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Your FTVA hopes you and yours enjoy the blessings of this special time of the year



The President's Corner



Howdy Silent Warriors. Football season is in full swing, basketball and hockey are just getting started, and the holidays are right around the corner...sports heaven, right?

We had a great set of Anniversary events in September. The golf tournament was at a different venue and most people really liked it, but boy was it hot. The Remembrance Ceremony was well attended, great F-16 fly-over, super bag-piper and bugler, but unfortunately we called out over 150 names of fallen silent warriors that passed away over the last year. The picnic had a smaller attendance and fewer food booths this year, but the HQ is looking at how they can improve that next year. Saturday morning started with a super Hall of Honor Ceremony installing four stellar silent warriors, followed by Gen Shwedo's State of the 25th AF briefing and our annual FTVA meeting...about 4+ hours' worth. That evening, Lt Gen Bansemer (SIGINT officer, previous commander of the 70th Wing, EUCOM/J2, Deputy CSS at NSA, OIR/J2 which deals with ISIS in Iraq and Syria, and now works for DNI Clapper) was the guest speaker at the banquet, along with 250+ people in attendance. I also attended a hot-wash at the HQ in which improvements were discussed for next year. The anniversary events are always a great way to talk to people you haven't seen in years or decades...hope to see you next year.

The FTVA will be teaming with the 25th AF the first week in November for the Larson Awards (previously Comfy/Sensor Olympics). For the first time in several years, 36 winners will be brought back to San Antonio to receive their medals, plaques and polo shirts. We will be presenting the medals in front of the Wing Commanders and their Chiefs. This is one of the last survivors of these type awards left in the Air Force...and it is a priority for the Command and the FTVA for its continuation.

In my other hat as the 25th AF A2/3 Deputy Director (combining the old IN and DO), I am fortunate to see many of the great things our guys and gals are doing everyday around-the-world. From Iraq and Syria, to other danger areas in Africa, to our old nemeses in Russia, China, North Korea and Iran, our Airmen are doing phenomenal work. You should feel proud of this new breed of silent warriors...they are truly making a difference.

Finally, we are always open to suggestions on ways to improve the FTVA, increase enrollment, add or better support to our existing chapters, and finding new ways to support our active duty Airmen. So, get your USAFSS, ESC, AFIC, AIA, AFISRA or now 25th AF friends/colleagues to join the FTVA. We need a constant infusion of members to stay healthy as an organization so we can continue to support the troops.

Thanks...and always remember to "Remain in Touch".

Ron



Hi Everyone,
Thanks to those of you who helped make this issue worth reading by contributing your postings and submissions. A lot of photos and reading material reflecting our team effort await you. We keep trying to add more of a "personal touch" to your News Magazine. Since this is our

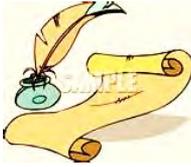
Annual Reunion Issue, you'll find a lot of additional photos and captions. Special thanks to Joe 'Pepito' Figueroa for compiling an especially long list of Fallen Eagles this issue. Ken Maynard and Dennis Buxton went over and above to compile additional articles for your reading enjoyment. *Merry Christmas and Happy New Year* to all.

Sincerely,



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Letters To The Editor



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DAVID A. WINTERS
PRESIDENT

October 11, 2016

Col. Ronald Haygood
23864 Up Mountain Rd
San Antonio, TX 78255

Dear Colonel Haygood,

I am pleased to inform you that Freedom through Vigilance Association made a donation to the Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund in honor of Lt. Gen John D. Bansemer.

The Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund, a national leader in supporting the men and women of the United States Armed Forces and their families, has provided over \$150 million in support for the families of military personnel lost in service to our nation, and for severely wounded military personnel and veterans. The Fund most recently opened the National Intrepid Center of Excellence to support the research, diagnosis, and treatment of military personnel and veterans suffering from traumatic brain injury (TBI). In 2013 the Fund launched a new \$100 million campaign to build nine NICoE satellite centers at major military bases around the country. These satellite centers will extend the care provided at NICoE to more service members and veterans suffering from TBI, PTS and related afflictions.

We thank Freedom through Vigilance Association for this generous support of The Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund.

Sincerely,

Membership Corner

2017 Membership Dues

FTVA annual memberships run from January to December. So, if the label on this newsletter has the year “2016” after your name it is time to send in your 2017 dues if you have not already done so. Please mail it to:

FREEDOM THROUGH VIGILANCE ASSOCIATION
P.O. Box 691616
San Antonio, Texas 78269-1616

Annual Membership Cards: We normally bulk mail annual membership cards in late February. If you have any questions, please either send us a letter or use the form on the web site <http://www.ftva.us/newForms/webinfo.cfm>

Bob Baert, Membership and Webmaster
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FTVA Vigilant Partners Program

Mark Hess maintains our Vigilant Partners program (see newsletter centerfold pp 34-35). You can phone Mark at 210-380-6328.

NOTE: When you see “...or charity of your choice.” in an obituary, please think of FTVA and check with online sites such as Charity Navigator or the BBB before deciding. Some that claim to serve the military unfortunately are designed to benefit those who run them. FTVA's charity of choice is The Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund which, among others, has the charity rating site's highest recommendations. If you want the donation to FTVA to be tax deductible, make the check to “**USAFSS/ESC Memorial Fund**”. Otherwise, if tax deductibility is not a concern or if you don't file a Schedule A, then make the check to “**FTVA**” and mail to:

Mark Hess
FTVA Vigilant Partners, P.O. Box 691616,
San Antonio TX 78269-1616.

Please include the name you wish to memorialize on the “Memo” or “For” section of the check. It would help to include the honoree's family's address in a note. We'll advise the family of your donation, but not the amount. Help preserve our common legacy and celebrate your friendship at the same time -- truly a win-win combination.

25th AIR FORCE NEWS



Compiled by Ken Maynard, Auxiliary Staff

FROM ELEPHANT CAGES TO RQ-4S

Adapted from an article by Guido Locati, 25th Air Force Public Affairs

JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO-LACKLAND AFB, Texas --

As the Air Force celebrates its 69th birthday this year, the Twenty-Fifth Air Force turns 68. Born the USAF Security Service (USAFSS) in the age of vacuum tubes and punch cards, “Elephant Cages” and Cold War methodologies, today the 25 AF continues its legacy into the 21st century.

What hasn’t changed though are the dedication and professionalism of the Silent Warriors doing the mission.

Some of today’s information collection still relies on updated Cold War-era platforms such as the U-2 or the RC-135, flown and maintained today by Airmen who could be the grandchildren, or even great-grandchildren, of the Airmen who preceded them.

Technology has brought us Remotely Piloted Aircraft, satellites and cyberspace tools, which not only help keep warfighters out of harm’s way but also transmit collected data at the speed of light. This technology has given us “Eyes in the Sky” that “vacuum up” video and telemetry at a rate unfathomable to the uninitiated. Data passes down at a daily rate that easily exceeds the total of all the televised professional football championships since Super Bowl I!



Airmen in the past often sat listening to static-filled headphones, seeking one recognizable signal to analyze. Others studied films from Corona and KH-series satellites, which kicked actual film canisters back into the atmosphere for aerial capture, wet processing and, finally, exploitation. Born into a world filled with laptops, smart phones and tablet computers, today's analyst finds the tech-filled workspaces immediately familiar. Today's tech-savvy Airmen sort and study every bit and byte. By gleaning every piece of relevant information and making critical judgments on targets and appropriate responses, these Airmen provide around the clock tactical advantages to coalition forces. Today's technology combined with still-valid legacy capabilities allow our Airmen to reach out to warfighters both real time and through carefully produced and vetted fused analytic products, providing battlefield commanders tactical advantage for immediate results. The alignment of intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance aircraft under 25 AF, along with two host base wings, presented the storied command with missions and responsibilities widely dissimilar from the ISR missions of the past 68 years. The numbered Air Force now oversees two entire bases and flying wings, gaining installation management, runway maintenance, and personnel and base support missions, as well as targeting and analysis through the addition of a third new wing. With these new wings, the NAF also gained electronic warfare and command and control capabilities and responsibilities for the Air Force. It also retains its role as the Air Force Service Cryptologic Component for the National Security Agency.

FTVA CHAPTER NEWS

Compiled by Dennis Buxton, Auxiliary Staff

The highlight of FTVA Chapter activities was centered around the chapter reports and presentations at the Annual General Membership meeting held Saturday, September 24th on Security Hill. We would be remiss if we did not singularly recognize those chapter leaders who provided an in-person, one-on-one narration of ongoing chapter activities. These were:

- Jerry Gething, NCR Chapter, Washington, D.C.
- “JJ” Graham, Heritage Chapter, San Angelo, TX
- George “Ike” Eichelberger, Rocky Mountain Chapter, Colorado Springs, CO
- Bernie Gavin, Alamo Chapter, San Antonio, TX

Everyone presented in-depth and interesting first-person narratives of current chapter efforts, challenges and activities in their local regions. A tip of the hat to these gentlemen, especially those who travelled from afar and participated in all reunion week activities. Hopefully next September we can add chapter reps from Hawaii, California and Florida as well! Looking forward to it. In the interim until next September, continue to send your inputs to your local chapter president who will compile and send them to your esteemed FTVA Board V.P. Ted Colquhoun, at [Wings of Blue@yahoo.com](mailto:Wings_of_Blue@yahoo.com) who serves as our Chapter Liaison.

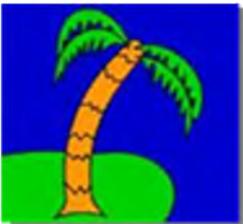
We begin our journey once again in Hawaii with an RSVP message from the Aloha Chapter sent in for the reunion from “Aloha Tilly”.

Aloha Chapter, Honolulu, HI

John “Tilly” Toillion, President

Aloha Everyone...

So, sorry that none of the Aloha Chapter members can make this year’s FTVA Reunion, but guaranteed at least one of us will be there next year!



