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New Year's Reception & Dedication of the Lieutenant General Paul G. Cerjan Conference Room

> **8 January 2015** 1830-2100



National Defense University Marshall Hall Atrium Fort Lesley J. McNair Washington, D.C.

Lieutenant General Paul G. Cerjan

U.S. Army Retired

Former President, National Defense University



Lieutenant General Paul G. Cerian. Retired was a native of Rome, New York and a 1960 graduate of the United States Military Academy, West Point. During his 34-year military career he served in seven different U.S. Army divisions, rising to the rank of Lieutenant General. Key military assignments included serving as the President of the National Defense University, Deputy Commander in Chief, U.S. Army, Europe and Seventh Army, Commanding General, 21st Theater Army Area Command, U.S. Army, Europe, Commandant of the Army War College, Assistant Division Commander for Support, the 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum, NY, Executive Officer for the Supreme Allied Commander Europe, and Director of the High Technology Test Bed for the 9th Infantry Division in Ft. Lewis, WA, Commander 7th Engineer Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division G3 and Battalion Commander, 10th Engineer Battalion.

LTG Cerjan served two combat tours in Vietnam with 1st Cavalry Division and 101st Airborne Division. He earned a Master of Science degree in Construction Management from Oklahoma State University and a Bachelor of Science in Engineering from the United States Military Academy, West Point. He attended the U.S. Army War College, as well as the Senior Government Leaders Course at Harvard University. He was also a Registered Professional Engineer, Commonwealth of Virginia.

Noteworthy among his many accomplishments while President of the National Defense University, he led the first U.S. military delegation to China subsequent to Tiananmen Square; he increased the priority and annual reservations for the International Fellows Program; and, secured funding for the much needed renovations of the National War College and Eisenhower School.

Subsequent to his retirement from active duty, General Cerjan continued his service and support to U.S. and Allied service members around the world through work at Kellogg, Brown and Root, L-3 Communications and Agility Logistics. As a civilian in 2004, he spent a year working in an active Iraqi combat zone serving U.S. and Coalition Forces. As President of the NDU Foundation, he was instrumental in launching the American Patriot Award Gala. This major fundraising program continues today to provide fiscal support to the University. General Cerjan worked tirelessly to ensure high standards of service and leadership. A caring and inspired leader, he loved his family, loved people, loved soldiers, and loved to train, coach, teach and mentor. He always led by personal example and always from the front.

He is survived by his wife Patricia, of 48 years, along with their sons Robert (Heidi), David (Amy), and Timothy (Isari), as well as two grandchildren, Christopher and Meghan.



PROGRAM

Master of Ceremonies

Colonel John E. Charlton, USAF Retired

Senior Director, International Student Management Office

Welcome Remarks & Dedication

Major General Fredrick M. Padilla, USMC

15th President, National Defense University

Remarks by

Lieutenant General Don Lionetti, USA Retired

Mrs. Patricia Cerjan

Flower Presentation

Ribbon Cutting

Conclusion of Ceremony