

Burial: <u>Coastal Carolina State Veterans</u> <u>Cemetery</u> Jacksonville Onslow County North Carolina, USA Plot: D-37

RADM DONALD PERRY HALL (US NAVY, RET.)

RADM Donald P. Hall, USN (Ret.) of Burgaw passed away peacefully at home on 25 January 2011, in the company of his family and friends.

RADM Hall was born on 06 December 1927, in Winthrop, Massachusetts. The son of a career Army and Air Force officer, he graduated from Jordan Vocational High School in Columbus, GA, in June 1944 and enlisted in the Navy in January 1945. After appointment from the Secretary of the Navy, he entered the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, in 1946. He graduated and was commissioned an Ensign in June 1950.

RADM Hall served 37 years in the <u>United States Navy</u>, the vast majority of which was spent in the nuclear submarine force. His distinguished career included service aboard USS NAUTILUS (SSN 571) during the first under ice transit of the North Pole in August 1958; commissioning Executive Officer USS LAFAYETTE (SSBN 616(B)); Commanding Officer USS HENRY L. STIMSON (SSBN 655 (B)); Commanding Officer U.S. Naval Submarine School; Commander Submarine Squadron SIX; TRIDENT Program Manager; and Commander Submarine Group SIX.

Following his retirement from the United States Navy in October 1981, RADM Hall served until November 1989 as Vice President and Senior Vice President for Nuclear Operations at the Illinois Power Company in Decatur, Illinois. In December 1989, RADM Hall took a position as Group Vice President for Nuclear Operations at Houston Lighting and Power, Houston, Texas. Four years later, RADM Hall retired to Burgaw, NC where he continued to actively serve in his local community and St. Stanislaus Catholic Church, Castle Hayne, North Carolina.

RADM Hall is survived by his wife of 59 years, Sarah Cranford Hall, his son, CDR Donald R. Hall, USN (Ret.), grandchildren CAPT Donald P. Hall II, USMC, Diana M. Hall, David C. Hall; one great-grandchild, Kirsten S. Hall; sister, Ruth H. Davis and brother, David Hall..

A prayer service will be held at Quinn-McGowen Funeral Home, 308 W. Fremont Street, Burgaw, NC, on Friday, 28 January 2011, at 6:00 PM followed by a visitation until 8:00 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church, 4849 Castle Hayne Road, Castle Hayne, NC, at 12:00 noon, Saturday 29 January 2011, with Father Ryszard Kolodziej officiating. A private burial service for family and friends will take place at Coastal Carolina State Veterans Cemetery, Jacksonville, NC, at 12:00 noon, Tuesday, 01 February 2011.

Donations in lieu of flowers may be sent to Marine Corps Toys for Tots Foundation, Marine Corps Base P.O. Box 227, Quantico, VA 22134-0227 or Boys Town, P.O. Box 145-MEM, Boys Town, NE 68010. Condolences may be sent to <u>www.quinnmcgowen.com</u> Quinn-McGowen Funeral Home and Cremation Center of Burgaw. Online condolences at <u>StarNewsOnline.com</u> Published in the Wilmington Star-News on Jan. 28, 2011