On behalf of my compadres out in here in always beautiful Hawaii – that being Ken Een, Dickie Hites, Steve Crain, Fred Collins, Leroy “Oly” Harrison, John Harman, Dave Jones, Al Teel, and myself John Toillion -- I’d like to pass along that all are doing just fine. Even though we continue

to remain a small group we do manage to stay active socially meeting once every 2-3 months, usually for lunch at Mililani’s Ruby Tuesdays. Topics of choice continue to focus on old age, retirement, Medicare – you name it – just “old peoples” stuff and of course some war stories. It’s also nice to get some updates from those still working (Al Teel & Steve Crain). Of course, Ken Een would add his name to the list of “still working” but only as a part-time consultant for DHS.

This past year we have made a concerted effort to reach out to other former USAF’ers to come join us. As I write this our next Aloha Chapter social is scheduled for this coming Friday, September 16, and Oly Harrison and I are trying to contact several former Misawa alumni who we recently found out have addresses here in the islands.

Again, “Mahalo” (aka “thanks”) for the support from you folks there in San Antonio working hard to keeping us to “Remain in Touch.” Aloha until next year... Tilly

We next head to West Texas and Goodbuddy Airplane Patch.



Heritage Chapter, San Angelo, TX

Ronald ‘JJ’ Graham, Chapter President
Ed Bendinelli, Chapter Vice President

2016 was another prosperous year for our small but robust group in San Angelo! Col Michael Downs has picked up where Col Kimberlee Joos left off and provided us outstanding support! As always, we sincerely thank the FTVA for their continued support! Here is a recap of the year’s events to date:

VIETNAM WAR MEMORIAL REPAIR PROJECT

The Heritage Chapter on behalf of the Freedom Through Vigilance Association presented a donation to the Vietnam Veterans Association to help restore damaged memorial pavers at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Over 40 pavers were damaged on 4 July by careless use of a BBQ grill underneath the helicopter display. All pavers have been cleaned and are awaiting a touchup of the lettering.



L-R:
 JJ Graham, Heritage Chapter
 President
 Tom Bright, VVA President
 Perry Stevens, VVA
 Memorial Chairman
 Ed Bendinelli, Chapter Vice
 President

6994th Remembrance Ceremony in San Angelo

As 2016 is the 75th Anniversary of Goodfellow AFB and the 50th Anniversary of the activation of the 6994th Security Squadron, we felt hosting an EC-47 Remembrance Ceremony on 22 Sep while 94th SS had its annual reunion in San Angelo was the right thing to do. Members of the USAFSS Roll Call group also traveled to Goodfellow that morning to attend the ceremony. In a very moving event, Rick Yeh and JC Wheeler read aloud names of the 17 aircrew members from the 6994th and the 21 Tactical Electronic Warfare Squadron crew members who made the ultimate sacrifice on EC-47 ARDF missions during the Vietnam War.



(Left) photo taken GAFB 10-18-2016. Heritage Chapter President J.J. Graham & VP Ed Bendinelli visited with Wing folks to thank them for their support of the recent 6994th

reunion held here in San Angelo. From L-R: Col Michael Downs, Commander, 17TRW, Ed, J.J. MSgt Amber Isenberg, 17TRW Wing Protocol, 17TRW Command Chief Bobbie Riensche, and John "Doc" Garrett, 17TRW Historian. We presented each of those folks with a copy of the reunion poster.

During a recent visit to Wayne Newton's Casa De Shenandoah ranch museum in Las Vegas, Heritage Chapter Secretary Larry Ross donated an EC-47 ARDF Exhibit coin to a display in the Red Room where Wayne keeps all his memorabilia. Arrow in photo points to the displayed coin placed in the case.



EC-47 HISTORY EXHIBIT

The EC-47 ARDF exhibit continues to be a “must see” for visitors coming to Goodfellow! We continue to hear very positive feedback from the numerous DV’s that visit the base.

CRESSMAN AND LEFTWICH PROJECTS

We dedicated a shadow box at the newly renovated Cressman Dining Facility on Sep 22nd. Over 140 people, including a large contingent of 6994th veterans, attended the ceremony honoring Sgt Pete Cressman. Tom Crowley was the keynote speaker. This new display will allow students to be aware of who Sgt Cressman was and the sacrifice he made for our country. Next on our agenda: Leftwich Hall. We are committed to placing shadow boxes in each of the six buildings memorialized here at GAFB.

VIETNAM WAR 50TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

As a partner with **EC-47.com** and Angelo State University in the Vietnam War Commemorative Partner Program, we’ve participated in dozens of ceremonies honoring those who served during the Vietnam War. This year alone we’ve presented over 250 pins to local area veterans.

HEATH HALL

It’s official: Heath Hall, formerly the PME class center on GAFB, is going to be used to train international students this coming year. Any PME historical artifacts housed inside the building are being accounted for.

Note: For the 2nd straight year we sponsored four GAFB airmen in attending the annual AF Birthday Ball celebration.

Alamo Chapter, San Antonio, TX

Barnie Gavin, Chapter President

Mike Nielson, Chapter Secretary

**Chapter Meeting 18 August, 2016**

The meeting of the Alamo Chapter was called to order by President Barnie Gavin at 1820 on 18 August. Discussion centered on whether to hold the next spouses get together in October at The Well. Most members present agreed to do so. A reminder was provided by Ken Williams about the upcoming Hall of Honor and Banquet on 24 September, and Dennis Buxton reminded all that there are still golf slots open if anyone wants to play golf at the 22 September golf tournament.

The meeting adjourned at 1825 and then personal camaraderie and dinner was held.

Chapter Meeting 20 Oct 2016

The October 20, 2016 meeting of the FTVA Alamo Chapter was called to order by President Barnie Gavin at 6:25 pm at The Wall restaurant. This was a spouse's get together. Items discussed included:

- 1) Whether to meet at Logan's or periodically meet at the Wall.
- 2) Ron Haygood reported that 36 Larson Awards gold, silver and bronze medalists will be brought back to the headquarters along with their wing commanders and command chiefs for an awards ceremony.
- 3) Ron also indicated that, a discussion will be held at the next FTVA board meeting regarding how to shorten up the Saturday Hall of Honor ceremony and provide an opportunity for more/younger HQs personnel to attend. Perhaps moving the HOH ceremony to Thursday or Friday morning along with other changes may be in order. Discussion continued about how the picnic booths are manned and how to increase interest by active duty personnel in FTVA.
- 4) The 25 AF Spouses Group will be putting together boxes for deployed members at Sheila Williams' house. If any spouses are interested, there will be a meeting on 9 November, 6 pm, at 10118 Remuda View, San Antonio, TX.
- 5) We expect word from the NSA/TX commander about how the Alamo Chapter can best support their enlisted award programs.
- 6) Dennis Killian asked whether Intel unique AFSCs stay in 25 AF - most now move around so we can't keep the HQs as a focal point.

Alamo Chapter Oct 20th Out-Takes



Al Daugherty & Dan Martin

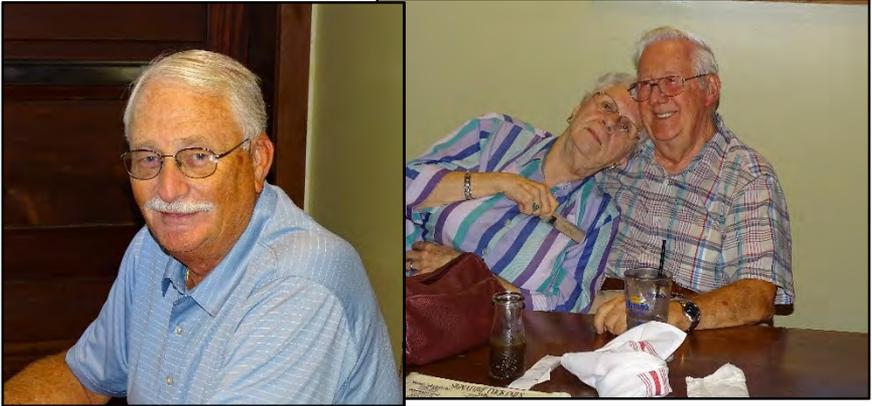
Joe Figueroa & Milton Driggers



Homer Waring, Sheila & Ken Williams with Ron Haygood

(L-R) Carole and Ken Gendolfe (as Chapter V.P. has his hand over his heart in celebration of the birthday of USAFSS) next to Ken Maynard.





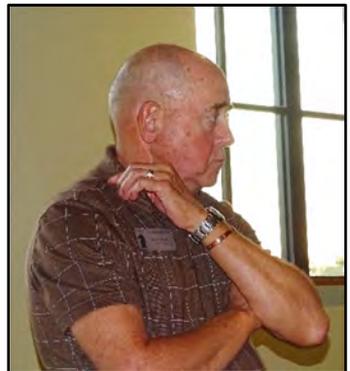
Loyal members Dennis Killian (left) along with Kay and Ron Weaver have only missed one Alamo Chapter meeting in the past year.



(Left) Theresa and Grady Robinson joined the hearty group for their first visit to the Chapter.

(Right) Chapter Prez Bernie Gavin maintained the group agenda and led the lively discussions.

(Erratum maximus: The photographer forgot to take Judy Gavin's photo.)





Rocky Mountain Chapter, Colo Springs, CO

Ftva-rockymountainchapter.com/

George “Ike” Eichelberger, President

The Rocky Mountain Chapter of the FTVA meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month at Rhinos Sports Bar, in Colorado Springs. Currently the RMC has approximately 40 members. Two new life members were added this year: Dennis Daniels and Charles Maerten. Ike shared how Chuck had found the national FTVA website and reached out to our President, Ron Haygood. Ron in turn sent a message to Ike, who then called Chuck with info about the Chapter meetings. Chuck attended the next meeting and shared about his early assignments in USAFSS. He was assigned to Wakannai, Japan from 1955-1957. His follow-on assignment was to the 6913RSM at Bremerhaven, Germany (1957-1959.) Chuck’s presence and his stories were a highlight of our July meeting.

In another incident, Ike ran into a gentleman at a local High School football game who was wearing a “6912SS” ball cap. Ike stopped the gentleman and asked him if he had been assigned to Tempelhof. He was assigned there in the 1960s and was glad to have been recognized from his hat. That provided a good opportunity to mention the FTVA baseball caps. They are a good way to show your connection to the AF Intelligence community and the FTVA.

