A Salute to Louisiana Veterans



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HALL OF Honor Inductees

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Joseph Gerace Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret.)



The late Joseph Gerace began his military service in 1940 with Citizens Military Training Camp at Camp Beauregard, La., and in 1941-42 with the U.S. Army Infantry in the Louisiana Maneuvers at Camp Claiborne, La., where he received the "Outstanding Enlisted Man" award. After receiving his commission through Officer Candidate School, Camp Barkley, Texas, he served in NOM Africa and Italy with the 70th General Hospital as Adjutant.

From the end of World War II until 1980, COL Gerace served as a Reserve Officer with the U. S. Army Medical Service Corps while

continuing career-level training, rising through the ranks to Colonel. During the Korean War, he was Commanding Officer of the Medical Detachment at Ft. Polk, La., and from there he was sent to Korea as CO of the 8063 MASH Unit. As a Reserve Officer, he served from 1966-75 in the medics as a Mobilization Designee, Material Branch, Office of the Surgeon General.

After the war, while working full time at the Louisiana Department of Employment Security, COL Gerace attended LSU, earning a bachelor's degree under the GI Bill. He graduated from Brooke Army Medical Center in hospital administration and had extensive training in administrative law, career counseling, logistics and national security at the University of Nevada, Tulane University, Ft. Lee, Va., and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in Washington, D.C.

Colonel Gerace served as Louisiana's first Secretary of Labor, a cabinet post, and is credited with improving the Department of Labor through welfare reform and training and workforce programs initiated during his tenure. Following his retirement, he opened a management consulting business, served as chairman of the Department of Labor Board of Review, was appointed Deputy Secretary of Labor, and served on several state advisory boards.

He was extremely active in the community as a member of Exchange Club, Alhambra Knights of Columbus, Old State Capitol Associates, Volunteers of America, Foundation for Historical Louisiana, American Legion, and numerous military organizations. He served on the East Baton Rouge Parish Family Court Advisory Committee, Mental Health Board of Directors, Catholic Diocese Community Life Advisory Board and Social Responsibility Committee, and the Military Advisory Commission under Govs. Edwin Edwards and Mike Foster.

Among his military awards are the National Defense Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with two battle stars, WWII Victory Medal, American Defense Medal, Army of Occupation Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Purple Heart, Korean Service Medal, UN Korean Service Medal with three battle stars, U.S. Army Combat Medical Badge, Bronze Star, U.S. Army Award for Support of the Triangle Hill-Jane Russell-Sandy-Ridge Terrain complex, and the ROK Service Medal. During his Army Reserve service, he was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal and the Certificate of Appreciation for Exceptional Performance of Duty. After 9-11, he was awarded the Freedom Team Certificate for supporting the Global War on Terrorism.

Colonel Gerace died in 2006 and was buried at Arlington National Cemetery with full honors. He is survived by his wife, the former Norma Ford, daughters Virginia ("Ginny") and Mary Kathryn - all LSU alumnae - and three grandchildren.

Charlie B. Moore Colonel, U.S. Air Force (Ret.)



Colonel Charlie B. Moore graduated from LSU in 1959 with a bachelor's degree in business and was commissioned through LSU ROTC. At LSU, he was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity and was president of the Interfraternity Council and College of Commerce, as well as Cadet Corps Adjutant, Air Force ROTC Squadron Commander, and a member of Arnold Air Society.

Upon graduation, he entered active duty, attended Supply School at Amarillo AFB, Texas, and was assigned to the 303 Bomb Wing, Davis-Monthan, Ariz. During his career, he served at Amarillo AFB,

Texas; with the 303th Bomb Wing, Davis-Monthan, Ariz.; the 498th Tactical Missile Group at Kadena AFB, Okinawa; Edwards AFB, Calif.; in Saudi Arabia; at Headquarters, Military Airlift Command, Scott AFB, Ill.; Air Management Office on Air, Washington, D.C.; Air Force ROTC, Louisiana Tech University; and Maxwell AFB, Ala.

Over the years, Col. Moore served as a Missile Combat Crew Commander, Missile Site Commander, Missile Standardization/Evaluation Commander, Supply Squadron Commander, Detachment Commander-Air Force ROTC, and Chief-Logistic Programs and Management at Headquarters, Military Airlift Command; chief, Energy Management, Air Staff, Pentagon; and Air Force ROTC Southeast Area Commandant.

