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~ ~ IN MEMORY ~ ~ Dennis Carroll Turner

July 17, 1946 - February 21, 2024

REMEMBERING DENNIS TURNER

Alpharetta American Legion Post 201 has lost a stalwart leader with the death of Past Commander Dennis Turner.

Dennis was entrusted by the membership to be Post Commander, and thus chief executive officer of the Post, seven times during the 54 years he was a member of the organization. His leadership years were: 1973-74; 1975-76; 1982-83; 1992-93; 2015-16; 2016-17; and 2017-18.

He was also the first Vietnam Vet to serve as Post Commander when he was elected for the July 1, 1973 - June 30, 1974 leadership year. At other times he during his years at the Post he also served as the organization's Treasurer - - - earning a well-deserved reputation as a careful guardian of the Post's financial resources.

Dennis was also recognized around the Post and the community-at-large for his decadeslong service as chairman of the Post baseball committee. At that time the Post hosted American Legion Baseball as well as club teams. In addition to his local baseball leadership, he also served the Department of Georgia as state coordinator for Legion Baseball.

A proud veteran of the U.S. Army, he served with distinction in Vietnam with the 1st Air Cavalry Division where he was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star.

Together with his late wife Barbara, who was also a legend at Post 201 for her work as a long-time president of the Auxiliary, they were referred to as Mr. and Mrs. American Legion by all who knew them.

In recent years Dennis suffered poor health which kept him from his daily visits to the Legion hall to socialize with his fellow veterans.

Funeral services for him will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 27 at Northside Chapel Funeral Directors, 12050 Crabapple Road, Roswell. Interment will follow at Green Lawn Cemetery, 950 Mansell Rd, Roswell. The family will receive friends on Tuesday from 12 noon until the time of service.

<u>Click here to to visit</u> the Northside Chapel website for more information,

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Post 201 - Serving Vets for 76 Years November 26, 1947 - November 26, 2024

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