

**Charles R. Lyons**

**I am a native of Princeville, NC and currently reside in Port Arthur, Texas. I am a husband, father, grandfather and brother (the 8th of nine siblings). My parents were the late Henry and Susie Ruth Lyons.**

**My education started in 1957 at Coker Elementary School in Leggett, NC. When my family moved to Princeville, NC in 1963, I attended Princeville Elementary School and graduated in June 1965. I entered W. A. Pattillo High School in September 1965 and graduated in the Class of 1969. After graduation, I joined the U. S. Marine Corps and was enlisted on June 5, 1969. Upon completion of two years in the Marine Corps, I moved to Washington, DC and started a career with the Federal Government in 1971. Under the GI Bill from 1974 until 1982 and still working full-time, I attended Northern Virginia Community College and George Mason University studying Psychology and Business Administration.**

**I worked for the Department of Interior from 1971 to 1988 and I worked for the U. S. Department of State from 1988 until 2011. During my entire career I worked in logistics management, frequently traveling abroad visiting more than 100 countries worldwide. Prior to retiring, I served as a Logistics Management Officer responsible for the Department of State’s worldwide Secure Logistics Division. I retired with 42 years of combined military and federal service on November 3, 2011.**

**Currently, I am a self-employed contractor for Classic Transport, LLC located in Elkhart, Indiana. I deliver travel trailers and 5th wheel RV’s from the manufacturer to dealers all across the United States.**

**I serve as Sargent-at-Arms and Chair of the Logistics Committee for the W. A. Pattillo High School National Alumni Association, Inc.**