THOMAS JOSBPH MARTI

Lieutenant Commander Thomas J. Marti, USN (Ret.), of Falls Church, VA, passed away on 17 July 2001.

He was born and raised in Chicago, IL. Tom graduated from Lane Tech High School spending many hours at Lake Michigan enjoying the "beach." These activities served him in good stead at the Naval Academy as he performed well in Plebe and varsity swimming and water polo.

After graduation with the Class of 1960, Tom reported to ORISKANY (CVA-34). While onboard he married his California sweetheart, Carole, and commenced a series of West Coast sea duties. He served on STRAUSS (DDG-16), and later, Staff of ComCruDesFlot.Nine. This was followed by tours as commissioning executive officer of STEIN (FF-l065) and the highlight of his sea tours, commanding officer of BREWTON (FF-1086). All of his sea duty was in the Pacific, including 16 months off the coast of Vietnam. His shore tours were all in Washington, DC, and included a tour as an aide in the E-Ring; four years at BuPers, and a year and a half getting an M.B.A. from The George Washington University.

After leaving the service in 1980, Commander Marti worked for STSC Corporation, Xerox Corporation and Intellicorp as well as starting and running the local operations for a software-consulting firm. He then went with Oracle Corporation as their director of business development for Department of Defense operations.

Tom and Carole were able to spend good time in the following years traveling, sailing, and skiing. Tom was very active in the Alumni Association and the Class of '60. He was president of the Class of '60 Washington Chapter for a number of years and supported Class reunions and tailgates in Annapolis with fervor. He was equally active raising their sons, Dennis, David, and Brian, and sailing on the Chesapeake

Tom is survived by his wife, Carole L. Marti; sons, Dennis Marti of Ashburn, VA, David Marti of Washington, DC, and Brian Marti of New York City, NY; and three grandchildren. A Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated at St. Leo's Catholic Church in Fairfax, VA, with interment in the Naval Academy Columbarium.

William E. Lewis Jr. '60 Shipmate, July 2002