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**Terry Campus to Award 2009 Distinguished Alum**

DOVER- Delaware Technical & Community College will recognize Gerald William Mayan, a 1981 Electrical Electronics Technology graduate of the Terry Campus as the Campus 2009 Distinguished Alumni. The distinction will be awarded posthumously at a ceremony to be held at the campus on Thursday, April 30, 2009 in the Education and Technology Building, room 727 at 4:30 p.m.

Family, friends, and College and Campus faculty, staff and administrators will be present to participate in this ceremony that celebrates the contributions of graduates to their college and the community.

While at Delaware Tech, Jerry received recognition as “First Year Electrical Electronics Technology Student” with a grade point average of 3.81 and retained dean’s list status throughout his time at the Terry Campus.

Jerry was a member of Phi Theta Kappa (National Honor Society for two-year colleges) and an active member of the National Institute for Certification in Engineering Technologies. He was known during his time at Delaware Tech as a student who was dedicated to doing his best and likely to succeed in his chosen career field.

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Jerry's career was highlighted by the work he performed in the development of a major aviation breakthrough for helicopters by American engineers. The V-22 Osprey flies like an airplane, but takes off and lands like a chopper and recently made its combat debut in the war in Iraq. In development for more than 25 years, the Osprey has a longer history than the Apollo Space Program that put men on the moon.

Since 1997, distinguished alumni have been honored for success in their chosen careers and for making a difference in others' lives.

To find out more about Terry Campus Distinguished Alumni and see a list of past recipients please visit [www.dtcc.edu/terry/alumni](http://www.dtcc.edu/terry/alumni) or to learn more about opportunities for Delaware Tech, Terry Campus alums call Alumni Coordinator Jan Clapp at 302-857-1125.

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