

James C. Van Deusen United States Army 1963-1970

James C. Van Deusen was born in Schenectady, NY and graduated from Linton High School and Clarkson University. He attended two years of basic Army ROTC during college. After graduation he accepted a civilian job and began talking to the military services. He was accepted into the Air Force Officer Program but decided to join the Army in late 1963. He went to Army basic training at Fort Dix and later went to Army OCS and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant. He continued his service in the active reserve and continued his education. He served over seven years in the Army National Guard and the Army Reserve with assignments in New York, Vermont, New Jersey and Maine. James served his entire service career in the continental United States. His last assignment was a First Lieutenant Infantry Training office at Fort Dix, New Jersey.

While serving in the Army Reserve Jim began a 45 year career in business and information technology. He had many technical and marketing assignments with IBM, including programming, systems engineering, IT consulting, and headquarter assignments. He lived and worked in Vermont, Albany, and Boston, and at various times reported to offices in New York City and Connecticut. He retired from IBM as an IBM Principal Consultant.

He is married and has four married children and 10 grandchildren. Jim always liked to live in the northeast, especially enjoys the lakes and mountains for boating, hiking, camping and skiing. He also enjoyed ocean sailing on the coast. He now skis weekly in the winter and plays golf in the summer. He currently is a member of the American Legion, the Elks Club and St. Mary's Church.