

Harris Lavaun Crowley, Jr.

With sorrow we acknowledge the passing of our SC Gamma brother (Bond # 148), Harris L. Crowley, Jr. Harris, a Parkinson's victim, had been in ill health for quite some time and passed last July, 2020 at age 70.

In addition to being our Brother in the bond, Harris was a US Navy veteran with service during the Vietnam War as a MN2 (Mineman) on the USS Oriskany, an aircraft carrier whose service was in the Pacific theater. As well, Harris was a distinguished amateur boxer and earned a Navy Pacific Fleet middleweight championship.

Graduating with a degree in Ceramic Engineering, Harris was credited with two patents while with Union Carbide Corporation. Harris was one of the founders of Kemet Corporation of Simpsonville, SC, and he was a part of the team that first successfully completed a leveraged buyout of Kemet from Union Carbide, which subsequently took the company public as a listed stock. In addition to his engineering expertise in ceramics, particularly electronics, he held several executive positions at Kemet prior to retirement as Executive Vice President.

Harris, an Alaskan fishing devotee, retired to Anchorage, Alaska, where he lived until his passing in July, 2020. He was buried at Joint Base Elmendorf/Richardson Military Post with full military honors.

Harris is survived by a daughter, Anna.

RIP Harris Crowley

Submitted by: Brother Ed Mellette (Bond # 177)