931) 388-9128 or e-mail her at: becsmoon@gmail.com

2021 Reunion Honorees Valedictorians and Salutatorians

Please Indicate if you were a Valedictorian or Salutatorian (Circle Above)
Activities (Please Check All That Apply)

Grand Reunion Registration Fee (Required).....(\$25.00 per Adult) _____ x \$25.00 = \$ _____

The registration fee is required regardless of how many or few activities registrants attend. It covers the Association's costs of (1) Promoting / orchestrating the Reunion plus goods and services, (2) Entertainment, and (3) Bugle Newsletter expenses.

Golf Tourney, 8:00 AM, Friday—Contact Bill Wade at 615-838-9730 or at englandclarkwade@bellsouth.net

Sporting Clays, 10:00 AM Friday—Contact Dudley Dolinger at 615-476-1820 or at ddolinger@comcast.net

Welcome Reception at Marriott, 5:30—7:30 PM, Friday.....(No Additional Charge)

Band Donation—Help cover cost of Band; Donations in excess of cost will go to CMAAA Scholarship Fund.\$ _____

CMAAA Scholarship Fund Donation—Funding for Annual CMAAA Scholarship for CA Graduate.....\$ _____

CMAAA General Membership Meeting, 10:00 AM, Saturday on Campus in Columbia.....(No Additional Charge)

Reunion Banquet/Dance, 6:00 PM, Saturday.....(\$50.00/Person) _____ x \$50.00 = \$ _____

Biennial Alumni Association Dues.....(\$25.00 per Year x 2 Years = \$50.00 per Alumni) _____ x \$50.00 = \$ _____

Mail Registration Form and Check made out to CMAAA to: Becky Moon, 804 Athenaeum Place, Columbia, TN 38401

Reminder to Pay your Dues to the Alumni Association

Since the Alumni Association does not send out notices telling its members to pay their dues at a specific time, the best thing to do to keep up with dues payments is to make your payment every two years in conjunction with the CMAAA Reunion. Many individuals do that and pay their dues as part of the registration for the reunion. Even if you are not going to attend the reunion, you can use the registration form to pay your dues. With annual dues being \$25, if you set yourself up to pay in conjunction with the reunion you can pay \$50 every two years and always know when you need to pay your dues. The Reunion Registration form provides the opportunity to pay your dues even if you are not attending the reunion. Simply fill out the top portion of the registration form and check the box that says "I Am Unable to Attend but have enclosed my \$50.00 for the next 2 Years Dues (\$25.00 per Year)". Send in the form, along with a check for \$50 made out to CMAAA and your dues are good until the next reunion year in 2023. Dues are very important to keep the association going.



MOVING?

STAY IN TOUCH...

Please forward your new address to:
CMA Alumni Association
804 Athenaeum Place

NAME: _____

GRADUATING CLASS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: (____) _____

E-MAIL: _____

Class Ring Display Donated to Columbia Academy



A generous gift was given to Columbia Academy in March. Mr. Ronnie Erwin donated a beautifully hand-crafted class ring display in honor of his late father and Class of 1939 CMA alumnus, Eugene Erwin. The display sits proudly in the CMA Museum after a twelve hour drive from College Station, Texas where carpenter Eric Dotson of Smokin' Chisel brought Mr. Erwin's vision to life. Columbia Academy President, Dr. James Thomas, enjoyed a glimpse into the past as Mr. Erwin shared many memorabilia and stories from his father upon drop-off. Erwin laughed as he showed off a belt and recalled hearing it snap a few times. He also proudly held a pin that his mother wore after her secret marriage to his father while he was a Cadet at CMA. It was an honor to view the old notebooks and special pieces that Mr. Erwin held close. You are encouraged to visit the museum and enjoy the newest addition. If you have a class ring that you would like to donate, please contact the Columbia Academy Administrative Office in Academy Hall. There is a spot for rings from the 1930 Class all the way to the future class on 2066.



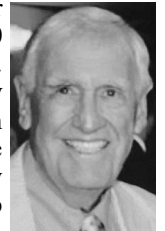
SILVER TAPS

Howell P. Hoover, Class of '46

Dr. Howell Peacock (DeDaddy) Hoover, Jr., died May 7, 2002. Dr. Hoover was a 1946 CMA graduate and earned the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America. He was a graduate of the United States Naval Academy and served three years before being discharged as a full lieutenant. He also attended Memphis State University and was a graduate of the University of Tennessee College of Medicine. From 1962-1983 he had a general and family medical practice on West Main Street in Franklin, Tennessee and he also served as the Chief of Staff of Williamson Medical Center in 1968. Family members said that Dr. Hoover enjoyed keeping up with sports in his retirement and was an avid UT fan. Even in his declining health, he continued to take his family to Big Orange games. Dr. Hoover loved and worshiped his family and left 2002-2003 season tickets for his children to enjoy and celebrate his life that season.

