



Peter Boylan

November 12, 2023

A celebration of Life will be conducted Saturday, November 18, 2023 at 1 PM in Northridge Christian Church.

It is with great sadness we share the news of the passing of Major General Peter Boylan (USA, Ret). He passed away surrounded by family at his home this morning in Milledgeville. Our Chairman of the Board of Trustees, George Hogan shared, "On behalf of the Board of Trustees I share our deepest condolences for the Boylan family. Major General Boylan fostered a legacy that will resonate for generations to come. He left an indelible mark on GMC and his memory will live inside our gates forevermore."

MG Boylan dedicated 31 years of service in the United States Army between 1961 and 1992 in a decorated and distinguished military career. After graduating from the United States Military Academy, he went on to serve two combat tours in the Vietnam War and took part in the invasion of Grenada with the 82nd Airborne Division. He later returned to teach at the United States Military Academy as an Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering and some years later returned as the Commandant of Cadets. For many years, he continued to serve on the board of trustees for the United States Military Academy. He also served as the Commanding General of the storied 10th Mountain Division. His awards and decorations include several for Valor in combat and Distinguished Service. Additionally, he is a 2006 Honorary

Alumnus of GMC and while as President served on our Board of Trustees and our Foundation.

MG Boylan's love for his country and education were a perfect marriage at Georgia Military College. Forever a patriot, Soldier, educator, and servant leader; his mark on GMC is seen all over the campus. MG Boylan became the 20th president of Georgia Military College in 1992 and remains the longest-serving president since our founding in 1879. MG Boylan is most remembered as restoring GMC's financial stability during his almost 21-year tenure. During his two decades of service, MG Boylan made the strategic decision to restore and renovate almost every building at GMC's Main Campus in Milledgeville. Additionally, the Preparatory School and Junior College soared to new heights academically and solidified their reputation not only for excellence in the classroom but for producing outstanding young men and women of exceptional character.

President of Georgia Military College, Lieutenant General William B. Caldwell, USA (Ret.) shared, "We are incredibly grateful to Major General Boylan for his leadership for 21 years. Through his commitment and dedication to our institution, he left a legacy that we continue to build on today. We will remember him and the contributions and impact he made on our great institution."

MG Boylan and his wife Kathy had five children: two sons and three daughters. One of them, Emily, taught at GMC for 15 years and two of his grandsons, Elliot and Liam, graduated from the Preparatory School. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family as they navigate this difficult time.

In lieu of flowers MG Boylan requested contributions to a Veterans Support Organization of your choice.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Northridge Christian Church
321 Log Cabin Road NE
Milledgeville, GA 31061
<http://www.northridge.online>

Tribute Wall



“ Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory created a Webcast will start approximately 10 minutes before the service in memory of Peter Boylan



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - November 18, 2023 at 12:48 PM



“ General Boylan was my Battalion Commander in the 3/325, 82d Airborne Division. I was the operations NCO in HHC. We were in 1st Infantry Division in Vietnam. He was a great leader and his men respected him. He was the only man in the Bn that could do more pull-ups than me. Our last time together was in Panama, CZ, where I was a Jumpmaster of his chalk. I became a psychologist and retired last year after 43 years. “Airborne, Sir!” “All the Way SSG Dudley!” R.I.P. you old sky soldier....

Charles Dudley - May 10, 2024 at 09:05 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Service



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - November 20, 2023 at 08:31 AM

VO

“ He was such a good man He came to Saint Stephen's Day school and sat in a little chair to have Thansgiving lunch with his grandson.He was so kind

Valerie Osborne - November 19, 2023 at 06:00 PM

DP

“ Sending our deepest sympathies, on behalf of the Executive Medicine Team at Dwight D Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Fort Eisenhower, GA. May you be comforted by the outpouring of love surrounding you. We will sincerely miss General Boylan, a true American patriot. We are genuinely grateful for his, Mrs. Boylan's and their children's service to community and country.



Deborah Packer - November 18, 2023 at 10:17 AM

GS

“ My condolences to the Boylan family. I was saddened to hear of his passing. General Boylan set high standards for us all and inspired us to selfless service. Peace be with the family.

General (R) Mike Scaparrotti - November 18, 2023 at 08:42 AM

TM

“ I was a young cadet at The United States Military Academy when then BG Boylan was the Commandant of Cadets. BG Boylan was our general and leader of character example we all wanted to be exemplifying “Duty, Honor, Country” that resides in the hearts of all who pass through our hallowed institution, and who live out those words every day 'til their very last...And he did that.

Todd Miller - November 17, 2023 at 07:50 AM

WA

“ General Boylan was instrumental in the formation and foundation of GMC. He was a great man and contributed to the betterment of GMC .The world is a better place because he was in it.
Wendy Allen

Wendy Allen - November 16, 2023 at 09:05 PM

ER

“ I never knew Gen Borland , he was a great asset to to GMC. I am a graduate of '70 (HS) and 72 (JC). He saved the school from going under and making the school what it is now. We are on the third generation with two grandsons attending.
My prayers to the family.

Eddie Roberts - November 16, 2023 at 11:40 AM

BP

“ I am so thankful to have known General Boylan. He and GMC were one and the same. He has done so much for the GMC family, the Milledgeville community , and the USA. He will be missed, but his actions and love for his fellow man will be remembered for a long time.
Thank you General Peter Boylan.

