

### **DAVID L. CARMAN**

David L. Carman was born in the Bronx on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1946. He attended P.S. 17 from kindergarten to 8<sup>th</sup> grade, went on to Our Savior Lutheran for 2 years, then transferred to Christopher Columbus High school where he graduated. During his senior year of high school, he joined the Naval Reserves and attended nightly drills throughout the year. After completion, he enlisted in the Navy Active-Duty September of 1966 during the Vietnam era. David was stationed on an LST 1174 USS, Grant County that was home-based in Little Creek, Virginia. With having Naval history roots from his great-grandfather Caleb, who was a sailor on the USS Monitor during the civil war, he already had a calling for the military. David completed active-duty September of 1968 and went on to marry Elizabeth Costello from Morris Park in 1969. They have lived on City Island since they married and began a family together and have 2 children, Cynthia and the late David Jr., and are blessed with 3 grandchildren. David is a 4<sup>th</sup> generation resident on City Island where a family business of 75 years was founded. His father owned an auto repair shop from 1946-1977, and from 1977 to March of 2022, he owned and operated the shop. At the age of 75 and after working 45 years at the shop, David is now retired and ready to travel. He is a proud life member of 54 years at Leonard H. Hawkins Post 156 American Legion located on City Island. He was the Sergeant at Arms and the Commander for 7 years and now went on to obtaining the position of Chaplain. David is also now the President of the Corporation and has recently been awarded the Quilt of Valor on December 5, 2021. He is greatly appreciated to be honored as a Veteran from the Bronx County and will cherish this moment for the rest of my life.

### **MSG. ABIGAIL R. TAYLOR**

MSG Taylor entered into the service on March 1984 as a Human Resources Clerk. She was assigned to the 322nd General Hospital, in Dover, New Jersey from March 1984 to September 1984. The other units that MSG Taylor were a part of are as follows: 11 63rd USARF School, Bronx, NY from 1985 - 1991; Break in Service from April 1991 to July 1997. MSG Taylor's Military Occupational Specialty is Human Resources Management. Upon MSG Taylor's return to the military, she was assigned to HHC, 3rd BDE, 98th Division (IT), Bronx, NY from 1997 - 1999. After that assignment, she was assigned to the 4th BN (CM), 3rd BOE (CS), Ayer, MA from 2000 - 2003; 5111 BN (CA), and 3rd BDE (CS), Edison, NJ from 2003 - 2004; HHC, 3rd BOE, 98th Division (IT), Bronx, NY from 2004 - 2007. SSG Taylor served as the Human Resources NCO and was responsible for preparing, editing and correcting correspondence by unit members. SFC Taylor was assigned to the 771 Regional Readiness Command (RRC), Fort Totten, NY from 2007 - 2008; She served as Manpower NCO in an Army Reserve Regional Readiness Command, Headquarters; assisted with the force modernization plans, programs and initiatives. MSG. Taylor has continued her civilian education and is currently enrolled in Capella University, and is a candidate for a Doctorate in Public Administration (DPA). MSG Taylor also completed her Associates Degree in Marketing Management/Business Administration at Westchester Business Institute, September 1985; BA in Communication, College of New Rochelle in May 1991; MPA (Public Administration) from Long Island University, May 1994. MSG Taylor received numerous distinctions such as the Meritorious Service Medal (2nd); MSG Taylor started her public service assisting her sister; Judge Taylor with the Thurgood Marshall Junior Mock Trial Program Inc. (in 1997). She served as the President of the Jackson Democratic Club for several years. MSG Taylor is a member of Saint Philips AME Zion Methodist Church located in West Nyack. MSG Taylor is an active member of the following organizations; AME Zion Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society; AME Zion Lay Council; AME Zion Usher; NAACP Bronx Chapter-Treasurer; DAV-Chapter 23-Senior Vice Chair; BULB; VFW; The American Legion Post 156; Morrisania Revitalization Corporation, Inc. (MRC); and the Women's Veterans of Hudson Valley, Inc.