

## **General Carlton W. Fulford Jr. USMC(Ret)**

General Fulford retired as Deputy Commander in Chief, United States European Command (DCINCEUR) in 2002.

He received his commission in June 1966, following graduation from the U.S. Naval Academy. He also holds an M.S. degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (1973). Following completion of The Basic School, Quantico, Va., and the Vietnamese Language School, he was assigned as a platoon commander with Company D, 1st Battalion, 5th Marines in the Republic of Vietnam. He was promoted to first lieutenant in October 1967, and subsequently reassigned as Commanding Officer, Company F, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines until his return from Vietnam in June 1968.



His other FMF assignments include: Commanding Officer (CO), Company E, 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines (1971-1972); Executive Officer, 3rd Battalion, 8th Marines (1979-1980); G-3 Training Officer for the 2nd Marine Division (1980-1981); CO 1st Battalion, 8th Marines (1981-1982); Assistant Chief of Staff G-3 for the 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade (1987-1989); CO, 7th Marines (1989-1991); CO, Task Force Ripper during Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm; Commanding General (CG), 4th Marine Expeditionary Brigade (1991-1992), CG, III Marine Expeditionary Force (1994-1995), and CG, I Marine Expeditionary Force (1996-1998); Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Forces Pacific / CG, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific/Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Bases, Pacific Camp Smith, HI (1998-1999).

His non-FMF assignments include: Company Commander, Naval Academy Preparatory School (1968-1969); Management Engineer, MCAS Yuma, Ariz.(1973-1976); Economics Instructor, U.S. Naval Academy (1977-1978); Branch Head, Training Department, HQMC (1982-1984); Strategy Planner, Forces and Strategy Branch, U.S. Pacific Command (1985-1987); Commanding General, Landing Force Training Command, Atlantic (1991-1992); Director, Training and Education Division, Marine Corps Combat Development Command (1992-1994); Commanding General Marine Corps Bases, Japan (1994-1995); Vice Director, The Joint Staff (1995-1996); Director, The Joint Staff (1999-2000); and DCINCEUR (2000-2002).

In addition to The Basic School, General Fulford graduated from the Infantry Officers Advanced Course; Command and Staff College; and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

His personal decorations include: the Defense Distinguished Service Medal with bronze oak leaf cluster in lieu of a second award, Silver Star Medal; Legion of Merit with Combat "V" and gold star in lieu of a second award; Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V"; Purple Heart Medal with gold star in lieu of a second award; Joint Service Commendation Medal; Meritorious Service Medal; Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal; Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with gold star in lieu of a second award; Combat Action Ribbon with gold star in lieu of a second award; and the Presidential Unit Citation.