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CMSGT Livingston John "Bill" Williams Jr.

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- DOTA Tribute
- In Memory
- Mile High Flight
- Airport Terminal Dedication

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DOTA TRIBUTE

**Chief Master Sergeant,
USAF Retired
Livingston John “Bill” Williams**

Bronze Star



Outstanding Airman of the Year



Welcome to the quarterly newsletter of the Hubert L. “Hooks” Jones Chapter. Each quarter, we pay tribute to one of our own Documented Original Tuskegee Airmen (DOTA). This quarter we are paying tribute to Chief Master Sergeant Livingston John “Bill” Williams.

We hope you enjoyed summer. Although the Chapter took July and August off from the monthly meeting, events were abundant. Please enjoy the photos and write-ups of Tuskegee related events.

Tuskegee history is being shared Nationwide and well as Internationally. We encourage you to follow the Mile High Flight accomplishments and celebrate the future pilots being trained via Mile High Flight.

Please go to page 11 to read all about the events honoring Hubert L. “Hooks” Jones Chapter DOTA Lt. Col. James H. Harvey III.

We hope everyone looking forward to the fall. December 3, 2022 will be our Christmas lunch. Mark your calendars.

Blessings,

Elizabeth Harper

Communications Officer/Historian

HLHJ BOARD OF DIRECTORS



John Porche
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Gabrielle Martin
First Vice President



Candace Moon
Secretary



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Parliamentarian



Lt. Col. James Harvey
Documented Original

Special Thank You!

The return of the HLHJ Chapter
Golf Tournament.

A tremendous thank you goes to Dewey Hicks
for his dedication and hours of work. He,
along with many others, made this event not
only happen, but made
it a SUCCESS!

In addition to golf, we were able to honor a
number of this year's scholarship recipients.

Thank you for all who contributed to the
Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter
Golf Tournament.

Congratulations

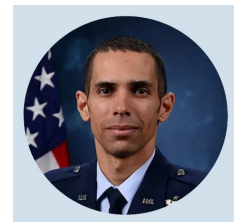
First Vice President Gabrielle Martin
and Family.

On July 19, 2022

The Dubuque, Iowa airport terminal
was renamed in honor of Gabrielle's
father Captain Robert L. Martin.
Please see the article on page 6.



Mark Dickerson
Immediate Past President/
Board Chairman



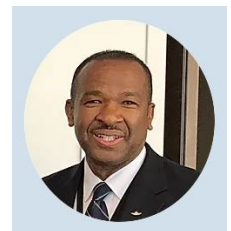
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Mile High Flight Project

Chief Master Sergeant Livingston John "Bill" Williams, Jr.



Livingston John "Bill" Williams, Jr. was born June 14, 1922 to Livingston Sr, and Maria Williams at Fort Huachuca, Arizona, where his father was stationed as a soldier assigned to the 10th Cavalry Regiment of the famed Buffalo Soldiers. Bill attended elementary school at Fort Huachuca until his father's unit was transferred to the US Military Academy at West Point, New York, where Bill finished elementary school and then attended Highland Falls High School, Highland Falls, New York in 1936-38. In 1938 Bill's father was reassigned to Fort Huachuca and Livingston attended Tombstone Union High School, Tombstone, Arizona, where he graduated in 1940.

Bill enlisted in the Army in 1940 which was part of the 25th Infantry Regimental Combat Team. Bill was trained in finance, but guarded the Tucson, AZ airport when the war broke out. In 1942 Bill entered the famous Benning School for Boys and graduated a 2nd Lieutenant. Later Bill joined the 93rd Infantry Combat Division at Camp Clipper in Essex, North Carolina where

he was assigned to the antitank company which was part of the 25th Combat Infantry.

Bill served in a variety of locations which included Guadalcanal, Bougainville, Green Island, Base F Finchhave in New Guinea and Morotai in the Philippines. When the war ended he returned to the States and reverted to inactive reserve status.