Rocky Mountain Chapter Meeting – 13 Oct 16



We held our monthly FTVA Rocky Mountain Chapter meeting at Rhino's on 13 Oct. The main topic of discussion was our next Vietnam memorial ceremony, to be held at 3PM on November 3rd at the Air and Space Museum on Peterson AFB. Base Public Affairs is aware of the event, and an Entry list will be posted at the West gate for Peterson control. In attendance were Michael Andrew Click, Stan Cook, Dennis Daniels, George Ike Eichelberger, Chuck Maerten, Ron Nitzke, Tom Nurre, and Jeff Waldeck.



Gold Country Chapter

Yuba City, CA

John Aurelius, President

OC: NQ Since Last Edition.

National Capitol Chapter,

Washington, D.C.

Jerry Gething, President Erika Coleman, Secretary

During September's Annual general membership meeting, Jerry Gething presented a 'state of the chapter' briefing in which he related the chapter's herculean ongoing efforts. We hope to be hearing more from the NCR folks re-energize and represent well the FTVA to all alumni in the area as well as our active duty organizations and successors.

Florida Chapter,

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With no further activity to roll on, this edition's FTVA Chapter News and Events is now off-orbit. Hope to see many of the chapters' members at the September reunion!



BEDSIDE MATTERS

Tom Penn//Odenton, MD//Oct 27, 2016// Tom's been in and out of the hospital all month. He's been in the Univ of MD hospital since 16 Oct for fever and breathing problems. They've been draining a large amount of fluid from his left lung every few days. Much as he would like to go home, Rocky says it doesn't look like that will happen soon. Phongsee is staying with him almost 24/7. Please drop them a line at 526 Jo Ann Dr, Odenton MD. // **PWG-Doggers Website/Larry Miller-Bob Cope**// Nov 16, 2016// Tom is back home again now.//**Bob Cope**//

Jim Youngson <youngson@stic.net>//San Antonio, TX//Nov 4, 2016// Hi, Don. Thanks for asking. I left the rehab place today. Unfortunately, the new cancer isn't going to be treatable -- it's called large diffuse B Cell Lymphoma. I'm going to fight it as long as I can. Jim //**Don Davis**//

2015 REUNION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notifications of Upcoming Reunions



NOTE: Any Reunion plans for 2017? Let us help. The form found on the FTVA web site will ensure widest dissemination of your upcoming reunion contact details. Please Go to <http://www.ftva.org/>

Sep 21 – 24, 2017
6918th SS/SG Hakata, Japan
Location: Colorado Springs, CO
POC: Don Dickson ph. 303-751-7554 email: milehidickson@yahoo.com
Comment: Go to Hotel Elegante' <http://www.hotelegante.com/>
Unit Web Site: <http://6918thhakata.com>

Note: **6994th Security Squadron's** next reunion is planned for August 2017 in Dayton, OH. Details forthcoming in our next issue.



REUNION REPORTS

FTVA/25th AF 2016 Banquet Newsletter Compilation



On Saturday evening, over 250 members and their guests gathered at Lackland's Gateway Club to celebrate the 68th Anniversary of USAFSS and its successor commands. Lt Gen John D. Bansemer, Assistant Director of National Intelligence, headed up our distinguished attendees as the evening's guest speaker. Each of this year's HOH inductees were introduced after the pledge of allegiance.

Banquet Guest Speaker

Lieutenant General John D. Bansemer is the Assistant Director of National Intelligence for Partner Engagement at the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. In his present capacity, he serves as Director of National Intelligence lead for integration, coordination and collaboration with the intelligence community's domestic, international, military, and private sector partners. In this role, his duties include the optimization of intelligence community engagement with foreign partners and ensuring the fullest utilization of U.S. national intelligence capabilities in support of military operations. General Bansemer entered the Air Force in 1987 as a distinguished graduate of Officer Training School at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. His career has included a variety of operational intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance duties.





(Left) Following the General's well-received speech, a donation made out to the Intrepid Fallen Heroes Fund on his behalf was presented by FTVA President Ron Haygood.

(Right) Members of the 1st Radio Squadron Mobile (1st RSM) Misawa AB, Japan held their reunion in conjunction with the FTVA Reunion activities this year. Here, one of them held up his Squadron Cap in salute to the occasion. The group is made up of USAFSS founders who were part of the initial cadre of airmen who helped establish the initial unit in 1952. 1st Radio was the forerunner of the 6920th SG and its successor units in Japan.



(Left) Mrs. Doyle Larson and her daughter Nancy joined hands with Ken and Sheila Williams. These four were much in demand whenever there was a 'break in the action' during the banquet. Ken recently retired from

HQ 25th AF and continues to serve on the FTVA BOD.

(L-R) Bob and Donna Crabtree chatted with FTVA Alamo Chapter Vice President Ken Gendolfe while they were all looking for their banquet table seating.



Bob and Ann Sherwood (left) found Okie Warden and Paul Weseloh (right) at the banquet. The three men served as HQ Command CMSgt (Senior Enlisted Advisors) during their illustrious careers.



One fun table: Alieta Smith, Mike Kretzer, Ike Eichelberger, Jacque Lerma and Okie Warden were all smiles during the banquet this year.



(Above) Don't look now, but that's the head table:
(L-R) Rachel & Roger "Toby" Towberman (Command CMSgt), Kathy & Ron Haygood (the FTVA President) and Maj Gen Bansemer (our Guest Speaker).

(R) Susan and Col Kyle Forrier were among those on the best dressed list.



(L) Jen and Lee Anthony held their own in the well-stocked buffet line.

6994th Security Squadron Reunion Submitted by Rick Yeh



Seventy-Five veterans from the 6994th Security Squadron celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the activation of the squadron at Tan Son Nhut AB, Vietnam during their reunion at Goodfellow AFB, San Angelo, TX, from 20-23 September 2016.

The 6994th conducted the EC-47 Airborne Radio Direction Finding (ARDF) missions from April 1966 to May 1974 in both Vietnam and Thailand. The squadron remains the most highly decorated squadron in the history of the USAFSS, and its successor organizations including the current 25th Air Force; it also had the highest number of casualties by one squadron with the loss of 17 members during the Vietnam War. As a major contributor to intelligence requirements during the war, it was alleged that over 90% of the B-52 Arc Light attacks were based in part on target information provided by 6994th crews.

Day One: The group welcomed 29 first-time attendees to this year's reunion which began in the hospitality suite with a day of renewed friendships and the presentation of a banner celebrating the event.

Day Two: Thursday was filled with activities on Goodfellow, AFB. The day began with a continental breakfast, compliments of the San Angelo FTVA Heritage Chapter, at the events center on the base, followed by a remembrance ceremony in front of the Norma Brown HQs Building.



6994th crew-members remember the good times

(Left)
Before the ceremony, the 94th vets had a chance to reacquaint themselves with an 'old friend' - the static display of an EC-47 aircraft in front of the HQs.



6994th Security Squadron

Row 1: Rick Yeh, Ben Stewart, Danny Russell, Ed Bendinelli, Mitch Cooper, Ted Dietz, John Lauser, Ellery Preece, Chris Jones, Richard Willier, George Montague, Roger Swift, Bob Hull, Leon Heying, JC Wheeler. **Row 2:** Tommy Guy, Steve Baudoin, Rich Miklaucic, Steve Underdahl, Skeeter Dickerson, Butch Maybury, Charlie Phippin, Ed Miller, Larry Ross, Steve Brady, Frank San Nicolas, Ron McKee, Al Budington, William Patterson, Richard Hunt, Archie McLaughlin. **Row 3:** Dave Miller, Bob Thomas, Barry Moore, Stanley Harris, Dale Short, Lars Ritola, Dave Brittingham, Gene Dugal, Paul Grisham, Joe Hogg, Bill Francis, Ernie Woods, Troy Powell, Dan Loomis, Alan Parry, Dave Abel, Ralph Brown, Tom Nurre, Larry Gross, Joe Martin. **Row 4:** Gerald Hofman, Rick Brann, Tom Holt, Ron Whiteside, Bobby Billups, Rich Krejsa, Tracy Rogers, Tommy Pederson, Jim Heimbuecher, Karl Hammerle, Jim Tootle, Randy Geiger, Tom Hutchings, Rich Renkas, Jim Hart, Bill Nibblett, Mike Murray. **Missing from photo:** Don Moran, Pat Potter, Charles MacFarlane, Joe Giammichele, Mike Price, Paul Brady, Larry Leard, Lewis Foster.

(Right)

At the ceremony, 17th Training Wing Commander Col. Michael Downs welcomed the vets and congratulated them on their achievements.



Col. Michael Downs, Commander 17th Training Wing delivers the key note speech at the ceremony



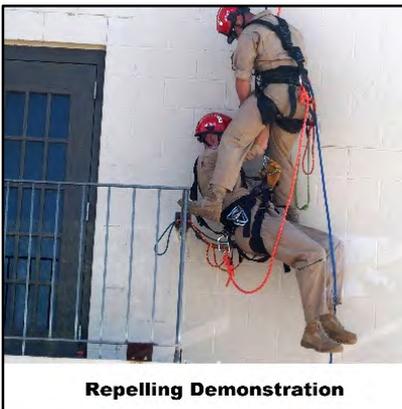
Vietnam Vets acknowledging their service

(Right) Also during the ceremony, the names of all 36 crewmembers from the 6994th Security Squadron, the 360th TEWS, the 361st TEWS and 362 TEWS that lost their lives during the war were read by Rick Yeh, representing the 6994th, and JC Wheeler, representing the TEWS squadrons. As each casualty's name was read, local FTVA member Larry Miller sounded a ceremonial bell in their honor.





Following the ceremony, squadron members split into alternating tours of the ARDF History Exhibit in the Norma Brown HQ building or a demonstration at the base fire academy.



