

# Memorial Article Inventory Sheet

Please, this Inventory Sheet must be completed, signed and returned either by scanning completed copy and emailing the file or by mailing the completed form. To be included with this form are the article, photo, and check (if you are ordering additional copies of the article or the magazine). Please send the article electronically on a CD or as an email attachment. **The cutoff date for Memorial Article submission is February 28 for the TAPS edition to be published in August of the SAME calendar year.**

**Mail to:** Memorial Articles Coordinator; West Point Association of Graduates; 698 Mills Road, West Point, NY 10996

**Phone:** 800.232.4723 ext. 1545 • **Email:** memorials@wpaog.org

**Full Name of the USMA Graduate:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cullum Number & Class Year:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Death:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Place of Death (city & state):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Remains are (choose only one unless more apply):**

• **Interred** in (Cemetery, please include name, city & state): \_\_\_\_\_

• **Cremated** (check one): \_\_\_\_\_ Cremated & Inurned (Columbarium) \_\_\_\_\_ Cremated & Interred (Cemetery) \_\_\_\_\_ Cremated & Ashes scattered (Location)

(Name of Columbarium/Cemetery/Location; city & state): \_\_\_\_\_

**Photograph:**  Please use the *Howitzer* photo (USMA Yearbook)  I am submitting a personal photo  Check here if you wish us to return your photo

**Name of legal Next of Kin:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Legal Next of Kin priorities are: living spouse, child, parent, sibling; NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Next of Kin's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Author's name and relationship to deceased:** \_\_\_\_\_

Shall we cite the author(s) name at the bottom of the article (check one)?

\_\_\_\_\_ NO

\_\_\_\_\_ YES. How should the credit appear? \_\_\_\_\_

Author's address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Guidelines for Writers of Memorial Articles

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## Who writes Memorial Articles?

Typically, Memorial Articles are written by a classmate, family member, or close friend, usually working in cooperation with the Next of Kin. Some articles are group efforts, involving several people who knew the graduate at different times during his or her life. Memorial Articles also may be written by the Next of Kin.

## Who gets a Memorial Article published?

WPAOG publishes Memorial Articles for graduates of USMA and for ex-cadets in TAPS magazine and online at WestPointAOG.org.

## What about family approval?

The author is responsible for obtaining the Next of Kin's written approval of the article. Without approval, the article cannot be published. If no relatives are found after a reasonable, good faith search, the author may obtain approval from the graduate's class president.

## Who qualifies as the Next of Kin?

Next of Kin is the surviving spouse (whether he/she has remarried or not). If the graduate was divorced, or there is no surviving spouse, the Next of Kin is the graduate's oldest surviving child. If the graduate never married, parents qualify as the Next of Kin. If there are no surviving parents, the Next of Kin is the oldest surviving sibling. If there are no siblings, the Next of Kin is the closest surviving relative.

## May I write a draft Memorial for myself in advance?

Yes; we encourage you to do so. Send it to the address below. Prior to publication, your Next of Kin will receive a copy for approval.

## How can I obtain information on file at WPAOG?

WPAOG keeps a file on each graduate, known as the Cullum File. Some graduates have regularly updated their files; some have not. Copies of this material can be requested for the purpose of writing the Memorial Article by contacting Marilee Meyer at 800.232.4723, ext. 1545, or email [memorials@wpaog.org](mailto:memorials@wpaog.org).

## How long should the article be?

Articles need to be a minimum of 850 words, but they cannot be longer than 925 words. The editors of WPAOG's Communication and Marketing department reserve the right to edit any article in accordance to space needs, for adherence to WPAOG's style guide, to follow Standard English grammar, or for any other factors they deem relevant at the time of editing.

## Is there a standard format?

Most Memorial Articles are chronologically organized, including events before West Point, significant achievements and activities as a cadet, assignments and achievements in the military, marriage and children, retirement or separation from the military, important activities in civilian life, anecdotes and quotations, and an impressionistic section quite like a testimonial.

## In what format should I submit the article to WPAOG?

We prefer receiving articles electronically as Microsoft Word files attached to an email or on a CD. Word documents must contain final text only (please do not embed images). **Articles that contain mark-up text (i.e., tracked changes) will be returned.** Otherwise, please send a typed copy. Please do not use all uppercase type. We prefer the Times New Roman font.

## What must accompany a Memorial Article?

All Memorial Articles must be accompanied by a completed inventory sheet. We can mail or email one to you, or you can obtain one at: [WestPointAOG.org](http://WestPointAOG.org); go to **News & Multimedia** and click on **TAPS**; then select **Memorial Inventory Sheet** under **Submitting a Memorial Article**.

## Requirements for TAPS photos:

Howitzer photos will be used unless a personal photo is submitted. Submitted photos must meet the following criteria. Unacceptable photos will be returned. An article is not complete until the Howitzer photo is chosen or a photo meeting the criteria below has been submitted. **Only one photo per article (NO EXCEPTIONS).**

### Hard copy photo:

- Clear, sharp, well defined image on quality photo paper
- Image contains deceased only
- Proportion is 2w x 2.5h
- Black and white image preferable: Color photos are converted to black/white and large blocks of dark color will convert to black
- Professional or military dress preferable

### Electronic image (preferred):

- 300 dpi or larger at actual size
- Image contains deceased only
- Jpeg or tif file format
- Clear, sharp, well defined image
- Proportion is 2w x 2.5h
- Black and white image preferable: Color photos are converted to black/white and large blocks of dark color will convert to black
- Professional or military dress preferable

### Unacceptable:

Please note that images submitted that fall in this category will be returned with a request to submit a photo meeting the needed criteria.