In 1946, Bill decided to make military a career. He re-enlisted in the Army Air Corp where he was assigned to Lockbourne AFB by General Benjamin O. Davis Jr.

In 1948 Bill commissioned Second Lieutenant in the infantry and served in the South Pacific. He received the Bronze Star for exemplary conduct in ground combat as a platoon leader.

Once again, when the war ended Bill's situation changed. Although all of the details are not clear, Bill left the Army Air Corp/Air Force. Then in 1948 he re-enlisted in the military. He entered accounting and finance fields as a Master Sergeant.

In 1969 Bill received the Outstanding Airman of the Year Award.

Bill retired from military service, June 1, 1973.

He served in the United States Armed Forces (Army and Air Force) from 1940 to 1970. In the 1950s, Bill married Kathryn Bayless Jackson

At age 82, Bill passed in Tucson, Arizona on November 14, 2004.

In Memory

Norvell James “Jim” Simpson

March 25, 1931-June 6, 2022

Novell James Simpson was a long time and proud member of the Hubert L. “Hooks” Jones Chapter. He will always be remembered for his infectious smile and a zest for life. Norvell was born in Rochester, NY. Norvell retired as a SMSgt after 22 years in the US Air Force. He was named Executive Director of the Pikes Peak Community Action Program and served many years on the Colorado Springs School District 11 School Board. He was their first Black president. Norvell served in many other areas of the community. He was a 33rd-Degree Mason and devoted member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. Norvell married the love of his life Alice Saxton. They raised a son and two daughters. Together, they never stopped dancing. Norvell was a friend to all, but a best friend to HLHJ Chapter Loren Smith.

A favorite story of friendship to be shared. Loren and Norvell could be found Fridays at the local hospital for lunch. You may have been one of the fortunate ones to get an invitation. Why lunch at the hospital? Well, it was the best price in town on a prime rib sandwich.

Norvell will be deeply missed by family and friends.

KEEP DANCING!

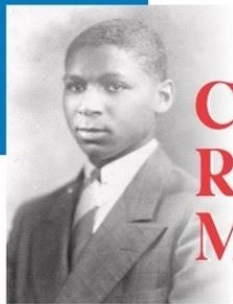


Congratulations

First Vice President
Gabrielle Martin and Family

Gabrielle and her sister started work on this monumental project after Dubuque resident Dawnelle Gordon filed the Change.org petition for a name change to the Dubuque, Iowa airport Terminal. After tireless work, the airport terminal name was changed to Captain Robert L. Martin Terminal on July 19, 2022.

Gabrielle's father is a Documented Original Tuskegee Airman. The ceremony was held on July 19, 2022 in correlation with the importance of that date in 1941. This is the day the first class of pilots (42C) entered preflight training at Tuskegee. This class included Gen. Benjamin O. Davis, Jr. who was a captain at the time. This was also the day Col. Noel Parrish assumed command of the Army Air Forces 66th Flying Training Detachment at Moton Field.



Captain Robert L. Martin

Captain Robert L. Martin was born in Dubuque in February 1919. After graduating Dubuque Senior High School in 1936, he enrolled at Iowa State University where he graduated with an electrical engineering degree and a pilot's license.



Captain Robert L. Martin

Martin and his fellow Tuskegee Airmen were collectively awarded the Congressional Gold Medal in 2007 at a ceremony in the Capitol Rotunda during the tenure of President George W. Bush. Among other honors, in 2019 Congress named the U.S. Postal Service Facility in Olympia Fields, Illinois the "Captain Robert L. Martin Post Office".



Captain Robert L. Martin



Martin was accepted to the U.S. Army Air Corps in 1942 and then transferred to the Tuskegee Army Air Field in Alabama and became one of the original Tuskegee Airmen, a Black segregated aviator group.



Captain Robert L. Martin



At the age of 23, Martin graduated from the Tuskegee Army Air Field, 66th Flying Training Detachment. He received his wings and commission as a 2nd Lieutenant.

