A Salute to Louisiana Veterans

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Louisiana State University
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Inductees
Kirby E. Allen
Colonel, U.S. Air Force (Ret.)

Kirby E. Allen graduated from LSU in 1970 with a bachelor’s degree in business and was commissioned through LSU Air Force ROTC. While at the University, he was a member of Phi Kappa Theta fraternity, Pi Tau Pi honorary business fraternity, and Arnold Air Society. He is also a graduate of Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College, Armed Forces Staff College, and Air War College.

Allen retired from the military at the rank of colonel after twenty-four years of service.

During his career, he flew 242 combat missions in Southeast Asia, 102 of them over North Vietnam, with the 8th Tactical Fighter Wing. He later served as an instructor WSO, flight commander, operations officer, squadron commander, and wing executive officer. He flew more than 1,300 hours in the F-4 Phantom and was part of the winning team at the William Tell Worldwide Weapons Meet. He logged total flying time of more than 1,800 hours in the T-29, F-4, F-15, and T-43.

His staff positions included the Air Staff Training program, Headquarters Pacific Air Force, and division chief, Headquarters USAF (Air Staff) in the Pentagon. He also served in a joint service position as a branch chief in the Office of the Secretary of Defense.


After retiring from the military, Allen was a consultant/manager for KPMG, KPMG Consulting, and BearingPoint, Inc., for thirteen years. He volunteers at the Center for the Intrepid-Wounded Warrior Transition, his local Neighborhood Watch, Habitat for Humanity and has been a board member for two homeowners associations.

Allen is a member of Cadets of the Ole War Skule and a former member of the Northern Virginia Alumni Chapter. He resides in San Antonio, Texas, and is the father of two grown sons who live in Colorado Springs, Colo.
Donald C. Bulloch
Colonel, U.S. Air Force (Ret.)

Donald C. Bulloch earned two degrees from LSU, a bachelor’s degree in engineering science in 1967 and a master’s in engineering mechanics in 1969. As a student, he was a member of Arnold Air Society, Scabbard and Blade, and Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honor society, and commander of the USAF Cadet wing. He was commissioned through LSU Air Force ROTC and served twenty-seven years before retiring at the rank of colonel.

Bulloch served as wing staff officer as a junior captain in Vietnam, leading the first mission to bomb Hanoi in 1971. He was selected for the elite SR-71 program and was officer-in-charge of the 86 TFW Maintenance Training Unit. As commander of the 350-man 86 Component Repair Squadron and commander of the 650-man 86 Aircraft Generation Squadron, he provided leadership that earned the squadrons “Outstanding” grades in NATO Tactical Evaluation Exercises.

In the Air Force Logistics Command he was also a director of supply, which was graded “Outstanding” during the Operational Readiness Inspection. As a director of maintenance, his group performed the first “surge” of an aircraft since World War II, delivering seven F-111 aircraft to the war zone in Iraq in an average ground time of thirty-three days as opposed to the normal 135 days.

Bulloch’s final assignment was chief of the Industrial Support Division, Defense Logistic Agency.

His military honors include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Distinguished Flying Cross with nine Oak Leaf Clusters, Air Medal with seventeen Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Defense Meritorious Service Medal.

In civilian life, Bulloch managed the installation of computers in military organizations and multiple facilities in New Orleans, and his methods were copied by headquarters to improve the countrywide rollout.

Bulloch was president of the Algiers Morning Edition Kiwanis Club during Hurricane Katrina, and, under his leadership, the club raised $22,000 for community organizations to assist in recovery efforts.

Now living in Knoxville, Tenn., he continues to work in his community and recently helped provide golf driving range opportunities to handicapped adults and children with the First Tee Organization. Bulloch is a member of Cadets of the Ole War Skule.

