



HALL OF FAME 2020



Carl R. Harbaugh Class of 1957

Carl graduated from Fort Hill in 1957. He married Faye Castleman and had twin daughters Carla Ritenour and Carolyn Cable. In 1977 he married Rebecca Nikirk. They were married 43 years until his death in 2016.

At Fort Hill, Carl played football and ran track for Coach Bill Hahn. On the football team he played center and linebacker. In his senior year Carl was named to the first team in the Cumberland Valley Athletic League (CVAL).

The major fields in Carl's life were military, law enforcement, public safety, and education. Significant achievements in major fields were Associate of Arts Degree, Frederick Community College, Bachelor's Degree in Sociology and Psychology, Mount St. Mary's University, and Masters Degree in Administration of Justice, American University. He was recognized as an authority on community policing. He spent four years in the U.S. Air Force, 24 years in the Maryland State Police, and four years as Sheriff of Frederick County, Maryland.

Carl taught at FCC from 1974 to 1985 and began training police officers with International Association Chiefs of Police (IACP). After retirement in 1985 he had various jobs with IACP until he became Sheriff of Frederick County in 1990. After that he did consulting all over the country with the National Sheriffs Association in D.C. for about 4 years. He retired for good in 2003. Carl belonged to many organizations and loved them all, but he said being sheriff was the most challenging and satisfying experience he ever had.