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Howard Friedly, 83

Howard W. Friedly, 83, U.S. Army Retired Colonel, passed away Nov. 1, 2002 at Roo-Lan Nursing Home in Lacey, Wash.

He was born to Charles and Emma Bliss Friedly Jan. 17, 1921 in Tampa, Kansas. He attended rural elementary schools and graduated from Chapman High School in Chapman, Kansas in 1938.

He attended Emporia State Teachers College in Emporia, Kansas and went on to teach in a small country school until he joined the Army in 1943.

After three months of basic training in Camp Adair, Oregon, he attended Officers Candidate School in Ft. Lawton, Oklahoma and upon graduation was sent to the European theater. When the war ended he returned to the States and was discharged with the rank of Captain.

While visiting his sister in Bonnors Ferry, Idaho, he decided he wanted to stay there and joined the Idaho National Guard. It was there that he met and married Dorothy Maas Drake on Nov. 27, 1951.

After the Korean War broke out, he was recalled to duty and spent 18 months in Korea. Upon his return, he was stationed at Ft. Sill, Oklahoma.

In June of 1955 the families of the soldiers and all of the 553rd Field Artillery Battalion gyroscoped to Darmstadt, Germany on the U.S.S. General Patch. After four years in Germany, he returned to the States to attend the Command and General Staff School at Leavenworth, Kansas.

He served in Viet Nam during 1962-1963 and again in 1966-1968. He received two bronze stars for distinguished service in Viet Nam and was also awarded the Korean Medal and Meritorious Medal among numerous other ribbons.

He retired from military service on Aug. 1, 1969.

He was a member of The Veterans of Foreign Wars, The American Legion and The Retired Officers Association. Howard was also a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church.

His mother, father, five brothers and one sister preceded him in death. He is survived

by his wife, Dorothy, at the family home; two sons, Frank Friedly and Dr. Howard Friedly, both of Olympia, Wash.; three daughters, Sandra Hamlin and Carla Maulden, both of Pasco, Wash. and Kimberly Friedly of Olympia, Wash.; a brother, Dale Friedly of Olympia, Wash.; and two sisters, Edna Dirks of Colville, Wash. and Barbara Wuthnow of Manchester, Kansas; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services and burial were held at Woodlawn Funeral Home in Lacey Wash. Nov. 6. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Disease Research Center.