

COLONEL JACK G. STARICH

CLASS 9-69

After graduating from Officer Candidate School Colonel Starich served a tour in Vietnam with B Battery, 3rd Battalion, 81st Field Artillery as a Forward Observer, Fire Direction Officer and Battery Executive Officer. He returned to the U.S. Army Field Artillery School Brigade and served as Assistant S-3 and later the S-2.

He left active duty after four years and served in a variety of Command and Staff positions with Field Artillery units in the Arizona, Virginia and California Army National Guard as well as with the 87th Maneuver Area Command in the U.S. Army Reserve. He commanded B Battery, 2nd Battalion, 180th Field Artillery in Arizona. He also served as the Counter Fire Officer and Operations/Intelligence Officer with the 224th Field Artillery Brigade in Virginia, 40th Division Artillery Deputy Fire Support Coordinator and commander of 2nd Battalion, 144th Field Artillery in California. He also served as the 40th Division Artillery Executive Officer

Colonel Starich was activated in support of flood control in Virginia and in support of riot control and earthquake assistance in California. As a career civilian employee of the Air Force Audit Agency, Colonel Starich served in numerous positions at six different Air Force bases, retiring as the program manager for Communications, Command and Control and Space Audits.

Colonel Starich's decorations include the Bronze Star Medal with V device, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters