David S. Hunsicker

*Class of 1952*

David S. Hunsicker grew up in University City from Nathaniel Hawthorne Elementary to Hanley Junior High and graduated in 1952 from University City High School.

This Eagle Scout earned his bachelor’s degree at Baylor University in TX, a masters from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, KY. where he also earned doctorates in ministry and philosophy.

Among the many decorations and commendations awarded to this retired U.S. Navy chaplain, are two medals for outstanding meritorious service. They were awarded to Captain Hunsicker for his efforts to both develop the concept and be involved in the establishment of the comprehensive, no-nonsense Navy Family Service Centers program. Now known as the Fleet and Family Support Centers, the program helps provide for families coping with the unusual and strenuous demands of Navy life—-from medical to financial; from housing to automobile repair; from crisis to child care; and everything in between. Since the initial Family Awareness Council in 1978 and the program’s flagship Norfolk Family Awareness Center, more than 100 programs following Hunsicker’s model have been established on bases throughout the U. S. and across the globe.

Retired Marine General Charles Krulak said, “[Captain David S. Hunsicker, CHC, USN (Ret)] has lived a life of service... a man of character who demonstrates, on a daily basis, the traits of moral courage, integrity and selflessness... David Hunsicker has done University City High School proud.”