He arrived in Italy where he joined the 100th Fighter Squadron, part of the all-Black 332nd Fighter Group.






With Gratitude


The Captain Robert L. Martin Commemoration committee.

Members included:

Dawnelle Gordon
 Dominique Martin
 Kimberly Rowe
 R.R.S. Stewart
 Ryan Byrnes
 Christine Marin-Epstein
 Gabrielle Martin




Captain Robert L. Martin




On March 5, 1945, while on his 64th mission, Martin was cut down by ground fire during a raid over Zagreb Aerodrome, Yugoslavia.

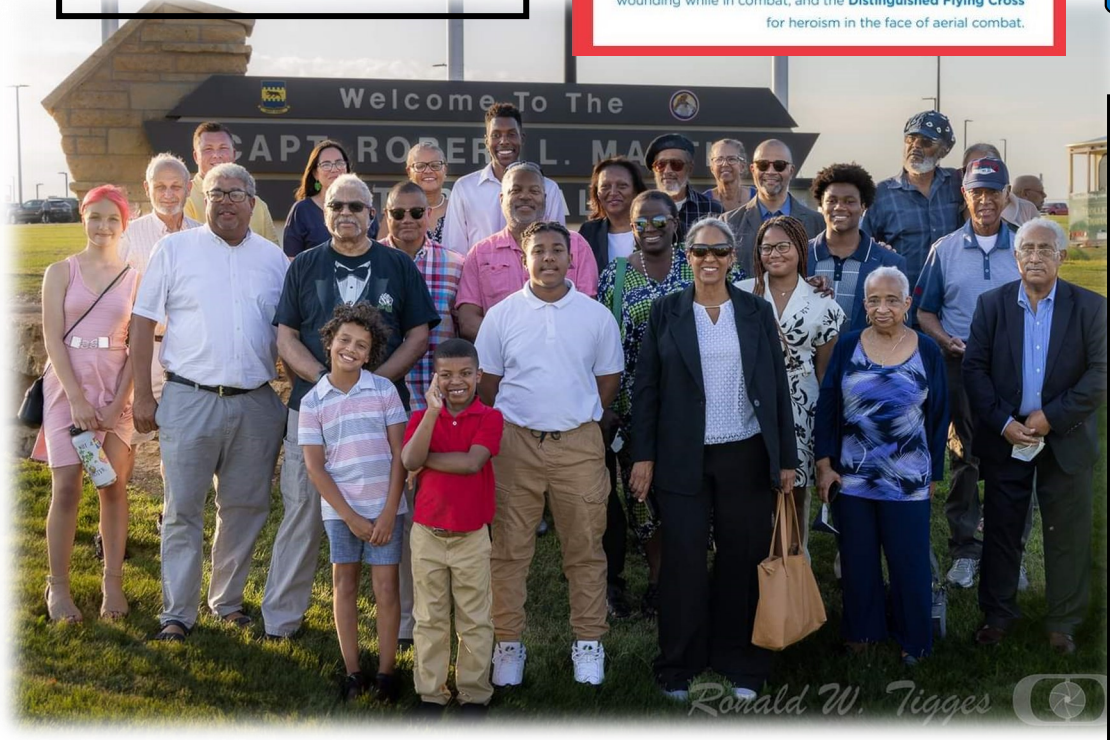
Martin rolled out of his burning plane and was rescued and sheltered by Yugoslav partisans (Guerrillas fighting the Nazis). He was taken to an Allied Mission, where he remained for five weeks. He returned to U.S. Forces and arrived at his home base of Ramitelli, Italy on April 3, 1945. For his service, Martin was awarded the **Air Medal with Six Oak Leaf Clusters** for the number of missions flown and combat, The **Purple Heart** for wounding while in combat, and the **Distinguished Flying Cross** for heroism in the face of aerial combat.



Captain Robert L. Martin



On December 9, 1944, after returning to base from a bomber escort mission, Martin's **P-51 Mustang** plane began to suffer engine trouble forcing him to make an emergency landing in a gunnery range in Cuetelo, Italy.