- Group photos
- Photocopies of photos or scans of such images
- Images from previously published magazines, newspapers, or scans of such images
- Inkjet or laser printouts or scans of such images
- Illustrations

## When will the article be published?

All articles completed within the last publication cycle (approximately one year) will be published in the annual TAPS magazine which is printed in summer. Once the article has been uploaded online, you can view it and leave a personal testimonial if desired. After completion please visit [WestPointAOG.org/memorials](http://WestPointAOG.org/memorials) to view article and leave a testimonial.

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## To whom do I send the article?

Memorial Articles Coordinator  
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Email submission to: [memorials@wpaog.org](mailto:memorials@wpaog.org)

Fax submission to: 845.446.1695

## Questions?

Call 845.446.1545 or 800.232.4723 ext. 1545



## Warren G. Keinath Jr. '56

No. 20821 ★ Dec 24, 1932 – Mar 3, 2013 ★ Died in St. Louis, MO  
Interred in Bellerive Gardens Memorial Cemetery, Creve Coeur, MO



*Warren George Keinath Jr.* was born in Parkersburg, WV on Christmas Eve 1932. When he was six months old, his family moved to Buenos Aires, Argentina, where his father worked in the oil industry for Esso. Warren finished high school there, graduating from The American School. He had become fluent in Spanish and loved opportunities to speak it.

Warren attended the Case Institute of Technology in Ohio prior to entering West Point. His *Howitzer* entry noted that he maintained a high academic standing and spent time coaching underclassmen in Company B-2. He was a member of the Spanish Club and Portuguese Club and served on the *Pointer* for all four years. He was noted for having a sincere and jovial outlook on life. One could expect a straight answer with a positive outlook from Warren, while he always had time for fun.

Paula MacMillan, whom Warren married in 1957, described the interesting way that they first met. In his plebe and yearling years, Warren dated Paula's college roommate, Fran. Paula had gone to West Point on a blind date with Perry McCoy Smith. The date had been arranged by his aunts in St. Cloud, MN, who were acquainted with her mother. It was a double date with Fran and Warren that weekend, however, it took him two years to ask her out, which he eventually did his First Class year.

Harry Crandall, Warren's B-2 compaymate, reported that, during his first assignment to the Officer Basic Course at Fort Bliss, TX, Harry roomed with

Warren in typical cinder block barracks, where compaymates Tom Masterson and John Wagner also lived. A month into their stay it was announced that, due to crowding, they could move off post and draw quarters allowance. The four found Mecca, a four-bedroom house in the desert. They drove in Warren's new car to the officers' club to celebrate. When they arrived back at their new house, the police were waiting for them, suspecting the four of them of running cars to Mexico.

In 1957, Warren and Paula moved to their first posting in the Washington, DC area, where he was an Artillery officer at a Nike site in Fairfax, VA. He embellished that assignment by telling people that he kept Washington, DC safe during the Cold War. Next up was Fort Sill, OK in 1959 for training, followed by the 4th Armored Division in Ulm, Germany from 1960 to 1962. He served with the 126th Ordnance Battalion, then transferred to Ordnance and was assigned to Aberdeen Proving Grounds, MD.

Because the eldest Keinath son was diagnosed with a severe hearing loss in 1963, Warren decided to leave the Army as a captain and enter the business world. He chose a field where the family would not be moved around and where excellent schooling for the hearing impaired would be available. He earned a master's degree in business administration at Syracuse University in 1964 and from there moved his family to St. Louis, MO. He worked at General American Life Insurance Company for 16 years as a junior security analyst and then as director of fixed income securities investments. During that time, he became a certified financial analyst and was active in the St. Louis CFA organization. In 1981, Warren joined Centerre Trust Company of St. Louis as vice president of the fixed income division, retiring in 1989.

In retirement, Warren became interested in his family's genealogy. He found relatives in Onstmettingen, Germany, as

well as a clan in Ohio that helped him in his research. He was a direct descendant of the Keinaths who emigrated from Mahrigen, a small community near Stuttgart. Two trips to Germany and one to the Mormon Library in Salt Lake City, UT resulted in a book he published on the Keinath migration to the United States titled *Keinath's to America in the 19th Century*. Despite not liking to talk on the phone, he nevertheless thoroughly enjoyed doing the research for this book, along with experiencing a degree of notoriety among the Keinath clan.

Warren was actively involved serving as a deacon in the Presbyterian Church of America, a church he and Paula helped plant in 1990 in the St. Louis suburb of Twin Oaks. He also served on the investment committee of their denominational seminary, Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis. For many years he served on the board of Central Institute for the Deaf, where three of the Keinath children attended school. He and Paula traveled extensively to all parts of the world. In 2004, they cruised from Tokyo, Japan to Anchorage, AK via Russia and the Aleutian Islands.

West Point remained dear to Warren, and he never missed a class reunion. He and Paula always looked forward to seeing classmates and their wives. They even visited Gerry and Barbie Richardson in Paraguay. It was said that Warren always made people feel good when they spent time with him.

A brief illness ended Warren's life and his 55-year marriage with his Paula. Together they raised four children: Warren C., Steven, David, and Carolyn. Warren was the loving grandfather of Amy, Ian, and Jason, and great-grandfather of Alyssa. In all the 56 years he lived after his graduation from West Point, he was a perfect example of what West Point stands for. May he rest in peace.

— Paula Keinath and classmates