



## **Ken Hunzeker '75**

The three greatest honors of Ken's professional life have been graduating from West Point, serving in uniform for 40 years, and leading American soldiers.

As a Field Artillery Officer, Ken commanded two batteries, served as Operations Officer of the 8th Division Artillery during Operation Desert Storm, commanded a field artillery battalion, and commanded the 1st Infantry Division Artillery. As a general officer, he served as Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver) for the 4th Infantry Division, commanded the 1st Infantry Division, and commanded the U.S. V Corps.

In Iraq, Ken led the Operation Iraqi Civilian Police Assistance Training Team effort to “train, man, and equip” 400,000 police officers who proved decisive in sustaining the security won by our 2007 surge of forces. As Deputy Commander Multi-National Force—Iraq (2009-10), he led the design and execution of our transition from combat to stability operations and an orderly drawdown from 167,000 to 50,000 troops and 180,000 to 70,000 military contractors in one year.

In 2010, Ken retired from the Army and began a new journey that led to his selection to serve as CEO of Vectrus, Inc., a \$1 billion public corporation with 5,000 employees and 9,000 subcontractors providing critical mission support to U.S. military operations in 18 nations across 12 time zones. In 2016, he retired a second time and dedicated himself to his family and giving back. Ken served as Chairman of the Field Artillery Association from 2016 to 2018. He has served as Chair of the Study of Civil-Military Operations at West Point since 2019. That same year, he joined the Board of the Wounded Warrior Project and currently serves as Board Vice Chair.

Ken has served on four for-profit boards and has had the honor to serve the West Point Association of Graduates as a member of the Advisory Council from 2013 to 2016, the Thayer Award Selection Committee in 2013, the WPAOG Finance Committee in 2014, and the Distinguished Graduate Award Selection Committee in 2015.

Ken is a member of the Henry H. (Hap) Arnold Lifetime Giving Society and, in 2020, was honored to receive West Point's Distinguished Graduate Award. Ken understands WPAOG's mission—to serve West Point and its graduates; WPAOG's purpose—to further the ideals and promote the welfare of West Point; and WPAOG's vision—to be the most highly connected alumni body in the world. He is excited about the opportunity to contribute his skills and experience to the West Point Association of Graduates and is committed to working collaboratively with the Board, staff, and alumni to further WPAOG's mission and strengthen the West Point community. Ken and Patti Hunzeker have been married for 46 years, are the proud parents of four daughters, and have been blessed with 13 grandchildren.