

Richard Alvord Ward

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Richard Alvord Ward, 85, of Irvington, a retired Marine pilot and attorney, died peacefully at his home July 31, 2008.

Mr. Ward was born in San Bernardino, Calif, October 21, 1922. He studied at the University of California at Berkeley and George Washington University, receiving his doctor of law with honors in 1965. He served as associate editor of the Law Review and as president of the George Washington Law Association. He was a member of the bar in Virginia, the District of Columbia and before the US. Supreme Court He practiced law for 20 years and retired as a partner of the Arlington firm of Rice, Carpenter and Carroway, where he specialized in motor carrier and corporate law.

Prior to becoming an attorney, he served in the US. Marine Corps for 20 years, enlisting during World War II. He was a naval aviator in World War

II and the Korean War, commanding a jet squadron prior to retirement as a lieutenant colonel. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with two gold stars, the Navy Commendation Medal with combat V, and many unit awards.

He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Military Officers Association, and was treasurer for the Mary Ball Museum in Lancaster. He was a founding member of the Unitarian Universalist Church in White Stone. He also volunteered with the VITA/CLE income tax assistance program for low-income and elderly residents of the area. He was active in the Master Gardener program of the Virginia Cooperative Extension. He was a partner in Saintsbury Winery in Napa, Calif

He is survived by his wife, Jean Redick Ward of Irvington; two daughters and sons-in-law, Heidi

Meadows Ward Ravenel and Arthur Ravenel of Charleston, S.C., and Normandie Ward Fisher and Michael Fischer onboard s/v Sea Venture; a son and daughter-in-law, Richard A. Ward Jr. and Linda Ward of St. Helena, Calif.; seven grandchildren, Philippa Meadows Ward, Sam Ariana Simmons Milton, Langdon Trent Alexander Ward, T. Wade Ravenel, Joshua Wade Meadows Milton, Caroline Renee Ravenel and Sara Meadows Ravenel; and three stepchildren, Marion Redick McEnroe, George Patrick McEnroe and Dana McEnroe Reynolds.

Interment at Arlington National Cemetery with military honors will be this fall.

Memorials may be made to the building fund of the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of the Rappahannock, P.O. Box 1266, White Stone, VA 22578.

LtCol Richard Alvord Ward
USMC (ret), 85
Irvington, VA

Richard Alvord Ward, a retired Marine pilot and respected attorney, died peacefully at his home in Irvington, VA on July 31, 2008. He was 85. Born in San Bernardino, CA, on October 21, 1922, Richard studied at the University of California, Berkeley and George Washington University, receiving his JD with honors in 1965. He served both as Associate Editor of the Law Review and President of the George Washington Law Association and was a member of the bar in Virginia, DC, and before the US Supreme Court. He practiced law for 20 years and retired as partner of the Arlington, VA, firm of Rice, Carpenter and Carroway, where he specialized in motor carrier and corporate law. Prior to becoming an attorney Richard served in the US Marine Corps for 20 years, enlisting during World War II. He was a Naval Aviator with the Marines in WWII and

the Korean War, commanding a jet squadron prior to retirement as a Lieutenant Colonel. He received the Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with two gold stars, The Navy Commendation Medal with combat V, and numerous unit medals. Richard was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Military Officers Association, and was Treasurer for the Mary Ball Museum in Lancaster, VA. He also volunteered with the VITA/CLE income tax assistance program for low income and elderly residents of the area. He loved to garden and was active in the Master Gardener program of the Virginia Cooperative Extension. Richard's other passions included golf, sailing, jazz, and wine-- particularly Pinot Noir. He was a partner in Sainsbury Winery in Napa, CA. He is survived by his wife, Jean Redick Ward of

Irvington, VA; three children, Normandie Ward Fischer and her husband Michael onboard s/v Sea Venture, Richard A. Ward, Jr. and his wife Linda Reiff of St. Helena, CA, and Heidi Meadows Ward Ravenel and her husband Arthur Ravenel III of Charleston, SC; by seven grandchildren, Philippa Meadows Ward, Sara Ariana Simmons Milton, Langdon Trent Alexander Ward, T. Wade Ravenel, Joshua Wade Meadows Milton, Caroline Renee Ravenel, and Sara Meadows Ravenel; and by three step-children, Marion Redick McEnroe, George Patrick McEnroe, and Dana McEnroe Reynolds. Internment at Arlington National Cemetery with military honors will be this fall. Memorial donations may be made to the Ashley Hall Foundation, Charleston, SC.

Richard Alvord Ward Lawyer, Marine Pilot

Richard Alvord Ward, 85, a lawyer and former Marine pilot, died of pulmonary fibrosis July 31 [2008] at his home in Irvington, Virginia.

A partner in the law firm of Rice, Carpenter and Carraway in Arlington County [Virginia], he specialized in motor carrier and corporate law. He retired in 1985.

He was born in San Bernardino, California, and graduated from George Washington University. He joined the Marine Corps during World War II, serving as an aviator in the Pacific, and later was a pilot during the Korean War.

He commanded a jet squadron before his military retirement, at the rank of lieutenant colonel, in 1962. Among his awards were the Distinguished Flying Cross

and three awards of the Air Medal.

Col. Ward received a law degree from GWU in 1965 and worked first for what is now the Berliner law firm in Washington before joining Rice, Carpenter and Carraway.

He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Military Officers Association and treasurer of the Mary Ball Washington Museum in Lancaster, Virginia.

He was a founding member of the Unitarian Universalist Church in White Stone, Virginia., and volunteered with an organization providing income tax assistance to low-income and elderly residents.

Col. Ward was a master gardener, and he loved golf, jazz and sailing, having lived

for a year on his boat in the Caribbean in 1970. A wine aficionado, he was a partner in his son's business, Saintsbury Winery in Napa, California.

His marriage to Ella Meadows Ward ended in divorce.

Survivors include his wife, Jean Redick Ward of Irvington; three children from his first marriage, Normandie Ward Fischer of Gloucester, North Carolina, Richard A. Ward Jr. of St. Helena, California, and Heidi Meadows Ward Ravenel of Charleston, South Carolina; three stepchildren, Marion Redick McEnroe and Dana McEnroe Reynolds, both of Portland, Maine, and George Patrick McEnroe of Houston [Texas]; and seven grandchildren.