



**COLONEL (RETIRED) JOHN BENJAMIN CARTER
COMMANDING OFFICER
1ST BATTALION (MECHANIZED), 50TH INFANTRY
JULY - DECEMBER, 1968
ATTACHED: 173RD AIRBORNE BRIGADE (SEP)
CAMP RADCLIFF, VIETNAM**



Obituary for John B. Carter

Col. (Ret.) John B. Carter U.S Army of Philadelphia, PA. graciously departed this life at his home on Friday, 14 January 2011 after a long illness. He was a native of Catskill, NY where he received his basic education. After completing Catskill High School, he received a Bachelor of Science degree from Howard University where he distinguished himself academically and athletically.



A devoted and skilled military officer for almost 30 years, he served at all levels of command from infantry platoon leader to the Pentagon - U.S. Department of the Army. His duty tours included assignments to Germany, Spain, Korea, France, Norway, Japan and Vietnam. Ultimately, he was awarded rank of Colonel.

Organizationally, John was affiliated with Omega Psi Phi, American Legions, Disabled Veterans Association, Military Officers Association and Howard University Alumni – Philadelphia Chapter.

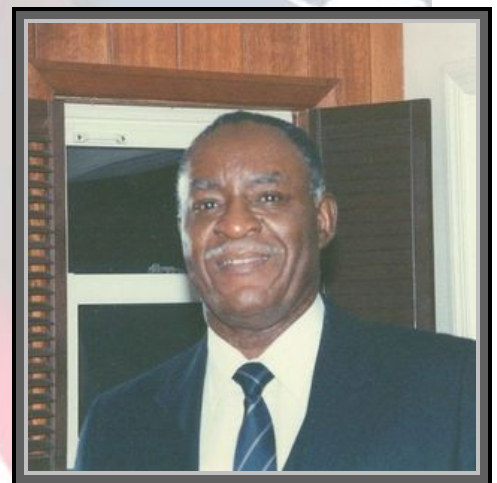
Col. Carter leaves to mourn his devoted and loving wife, Gloria Ricks Carter, two daughters: Margaret Washington

of Baltimore, MD and Jonelle Lemecke of Frederiksberg, Denmark; two brothers, one sister; 4 brothers-in-law, and two sisters-in-law; 3 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren as well as a host of other family and friends.

Funeral services will be conducted at Oxford Presbyterian Church located at 8501 Stenton Avenue, Philadelphia, PA on Saturday, 5 March 2011 at 11:00 o'clock A.M., Pastor Ethelyn R. Taylor officiating.

Interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, 7 March 2011.

Professional Services arranged by Kirk and Nice Funeral Homes. Please refer to their website at kirkandnicefuneralhomes.com for more details and photo images.



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AWARDS AND DECORATIONS OF JOHN B. CARTER*



**Combat Infantry Badge
2nd Award**



**Legion
of
Merit
With 2 OLC**



**Bronze
Star**



**Air
Medal
With 4 OLC**



**Army
Commendation
Medal
With OLC**



**National
Defense
Service
Medal**



**Vietnam
Gallantry
Cross
With Palm**



**Vietnam
Service
Medal**



**Vietnam
Campaign
Medal**



**Korean
Service
Medal**



**United
Nations
Service
Medal**

*List of Awards may be incomplete