Bulloch is the father of four children, three of whom attended LSU.
Edward C. Capron, Jr.
Sergeant, U.S. Army

Edward C. Capron, Jr., graduated from LSU in 1949 with a bachelor’s degree in business. During his college days, he was a member of numerous organizations, among them, Beta Gamma Sigma scholastic fraternity, Phi Eta Sigma freshman honorary, Phi Kappa Phi, and the Society for the Advancement of Management. He was also a charter member of Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

Capron was inducted into service in November 1942, captured during the Battle of the Bulge and was a prisoner of war from December 1944 to April 1945, and honorably discharged in October 1945. He served with Headquarters Battery of the 73rd Armored Field Artillery Battalion of the 9th Armored “Remagen” Division, in which all three combat commands received the Presidential Unit Citation. The 73rd AFA and other 9th Armored units were cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army and awarded the Belgian Croix de Guerre 1940 with Palm with Decree No. 828 by Charles, Prince of Belgium, Regent of the Kingdom.

Capron’s other military citations include Prisoner of War Medal, Purple Heart, Africa-Middle East Campaign Medal with three Bronze Stars, American Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Louisiana Honor Medal, and Thank You America Certificate from the Republique Française, among others.

After leaving military service, Capron was a manager and management consultant for IBM, Peat Marwick & Mitchell Accounting Firm, and National American Insurance Company. He received the Boss of the Year Award from the Cypress Chapter of the American Business Women’s Association in 1975.

Capron is a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans, American Ex-Prisoners of War, Veterans of Battle of the Bulge, World War II Memorial Society, EX-POW Red Stick Chapter, a charter member of the National World War II Museum, and Cadets of the Ole War Skule. He was awarded the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution Founders Medal and Certificate for Patriotism in February 2012. He regularly shares his experiences with civic and veterans organizations and school groups and annually places wreaths to honor fallen heroes as part of the Blue Star Mothers “Wreaths Across America” program.

He is a longtime, active member of Broadmoor United Methodist Church. He is also a member of the Woods and Waters Club, which, under his leadership, established two endowed scholarships for LSU students majoring in wildlife and conservation.

Capron resides in Baton Rouge with his wife, Willery, who often appears in comic routines in the area as “Minnie Pearl.” The Caprons celebrated their seventieth wedding anniversary on October 17, 2012. They are the parents of a son and two daughters.
Franklin J. Foil
Captain, JAGC, U.S. Navy

Franklin J. Foil, Commanding Officer for Naval Reserve Legal Service Office North Central in Washington, D.C., received a degree in political science from LSU in 1987 and earned a J.D. from Loyola University Law School in New Orleans in 1991. As a student, he was a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity, a head page for the Louisiana Senate, and served as a counselor and on the board of Louisiana Boys State.

Foil was directly commissioned in the U.S. Navy and completed Naval Justice School in 1991. Prior to his current assignment, he served in the Appellate Defense Division (Code 45) at the Navy-Marine Corps Appellate Review Activity in Washington, D.C.; the Naval Legal Service Office Central in Pensacola, Fla., where he was defense counsel and head of command services and trial counsel; and the Trial Service Office Southeast, assigned as the first OIC for the DET in Pensacola. He joined Naval Reserve Legal Service Office Central in Millington, Tenn., in 1996 as defense counsel and was appointed commanding officer for Naval Reserve Legal Unit Central in Millington in 2008.

He has received three Navy Commendation medals, two Navy Achievement medals, a Meritorious Unit Commendation, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Rear Admiral Hugh H. Howell, Jr. Award of Excellence Senior Officer award.

Licensed to practice law in Louisiana and Arkansas, Foil maintains a private general civil law practice in Baton Rouge. He is also a member of the Louisiana House of Representatives.

Foil is an Elder in First Presbyterian Church, a board member of the ARC of Baton Rouge, and a member of Cadets of the Ole War Skule, serving on the LSU Military Museum Committee.

As a state representative he has worked to protect LSU’s status as Louisiana’s flagship university, secured funding to purchase land to expand LSU South Campus, and authored legislation in partnership with the Flagship Coalition to provide flexibility for the University to increase revenue.