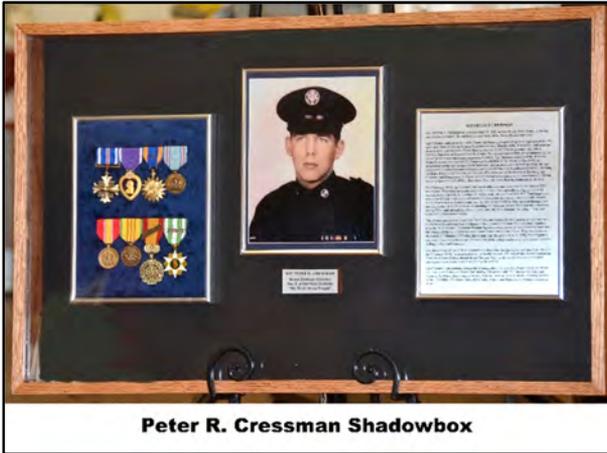
After the split tours, the group took a windshield bus tour of the base; of note were buildings bearing the names of six 6994th members that had been killed during the war.



6994th Ladies

Row 1: Sharon Renkas, Krong Hammerle, Lynn Cooper, Ann Grisham, Gloria Rogers, Shirley Francis, Shirley Hull, Judy Ritola, Cindy Krejsa
Row 2: Brenda Preece, Edie Potter, Jill Price, Rose Thomas, Thuy-Nga Niblett, Anh Tootle, Janet Dugal, Jan Pederson, Carol Martin, Karen Hart, Dolores Gelger, Laurie Brady, Kathleen Hoffman, Sharon Underdahl, Jill Thorne, Peggy Parry, **Row 3:** Susan Lauser, Nancy Abel, Donna Short, Pat Loomis, Delores Gross, Maureen Woods, Barbara McLaughlin

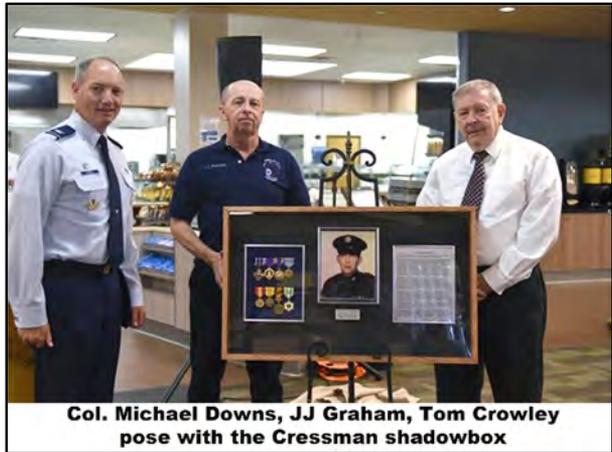
After the windshield tour, the First Community Federal Credit Union of San Angelo treated the group to a buffet lunch. During lunch, MSgt Douglas Earl, an Arabic linguist, provided a briefing on the history of Goodfellow AFB from its inception to its current mission and statistics.



Peter R. Cressman Shadowbox

The day concluded with an unveiling of a shadow box at the newly renovated dining facility named in honor of Sgt Peter R. Cressman, who was killed when his aircraft, call sign Baron 52 was shot down in February 1973.

At the unveiling, retired MSgt Tom Crowley, Pete's roommate in Da Nang and keynote speaker at the original building dedication in 1996, recapped Sgt Cressman's career before FTVA Heritage Chapter President JJ Graham, Chapter Vice President Ed Bendinelli, and MSgt (ret) Tom Crowley presented the shadow box to Col. Downs, who accepted the gift on behalf of the base.



Col. Michael Downs, JJ Graham, Tom Crowley pose with the Cressman shadowbox

The last day: Twenty-four 6994th vets met with intel students at Goodfellow in panel discussions about the ARDF mission. While the vets only had expectations of meeting with a few dozen students, they were overwhelmed and honored with the fact that over 200 students made the

time in their schedule to meet with them and learn about ARDF missions and how intelligence collection has changed over the past 5 decades.



Stephen Brady discusses ARDF operations with GAFB students



Mitch Cooper talks about his experience with the ARDF program

The reunion ended with a banquet, highlighted by a ceremonial Vietnam War Commemoration Pinning ceremony sponsored by retired CMSgt Tom Nurre and Joe Martin representing the EC-47 Association.



Shannon Sturm, Rick Brann, Richard & Debra Willier, Ron Whiteside, Tom Holt, Bobby Billups



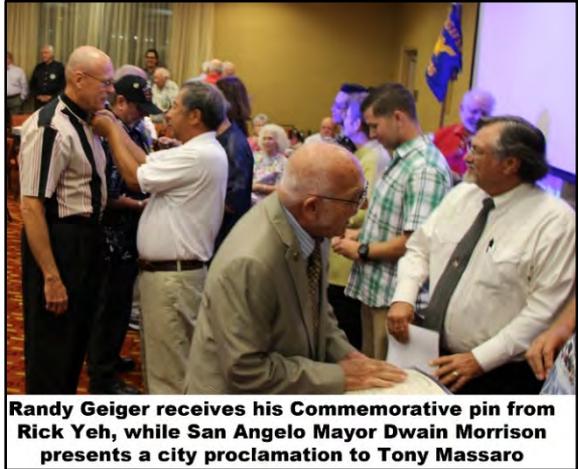
George Montague (L) and Skeeter Dickerson (R) found a table in the “overflow” dining room.



The commemoration ceremony was created to give Vietnam veterans the proper ‘Welcome Home’ that many did not receive at the end of their tours. The 94th vets at the reunion were presented with ceremonial pins, certificates and challenge coins.

Rick Yeh and Ed Bendinelli, representing the 6994th, 2Lt. Chris Conover, formerly of the 94IS, and Kanisorn Wongsrichanali and Suzanne Campbell from Angelo State University made the pin presentations.

(Upper left) The Hon. Dwain Morrison, San Angelo Mayor, presented the members with a city proclamation, then Joe Martin gave each vet an ARDF challenge coin, followed by JJ Graham and Shannon Sturm from Angelo State University who presented the vets with a certificate of honor.



Randy Geiger receives his Commemorative pin from Rick Yeh, while San Angelo Mayor Dwain Morrison presents a city proclamation to Tony Massaro



AF veteran Laurie Brady receives her Vietnam Commemorative pin from Rick Yeh

In addition, AF veteran Laurie Brady (wife of 94th veteran Stephen Brady) and Ray Leftwich Jr. (son of 94th casualty Ray Leftwich Sr.) also received commemorative pins from Rick Yeh.

The squadron's next reunion is planned for August 2017 in Dayton, OH.

(Note: For those who may be interested, highway NY I-86 between Exit 54 and 56, near Horseheads, NY is being re-designated as the “6994th Highway”. According to the map, it's just a little north of the PA/NY state line, south of Ithaca.)

**6916th SS/ESS Unit Recall PMFR
Raider Recovery Room (RRR) – Deployed**
Submitted by Carl Muelner

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The Unit Recall began on Thursday 11 Aug 2016 with the opening of the RRR-Deployed in room 726 of the Marriott-BWI, led by temporary RRR manager Dave Wurtz.

The 6916th Raiders started reporting for duty soon after and, after filling out their deployment checklists, began meeting, greeting, putting money “on the books in

the RRR”, drinking much adult beverage, telling stories (and some lies), and catching up on times long past.



Several pieces of 6916th memorabilia were on display, from “Me and My RC” T-shirts, to a copper 6916th “Proud Professionals” plaque, to aircrew flight crew scarves, and even a replica of the RRR brass bell (at left) for those foolish enough to enter the RRR wearing head covering... And yes, four surviving chapters of the “Mini Mind” do exist and were available, passed around for reading, review, astonishment, much laughter and reflection on the past. Stragglers kept showing up and this activity stretched well into the night, with the RRR closing somewhere well past midnight.

Friday saw the overall group dividing up the mission tasking. One crew, led by John “Knoppie” Knopp braved the heat and completed 18 holes on the Ft. Meade golf links.



A second crew, mostly out-of-towners who had not visited before, received a guided tour of the National Cryptologic Museum on the grounds of No Such Agency, located at the site of the old Colony 7 Hotel and restaurant (for those who remember that from long ago...).

The third crew of Raiders split up and roamed the countryside (no reports were received of any pillaging) or remained at the RRR drinking more cold adult beverages, meeting, greeting and reminiscing for a while. We all adjourned to a no-host Happy Hour at the Marriot's Champions Sports Bar from 17:00-20:00, for some food, more adult beverages, mingling and mixing. Of course, after that it was once again back to the RRR, well into the wee hours of the morning.



On Saturday, a few brave souls braved the heat once again on the Ft Meade links, but many, including more incoming stragglers, squeezed back in and out of the RRR to meet, greet, and chat through much of the day, until time to prep and dress for dinner. The RRR temporarily closed at 18:00 hours, as the cocktail hour began outside the ballroom and the full crew finally assembled and passed through the check-in table to receive credentials.



The evening was well MC'ed by “Stellar” Stu Skeen and Jay “Maverick” Donoho.



After the posting of the colors and a benediction by Rick Jackson, Stu and Jay pointed out the table in the corner, set for our missing POW-MIAs. Then we began a somber review on the projection screen of the names of over sixty 6916th Raiders, “Fallen Eagles” who are no longer able to answer the call. At the call of “Charge your glasses!”, we all drank a toast to all the Raiders, absent and present.



Next we enjoyed a very nice Greek-themed buffet with Greek dinner salad, Greek sides, tzatziki souvlaki, and pita bread - and yes, even baklava for dessert!



Ricky, Duane, Jo, Bret, Dick, Joann, Kathy (blocked) and Carl

In addition, a place was set for Soppo Cresap's troop A1C Jose Jimenez, who was again a “no-show” - probably doing a 1st Sgt detail.)



Our guest speaker, a former 16th member and current FTVA president, Ron Haygood, gave us both a light and serious review of the impact provided by 6916th personnel throughout its 17-year history in Athens. This impact is continuing even to this day by the Raiders who were part of the unit.

