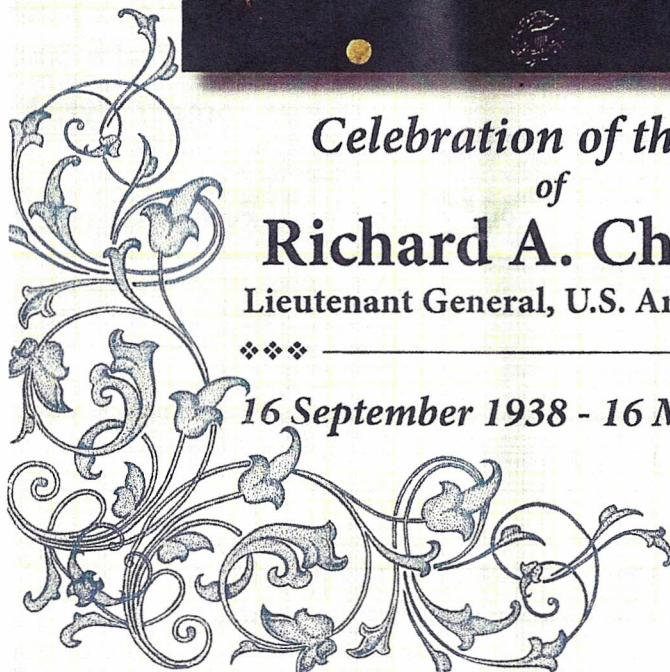


Celebration of the Life
of
Richard A. Chilcoat
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army, Retired

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16 September 1938 - 16 March 2010



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April 6, 2010

3:00 p.m.

Prelude

Greeting

Reading of the Obituary

Rev. Tommy Myrick

Special Music

No Man is An Island
Singing Cadets

arr. Roy Ringwald

Prayer

Special Music

The Lord's Prayer
Singing Cadets

Alfred Malotte

Personal Reflections

Scripture

Psalm 100

Message

Rev. Tommy Myrick

Special Music

Battle Hymn of the Republic
Singing Cadets

Peter Wilhousky

Closing Prayer

Choral Benediction

The Lord Bless You and Keep You
Singing Cadets

Pete Lutkin

Postlude

***The family invites you to join them in the Fellowship Hall in the
Annex building for a reception following the service.***

We were deeply touched by the outpouring of friendship and support that friends, family, medical staff, and hospice caregivers selflessly offered throughout Dick's battle with cancer. I know he felt (as we do) truly blessed to have you all in his life. He was diagnosed with cancer in August of 2007, and throughout the course of this devastating disease, he soldiered through all the treatments, complications, and setbacks without a single complaint. With everyone's help, Dick fought this disease with, in his own words, "a warrior-like mentality," optimism, and good humor. Words simply cannot express our heartfelt appreciation for your prayers, love, and support. We are grateful to have the opportunity to share and reflect upon Dick's life during the service in College Station. He will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery after a memorial service to be held on July 1st.

Dixie, Mike, and Ashley

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. 2 Timothy 4:7

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.
He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil; for you are with me;
your rod and your staff - they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

Confederate Soldier's Prayer

I asked God for strength,
that I might achieve,
I was made weak,
that I might learn humbly to obey.

I asked God for health,
that I might do greater things,
I was given infirmity,
that I might do better things.

I asked for riches,
that I might be happy,
I was given poverty,
that I might be wise.

I asked for power,
that I might have the praise of men.
I was given weakness,
that I might feel the need of God.

I asked for all things,
that I might enjoy life,
I was given life,
that I might enjoy all things.

I got nothing that I asked for
- but everything I hoped for.

Almost despite myself,
my unspoken prayers were answered.

I am among men,
most richly blessed.

*Found on the body
of a Southern soldier
1861-1865*

Gone From My Sight

I am standing upon the seashore.
A ship at my side spreads her white
sails to the morning breeze and starts
for the blue ocean.

She is an object of
beauty and strength.
I stand and watch her until at length
she hangs like a speck of white cloud
just where the sea and sky come
to mingle with each other.

Then, someone at my side says;
"There, she is gone!"

"Gone where?"
Gone from my sight. That is all.
She is just as large in mast and hull
and spar as she was
when she left my side
and she is just as able to bear her
load of living freight
to her destined port.
Her diminished size is in me,
not in her.

And just at the moment
when someone at my side says,
"There, she is gone!"

There are other eyes
watching her coming,
and other voices ready to
take up the glad shout;
"Here she comes!"
And that is dying.

by Henry Van Dyke



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