

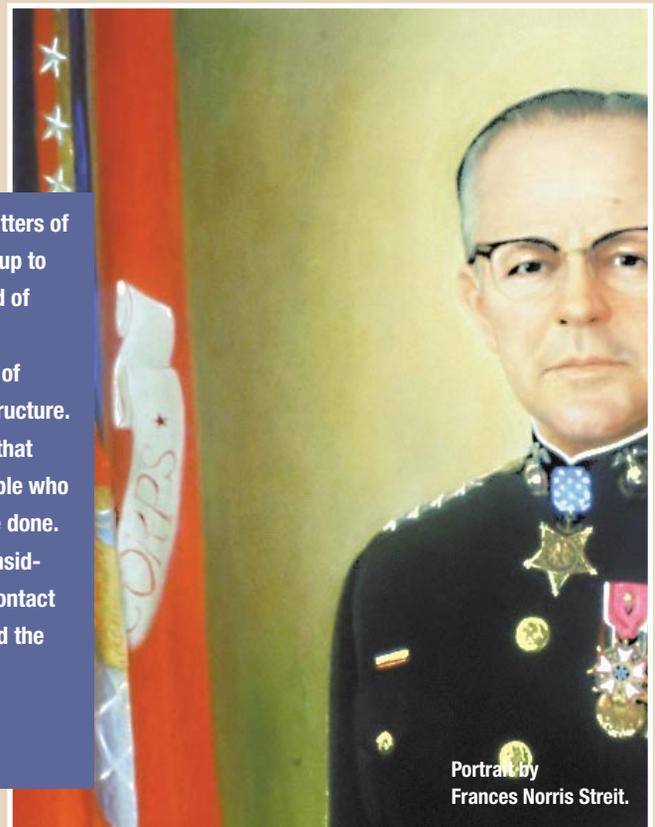
# General David Monroe Shoup

(1904–1983)

## Commandant of the Marine Corps

### VITA

**B**orn in Battle Ground, Indiana; graduated from DePauw University (1926); attended basic school in Philadelphia with temporary duty assignments both at home and in Tientsin (1926–28); served at Quantico, Pensacola, and San Diego (1928–29); assigned to *USS Maryland* (1929–31); company officer, San Diego and Puget Sound (1931–33); temporary duty with Civilian Conservation Corps in Idaho and New Jersey (1933–34); served with 4<sup>th</sup> Marines in Shanghai and at American legation in Beijing (1934–36); student and then instructor with junior officer course at Quantico (1937–40); 6<sup>th</sup> Marines, San Diego and Iceland (1940–42); operations and training officer, 2<sup>d</sup> Marine Division in San Diego and New Zealand; served at Guadalcanal and New Georgia; commanded 2<sup>d</sup> Marines on Tarawa and awarded Medal of Honor; served on Saipan and Tinian (1942–44); logistics officer at Headquarters, Marine Corps (1944–47); commanding officer, Service Command, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific (1947–49); chief of staff, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division (1949–50); commanding officer, basic school, Quantico (1950–52); served in fiscal office at Headquarters, Marine Corps (1953–56); appointed inspector general of recruit training and then inspector general, Marine Corps (1956–57); commanding general, 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Division at Camp Pendleton (1957–58); commanding general, 3<sup>d</sup> Marine Division on Okinawa (1958–59); commanded recruit depot, Parris Island (1959); served as chief of staff at Headquarters, Marine Corps (1959–60); appointed 22<sup>d</sup> Commandant of the Marine Corps (1960–64); died in Arlington, Virginia.



U.S. Marine Corps Museum

Portrait by Frances Norris Streit.

I sit in on all matters before the [Joint Chiefs] and have a voice in matters of direct concern to the Corps—and the interesting thing about it is that it is up to me to determine whether it is of direct concern or not. I have been accused of being interested in a lot of things.

Since national security strategy is largely shaped by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, you might be interested in my personal views concerning defense structure.

I am wholly in accord with the existing JCS system. It seems logical that discussions and recommendations will be more sound when made by people who are totally or even partially responsible for doing what they recommend be done. Then too, the corporate nature of the JCS assures that all views will be considered before a final decision is made. The service chiefs are in day to day contact with their organizations. They are aware of the capabilities, limitations, and the many other problems confronting their respective services.

—Remarks to the Armed Forces Staff College  
(November 7, 1963)

# 2001 CJCS Essay Competition

The 20<sup>th</sup> annual Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Strategy Essay Competition was held on May 17–18, 2001 in Washington. This event was established by General David Jones, USAF, the 9<sup>th</sup> Chairman, to challenge students at the intermediate and senior colleges to write original essays on significant aspects of national security strategy.

## **FIRST PLACE ESSAY**

**LIEUTENANT COMMANDER STEVEN M. BARNEY, USN**

(Naval War College)

**“Innocent Packets? Applying Navigational Regimes from the Law of the Sea Convention by Analogy to the Realm of Cyberspace”**

## **SECOND PLACE ESSAY**

**LIEUTENANT COLONEL HARRY W. CONLEY, USAF**

(Air War College)

**“Not with Impunity: Assessing U.S. Policy for Retaliating to a Chemical or Biological Attack”**

## **THIRD PLACE ESSAYS**

**LIEUTENANT COLONEL KATHLEEN A. MAHONEY-NORRIS, USAFR**

(National War College)

**“Huntington Revisited: Is Conservative Realism Still Essential for the Military Ethic?”**

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**LIEUTENANT COLONEL NATHANIEL H. SLEDGE, JR., USA**

(U.S. Army War College)

**“Broken Promises: The United States, China, and Nuclear Non-Proliferation”**