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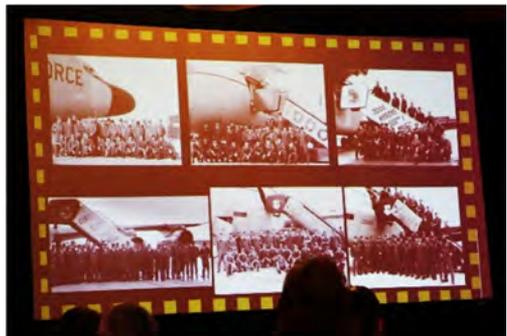
Socializing continued after the banquet until the Marriott staff kicked us out of the ballroom at 23:00 hours. And yes, the RRR opened for more Raider revelry until the wee hours once again, rumored to be 3 or 4 AM.



Sunday morning saw the “Trash and Galley” team cleaning up and disassembling the RRR one last time, as the travelers packed their A-3 bags to RTB to home, and we once again said our goodbyes.

Many thanks, primarily to Beth Yandow and Katy Bloom as the organizers and instigators as well as all the folks who put this event together.

Although the 6916th SS/ESS has a much longer and storied history, this gathering was primarily a celebration of the chapters of the unit during its existence at Hellenikon AB, Greece. And this was truly a memorable and multi-generational event – several hundred MFs, NMFs, MR, NMRs, MAs (patootie),



Special Sigs 205s/207x1s, AMTs, 202s, GPS-ers, flyers and non-flyers, civilian SpecReps and contractors, even JAFOS/BLEs, and the ever-enduring and resilient spouses – some from the time the unit opened at Hellenikon AB in 1973 until the unit closure in November 1990. Before we dispersed, it was rumored that Plans are already underway for the next 6916th Unit Recall and the reopening of the RRR-deployed.... stay tuned and Keep in Touch! “Ut fiat Libertas!” **XXHH**

2016 FTVA & 25th Air Force Golf Tourney

By Dennis Buxton, FTVA Golf Tournament Coordinator



The 2016 FTVA Reunion golf tournament got started on an unseasonably warm Thursday afternoon 22 September as 141 golfers teed it up at the Golf Club of Texas, San Antonio, TX. But the field kept their cool as the 36 teams successfully navigated this tough Lee Trevino design with great scores ranging from 57

(15 under par) to even par 72. While the theme of the day was centered on the golf, socializing was the preferred activity as old friends were reunited and “war stories” abundant as numerous “Long Time No See” reunions were held everywhere from the parking lot to the 19th hole and all locales in between.

After a 5-hour sauna-like experience under the hot South Texas sun, the group gathered in the club house for post-round libations to replenish lost liquids, burgers to replace expended fairway fuel, door prizes for the lucky, and the awarding of just desserts to those whose play merited recognition. The competition was fierce but the following folks managed to edge up over the field and garner this year’s golf honors.

1st Place/Score 57: The Champion Golfers of the 2016 FTVA/25AF Annual Golf Tournament: Al Binch, Ray Lafreniere, John Stallings, and Rod Teuscher.
2nd Place/Score 58: Tony Jeffrey, John Jones, Joe Lopez, and Mike Richardson
3rd Place/Score 59 (playoff): Richard Vaughn, Art McEwan, Jimmy Jones, and Guy Sherburne
4th Place/Score 59 (playoff): Jesse Coultrap, Scotty Lee, Gary Wright, and Paul Salaz
5th Place/Score 59 (playoff): Dale Bartos, Tony Bellanger, Jeff Frye, and Kelly Postert.
6th Place/Score 60: Lee Anthony, Jen Anthony, Ed Warfield, Clifford Casey.
We Had More Fun Place #1 (tie): Reuben Villa, Casesar Nafrada, Dillon Hatfield, Noel Hudseth
We Had More Fun Place #2 (tie): Bruce Bolley, Steve Staycoff, and 1 volunteer who switched groups to take the place of the two-some who had to cancel. My apologies for not recording your name.

There were also five skills challenges and the following sharpshooters garnered the honors:

FLOP WALL Contest: Josh “Philly Mick” Andrews

PUTTING CONTEST: Paul “Boss of the Moss” Turner

LONGEST DRIVE: Josh “I didn’t come here to lay up” Andrews

MOST ACCURATE/STRAIGHTEST DRIVE: Tim “Steady Eddie” Sipowicz

CLOSEST TO THE PIN #3: Larry “Lob Wedge” Watkins

CLOSEST TO THE PIN #12: Jimmy “Water? What Water?” Jones

KUDOS AND THANKS.

What It’s All About: Our raison d’être. Thanks to all Command members past, present and future for making each year’s reunion and especially this Golf Tournament a success. No tournament of this magnitude can happen without the efforts of many, many volunteers. As a result, the following folks have our deep gratitude for their able assistance:

First, the staff and crew at the Golf Club of Texas for putting on a great event with their outstanding support and service and secondly, the set-up team who arrived early to ensure all was well and all was ready. Thank you. Because of your efforts this was the best, fastest, least stressful golf set up I’ve experienced. Thusly, we say:

Muchas Gracias

Domo Arigato

Kamsa-ham-ni-da

Spasibo

and, for our Morse friends:

“ - - - .- / -.- --- .. “

To Bernie Gavin, Ken Gendolfe, Jesse Green, Ken Maynard and Ken Williams. And special thanks and high fives to volunteers Diana and Mike Nielsen and “Phred” Sevensing for sticking with me all day. Mike and Diana were especially helpful during check-in and proffering up the mulligans. Great job. Mike also doubled down with Phred (the FTVA Hat Guy) to manage the fun (for some) flop wall contest. Neither one suffered any injuries although it was reported the club house may have suffered a broken window (200 yards away) from a “skulled” shot. In addition, the help of my new 3 BFFs in dispensing the prizes at the end was greatly appreciated. Thanks much and you’re all on the hook for next year’s grand event as well!

New BFFs:

Tournament volunteers (l-r) Mike and Diana Nielsen and “Phred” Sevensing were instrumental in helping make this year’s tourney such a success. Among the myriad of tasks assigned, the intrepid trio checked-in golfers, sold mulligans and hats, managed the flop wall contest, and divvied out the prizes as the end. Thanks!



Souvenirs and News:

Among the many activities your FTVA does is to offer membership hats for a donation and sending out the quarterly editions of the newsletter in both e-Editions and hardcopy – and helping us all to “Remain in Touch”.

Los Tres Amigos:

Waiting for their order of ‘fairway fuel’ prior to teeing it up. Depicted (l-r) are Dave “Dom” Domyancic, Terry Almeter and Roger Lanciault.



Love Birds: Margrit and John Frock, stalwart golfer and perennial reunion attendee coming from San Angelo, posed for the camera before the round.



Zoom! Zoom! Gathering of the Carts, the annual tournament ritual was shrouded with pomp & circumstance as golfers ‘walked the line’ renewing friendships prior to taking on the course.

Winner, Winner Chicken Dinner! This “Gang of 4” walked away with this year’s top prize with a score of 57. Depicted (l-r) are: Rod Teuscher, Ray Lafreniere, John Stallings and Al Binch.





The Ash Gaggle (left): Every year FTVA member and command alum Bill Ash the Senior brings 2 to 3 foursomes for fun in the sun and to renew old acquaintances. Depicted here is the Patriarch himself (second from left) along with Bill Ash, Jr., Ken Ash and Teddy Manwaring. See ya next September!

Hill Representation: Led by Paul Turner from Security Hill, the team of Regina Muniz, Greg Brown and Christopher Dale enjoyed the day and here show off their award-winning smiles.



Somebody Call a Cop! Another annual group hitting the ball far and wide was the team of (l-r), Guy Sherburne, Richard Vaughn, Art McEwan and Jimmy Jones.

Band of Merry Men: With the indomitable Ed Rodriguez (far right), annual team captain and golfer extraordinaire leading the the team, Jerry Hale, John Frock and Waco Wetterman once again roamed the fairways at the annual FTVA reunion.



Hope to see you all next September!

2016 REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

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After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, and an opening prayer, the FTVA along with the 25th Air Force honored its own " Silent Warriors" on Sept. 23rd during a Remembrance Ceremony in front of the 25th Air Force Headquarters building.



The ceremony brought together current active duty and former intelligence professionals to honor the Silent Warriors who have given their lives in service to the United States. The term "Silent Warriors" refers to Airmen who served under the various AF intelligence command iterations over the years--the United States Air Force Security Service, Electronic Security Command, Air Force Intelligence Command, Air Force Intelligence Agency, Air

Force ISR Agency and the present day 25th AF.



A large crowd gathered to observe the Remembrance Ceremony.



With the C-47 display in the background, Maj Gen Bradford Shwedo addressed the crowd. He emphasized the need for us to remember and honor the contributions, sacrifices and recent demise of our professionals.

Following Maj Gen Shwedo's address, Ron Haygood, FTVA president, gave some thoughtful reflections regarding the history and reason for the ceremony. Ron said, "This also is the time you should remember your personal experiences, your assignments, your buddies, your time away from home... in Viet Nam, Berlin, Taiwan, Misawa, Augsburg,



Chicksands or countless other places that we no longer have units. It is a time to remember your favorite supervisor or trainer, flight commander, mission sup, S&W sup, airborne analyst, your best Morse operator or linguist, ops sup, DO, squadron commander, CMSgt, roommate, or just that best buddy you haven't thought about in years. So, take the time, take every opportunity you can to reach out and make contact while you can. And thanks for coming out today and hope to see you at the picnic afterwards, and, as always remember the FTVA's motto to Remain in Touch."



(Left) As is the tradition, a roll call of former civilian and military service members who have passed away during the past year was read aloud by Loren (Phred) Sevening who was recently re-elected as the Executive Secretary for the FTVA.

An F-16 Flyover culminated the reading of the roll for the deceased.

The remembrance ceremony is very personal to all of us. It is about the absence of family, friends and sometimes tragedies.

A memorial wreath was laid by SrA Ty Brown (right)



The wreath-laying was followed by the playing of Taps by Air Force Band of the West Bugler TSgt David Evans (left)

Finally, a memorable performance of “Amazing Grace” (right) by Bagpiper E.W. Forbes, USAF (Ret).



(Left) O.T. Johnson, Greg Mahoney, Julie and Ed Warfield met at the ceremony, then headed out to Stapleton Park for the picnic.

(Right L-R) Steve Douchette, Ken Williams, Barnie Gavin and Bob Cope found a shady spot in the VIP seating section.



