

CMA Honors Major Gale



On October 15, 1995, Camden Military Academy honored Major Burton Gale, retiring English instructor, with a parade and a reception. As tokens of their appreciation, the Cadet Corps presented to Mrs. Gale a bouquet of flowers and to Major Gale a picture of the battalion; but these symbols of recognition bespoke only in small measure the high esteem in which Major Gale is held by his former students, their parents, his faculty colleagues, and all those who served with him during his twenty-three year tenure at CMA.

To his students he was an inspirational teacher — alternately a martinet and an understanding friend — who always demanded of them their best. In his well-ordered but lively classes, he created an atmosphere in which his students wanted to learn. He sought to instill in them an appreciation for the English language and a commitment to use it effectively.

To parents he was that special kind of teacher who could bring out the best in their sons and provide them a formula for success.

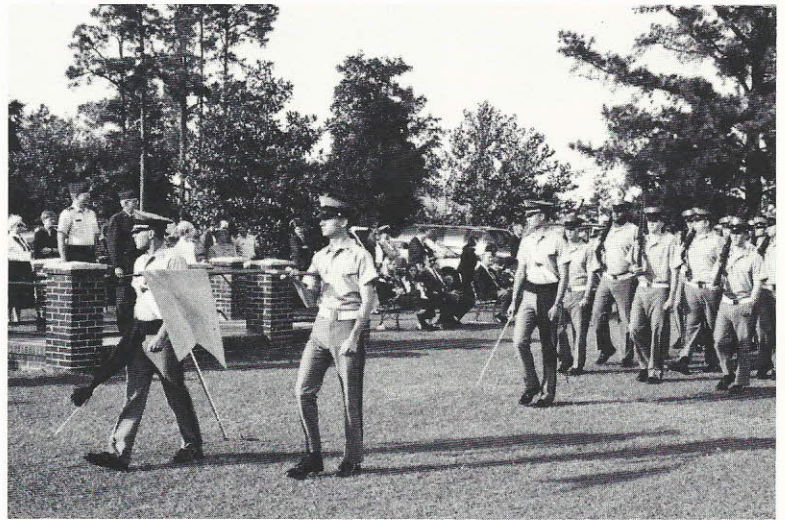
To his colleagues he was a competent and caring professional who enjoyed unusual success in the classroom — a model worthy of emulation.

To college professors who inherited his students, he was a teacher who prepared his pupils well to meet the greater challenge of college-level studies.

Although Major Gale is no longer in the classroom, the high standards he set for his students and the quality of his personal contributions to their achievement form an enduring strand in the fabric of CMA tradition.



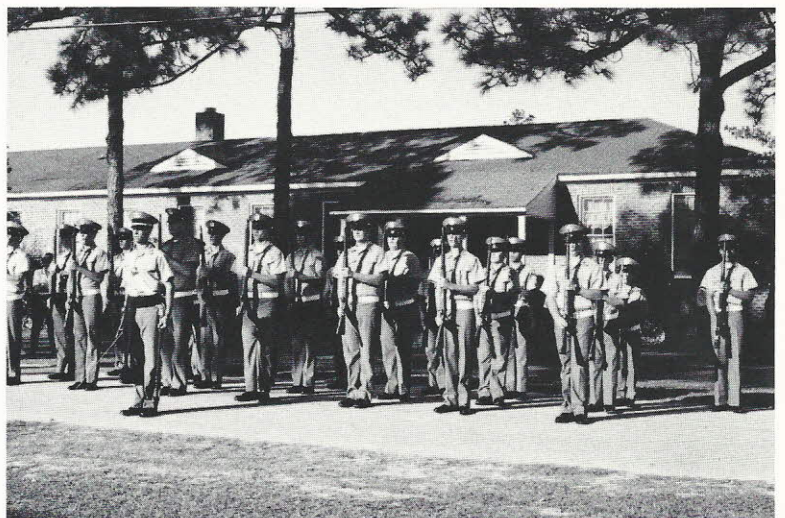
Major Gale and Colonel Orris prepare to troop the line the traditional CMA manner.



CPT Jeff Key, company commander, and Guidon Travis Blalock pace B Company by the reviewing stand. Leading 1st Platoon is 2LT David Moore.



At parade rest on a warm October day: the Camden Military Academy Battalion.



2LT Sam Lisi and C Company, 1st Platoon, wait to be dismissed at the end of the parade.