

The Acquisition and Contracting Legends Gallery

Contracting Legends who were such an inspiration to us all, we all recognize and remember them.

Ms. Sharon R. Parish: Sharon was an inspirational leader throughout her 40-year Government career. Sharon was a “servant leader” who believed in “Mission First, People Always” and a champion of personal interaction and mentoring.

Mr. Barney Klehman: Barney was a passionate leader throughout his 41-year Government career, encouraging innovative thinking and commitment to mission success. A devoted mentor for many contracting professionals, Barney believed professional development was a life-long process.

Mr. Richard J. Cooney: Rich was an exceptional contracting leader and mentor throughout his 17-year Federal Government career. He was a true “trailblazer” in the DoD acquisition/contracting community and displayed unquestionable integrity and commitment to the mission.

Ms. Noreen Cassaro: Noreen was a consummate leader throughout her 37-year career who viewed people as DCMA’s greatest asset. She dedicated herself to mentoring and led by helping others, particularly through her involvement with the DCMA Learning-Center.

Mr. Charles T. Darnell: “Chuck” was a caring leader throughout his 30-year Government career, distinguishing himself on two deployments to Iraq. As an ACO he ensured our nation’s warfighter had the very best equipment and aircraft.

Ms. Susan M. Hildner: Sue was amongst the most highly regarded contracting leaders in the Federal government. Throughout her 34-year career, she drove significant policy reform to improve acquisition processes, championed numerous initiatives aimed at eliminating vulnerabilities, and provided career advice to many contracting professionals.