(Left) Meantime, some of the Roll Call and Misawa reunion goes said they had a good view from the bleachers.

2016
THE PICNIC
At Stapleton Park
RIT Staff Compilation



(Left L-R)
A smiling Jacquie Lerma, AJ Harrison and Bob Crabtree were back at work as usual this year. This trio of terrific vets hosted the beer booth again (for the 30-umpteenth time).

(Right L-R)
Mike Loukoviac.
Chuck Simson,
Gary Weissgerber and Roger Hubert found comfort in the shade of Pavillion II.



(Left L-R) Rick Rowe, Dan Heatgen and Ottis 'Leroy' Rogers relaxed in the shade by Pavilion I.

The picnic seems to provide a great opportunity for ol' friends to keep in touch every year.



(Left) Jim McLendon was happy to find out there was some BBQ available at the food booths.



(Right) Bob Baert (foreground) was busy taking care of FTVA membership concerns while Bernie Gavin (background) oversaw local Alamo Chapter and BOD interests.



(Left L-R) Bennie Spear came down from Omaha, NE to join Ed Chaffin (Homer, LA) and Joe Gignac (Ocala, FL) who found a table in Pavilion I.

(Right L-R) Four “birds of a feather”: Jesse Greene, John Lopes, Ed Jolly, and Ken Maynard were all smiles.





(Left) Dave Domyancic and Bill Sheck are two ol' flyers who never miss the annual picnic pilgrimage. As usual, they kept busy visiting with their many amigos at the picnic.

(Right) Heritage Chapter Prez JJ Graham managed to get to the picnic from San Angelo in time to coordinate with Alamo Chapter Prez Bernie Gavin.



(Left) Judy and Steve Mobry came all the way from Seguin, WA to attend the Roll Call and FTVA reunion festivities.

(Right) Traditional stalwarts: Kay and Ron Weaver are reliable regulars at virtually all of San Antonio FTVA functions. Here they are enjoying the camaraderie in Pavilion I.





(Left) Wayne Bascom (R) came down from San Angelo for the day and took the opportunity to visit with Pete Siegel (L) at the picnic.

(L-R) In the shade of Pavilion II Tom Baker (Hollidaysburg, PA) Walt Ritter (San Antonio) and Tom Nurre (San Angelo) made up for lost time at their “annual reunion get together”.



(Left) The camera caught Yvonne and Ron Moyer as they wandered down the picnic plaza.

(Right) Several active duty folks from 25th AF Hq took their lunch break at the picnic.





HALL OF HONOR INDUCTEES FOR 2016

Compiled by Newsletter Staff

The Hall of Honor (HOH) was created by FTVA in 1983 to honor individuals who served USAFSS/ESC and its successor commands with great distinction and contributed immeasurably to mission excellence. The Hall preserves the legacy of those who have gone before, highlights their deeds, and honors their contributions. Four new members were inducted into the HOH during a ceremony held at 25th AF HQ on Sept 24th. The foursome was selected for induction by a 9-member FTVA alumni group of prior HOH members.

A.J. Harrison, HOH Chair



(L-R)
Ken Williams
Larry “LB” Boyce
Tom Rioux
Chuck Ellis

Friends, FTVA alumni & family members attend the ceremony to congratulate the inductees.



Mr. Kenneth A. Williams, Jr., USAF (Ret)



Ken Williams was among the first ever HQ AIA DISLs; the AIA, AFISRA, 25 AF Director of Staff for five commanders. Technically smart and wise in what ISR can and can't do, he was a force multiplier coordinating with NSA, NGA, NRO, and AF/A2 leadership. He provided direct support to the commanders during realignment and activation of 19 units, growing from 20,000 personnel in 2006 to 27,000 in 2015; integrating 55 Wing (RC-135 & E-4) and 9 RW (U-2 & Global Hawk) along with all base & support functions into 25 AF. As an AF officer, he revitalized the NSA IG; served as 91 IS/CC, 694 IG/CV, 324 IS/CC; Chief, Current Ops Div, HQ AIA; Dep Chief JTF Southwest Asia JIC, Saudi Arabia; and Chief Current Ops, HQ AIA. As Deputy JIC Chief, he earned the Bronze Star for leading a series of remarkable firsts, including first Global Hawk UAV military combat deployment, first employment of U-2 Beyond Line of Sight communications connections, and first integration and collection management of multiple Predator UAVs in combat environments for both SOUTHERN WATCH and ENDURING FREEDOM.



Chief Master Sergeant Charles J. Ellis, USAF (Ret)



CMSgt Charles “Jerry” Ellis’ airborne reconnaissance career was exemplified and highlighted by his handling of coverage of the 1968 Warsaw Pact invasion of Czechoslovakia. He was deemed the “analytic authority” in Europe on targeted communications. He served as a technical expert in the 1975 bilateral strategic arms limitation treaty (SALT II) talks between US President Gerald R. Ford and Soviet Premier Leonid Brezhnev in Helsinki. As part of Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger’s team, Ellis reviewed and offered recommendations on proposed Soviet positions on disarmament and other military activities in real-time. He was the Chief Operational Advisor on a multi-million-dollar program to restore vital capabilities. He consulted on sensitive collection projects, performed numerous, lengthy overseas TDYs, and provided collection, production, analysis, and management support for several world crises. The DIA Director and the Secretary of State personally commented on his value to national defense. Jerry Ellis continued mentoring active duty and civilian linguists throughout his follow-on NSA career.



Chief Master Sergeant Thomas G. Rioux, USAF (Ret)



As 315th Training Squadron Superintendent, CMSgt Rioux championed the plan to double the student training pipeline while improving dormitory space, manpower requirements, instructor schedules and classroom spaces to handle the student surge. As 70 ISRW Command Chief, he fostered “Home Wing” concept to leverage the many tours that cryptologic Airmen serve in the wing while advancing a warrior ethos and spearheading a major fix to the Wing’s deployment process. He was the pioneer for multi-disciplined intelligence/information operations in the Pacific theater. As Squadron Superintendent, 31st Intelligence Squadron, Fort Gordon RSOC, he ensured placement, management, training and supervision of 550 airmen “in the fight” every day in Operations IRAQI FREEDOM and ENDURING FREEDOM. As Operations Superintendent, 324 IS, Kunia Regional Security Operations Center, he was the Commander’s lead for 450 Air Force personnel in the 2,200-person joint service/command environment focused on conducting cryptologic operations supporting national, theater and tactical requirements.



Senior Master Sergeant Larry R. “LB” Boyce, USAF (Ret)



SMSgt Boyce was an airborne *pioneer* who transitioned the RC-135 reconnaissance aircraft from a Cold War, strategic Peacetime Aerial Reconnaissance Operations platform into an agile, tactically-responsive and technologically superior warfighter system – his contributions were showcased around the globe in numerous ISR mission successes. He authored the Joint Task Force - Southwest Asia (JTF-SWA) Tactics, Techniques and Procedures (TTP) handbook that was fundamental to the

interoperability between the RC-135 RIVET JOINT, EC-130 COMPASS CALL, F-16C/J WILD WEASEL and EA-6B PROWLER platforms, including the first-ever communications jamming guide for RC-135 support to the EA-6B. He single-handedly led the development of the Multi-Command Manual (MCM), Volume 21 (RC-135 Tactical Employment), thereby establishing and dictating the procedural employment, management & operations of the RC-135 aircraft fleet - the bible for how to use the RJ. The consummate Airman – leader, linguist, airborne operator and interoperability pioneer.





FALLEN EAGLES



Received word of the following losses from caring relatives, friends or obituaries and offer prayers and sympathy to loved ones. *“It is the soldier above all others who prays for peace, for it is the soldier who must suffer and bear the deepest wounds and scars of war.”* Douglas MacArthur

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 Petersen, Robert D., Lt Col (ret), USAF
 Pucillo, Patric M., USAFSS
 Rivera Ramon A., SMSgt (ret), USAF & Rivera, Joan F. (spouse)
 Seay, Marion E., USAFSS
 Sellman, Jack W., *FTVA Member* ***
 Smith, Howard P., Maj Gen (ret), *USAFSS Commander 1974 to 1975*
 Sprague, Richard L., SMSgt (ret), USAF, *FTVA Lifetime Member* ***
 Stelf, David O., MSgt (ret),
 Telgenhoff, Donald B., USAFSS
 Townsend, Richard J., USAFSS
 Wallace, William C., SMSgt (ret), USAF
 Weiss, Gregory W., 61, USAF
 White, Jimmie R., USAFSS
 Wilhite, Duane M., SMSgt (ret), USAF *FTVA Lifetime Member* ***



Becker, Julie Ann, MSgt (ret), 54, passed away on August 9, 2016. Julie served with honor and distinction as a Russian Cryptologic Linguist in the United States Air Force for over 22 years, retiring on August 1, 2004 at the rank of Master Sergeant. Her military honors include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal, and the Army of Occupation Medal for her service in Berlin, Germany.

