

## **ROBERT JOSEPH KENNEDY**

LCDR Robert J. Kennedy, (CEC) USN, died on 6 October 1973 in Colts Neck, NJ. LCDR Kennedy entered the Civil Engineering Corps after graduating number seven in his class of 798. He served as Executive Assistant to DirLant Docks in New York City. Subsequently he attended Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute where he received his Masters in Civil Engineering in 1962. After attending CEC Officers' School in 1963, Bob was assigned to BAF Naha, Okinawa, as Assistant Public Works Officer. Subsequently, he served as Assistant OinC Construction S.E. Docks from '64-'66; Mobile Construction Battalion Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command from '70-'72, and as Public Works Officer Ammunition Depot, Earle, NJ, in 1973. During his service, Bob received the Navy Achievement Medal with Gold Star in lieu of a second award; the Meritorious Service Medal; the Navy Unit Commendation, 13th Naval Construction Unit for Service in Vietnam; and Combat Action Ribbon.

LCDR Kennedy's intellectual prowess both as a Midshipman and later as a Professional was awesome. He possessed a very keen and inquisitive mind and yet was always ready to help those who weren't so fortunate. Often the margin of satisfactory academic performance during Midshipmen days was to a significant extent a direct result of Bob's willingness to assist classmates not so gifted as he. Bob is survived by his wife, Janice of Colts Neck, NJ, and his mother, Mrs. Ruth Kennedy.

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