## David Douglas Denton 54<sup>th</sup> State Deputy of Oregon 2013



David Douglas Denton, was born on October 28, 1939 in Grand Rapids, MI to Donald and Marjorie Moler Denton.

David graduated from Central High School in Grand Rapids, MI in 1958. David then enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He served for 22 years, serving a tour in Vietnam, as well as molding young recruits as a drill instructor at MCRD in San Diego, CA. He received rank as an E-9 Master Gunnery Sergeant.

On July 17, 1959, David eloped with his high school sweetheart, Joyce Elaine Christiansen. The couple moved to live a

military life in multiple locations while raising their four children. After retiring from the Marine Corp., David began a career working for Hughes Aircraft Company.

After retiring, David and his family moved from Las Vegas, NV to Springfield, OR. David joined the Knights of Columbus in 2001 and became a member of the Springfield Council 4087 and served as Grand Knight. He was also Faithful Navigator of the Archbishop Ireland Assembly. David served as State Warden 2007-08, State Advocate 2008/09, State Treasurer 2009/11 and State Secretary 2011/13. David was elected State Deputy at the 2013 State Convention held in Pendleton, OR.



David and Joyce - 1959







David in the Marine Corp.

Because of health issues, David resigned after serving six months as State Deputy. Patrick Lee Rice finished the rest of the years term as State Deputy.

David Douglas Denton died on November 5, 2017 in Springfield, OR from battling cancer.

"This job would be very difficult without the cooperation of everyone in this great organization." David D Denton, April 29, 2011, Medford, OR

