

January 2025 Stratford Veterans Museum



VETERAN OF THE MONTH

WALTER B. DUNBAR, JR.







Born August 24, 1937. Attended Stratford High School. Played football. Graduated 1955. Attended Springfield College. Played football. Graduated 1959.

Signed up with the U.S. Army Reserves. Trained at Fort Dix as a radio operator (Morse Code). Served six years with training sessions weekly and summer camps in Virginia. Rank PFC.

Taught at Stratford High School in the 1960's and coached football and track. Assigned Assistant Principal and then Principal of Bunnell High School in the 1970's.

Assigned as Assistant Superintendent and then Superintendent of Schools in the 1980's. As Superintendent served as president of the Metropolitan Bridgeport Athletic Conference (MBAC) and served as grand Marshall of the Stratford Memorial Day Parade. He served as a member of the State Principals' Academy and with the CT Advisory Council for Teacher Professional Standards. He retired in the mid 1990's after 34 years of service in Stratford.

Volunteered for ten years as guardian ad litem for troubled kids and families in Stratford. Formed a small company, Dunbar Computer Gems, which he ran with his wife, Gerry, until 2001. Did extensive volunteer work with the Stratford Community Fund, the First Ecclesiastical Society of Stratford and the Stratford Congregational Church. Presently is active with the Stratford Senior Men's Club and the Social Justice Team at Church.