

Raymond L. O'Neil

Navy Captain

Raymond L. O'Neil, 80, a retired Navy captain who specialized in accounting and procurement during a 27-year military career, died May 14 at the Fairfax, a military retirement community in Fairfax County. He had Wegener's granulomatosis, a vascular disorder that affects the lungs and kidneys.

Capt. O'Neil joined the Navy in 1953. As a crewmember of the nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Enterprise, he participated in Operation Sea Orbit, a 65-day circumnavigation of the globe in 1964.

His final active-duty assignment, in 1980, was chief of the contracting and procurement office at the Navy Yard. His decorations included the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal and Joint Service Commendation Medal.

Capt. O'Neil later worked in accounting and procurement for two defense contracting companies, R.M Parsons and EG&G Technical Services, before retiring in 1989.

Raymond Leo O'Neil was born in Cohoes, NY and was a 1951 graduate of Siena College in Loudonville, NY. He worked for a paper company before enlisting in the Navy. In 1967, he received a master's degree in international studies from George Washington University.

Capt. O'Neil lived in the Fort Hunt section of Fairfax county for many years and was a member of Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Alexandria. He volunteered with Meals on Wheels and was a member of the Knights of Columbus and veterans' organizations.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Patricia Hogan O'Neil of the Fairfax; five children, Ellen Fuller of Virginia Beach, Jeff O'Neil of Richmond, Mike O'Neil of Alexandria, Mary Beth Lane of McLean and Bill O'Neil of Lilburn, Va.; 14 grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Graveside Service will be held Tuesday, September 06, 2011 at 1:00pm - 2:00pm at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA 22211

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