**BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION**

**NAME** Michael L. (Mike) Galyean

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**Education:**

Corinth, Mississippi Public Schools

Rhodes College, Memphis, TN

University of Mississippi (Ole Miss) – BaEd.

Rollins College, Winter Park, FL – MaEd

**Military:**

1968 - USMC Officer Candidate School (at 26 years old.)

1969 – TBS, Recon Replacement School

1969 – 70, RVN

 A 1/3 – platoon leader

 C 1/5 – platoon leader

 III MAF – OIC, Prisoner of War facility

 CO, Delta Company, 3rd MP Bn.

1970-71 – Staff, Officer Candidate School, Quantico

Decorations include Navy Commendation with combat “V” device.

**Veterans work:**

1983 – Founder and president of Vietnam Veterans of Central Florida

Received commendations from Florida Senate, House of Representatives and the NEA for work with veterans locally and across Florida.

1st Marine Division Association – member since 1990

 VP – 1 year; DVP East – 1 year; National secretary – 5 years; DVP at large – 2 years

Scholarship Committee – former member and chair; By-laws Committee

FMDA Scholarship Foundation – 4 years; Central Florida Chapter – president, 17 of last 20 years.

Other: 3rd Marine Division Assoc.; Marine Corps League; VFW; Central Florida USMC Foundation

 Marine Corps League – Life Member

 VFW – Life Member

**Career:**

YMCA director –– 6 years

Teacher –28 years (includes DoDS, Karlsruhe, Germany)

**Other:**

Married to Nancy for 50 years.

Winter Park Presbyterian Church, Elder, Deacon, Committee Chair

Hobbies: kayaking, bicycling, hiking, reading, bonsai gardening

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I grew up in Corinth, Mississippi and attended Corinth public schools through grade 12 and received a BAEd from Ole Miss and MAEd from Rollins College with post graduate work at UCF.

I worked in education and as a YMCA Director before entering Marine Corps Officer Candidate School in October of 1968 at 26 years old. After The Basic School and Recon Replacement School, I entered the fray in SE Asia, serving in the 3rd Marine Division and 1st Marine Division as an Infantry platoon leader. I ended my time in RVN as a Company Commander and OIC of the III MAF Prisoner of War Facility in Danang. After Vietnam, I was assigned to the staff of OCS at Quantico until my discharge in 1971. My personal decorations include the Navy Commendation with Combat “V” device.

I married Nancy in 1970 and will celebrate our 50th anniversary this December.

After my discharge from the USMC in 1971, I moved to Winter Park, FL, to work for the YMCA. After returning to education, I retired from the Seminole County School system in 2003 after 26 years of teaching, including two years spent with DoD Schools in Karlsruhe, Germany.

I have been active in veterans’ issues since 1982. I founded and was president of the Vietnam Veterans of Central Florida and received commendations from the Florida Senate, House of Representatives and the National Education Association for my work with Vietnam Veterans locally and across Florida. My work with veterans has continued, with the 1st Marine Division Assoc. I served as the Vice President for one year, DVP- East for one year, National Secretary for FMDA for 5 years and as a Deputy Vice President at large for two years. I have also served on the Scholarship Committee and as its chairman for a number of years. I currently serve as president of the Central Florida Chapter, a post I have filled for 13 of the last 17 years. I hold memberships in the Marine Corps League, Third Marine Division Assoc., VFW and Central Florida USMC Foundation.

I am active in the Winter Park Presbyterian Church where I have served as an Elder, Deacon and Committee Chair. Nancy and I continue to volunteer in several different endeavors, including IDignity, the Homeless Coalition of Central Florida, and the Veterans Administration Community Life Center. My hobbies include kayaking, bicycling, hiking and bonsai gardening.

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