

In Memoriam

PABST, HOWARD L., CAPT. USN (RET.), age 70, was born in Syracuse, New York. He was the son of Merle W. and Eunice Pabst. He graduated from the Naval Academy in 1958. Following graduation he served consecutively in USS Perry DD844, USS Dewey DLG14, USS Biddle DDG 5. Following studies at the Naval Post Graduate School and a tour of duty at the U. S. Naval Academy, Capt. Pabst commanded the USS Noxubee AOG56. During this time he participated in primary logistics support operations for U.S. forces in South Vietnam. From 1967 to 1969 he served as Executive Officer in USS Richard E. Byrd DDG23. Following duty with the staff of Commander, Cruiser Destroyer Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet. He served with Naval Advisory Group, republic of Vietnam as the Assistant Senior Advisor to the Vietnamese Fleet Commander. Capt. Pabst was awarded the Bronze Star with Combat "V" for meritorious achievement in this assignment. Following graduation from the Naval War College, during which he earned a Masters Degree in International Affairs, he commanded USS Somers DDG34. From then until late 1981 he served on the Staff of The Chief of Naval Operations under the Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Surface Warfare. He assumed duties as Chief Staff Officer at the Naval Education and Training Center, Newport, RI. He was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal. He was Commanding Officer to Service School Command, Orlando, and retired from that assignment in 1953 after 30 years of service to his country. Capt. Pabst is survived by his wife, Jean Wolfram Pabst, his sons, Merle W. Pabst, Howard L. Pabst, Jr.; daughter-in-law, Valerie; grandchildren, Peyton, Travis, Elizabeth Jean and Howard III; sisters, Shirley Griep and Merle Hazard; brother-in-law, Allen Griep, along with many nieces and nephews. Visitation will be held on Saturday, October 28th from 5-8PM at Baldwin Fairchild Funeral Home Oviedo Chapel. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to U.S. Naval Academy Foundation, 291 Wood Road, Annapolis, MD 21402. Funeral services will be held at the Arlington National Cemetery at a future date. BALDWIN-FAIRCHILD FUNERAL HOME OVIEDO CHAPEL, 501 E. Mitchell Hammock Road, Oviedo, FL 32765, 407-366-8999. Our Family has a Remembrance Registry that lovingly remembers and celebrates the life of our loved ones.



Howard Lloyd Pabst
Born: July 26, 1936
Passed: October 21, 2006
Interred: Arlington National Cemetery