



## **GEORGE L. SKYPECK**

### **CLASS 25-66**

As a Lieutenant and Captain, Mr. Skypeck served two tours in Vietnam as a special warfare and senior intelligence advisor from 1967-71. His military awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, the Bronze Star (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Air Medal (three Oak Leaf Clusters), the Purple Heart, and the Combat Infantryman Badge.

Mr. Skypeck is one of America's most prominent military-historical commemorative artists. His original artworks and prints are on display at the French Airborne Museum in Normandy; the Pentagon; the U.S. Naval Academy, Air Force Academy, West Point; the Soldier & Sailors Museum, Buffalo, NY, and Arlington National Cemetery. His famous poem *Soldier* graces several state monuments to honor veterans of all wars and conflicts. His latest painting, *Assured Victory...A 09-11-2001 Memorial* was loaned for display at Arlington National Cemetery since December, 2001, in honor of the American sacrifices on that day and the *War on Terrorism* in Afghanistan, Iraq and worldwide by U.S. military and civilian forces.

He is the creator of the Coors Combat Art collection, co-creator of the Coors Scholarship Fund for Veteran's Dependents and the newly published Coors book of his artworks, *The "Defenders of Freedom."*

Mr. Skypeck has received numerous commendations and awards including the award of the Military Order of the Purple Heart's George Washington Medallion of Merit, and was recently presented with the Blinded American Veterans Foundation Communications and Media award.