Foil and his wife, the former Tanja Van Hook, also an LSU graduate, reside in Baton Rouge. They take pride in the fact that every male member of both of their families has served in the military.
Stephen Holsten Harmon, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret.)

Stephen Holsten Harmon, Jr., earned a degree in general studies from LSU in 1963 and did graduate studies in history. While at LSU, he was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, the Association of the U.S. Army, and the Pre-Law Club. Commissioned through LSU Army ROTC, he served on active duty from 1963-65 and on reserve duty from 1966-91.

Harmon served on active duty with the 8th Special Force Group Airborne, Fort Gulick, Canal Zone, and as deputy adjutant general at Fort Polk, La. He served in various capacities on Army Reserve assignments in Baton Rouge; Nashville, Tenn.; Birmingham, Ala.; Fort Riley, Kan.; the Pentagon; and Fort Bragg, N.C. In 2009 he voluntarily returned to active duty, serving fifteen months in Human Resources Command, Alexandria, Va. He was also a casualty and mortuary affairs officer serving families of soldiers killed in Iraq and Afghanistan. While serving in this capacity, he conducted Lean Six Sigma Process Improvement projects for the Casualty and Mortuary Affairs Division, and his work, now compiled in Battle Books, has been adopted by the adjutant general of the U.S. Army and employed by the adjutant general at Fort Knox, Ky.

His military awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, two Army Commendation medals, five Army Achievement medals, two national Defense Service medals, Southeast Asia Service medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal w/40 year device, Global War on Terror Service Medal, and five USA Reserve Achievement medals.

After a career in nonprofit fundraising, Harmon is currently volunteer major gifts officer for Navigators Military Ministry. He retired from LSU in 2005, having held executive development positions in the LSU AgCenter and the LSU Foundation. He also served in development positions at Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center, the Louisiana Foundation of Private Colleges, and the Tennessee Foundation of Independent Colleges and has been an independent development consultant for numerous nonprofit organizations.

An active community volunteer, Harmon has served in leadership positions in four Rotary clubs, the Association of Fundraising Executives, Leave-A-Legacy of Greater Baton Rouge, Heritage Ranch for Children, Louisiana 4-H Foundation, Reserve Officers Association, and other civic organizations. He is a member of Cadets of the Ole War Skule, Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honor society, LSU Alumni Association, Alpha Gamma Alumni Chapter, and life member of the Special Forces Association.

Harmon’s two sons, both of whom are LSU graduates, are active-duty Army officers, and his grandson is a career Army NCO. Harmon resides in Sandwich, Mass.
Leon J. LeSueur  
1st Lieutenant, U.S. Army

The late Judge Leon J. LeSueur graduated from LSU with a bachelor's degree in history in 1943 and earned a L.L.B. from the LSU Law Center in 1948. At LSU he was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, Phi Kappa Phi honor society, Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity, and named to Order of the Coif and Louisiana Law Review.

Commissioned through Officer Candidate School in 1943, LeSueur served his country during World War II in the Europe-Africa-Middle East Campaign. Initially assigned to Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga., he then joined the 310th Infantry Regiment, 78th Infantry Division at Fort Butner, N.C.

He trained at Camp Shanks, N.Y., and in 1944 deployed to England. He went ashore at Utah Beach on D Day Plus Four, sustained wounds, and returned to England. In late 1944 he was assigned as a rehabilitation officer for the 136th Station Hospital.

For his service, LeSueur was awarded the Europe-Africa-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with one Bronze Star, American Campaign Medal, Victory Medal, World War II Presidential Testimonial, and Combat Infantryman Badge.

He entered private law practice in 1948 and was elected judge of the 23rd Judicial District, Section “A,” in 1965. He retired in 1991 after being re-elected four times without opposition.

At various times, LeSueur was appointed to seats on the 14th, 21st, and 29th Judicial District Court benches as well as the Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit, and East Baton Rouge Family Court.