She is survived by her daughters Carolyn and Sarah. //Obit – Stauffer Funeral Home//

Served with Julie in Berlin...was a total professional. //A.J. Harrison//



Bee, Michael Eugene, MSgt (ret), 68, of San Antonio, Texas, passed away on October 9th, 2016. Mike worked as intelligence specialist for the USAF for 20 years, serving overseas in Japan, Thailand, and Germany. While serving on active duty, he earned his master's degree in International Relations from University of Southern California. After retiring in 1986, he continued to serve the USAF as a contractor and a government service employee. Mike is survived by his wife of 46 years, Cathy and daughter Jennifer. //Obit – Mission Park Funeral//

Mike and I worked together on Security Hill during my civil service career. Mike was the type that would do anything to help you. He knew his job well and loved to talk about golf. I know he and Jimmy were very good friends. The last time I saw Mike at SAMMC he told me "I'm taking it one day at a time". I told Mike that "God is great and he will look after him". I will miss him very much. I can't tell you how many friends Mike had, but I do know there were lots of them. My condolences to Cathy and their children. //Chief Master Sergeant (Retired) Ed Jolly//

Went to MSgt (Retired) Mike Bee's memorial service today. He was a fine man and will be greatly missed. Rest in Peace Mike. You were one of the best! //Lanny Abee//



Carney, Bert R., 72, passed away July 29 2016. A Vietnam Veteran, he loved his cats, music and creating things and would share his passions with anyone willing to listen. He is survived by his wife: Carol and son Justin. //Obit – My Leader//

Bert was a 202 on Baker during his tour at Hakata 1963-1964. //Carol Farr//



Chapman, Gerald L, 75, passed away February 18, 2016. He graduated High School in 1958. He enlisted in the Air Force as a Morse Code Intercept Operator and eventually a Non- Morse Code Intercept Operator. He was assigned to Misawa, Japan in 1960 and was on duty when the U2 spy plane with Francis Gary Powers was shot down. He is survived by his wife Kay Most and three children; Michele, Kara, and Justin. //Obit – Merced Sun Star//



Colby, Carlton F., 81, husband of Antoinette (Levesque) Colby, passed away May 23, 2016. Carlton served in the USAFSS during the Korean War and the ensuing years overseas. He was an Applications Analyst with Pratt & Whitney before his retirement. He is survived by his wife Antoinette and four children. //Obit - Carmon Funeral Home//



Coultas, Raymond L., CMSgt (ret), 84, passed away November 21, 2015. He served in the USAF for 26 years joining in July of 1951. He was stationed in Shiroy AFB, Japan; Wheeler AFB, Hawaii, Vietnam; and Kelly AFB, San Antonio, receiving the Bronze Star and other

Commendations. He was a Data Base Manager and Systems Analyst for the Air Force. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Betty, one son & two daughters. //Sunset Northwest Funeral Home//



Cronin, James T., CMSgt (ret), 82, passed August 26, 2016. Jim is reunited with his beloved wife of 60 years, Patricia, who preceded him in death December 8, 2015. Jim joined USAFSS at 17 and became a radio operator. His first tour of duty landed him in Scotland. During his 26-year career in the Air Force, Jim quickly rose through

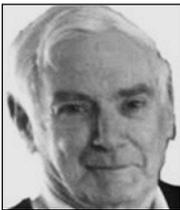
the ranks, becoming one of the youngest Airmen to make CMSgt. The Cronin family traveled the world, from the United Kingdom to the Philippines. Jim retired from the USAF and worked as an Information Security Officer with NSA. Jim is survived by his three children. //Obit - Hardesty Funeral Home//



Dean, Stanley V., 77, passed away July 16, 2016. He joined the USAF in 1956. After serving for four years as a Russian linguist, stationed in Stuttgart, Germany, he resumed his education at the University of West Florida. //Obit - Pensacola News Journal//



Demler, Lewis F., 73, died August 19, 2016. He served 10 years in the USAF as a linguist and computer technician during the Vietnam War. He was last employed in information technology as a data base administrator for Bookspan, formerly Book-of-the-Month Club in Mechanicsburg. Survived by his wife Debra and daughter Roberta. //Obit - **Roseboro Stradling Funeral//**



Dermody, Richard F., Maj (ret), 73, died August 15, 2016. Richard's military career began as an ROTC cadet. On September 30, 1960, he entered active duty in the USAF at Goodfellow AFB, San Angelo, Texas. He was assigned to the 554th RECON Squadron, Korat Air Base, Thailand, during the Vietnam War, completing 100 airborne missions as of October 27, 1968. He was

Commander of the 6985th Squadron at Eielson AFB, AK, in the mid-1970s and later was assigned to the Air Force Inspector General's (IG) team. He retired from active duty on September 30, 1987, with rank of Major, having completed 23 years of honorable service. Richard is survived by his wife of 42 years, Carole. //Obit - **Boardway and Cilley Funeral//**



Dickerson, Warren L., CMSgt (ret), 73, passed away June 20, 2016. He entered the Air Force in October 1960. He served three instructor tours at Keesler AFB teaching the Morse Systems course. He served overseas with the Electronic Security Command (ESC) in Germany, Italy and three tours in Crete, Greece. He served at ESC Headquarters in San Antonio, Texas in 1984-1985 as Chief Enlisted Manager of Worldwide Training. He retired in 1990 as Manager of Patient Affairs at USAF Hospital Keesler AFB. He then worked for the U.S. Postal Service for 19 years and retired in 2009 after more than 49 years of combined Federal Service. He is survived by his loving wife of 42 years, Sondra; two daughters, Deborah and Dorothy. //Obit - **Bradford-O'Keefe Funeral Home//**



Finch, Robert H. "Bob", SMSgt (ret), 87, passed away August 30, 2016. He was a veteran of World War II and the Korean War, joining the US Army Air Corps at 17. He was discharged after 9 months due to the drawdown after WWII. He enlisted in the USAF upon the outbreak of the Korean War.

He was selected to work in radio maintenance in the USAFSS and was assigned to 1st Radio Squadron Mobile (RSM), Detachment 13, 606th Air Control & Warning in Korea. He was the only radioman and was responsible for all electronic equipment, including two studio grade tape recorders, as well as the design and maintenance of antennas. From 1955 to 1966, the family moved between San Antonio, TX, and Anchorage, AK. He retired from the AF in 1969. He is survived by his wife of 64 years Elise; sons Marshall and Robert. //Obit – Mulhearn Funeral//



Fredette, Douglas Arthur, 80, passed away Oct 29, 2016. He was a 20-year veteran of the USAF. His military career included assignments in New York, Alaska, Texas, Taiwan, and Germany. And retired after nearly 20 years with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs in San Antonio, Texas. He was preceded in death by his first wife of nearly 50 years, Mary Catherine

Grimm Fredette and is survived by his second wife, Margaret. //Obit – Porter Loring//



French, Chancel T., Lt Col (ret), 79, died October 15th, 2016. French served in the Electronic Security Command in Scotland, Turkey, Japan, Korea, Thailand, Germany and Greece during his 34-year career. He was inducted into the Hall of Honor for the USAFSS/ESC in 1990 and his plaque hanging in the Hall of Honor carries the inscription "A legend in his time, a linguist, staff and ops officer, teacher and commander." He also founded the ESC Honor

Guard. He was preceded in death by his wife Cascille and son John. Survivors include his step-daughter. //Obit - Montgomery Advertiser//

I was fortunate to serve with him at NKP and just missed him at Athens, where he was the 6916 ESS/DO. He was also at the 6948th, HQ and was our liaison to Air University. Great guy! **//Bob Cope//**

I heard Chancel French passed. What a loss. He was one of the finest and most intelligent men I ever served with in the USAF. I never saw him without a big grin and a piece of friendly advice. He will be missed. **//Dickie Hites//**

A one of a kind leader, mentor, and friend. We shared some great times at work and on the golf course. His quick wit and ability to make us laugh made a golf round with Frenchy a truly enjoyable time. RIP old friend. **//Greg Mahoney//**



Glorioso, Dominic M., 93, passed away July 1 2016. He served as a Sgt. Intercept Operator in the U.S. Air Force. He is survived by daughters Linda and Sharon. **//Obit – Donnellan Funeral Home//**



Jackson, Flando E., Lt Col, 45, passed away while deployed to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Inherent Resolve on August 4, 2016. He was on active duty with the Washington Air National Guard. Flando was a graduate of J. W. Sexton High School. He is survived by Sons Dylan and Nikolas Jackson, daughter Evalyn Jackson. **//Obit - Estes-Leadley//**

He was at Kunia, my last tour there and was a nice guy. RIP Sir! **//Darrin Brandon//**



Lewis, Lucien G., 86, passed away July 17, 2016. Lucien attended the University of Alabama for two years before enlisting in the Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He served three of his four years in the USAFSS in Germany. Lucien reentered the University of Alabama after his discharge. **//Obit – Sunset Funeral Home. Photo @ findagrave.com//**

(Lucien was assigned to Bremerhaven, Germany. **//6913th.org//**)



Lovett, Robert L., MSgt (ret), 76, passed away September 19, 2016. Box was an X1, served tours at Shemya, Darmstadt, Scotland, Vietnam and other USAFSS locations. Drank a little wine and went to a few motor races with Bob in Darmstadt. Leaves wife Joan Gilmore and others. //Ed Bendinelli//

I was informed that my old and dearest friend, MSgt Robert L (Bob) Lovett, passed away yesterday afternoon. Bob and I first met at Shemya AS in 1960 as X1s. From there we went to Scotland together and remained friends throughout the years. He had a long battle with COPD and other ailments. He was a wonderful person whom I will miss greatly. Condolences to his wonderful wife Joan Gilmore and extended family. All of us who knew him will surely miss him. We had many a good time. RIP my old friend. //Lanny Abee//



Loiselle, Gordon W., SMSgt (ret) 81, passed away Dec 14, 2015. Gordon retired from the United States Air Force USAFSS and had served honorably in both the Korean and Vietnam wars. Survivors include: wife, Kané; daughters Diane, Linda, Yvonne; and son Gregory. //Obit – Huson Funeral//

A203X1 Chinese linguist. He was at the 6988th at Yokota. //Pete Siegel//

Thank you for allowing us to see so much when we lived in Mississippi, California, Massachusetts, Texas (3 times) Japan (3 times), Okinawa, as well as Maryland. I love you Daddy. //Diane Loiselle Cooper//



Masinos, Jerome S., CMSgt (ret), 81, passed away July 31, 2016. He enlisted in the USAF in 1956. He served for 26 years as an intelligence analyst and achieved the rank of Chief Master Sergeant. He was stationed in Japan, Taiwan, Texas, Korea, Maryland and Okinawa. Following his retirement in 1982, he became an analyst for NSA. Survived by his wife of 52 years, Setsu (Kawasaki) and one daughter, Deborah. //Obit – Charles E. Snyder Funeral//

Great memories of Jerry. In Korea, one morning, we found at our desks a set of typed rules for a “Folder Game” in response to our boss’s policy regarding the daily read file. Jerry had thought it through before creating a hilarious document that showed his wit and intelligence. I mourn his passing. The world is a colder place without him. **//Pete Dinwoodie//**

Jerry was a 202 on Daze flight during his tour at Hakata 1958 to 1961. **//Carol Farr//**



