

After 94

years, COL (Ret) Carl F. Baswell has passed away leaving a legacy of passion for engineering. His distinguished and courageous career began when he entered the Army during WWII in 1942 as a private after receiving an associate's degree in engineering from Arkansas Tech. He was selected to attend Officer Candidate School and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army Corps of Engineers in 1943. He was injured during the Battle of the Bulge in 1944 while stationed with the 9th Armored Division Engineer Battalion. Later, in Korea, COL Baswell commanded the 11th Combat Engineer Battalion and the 36th Engineer Combat Group. During his military career, he also completed a B.S. in civil engineering from Texas A&M University and a B.S. in military science from the University of Maryland.



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In 1970, COL Baswell retired after a distinguished 32-year career in the Army but perpetually remained an integral part of the international engineering community. Following his retirement from the Army, he became Director for International Operations, SKE (formerly KLEE KG), a German international construction and service company and served as a consultant from 1992 to 2013. He was the recipient of the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Air Force Commendation Medal, and the Gold de Fleury.

COL Baswell was a generous benefactor to include annually funding the COL Carl F. Baswell Fallen Engineer Memorial Scholarship and the COL Carl F. Baswell Combat Wounded Engineer Scholarship.

One thing everyone knows is that COL Baswell loved the Engineer Regiment in all its forms and purposefully supported efforts to assure its optimal endurance. 