



# TO HONOR

**RICHARD T. MATHEWS**

**CAPTAIN, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

**1937-1967**

*Dick graduated from high school in Quincy, Illinois, spent a year at Purdue University and then entered USAFA with the Class of 1960. After graduation from the Academy and pilot training he served a brief tour as a C-124 pilot. He returned to the Academy in late 1962 to serve as the first Executive Secretary and President of the Association of Graduates (AOG). Dick was responsible for the establishment of the AOG as an enduring organization, the vital link between the Academy and its graduates. He was medically retired from the Air Force in October 1966 and died a few months later. Dick's vision in developing the concept for the Graduate War Memorial was recognized after his death by the placement of a commemorative plaque in his honor at the base of the memorial.*

*Nulli Secundus*

By: USAFA Class of 1960