He received an M.B.A. degree from the University of Alabama in 1969 and also graduated from Air Command and Staff College, Maxwell AFB, as a Distinguished Graduate and from U.S. Army War College, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

Promoted below-the-zone to Major, Lieutenant Colonel, and Colonel, Col. Moore was designated an Air Force Outstanding Supply Officer and twice received the Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, and Air Force Commendation Medal, among others.

After leaving military service, Col. Moore joined the faculty of West Monroe High School as senior aerospace science instructor and taught at leadership schools at Barksdale AFB, La.

Colonel Moore has been a leader in the Military Officers Association of America at the local and state levels and served on the Louisiana Council of Chapters board since 1992. Actively involved in the Selman Field Memorial Historical Association and Chennault Aviation and Military Museum of Louisiana, he played a key role in the erection of the Selman field Memorial Wall at Monroe Regional Airport and in hosting eight Selman Field Reunions. He is a member and supporter of the LSU Alumni Association and Cadets of the Ole War Skule and has earned Rotary International Paul Harris Fellow status, an honor given to individuals whose life exemplifies the humanitarian and educational objectives of the Rotary Foundation.

Colonel Moore and his wife, the former Elizabeth Jean Kiper, an LSU alumna, reside in Monroe, La. They have three children and six grandchildren.

Farnham Libby "Ham" Morrison Colonel, U.S. Army National Guard



Farnham Libby "Ham" Morrison, a leader in the LSU Corps of Cadets during his student years, earned a bachelor's degree in agriculture from the University in 1938. He enlisted and entered active service in the U.S. Army in 1940. He was honorably discharged in 1941 to accept a commission in the U.S. Army at Camp Blanding as an Operations and Training Staff Officer then was transferred to Great Britain in 1942 as a prelude to the invasion of Europe. He landed at Normandy, France, and was in continuous combat operations until VE Day.

In addition to his active duty service, COL Morrison joined the Louisiana Army National Guard (LANG) in 1950 and served until called to active during in 1961-62, serving with the 769th Signal Battalion at Ft. Polk, La. He returned to serve in the Baton Rouge LANG battalion, at one time as Battalion Commander. His final assignment was at Jackson Barracks as Chief of Staff to the Adjutant General of the LA NAG, New Orleans.

Colonel Morrison was decorated with the Silver Star, Bronze Star, Distinguished Unit citation, EAME Campaign Medal with four Bronze Service stars, and the American Defense Medal. Other honors include the US. Army Commendation Medal, the Louisiana Cross of Merit, and the Purple Heart with one oak leaf cluster.

Following his discharge, COL Morrison entered private business with his brother-in-law in the frozen food industry and was later associated with Manda Meat Packing Company. Throughout his career, he was involved in numerous professional organizations and active with groups whose goal was to support the local industry and those who desired to work in that business.

Colonel Morrison served as Louisiana's Civil Defense Director during Gov. Edwin Edwards' first two terms, holding leadership roles in the national civil defense association and volunteering with local civil defense programs. He also served as deputy director of the Louisiana State Police.

A member of the LSU Alumni Association, COL Morrison contributed to various academic programs and scholarships, supported student-recruiting efforts through business activities, and served as a judge for student competitions.

Colonel Morrison passed away in 1984. He and his wife, LSU alumna Mildred "Bobbie" Baxter, had four children, David, William, Dianne, and Joseph. David and William also hold degrees from the University.

William S. "Bill" Orlov Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret.)



William S. "Bill" Orlov earned a bachelor's degree in business in 1957 and an M.B.A. in 1961 from LSU, where, as a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, he was active in inter-fraternity activities, Student Government, and ROTC. He served as vice president of the College of Commerce, was a member of Delta Sigma Pi professional business fraternity, and an officer of Scabbard and Blade. He received the President's Medal as Outstanding Junior Army ROTC Cadet and was recognized as a Distinguished Military Graduate. His commissioning through LSU ROTC marked the beginning of a distinguished military

career that spanned three decades.