All four of LeSueur’s children graduated from LSU, several of his thirteen grandchildren are LSU graduates, and one grandchild is currently enrolled at the LSU Law School.
John Dan McNeil
First Lieutenant, U.S. Army

John Dan McNeil earned a bachelor’s degree in agriculture in 1943 and a master’s degree in economics in 1951 from LSU. During his years at LSU, he was a member and officer of the College of Agriculture Student Council and a member of the Army ROTC, Block and Bridle Club, Future Farmers of America, Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity, and Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honor society.

McNeil was activated in the U.S. Army in 1943 and completed basic training and Officers Candidate School at Fort Sill, Okla., graduated as a 2nd Lieutenant and sailed to New Guinea, Leyte, and Luzon as a replacement officer. He was promoted to 1st Lieutenant in 1945, and he was awarded the World War II Victory Medal and the Occupation of Japan Medal for service to his country.

After his discharge, McNeil served as an auditor with the United Nations in Shanghai from 1945-47 and taught agriculture to veterans from 1948-50. He owned and was CEO of Lewis Machine and Welding Service from 1959-62, is the sole owner and CEO of McNeil Tractor and Equipment Company, Inc., which he founded in 1952, and is CEO of McNeil Enterprises, a timber, agricultural, real estate, and investment firm, which he founded in 1965.

Active in community affairs, McNeil has served as president of the Jones County Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Laurel Exchange Club, and as chairman of the Board of Stewards of the First United Methodist Church. He has also served on the Board of Directors of the Deep South Tractor Association. He is a member of Cadets of the Ole War Skule.

McNeil has funded scholarships for students at Immaculate Conception Catholic Elementary School in Laurel, Miss.; Jones County Junior College in Ellisville, Miss.; and the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, Miss. He has also established the J.W. Melton and C.W. Causey scholarships at LSU.

William M. Meyers  
Capt., U.S. Marine Corps  

William M. Meyers earned a J.D. from the LSU Law Center in 1948 after receiving a bachelor's degree from the University of Southwestern Louisiana (now the University of Louisiana at Lafayette). He was associate editor of *Louisiana Law Review*, president of Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity, and was named to Order of the Coif.

Meyers enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in 1942. After going through Boot Camp at the Marine Depot at Parris Island, S.C., he was sent to OCS at the Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va., and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant on March 22, 1944. His primary military specialties were infantry unit commander and sea duty officer. After training, Meyers was ordered to report to the Marine Detachment aboard the battleship *U.S.S. Washington* (BB-56) where he served as a gunnery officer.

Four battle stars were awarded to Meyers – Battle of Leyte Gulf, Luzon Operation, Iwo Jima Bombardment, and Okinawa Bombardment. He was relieved of active duty in 1946 and remained in the reserve for several years.

After the war, Meyers was a member of the legal department of Shell Oil Company for two years, and in 1950 he joined the law firm of Liskow and Lewis in Lake Charles, La. In 1959 he was active in the establishment of the New Orleans office of the firm and practiced there until his retirement in 1991.

Meyers is a former member of both the Board of Governors and the Board of Delegates of the Louisiana Bar Association. He was a longtime senior member of the Council of the Louisiana Law Institute, a former research fellow and member of the Board of Trustees of the Southwestern Legal Foundation, and served on the Board of Editors of the *Oil and Gas Reporter*, a publication of the Southwestern Legal Foundation.

He has endowed a scholarship and contributed to the Robert T. Jorden Endowed Scholarship and Student Loan Fund of the LSU Law Center. He also is a past member of the “L” Club and a former member of the LSU Foundation.

Meyers and his wife, Lorraine, an LSU alumna, reside in Covington, La. They have two sons, a daughter, and a daughter-in-law who have graduated from the LSU Law Center, and two of his children hold undergraduate degrees from LSU. Two of his grandchildren have earned degrees from LSU and three other grandchildren are currently enrolled at the University.
John Foley Pugh, Jr.,
Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret.)

