FOREST CITY — Bruce Carter, of Rock Island, Illinois, director of Aviation of the Quad City International Airport, Moline, Illinois, and Capt. Donald R. Shunkwiler, USN Ret., of Ferryville, Wisconsin, were honored with Alumni Distinguished Service Awards, at Waldorf University’s homecoming celebration Oct. 8, in Forest City.

The Alumni Distinguished Service Award recognizes Waldorf alumni who have performed distinctive and meritorious service in areas such as public affairs, education, church, business and government, and demonstrated their Christian faith in service to community and church.

Bruce Carter entered the aviation program at Mankato State, following his graduation from Waldorf in 1973. Throughout Carter’s 40-year career he served as the airport operator in Clarion, Iowa, and as the airport director in Waterloo. After leaving Waterloo, Carter held the aviation director position in Springfield, Illinois, for three years and then Peoria, Illinois, for five years before joining the Quad-City team in Moline Illinois in 1999. Carter was honored for his outstanding service and leadership to the aviation industry and commitment to serving both profession and church with integrity and faith.

Capt. Donald Shunkwiler, USN Ret., a 1976 Waldorf graduate, was recognized for his exemplary leadership and service to the United States Navy and lifelong dedication to church and community. After receiving his Associate Degree from Waldorf, he received a Bachelor’s Degree from Augustana College. Shunkwiler received his commission at Officer Candidate School in 1982. He held various commands and officer positions throughout his Navy career including command of the USS Harpers Ferry and USS Germantown. He later returned to the staff of the Chief of Naval Operations in the Pentagon, where he served as the head, East Asia and Pacific Branch, Maritime Security Cooperation Division and then as executive assistant and chief of staff, Expeditionary Warfare Division. Afterwards, Shunkwiler assumed command of the USS Tarawa. He completed his Navy career as commanding officer, Expeditionary Warfare Training Group, Pacific. Shunkwiler currently serves as the executive director of Sugar Creek Bible Camp in Ferryville, Wisconsin.