James C. Elder, Sr., Class of '47

Dr. James Colston Elder, Sr (Jim) born August 30, 1929 in Mobile, Alabama to Edwin and Daisy Elder died September 16, 2020 in Nashville, Tennessee. He was predeceased by his parents, Shirley Ruth Cobb Elder and his wife of 46 years, Beverly Smith Elder. Jim grew up in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee and attended



Jim Elder

CMA, graduating with the Class of 1947. When graduating from CMA, he was awarded an appointment to the United States Military Academy at West Point. Opting for a career in dentistry, he chose to attend Vanderbilt University (Nashville) and the University of Tennessee College of Dentistry (Memphis). Upon graduating, Jim joined the Navy (Lieutenant - junior grade) where he served as a dentist to the Marine Corps. He was stationed at Parris Island in Beaufort, South Carolina and was later commissioned as a Lieutenant before being honorably discharged in 1957. Jim then moved to Nashville to practice dentistry and begin his family. Jim was affiliated with numerous dental academies and organizations during his 55 years of practice. He was a past president of the

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SILVER TAPS

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Nashville Dental Society, a member of The Hinman Dental Society, the American Academy of Dental Practice Administration, a member and Fellow of the American College of Dentists and a volunteer and supporter of Interfaith Dental Clinic. He was an avid golfer and often referred to dentistry as his hobby and golf as his work. He was blessed to travel with friends playing some of the best golf courses around the world. Jim was an Elder of Westminster Presbyterian Church where he worshiped every Sunday for over 65 years and often participated in community outreach programs such as Room in the Inn. Jim is survived by his four children Emily Elder Blonkvist (Kevin), Elizabeth Elder Hazelwood (Victor), Mary Kim Elder Shipp (Phillip) and James Colston Elder, Jr. (Margo). He is also survived by his nine grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

John G. Payne, Class of '48

John Greenwood Payne, D.D.S., entered the Kingdom of Heaven on January 10, 2021, at the age of 91. John was born and raised in Nashville and attended Turner School, Robertson Academy and Burton School. He graduated from CMA as a member of the Class of 1948, serving as Cadet Adjutant his senior year. He then graduated from Vanderbilt University and the University of Tennessee Dental College. He was a Captain in the U. S. Army Dental Corps and served in private dental practice in Nashville for 40 years, initially working with his father. John served as president of the Nashville Dental Society, the Greater Nashville Dental Study Group, the Middle Tennessee Implantology Group, and the Society for the Preservation of Oral Health. He was also a member of the Tennessee State Dental Association, the American Dental Association, the Southern Academy of Periodontology, and the Academy of General Dentistry. John was an avid boater and model railroader. In his final years he was an enthusiastic member of the Saint Thomas Rehabilitation Group, which he credited with extending his life through wonderful friendships. He was a long time member of First Presbyterian Church. He was a gifted storyteller and jokester, a strength that served him well in his



John Payne

career as a dentist (with a name that sounds like "Pain"). He was predeceased by his parents John Davis Payne and Mary Geiger Payne and by his brother Lawrence Payne. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, the love of his life and former childhood sweetheart, Georgeanna White Payne; his sister Mary Margaret Payne Young; his children Laurie Payne Nicholson (Alex), Susanna Payne Guyor (Glen), Joel Hill (Terrie), and Ronald Walton (Joanne); and four grandchildren.

Graham B. Loper, Class of '52

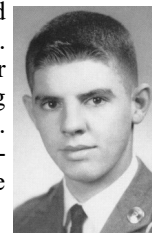
Graham Brown Loper passed away peacefully on December 28, 2020. He was the son of Ray E. and Ruby Little Loper and was born in Birmingham, AL on April 1, 1934. He grew up in Fayette, AL, and graduated from CMA in 1952. He then entered and graduated from Vanderbilt University in 1957. He proudly served in the US Army reserves. He married the love of his life, Beverly Jean Blackwell in 1957 and the two of them had four sons. He loved spending weekends and many of his retirement years at Mifflin Creek with family and friends. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed many rounds at the Country Club of Mobile and numerous other courses with close friends, his sons and grandsons. Against the advice of his father, Graham started Loper Oil Company as a Chevron jobber and created a successful business with numerous locations in Mobile County including the Go Happy Car Wash. He was an avid Rotarian for many years. He willingly served others and his community proudly and was on the boards of The J. Graham Brown Foundation in Louisville, KY, UMS Preparatory School and the Merchants Bank of Mobile. He also served as the Vice President for Real Estate Sales for the James Graham Brown Foundation for many years. He was a long-time member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Mobile, AL. He is survived by his wife Beverly, and sons R. Coleman Loper (Annette), G. Brown Loper (Lauren), G. Cameron Loper and Murray T. Loper (Heather). He is also survived by 7 grandchildren, and a step great grandchild



Graham Loper

Robert B. Beadles, Class of '61

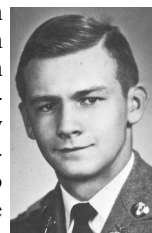
Robert Beadles passed away on April 5th, 2021. He attended CMA for three years graduating with the Class of 1961. He was living in St. Petersburg, Florida at the time of his death.