John Foley Pugh, of Baton Rouge, earned a bachelor’s degree from LSU in 1965 and a J.D. from the LSU Law Center in 1968. While at LSU, he was a member of Phi Eta Sigma, Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, and Phi Alpha Delta legal fraternity and served as vice president and treasurer of his law school classes. He was commissioned through LSU Army ROTC.

Pugh served as contracting officer at Fort Ord, Calif., and a real estate officer in Vietnam from 1968-70. He joined the Louisiana National Guard in 1982 and served as a Judge Advocate General Corps officer in various positions culminating as deputy state staff judge advocate and state military judge. He entered active duty in 1991 and served as log officer and director of human resources. By combining that office with the military personnel office, Louisiana became the first guard entity with a true joint personnel office, which is now standard in all state guard units. In 2001 Pugh became the fifteenth U.S. property and fiscal officer for Louisiana. He entered state employment as executive counsel for the Louisiana Military Department in 2003 and retired in 2010.

Among Pugh’s military awards are the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, seven Meritorious Service medals, three Army Commendation medals, Army Achievement Medal, Louisiana Distinguished Service Medal, Louisiana Legion of Merit, and Louisiana Cross of Merit.

Pugh practiced law in Thibodaux, La., for more than twenty years and served as city attorney for ten years. He is recognized as an expert in real estate and municipal law. He earned a master’s degree in education from Northwestern State University and served as adjunct professor on the faculties of Nicholls State University and Upper Iowa University.

Pugh has been a volunteer law librarian in Lafourche Parish and held leadership positions in Rotary Club, Thibodaux Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scouts, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, Louisiana National Guard Association, Military of the World Wars, Military Officers Association of America, Military Order of Foreign Wars, and the Young Men’s Benevolent Association of Lafourche. He was named Outstanding Young Man of 1987 by the Jaycees. He is a mentor for the Louisiana Youth Challenge Program, a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a life member of the Louisiana National Guard Association and the National Guard Association of the U.S.

He is a member and supporter of the Lafourche Parish Alumni Chapter, the LSU Law Alumni Association, LSU Student Union, and Cadets of the Ole War Skule.
Joseph Alsop Redding
Major General, U.S. Army

The late Joseph Alsop Redding was born in Yazoo City, Miss., in 1894 and attended LSU from 1910-12. He was commissioned in the U.S. Army through the 1st Louisiana Infantry (Louisiana National Guard) and enlisted as a private in Company L, then rose to the rank of sergeant and was later promoted to 2nd Lieutenant.

Redding served in the Mexican Border War in 1916 under General John J. Pershing and was promoted to 1st Lieutenant when his regiment mustered into the National Army. Appointed captain and adjutant of the 156th Infantry Division in 1917, he served in France during World War I.

In 1922 he was recruited back to the 156th in Shreveport, La., and became American Legion post commander. He was promoted to full colonel and assumed command of the 204th Coastal Artillery in San Diego in 1941.

During World War II, Redding fought in Germany with the 9th Air Corps and was made military commander of Bad Neustaadt, Germany in 1946. In 1950 he took command of the 39th Infantry Division of the Louisiana National Guard and retired in 1956 at the rank of major general with forty-four years of service.

Redding was awarded a Purple Hart and various campaign medals for service to his country in both World Wars.

Redding owned Redding Tire Service in Shreveport and was an active member of the Shreveport Kiwanis Club. He sold his business in 1952 and moved to Baton Rouge where he practiced as a tax consultant.

Redding, who was married to Mary Byrd, died in 1984 and is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery in Shreveport.
Stanley Shaw
Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Air Force

The late Stanley Shaw, earned three degrees in education from LSU, a bachelor’s degree in 1950, a master’s in 1951, and a Ph.D. in 1961. He completed his ten-year quest for his doctoral degree while teaching full time at Istrouma High School and University Laboratory School to support his family.

Directly commissioned, Shaw enlisted in 1943 and served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. After completing basic training, he began training to fly the B-17. He flew with the 20th Air Force 21st and 501st Bombardment Group in the Asiatic Pacific Campaign, co-piloting the B-25 as well as the B-29 “Superfortress.” During this time, he was promoted to 1st Lieutenant.