Ben Plexico - November 16, 2023 at 08:41 AM

JN

“ My deepest condolences

Joshua Nowell - November 16, 2023 at 08:10 AM

DO

“ Donna Oxford lit a candle in memory of Peter Boylan



Donna Oxford - November 15, 2023 at 06:38 PM

CD

“ Kathy and Family- it broke my heart when I read this Obituary- He was one of a kind and the best thing that ever happened to GMC. So many qualities in one individual- God bless you all 🙏. Claudette and Jimmy Dillard

Claudette & Jimmy Dillard - November 15, 2023 at 06:24 PM

AM

“ My deepest condolences for the Boylan family. He was a true leader, and I am grateful for having had the opportunity to know him. I pray for God's peace and comfort for the Boylan family and all who are grieving this loss. May we honor his memory by following his example in life.



Amanda Mercer - November 15, 2023 at 10:06 AM

RK

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Robin Knighg - November 14, 2023 at 06:41 PM



“ MG Boylan was my Division Commander at Ft Drum. He was a great leader, teacher and mentor and inspired our young organization to achieve more than many thought possible. The modern 10th Mountain Division stands tall today in large part due to his efforts to build it into a team and a highly proficient fighting force. He deserves the thanks of a grateful nation. He also has my gratitude and respect for helping me to become a better leader and team member. May He rest in peace.

Stephen Bliss - November 14, 2023 at 05:31 PM

OW

“ I enjoyed working under the leadership or General Boylan. when he retired i told him he would always be my General.this is from ola walls

ola walls - November 14, 2023 at 04:42 PM

LB

“ Libby Blair lit a candle in memory of Peter Boylan



Libby Blair - November 14, 2023 at 03:33 PM

JM

“ God. Bless. My. Boylan. We. Love. U and. Gonna. Miss. You



Jodie. Mosley - November 14, 2023 at 03:30 PM

CW

“ Will miss your beautiful singing at Sacred Heart.



c. Weasel - November 14, 2023 at 03:18 PM

SP

“ Susan Pennington lit a candle in memory of Peter Boylan



Susan Pennington - November 14, 2023 at 01:32 PM

LS

“ Linda Sloan lit a candle in memory of Peter Boylan



Linda Sloan - November 14, 2023 at 11:46 AM

CS

“ MG Boylan will long be remembered for his service to our country and for his dedication to GMC. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Cathy F Settle - November 14, 2023 at 11:45 AM

SV

“ *Susan veatch lit a candle in memory of Peter Boylan*



Susan veatch - November 14, 2023 at 11:10 AM

SC

“ *Sue Courtney lit a candle in memory of Peter Boylan*



Sue Courtney - November 14, 2023 at 08:51 AM

KF

“ *It was an honor to know such an incredible man. He exuded greatness with every action, led by example, and genuinely cared about the well-being of all around him. He was truly a leader among men and will be missed by all who knew him. Rest easy Sir.*

Ken Fountain - November 14, 2023 at 08:33 AM

BB

“ *Barbara Paul Bernichon lit a candle in memory of Peter Boylan*



Barbara and Paul Bernichon - November 14, 2023 at 12:45 AM

JS

“ James Snellgrove lit a candle in memory of Peter Boylan



James Snellgrove - November 13, 2023 at 08:22 PM



“ I am not sure why I remember this one particular joke he told but it stuck with me and meant a lot to me, we were in the legislative chamber for some sort of meeting and he started the meeting by saying that a civics teacher asked his class what are the two biggest problems in America today, and a student shouted out " I dont know and i dont care!" And the teacher said that's amazing you are right, it's if ignorance and apathy.

Will Sinski - November 13, 2023 at 05:10 PM

DB

“ Condolences to family and friends.



Debbi Batchelor - November 13, 2023 at 03:05 PM

KH

“ My condolences to MG Boylan’s family. He was truly a gentleman and a good man. Years ago, we were work out buddies at Georgia College. He motivated me to do better and be better. He was almost always in pain from back issues, but he pushed through. I’m proud to have known him.

Karen Harris - November 13, 2023 at 02:13 PM

RL

“ *Renate Linder lit a candle in memory of Peter Boylan*



Renate Linder - November 13, 2023 at 02:06 PM

JS

“ *A true soldier and gentleman, may he Rest in Peace with the Lord.*

Joseph Sansotta - November 13, 2023 at 11:26 AM

JP

“ *My condolences to you, Kathy, and to your entire family, especially Emily, Elliot, and Liam, since I knew them personally. As I look back over my "career," three men stand out in my memory as beloved "bosses." General Boylan is one of those three, for he embodied the characteristics of each of them: honor, respect, and wisdom. I dearly missed his presence on the GMC Milledgeville Campus when he retired, and I missed him personally as well. He always smiled and spoke when I saw him walking across campus. I thank you, his family, for the many sacrifices you made as he served as President of GMC. May your hearts be healed and your fond memories lift you up.*

Judy Parks - November 13, 2023 at 11:18 AM

BG

“ *Linda and I am saddened of the loss of Peter. He was a very strong leader and a gentleman. He will be deeply missed by many. RIP*

Billy Griner - November 13, 2023 at 10:13 AM

BS

My deepest sympathies to the family. Peter Boylan was my commander when I was the S2 of the 1st Brigade of the 82nd Airborne Division. I was a young Captain and (then) Colonel Boylan made me a better soldier and a better leader. I retired after 28 years in the Army and many of those years I leaned on the guidance he gave me.

Bill Speer - November 17, 2023 at 05:15 PM

DS

Major General Peter J. Boylan, a true friend indeed. CC and I will miss him, love and condolences to you Kathy and all the Boylan family.

David and CC Sinclair

David Sinclair - November 18, 2023 at 03:57 PM