A graduate of the U.S. Army Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, the Army Special Warfare School, the Command and General Staff College, the State Department's Foreign Service Institute, and the Army War College, COL Orlov had a variety of command, staff, advisor, and special operations assignments in both the United States and overseas to include multiple combat tours in southeast Asia. He commanded the 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry, served as ACOFS, G1, 2nd Armored Division, and commanded the Special Troops, Combined Field Army (ROK/US) at Camp Red Cloud, Korea. At the time of his retirement from active duty he was the Chief of Staff of the Army War College.

In addition to the Combat Infantryman Badge, his military decorations include the Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, Bronze Star with V device and four oak leaf clusters, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Air Medal with five oak leaf clusters, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters, and the Army Achievement Medal. A member of the National Infantry Association Order of Saint Maurice, COL Orlov has the unique distinction of being designated a Distinguished Member of both the 16th Infantry Regiment and 28th Infantry Regiment (DMOR) by the Secretary of the Army.

Colonel Orlov's second career began in 1988 when he joined Sprint Corporation, where he held a variety of management positions in training, planning, and human resources. He retired from Sprint in 2001 and consulted with several defense-consulting firms and is currently the lead for the Leader Development, Education and Training team of the U.S. Army Electronic Warfare Proponent.

With a long history of volunteerism, COL Orlov is noted for his contributions to the American Red Cross for five decades, starting as the deputy director of water safety program in Rapides Parish in the 1950s. He has served on numerous non-profit boards and holds membership in many organizations devoted to veterans affairs, among them, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion, Military Order of the Purple Heart, and Military Order of the World Wars.

Colonel Orlov, a longtime contributor to the LSU Alumni Association, is a member of the Kansas City Alumni Chapter and is a member of Cadets of the Ole War Skule. He is affiliated with the Rotary Club of Leavenworth, Kan., and the City Club of Kansas City.

He and his wife, the former Gaye Adams, reside in Lansing, Kan., and have two children, Sam and Jennifer.

Michael B. Stupka Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret.)



Colonel Michael B. Stupka graduated from LSU in 1960 with a bachelor's degree in industrial technology and earned his commission in the U. S. Army through LSU ROTC that same year. A football letterman and member of the Go Team on LSU's 1958 National Championship team, he was also a member of Scabbard and Blade, a Distinguished Military Student, and a Distinguished Military Graduate.

Beginning his military career at Ft. Bliss, Texas, COL Stupka served in increasing levels of responsibility in Vietnam, Korea, and at Ft. Bragg, N.C. In 1973 he was appointed Deputy Chief of Staff, U.S. Army Air

Defense Center, Ft. Bliss, then served as Missile Intelligence Officer, Guided Missiles Office of Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence; Organizational Policy Planner, J-5 Office of Joint Chiefs of Staff; and Army Planner, Office of Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations, The Pentagon. In 1985, he became Executive Officer to Commander in Chief U.S. Readiness Command/U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Fla., and was named Acting Chief of Staff U.S. Special Operations Command at MacDill in 1987. He was Chief, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, LNO, Conus Exec to SACEUR/USCINCEU, The Pentagon from 1988-1990, when he retired from active duty.

He earned a master's degree from Indiana University in 1968 and a Certificate of Advanced Study from the Foreign Service Institute in1988. He also completed studies at he U.S. Army War College, Command and General Staff College, and the Defense Language Institute (Vietnamese), as well as Artillery Officer Basic and Career courses. An Honor Graduate Airborne Class 32, COL Stupka was on the Commandant's List, Command and General Staff College and a Senior Fellow, Domestic and International Relations, Foreign Service Institute, U.S. Department of State in 1987-1988. In 2004 he received the Bill Wade Unsung Hero Award from the All-American Football Foundation.

Among COL Stupka's military recognitions are the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters, Air Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Combat Infantryman Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, and numerous foreign awards.

Colonel Stupka served as military analyst for AP Radio News Network for Desert Shield, Desert Storm, and the first Iraq War and was a guest lecturer at U.S. Army War College as well as a Public Affairs Panel Member, Foreign Service Institute in 1987-1988. He is a member of the Foreign Service Institute, U.S. Army War College, and Indiana University alumni associations, Tiger Athletic Foundation, Cadets of the Ole War Skule, and the "L" Club and served on its board of directors from 1995-2000.

After his retirement from the military, COL Stupka was manager of technical support programs for Hilton Systems, Inc., and a private consultant specializing in operational management and formation of risk retention groups. Since 2002, has been president of Advanced Management Concepts, Inc.