Shaw’s decorations and citations include the Distinguished Unit Badge (GL 20 31 CW), American Theater Ribbon, Asian Pacific Theater Ribbon with two Bronze Battle Stars, 2 O/S Bars, and the World War II Victory Medal.

After the war, Shaw transferred to the U.S. Air Force Reserves and served as a U.S. Air Force Academy liaison officer for several years. He was honorably discharged as lieutenant colonel in 1972 with twenty-nine years of service.

From 1961-72, Shaw was director of science and environmental studies for the Louisiana State Department of Education. He also worked for Advanced Business Machines and Harcourt Brace Jovanovich Publishers. He joined the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality in 1975 and retired in 1999.

During his career, Shaw was a sponsor for the Air Cadets Club and Key Club and conducted “Mr. Wizard” science courses for students. He conducted courses for the LSU Fireman Training Program, supervised science teachers from college to elementary levels, and authored twenty publications on science education, which were used statewide and nationally. He was also an award-winning carver and active with the Pelican Woodcarvers Guild and a longtime member of First United Methodist Church.

Shaw and his wife, Inez, also an LSU graduate, were married for sixty-three years at the time of his death in January 2012. Their daughters, Barbara Shaw Larimore and Susan Shaw Skillman, and their son, Michael Daniel Shaw, are LSU alumni. Grandson Michael Tanner Shaw, granddaughter Dana Maghee Shaw, and son-in-law Walter Lee Larimore also hold degrees from LSU.
Robert McGehee “Mac” Wallace
Major, U.S. Air Force (Ret.)

Robert McGehee “Mac” Wallace graduated from LSU in 1953 with a bachelor’s degree in chemistry and earned a degree from the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration Advanced Management Program in 1972. While at LSU, he was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity and Omicron Delta Kappa national leadership honor society, was named to Who’s Who in American Colleges and Universities, and was an Air Force ROTC Distinguished Military Graduate.

After his commissioning in the U.S. Air Force, Wallace served two years on active duty and fifteen years in the active reserve, retiring at the rank of major. On active duty, he was assistant chief of the Technical Information and Intelligence Branch, Arnold Engineering Development Center, Air Research and Development Command, in Tullahoma, Tenn. He received a Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service.

Wallace is a trustee and officer of the Clayton Foundation for Research and its supporting groups, which are engaged in medical research at twelve institutions in the United States and Switzerland.

In his professional career, Wallace served as business manager for various TRW INC divisions for eighteen years and was business manager of the law firm Fulbright & Jaworski, Houston, for four years. He was also on the faculty of the LSU Paralegal Studies Institute and an instructor in law office management at LSU.

An active community volunteer, Wallace is an elder at Clear Lake Presbyterian Church; served in leadership capacities for the Bay Area YMCA, Earth Awareness Foundation, and Houston Rotary Club; coached Little League sports; and was an assistant troop leader for Boy Scouts of America. He received an Apollo Achievement Award from NASA in 1969 for the team that put the first man on the moon and a Certificate of Merit from President Gerald Ford for “service to the community and nation through environmental protection achievement” in 1975.

Wallace and his wife, Anne, a 1954 LSU graduate, are major donors to the LSU Alumni Association and the Cook Hotel & Conference Center and were honored with a Purple & Gold Award in 2009. In 2010 he was named a “Peoples Health Illustrious Alumnus,” an award given to an LSU graduate who has “demonstrated the value of an LSU education by a history of achievement,” and he was inducted into the LSU Alumni Association Hall of Distinction in 2011. He is a member of Cadets of the Ole War Skule.

The Wallaces reside in Houston and have two sons, Bruce and Bill; a daughter, Mary; seven grandsons, two granddaughters and their spouses, a great grandson, and a great granddaughter.
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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 LSU Military Museum will augment and complement LSU’s other military memorials: The LSU 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 or visit the Cadets of the Ole War Skule website at www.olewarskule.lsu.edu.

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