Bob Beadles

Jerry V. Crook, III, Class of '64

The Reverend Jerry Vardaman Crook, III passed into the arms of his savior February 26, 2021 in Memphis. Jerry was born on October 10, 1946, in Memphis to Jerry Vardaman Crook, Jr. and Mary Richartz Crook. He attended CMA for two years, graduating with the Class of 1964. He then graduated from Lambuth College and General Theological Seminary. He had a devoted ministry throughout his life, from youth ministry to pastoral ministry, to interim ministry and chaplaincy. His most recent service was in Memphis when he was called by the Bishop of the Diocese of West Tennessee to lead congregations of All Saints, St. Elizabeth's, and Church of the Annunciation. With his new wife, Sandy by his side, he celebrated the liturgy and delivered homilies from memory. Jerry officially retired in 2019 but never stopped ministering. He found joy surrounded by his family, five grandchildren who knew him as "Pappy", and countless friends. He loved to travel, listen to books, attend University of Memphis basketball games, and share a glass of wine with friends over a good meal. Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, William Robson Mitchum, MD and Mary Richartz Mitchum, Father Jerry Vardaman Crook Jr., wife, Roberta Sullivan, grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Vardaman Crook Sr., and his beloved Aunt, Katherine K. Gordon. He is survived by his wife, Sandra "Sandy" Webb Crook, his daughter, Collins Lamar Daye (Alan Berardo), their daughter, Sullivan Cady; stepsons, John Joseph Baker IV (Kathryn); brothers, William Robson Mitchum, Jr. (Jan), and Dr. James Richartz Mitchum (Lisa), and numerous nieces, nephews, and their families.



Jerry Crook

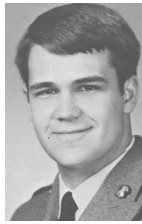
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Sam Noble Fonda, Class of '69

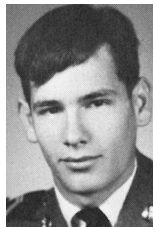
Sam Noble Fonda, 70, passed away on March 15th, 2021. Sam was born on February 22nd, 1951 in Memphis, Tennessee. He attended CMA for one year, graduating with the Class of 1969. He received his bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Mississippi and graduated from University of Mississippi School of Law, where his innate intellect and his curiosity to learn landed him top of his graduating class. Sam and his wife, Cathy, moved to Greenwood in 1976, where he would begin his legal career and eventually formed the partnership of Lott, Franklin & Fonda. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church, past president of the Leflore County Bar Association, and past president and long-term secretary of the Greenwood Investment Club. Sam was a wonderful storyteller who had the unique ability to captivate his listener with his impeccable memory, humor, and creative embellishments. He also loved to read, especially any works on the Civil War, historical events, or biographies. He was an avid duck hunter, fisherman, golfer, and Ole Miss fan. He was preceded in death by his parents, and a sister, Ann Elizabeth Fonda. Sam is survived by his wife of 48 years, Cathy Carmean Fonda; daughters, Jennifer Fonda Lovelady and Laura Anne Fonda Archer (Marc); son, Sam Noble Fonda, Jr. (Aryn Jayne); seven grandchildren; and sister, Cathy Fonda Cooper (Minton).



Sam Fonda

Stephen Jody, Class of '69

Stephen Jody passed away on March 22, 2021. Stephen was born on January 31st, 1951. He attended CMA for three years, graduating with the Class of 1969.



Stephen Jody

Don Anderson, Class of '73

Donald Bayless Anderson, Age 65; of Knoxville passed away suddenly at his home on May 5th. He was born December 1st, 1955 in Columbia Tennessee. He attended CMA for three years, graduating with the Class of 1973. He went to The University of Tennessee where he was an active member of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. Don



Don Anderson

was well known in the Knoxville Restaurant Community. He started working at Regas Restaurant as a server in 1979. His hard work led him to a General Manager position and then he became President of Regas in 1991. While at Regas he became President of The Tennessee Restaurant Association. In 1998 he was voted Restaurateur of the Year. He continued his career as Managing Partner at Italian Market Grill, Tennessee Grill, & Baker Peters. In 2005 he became owner of New Knox Brewery Co. He then became owner of Mulligans Restaurant in 2006. After Mulligans moved locations, he opened Tennessee Tap House in 2017 with his wife and his daughter. Don had a great appreciation for good food and craft beer. He loved to grill thus earning the nickname of GrillMan. While at UT, he was always grilling food for his fraternity brothers who still call him that to this day. Don loved all sports. He was an avid UT fan. He listened to SportsTalk on the radio or his phone...everyday... all day. One of his favorite places to be was at his farm - hunting, fishing, and just getting away. Don loved his friends. He was always ready to help everyone. He was the kind of guy that would give you the shirt off his back.

He is survived by Patti, his wife of 35 years; daughters Macy and Sarah; son Matt and his wife Jessica; granddaughters Addie Joy & Paisley Grace Anderson; Brother Haywood; as well as several nieces and nephews.

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