Colonel Stupka has been married to his wife, Bonnie for 52 years. They have two daughters, Michele, of Austin, Texas, and MaryBeth, of Baton Rouge, an LSU graduate.

John T. "Jack" Twilley Colonel, U.S. Air Force (Ret.)



John T. "Jack" Twilley earned a bachelor's degree in history from LSU in 1969 and was commissioned in the U.S. Air Force as a Distinguished Military Graduate of the LSU AFROTC program. As a student, he was an AFROTC scholarship recipient, served as Cadet Colonel, was Commander of the Arnold Air Society, and was recognized with the Vice Commandant's award at AFROTC Summer Training Camp.

Colonel Twilley served twenty-two years on active duty in a variety of assignments in the aircraft maintenance and logistics career fields. His assignments included a tour in SEA supporting F-105s as Squadron

Maintenance Officer, assignment to Beale AFB, Calif., supporting the SR-71, "Blackbird" as a Maintenance Officer, a tour as an FB-111 Maintenance Supervisor, and two assignments as Squadron Commander with F-16 squadrons in Europe. He was also an Aide de Camp to a two-star general, served on the Air Staff where he helped develop the logistics portion of the AF Budget, and was a Congressional Liaison Officer. Finally, he was a Division Chief and Director, Commodities and Aircraft Management Directorates, Sacramento Air Logistics Center with responsibility for worldwide logistics support of key Air Force weapon systems, such as the F-111 and A-10.

Colonel Twilley was a Distinguished Graduate of Squadron Officer School and a graduate of Air Command and Staff and Air War colleges. He retired in grade of Colonel in 1992.

Colonel Twilley's military honors include the Air Force Commendation Medal, Air Force Meritorious Service Medal, and the Air Force Legion of Merit.

In civilian life, Col. Twilley has held aircraft and logistics management positions with companies such as Northwest Airlines, BDM, and SAIC. He was executive vice president for operations with Dee Howard Aircraft Maintenance in San Antonio, Texas, and vice president of the C-20 Program at M7 Aerospace, also in San Antonio.

Colonel Twilley and his wife, the former Catherine Clark, of Houston, reside in Blanco, Texas. They are adoptive grandparents and part-time caretakers of a four-year-old child and the host family of a foreign exchange student.

He is an active member of the Blanco Historic and Preservation Commission and subcommittee chair of the Blanco Streetscape Committee. His hobbies include horse riding, especially on their mountain property near Cloudcroft, N.M., reading, music, and sports.

LSU MILITARY ENDOWMENT CAMPAIGN

THE HERITAGE

Louisiana State University boasts a long, proud history of educating leaders for the state, the nation, and the world. Among its alumni are CEOs of business, industry, government, and education; celebrated artists and distinguished politicians; religious leaders and prominent philanthropists.

LSU alumni are also counted among chief military leaders in the United States armed forces and are some of the country's most highly decorated heroes – a proud reflection of the University's military heritage that began in 1860. A great many of these men and women were members of the LSU Corps of Cadets. It was here they became part of the "long purple line," perpetuating LSU's military traditions.

THE TRIBUTE

The University wants to honor its military heroes and the men and women in the country's armed services – yesterday's, today's, and tomorrow's – and toward this end, has embarked upon a capital campaign to renovate and restore Memorial Tower to its original purpose by creating the LSU Military Museum.

The museum will be the repository for artifacts and memorabilia reflecting the University's rich military history and heritage. Its hallowed halls will offer a nostalgic stroll through University military history and will showcase the contributions of LSU men and women who have served and are serving their country in the armed forces.

The Military Museum will augment and complement LSU's other military memorials: The War Memorial – honoring students, faculty, staff, and alumni killed or reported missing in action during World War II and subsequent military conflicts; Memorial Oak Grove – remembering the 30 LSU students and alumni who lost their lives in World War I; and the T-33 Jet – a memorial for all LSU graduates who have died in the defense of our nation during the "jet age."

LSU invites you to be part of restoring the glory of Memorial Tower. Prestigious naming opportunities for galleries and rooms and sponsorships of permanent and temporary exhibitions in the LSU Military Museum are available. For information, contact: The LSU Military Endowment Campaign, Memorial Tower, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803. Telephone: 225-578-0420; e-mail: cadets@lsu.edu



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