McNulla, Patric M. Capt (ret), 78, passed away Oct 8, 2016. A 23-year USAFSS veteran, Pat was a graduate of Vergennes, VT High School, Pat married his high school sweetheart, Paulette Legault, on June 14, 1958 and enlisted in the USAF shortly thereafter. For the first 10 years, he worked as an intelligence specialist for USAFSS then received a commission after earning a BS in Business Administration from St. Benedicts College under the Bootstrap commissioning program in 1970. He opened the USAFSS Liaison office at Keesler AFB in late 1971; served in Thailand from 1973 – 74; returned to HQ USAFSS where he remained until his retirement as a Captain in 1979. Pat earned a Master Degree in Business Management from UTSA and then worked for Southcoast Mortgage Company. He and Paulette moved to Bryan, TX in 1993 where he started his own company, McNulla Consulting, before he and his wife relocated to Houston in 2013 to be closer to family. A doting father and grandfather, Pat passed onto his children his love of the water. In retirement, he enjoyed blue grass music, his dogs and traveling with Paulette in their fifth wheel. He is survived by his devoted wife, Paulette; his two brothers and five sisters; 6 children, 19 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. **//Spouse Paulette through Tom Turner//**

Pat was my supervisor at the Joint Service Processing Center on Okinawa from 1966 -1967. He was one of the smartest NCO’s I’ve known and was promoted to TSgt during that time frame. **//Dennis Rassmussen//**



Moll, Raymond C., 81, passed away April 2, 2016. From March 1955 – Dec 58, he served in the USAF as a Morse Intercept Operator. He is survived by his beloved wife of 58 years, Laverne, and three children; Pamela, Lori, and Scott. **//Obit – Warco Falvo Funeral Home//**



Petersen, Robert D., Lt Col (ret), 86, passed away on May 29, 2016. He joined the USAF on July 31, 1951, and served 25 years. He began his career at the height of the Korean War. He became an expert in Asian affairs, and served in Japan and California before being assigned to the National Security

Agency (NSA). He retired from the Air Force in 1976. Robert is survived by his children Robert and Lauri. **//Obit – Russon Mortuary//**



Pucillo, Patric M., 74, passed away May 13 2016. He enlisted in the USAF where he served as a Russian linguist in the Security Service. He leaves behind one son and three daughters. **//Obit – Staten Island Advance//**

I met Patric for the first time at the USAFSS reunion in Asheville North Carolina in 2007 and was impressed with his wit, humor, and ability to tell a story. I was a little ahead of him in the AF. We will miss him very much. His family can be extremely proud of him and his contributions to his country and his fellow SIGINTERS. **//Jim Kimmett//**

As a fellow Air Force Russian linguist, I got to know him through our veterans' group "USAFSS Roll Call". A very talented writer, he kept us enthralled with stories of growing up in Staten Island. He also often posted medical news of interest. I offer my sincere condolences to all his family and friends. **//Chet Gulczynski//**



Rivera, Ramon Antonio "Ray", SMSgt (ret), 84, passed away October 7th, 2015. Ray spent 24 years in the USAF retiring in August 1973. **Rivera, Joan F., 73**, passed away November 28th, 2015. She married Ray on September 18, 1959 in Edinburgh, Scotland. They were married for 56 years.

Joan spent her years caring for her family, and supporting her husband's career in the United States Air Force. **//Rhoton Funeral Home//**

He served 24 years, including tours with the USAFSS 6949th Security Squadron. **//JD Colon//**



Seay, Marion E. "Ed", 68, died June 16, 2015. Ed joined the USAF after High School in 1964. He worked in intelligence for the Air Force during the Vietnam era. He is survived by a sister, Lela and two brothers, Jim and Ben. **//Obit – Arkansas Online//**

Ed served as a Vietnamese linguist at 6990th Security Squadron from 1967-1970. He then re-trained in another language and served in Athens, Greece. He separated from the Air Force as a TSgt. **//Warren Yursik//**



Sellman, Jack W., 76, passed away October 3, 2016. He was a 292 who was stationed with Det 6 (later Det 2) 6910th SW at Camp Pieri in Wiesbaden, Germany during the early 1960s time frame. He is survived by his wife Millie. **//Obit-Wilson Apple Funeral Home// //Notified – Mike Baye//**

Inscription "A2C USAF Vietnam". **//findagrave.com//**



Simmons, James M., 75, passed away on Sunday August 21, 2016. After Jim's service to our country in the United States Air Force as a 292X1, he continued his career with the Department of Defense, National Security Agency. Jim is survived by his wife of 52 years, Lyn; sons, Michael and Jeffrey. **//Obit - Baltimore Sun//**



Smith, Howard P., Maj Gen (ret), 91, passed away May 10, 2016. He entered the U.S. Army in April 1943 and served Army Air Corps as an aerial navigator. He was released from active duty in December 1945 and recalled to active duty February 1947. He served several tours in Reconnaissance and Intelligence organizations. General Smith became commander of the USAFSS in May 1974. In August 1975, he was

assigned to Headquarters U.S. European Command, Stuttgart-Vaihingen,

Germany, as Director of Intelligence, J-2 and retired as J-2, Headquarters U.S. European Command. Maj Gen Smith is survived by two sons, Brian and Alan; two daughters Kimberly and Wendelin. //Obit - [currentobituary.com](http://www.currentobituary.com/)//The General's bio can be found at:

<http://www.af.mil/AboutUs/Biographies/Display/tabid/225/Article/105611/major-general-howard-p-smith-jr.aspx>



Sprague, Richard L., SMSgt (ret), 73, passed away July 6, 2016. He served in the USAF from April 1964 until July 1988. He completed over 52 years of combined Military and Civilian Federal Service, including tours of duty at Goodfellow, Elmendorf, Hickam, Tan Son Nhut, Kelly, Ramstein and NSA, Ft. Meade. His personal and professional values drove him to rise through the enlisted ranks and proved invaluable throughout his years of service. His professional folder includes a stack of awards signed by a Who's Who of retired Generals and former NSA Directors and Deputy Directors. Survived by his daughter Toyia. //Obit – forevermissed.com//

Great NCO/Public Servant and especially a Great Friend //Kenneth Gendolfe//



Stefl, David O., MSgt (ret), 81, died Aug 9, 2016. He served in the USAF for 26 years retiring in 1979. He served at Fort Devens, MA, San Angelo, TX, Scotland, Turkey, Japan, and completed his military career at Corry Station Pensacola, FL. He was assigned to 6927RSM in the 50s and Goodfellow in the 60s. He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Patricia; and 4 stepchildren. //Obit - Pensacola News Journal//



Telgenhoff, Donald B., 83, passed away July 6, 2016. Don served for four years in the United States Air Force security service. He was discharged in April in 1955 with the rank of Staff Sergeant. He is survived by his spouse of 60 years, Ella; children Judy and Gary. //Obit – Peterson Funeral//



Townsend, Richard J., 74, passed away April 11, 2016. Enlisted in the USAF during the Vietnam War was trained as a Morse code intercept operator. During his time away from work, Richard enjoyed ministering to people, singing, and taking cruises with his wife and friends. Survivors: Wife, Brigitte Townsend; 6 children. **//Obit – Star Telegram//**



Wallace, William C., SMSgt (ret) 72, passed away July 28, 2016. He retired from the United States Air Force after over 20 years of dedicated service. He is survived by his wife, Catherine Wallace; children, Michael, Marie, Brian, Nuch; step-children, Angela, Steven and Jonathan. **//Obit – Sunset Northwest Funeral Home//**

Bill retired as a Senior Master Sergeant. We became friends at Clark. He was a good guy, loyal friend, and a great Senior NCO. **//Danny Prichard//**



Weiss, Gregory W., 61, passed away Aug 23, 2016. Greg graduated from University of Minnesota in 1979. He then served with distinction as a USAFSS/ESC Intelligence Analyst stationed in Italy and South Korea. Greg was later commissioned as an officer and served as a Neonatal Nurse in pediatric intensive care units. He is survived by his wife, Kelly and three daughters. **//Obit –**

Bagnell and Sons Funeral Home//

I had the distinct honor and privilege to work with Murray at Skivvy Nine. Also got to toss back a few beers with him too. He will be missed. My deepest sympathies. **//Les Harper, Charlie Flight Skivvy ine,1976-1977//**



White, Jimmie R., 69, passed away on September 9, 2016. He served in the US Air Force in Japan, graduated from USC. Jim was a Systems Analyst for Phillips 66. He raised four children. **//Obit – Green Country Cremation//**

Jim was on Baker flight during his tour at Hakata 1966-68. **//Carol Farr//**



Wilhite, Duane M., SMSgt (ret), 66, passed away on last year on December 20, 2015. Belated entry. Duane lived in Live Oak, TX after retirement. No personal history was provided; however, we know Duane had an intelligence specialty in USAFSS/ESC/AIA. He was known by many who spent time in the Far East, served at Misawa, and deployed to the Persian Gulf. //findagrave.com//



.....BITS::AND::BYTES:.....

Sep 16, 2016: I just received an email from Defense Language Institute (DLIFLC) indicating that Todd Melton and "Boone" McNeill will be inducted into DLI's Hall of Heroes. The school anticipates a ceremony on Memorial Day in May 2017. For those of you in that area, put it on your calendar now. There is a strong possibility that some folks from the EC-47 as well as a rep from the Heritage Chapter of FTVA will also be attending. Here comes the hard part. DLI would like to invite surviving family members. They plan on going back to DoD for assistance in locating them, but also asked if anyone from our groups would have any information on next-of-kin. If you know of any connections or leads we could follow to try to locate Todd or Boone's relatives, please let me know and I'll pass it on to DLI. Larry&Pat Miller lpmliller668@yahoo.com



Received the following feedback from our HOH inductees.

1. Awesome day. The ceremony and dinner were both great ... thanks to everyone who made this weekend happen.
2. This old field rat is awestruck at being included in such distinguished company. Thanks to the committee and the many others for making them so enjoyable. Amazing speeches by two remarkable generals,
3. The ceremony and banquet were awesome. All aspects were top-notch and I cannot think of anything that needs improvement.

A. J. Harrison, HOH Chair

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