Thank You

On behalf of the Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter, we would like to Thank You the Dubuque Community for

honoring

Captain Robert L. Martin.

We know in speaking to Gabrielle, much appreciation goes to Todd Dalsing and the

Dubuque Airport Commission and the Dubuque Community.

All helped provide the necessary support to make this wonderful event happen!

Ronald W. Tigges



Mark you calendars

Christmas Lunch

Biaggi's

Colorado Springs, CO

December 3, 2022

11:30-2:00

Information on ticket purchase will be
sent out late October– Early November

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Giving History A Future!

National Convention information and
election results will be printed in the next
quarter news letter. If you would like to find
that information earlier please go to
<https://www.tuskegeeairmen.org/>

There is a lot of new information out related to the new 2022 PACT Act
and VA benefits.

If this might relate to you or your family member, please go to
<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USVA/bulletins/31e1650>

**Under the new
2022 PACT Act**



eligibility is added for Veterans who served in

**Republic of Vietnam
01/09/1962–05/07/1975**

EVENTS

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Presentations Of the Quarter

**HLHJ Chapter
Golf Tournament**

Scholarships

**DIA HLHJ Chapter
Display**

Lt. Col. James H. Harvey III
Please see page 11

**Renaming Dubuque, IA
Airport Terminal**

**National Convention
September 15-17**

**Mile High Flight
4 students solo**

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Mile High Flight

MILE HIGH FLIGHT SUCCESS STORIES

Phase #1

Phase 1: Event of the year, the Glider Orientation Flight at Owl Canyon Glider Port was an unforgettable experience.



Phase #2:

All four of our students, Brielle Rodriguez, Nalani Fierro, Sienna Shille, and Cedar Miera soloed!



Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Golf Classic

June 25, 2022



City Park Golf Course





Lt. Col. James H. Harvey III Summer Events

1. Washington D.C. Memorial Day Parade
Grand Marshall
2. Oshkosh, Wisconsin Air Show Featured Guest
Commemorative Air Force (CAF)
3. Private jet flight to EAA AirVenture-Oshkosh
4. DIA Pilots Lounge celebration
5. Fox News Local Interview on QMII
6. Top Gun Movie Opening Night
7. Queen Mary II United States to United Kingdom
Featured guest for the Greatest Generations Foundation
8. Washington D.C. Nationals Baseball Game
Fellow veteran paratrooper and two Rosies from WWII
9. Harvey signing Tuskegee themed experimental aircraft
10. Detroit, Michigan Tuskegee Airman Museum
National Geographic Producer interview
Two American heroes Lt. Col. James Harvey
and Col. Harry Stewart.

Shown– Harvey and Stewart along with interview team.





Tuskegee Airmen of World War II

By
Lt. Col. Clarence Shivers, DOTA
USAFA

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MISSION

Tuskegee Airmen, Inc., Hubert L. "Hooks" Jones Chapter is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to:

Honoring the accomplishments and perpetuating the history of African-Americans who participated in air crew, ground crew and operations support training in the Army Air Corps during WWII.

Introducing young people across the nation to the world of aviation, aerospace, mathematics and science through local programs such as the Mile High Flight Program.

Providing annual scholarships and awards to deserving individuals, groups and corporations whose deeds lend support to the goals of Tuskegee Airmen Inc.

Calendar

Oct 1, 2022	Board Meeting 11:00 A.M.	Zoom
Oct 15, 2022	Chapter Meeting 11:00 A.M.	TBD
Nov 5, 2022	Board Meeting 11:00 A.M.	Zoom
Nov 19, 2022	Chapter Meeting 11:00 A.M.	TBD
Dec 3, 2022	Board Meeting 11:00 A.M.	Zoom
Dec 17, 2022	Chapter Meeting 11:00 A.M.	TBD
December 3, 2022 11:30-3:30	Christmas Lunch –Biaggi’s Colorado Springs Look for ticket information late Oct/early Nov	

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