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TO  
LOUISIANA  
VETERANS



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INDUCTEES



## John Bel Edwards

Governor of Louisiana



John Bel Edwards grew up in Amite, Louisiana, as one of eight children. With four Tangipahoa Parish Sheriffs in his lineage, he learned the importance of public service at an early age.

Edwards graduated in 1988 from the United States Military Academy at West Point. The governor served eight years as an Airborne Ranger on active duty with the United States Army and commanded a rifle company in the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He served in Hawaii with the 25<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division from 1989 to 1992 at Schofield Barracks and was part of the 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment (Wolfhounds). He also served as Aide de Camp to the Assistant Division Commander.

He graduated Order of the Coif from Louisiana State University Law Center in 1999 and set up a civil law practice in his home town of Amite.

In 2007, Edwards was elected to the Louisiana House of Representatives from District 72, where he served for eight years until the voters of Louisiana elected him governor in November 2015.

On January 11, 2016, Governor John Bel Edwards took the oath of office and asked the people of Louisiana to join him on an important mission of putting “Louisiana First.” Standing on the steps of the State Capitol, the governor shared his vision of a better Louisiana and his firm belief that the state’s brightest days are ahead. From his inaugural address:

*“The breeze of hope that got us here will drive a current of change. We must put action before idleness, unity before party, and citizenship before self to put Louisiana first. I pledge to deliver on that hope.”*

Together with citizens from across the state, Edwards is working to put Louisiana first by prioritizing families first, education, and healthcare.

Governor Edwards, First Lady Donna H. Edwards, and their children Samantha Bel, Sarah Ellen, and John Miller share this message and the hope for our beloved state.



## Bob L. Efferson

Brigadier General, U.S. Air Force (Ret.)



Brigadier General Bob Efferson earned a bachelor's degree in general studies from LSU in 1967. He served as commanding officer of the LSU Pershing Rifles in 1963 and was commissioned through LSU Air Force ROTC.

An F-105 combat pilot in Southeast Asia, assigned to Takhli Air Force Base in Thailand in 1969, where he flew 103 combat missions, Efferson was recalled to active duty during Desert Shield/Desert Storm, serving as forward operating location commander and combat pilot of an A-10. In February 1991, he safely landed an A-10 Warthog with 368 bullet/shrapnel holes in it.

He assumed command of the 354<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter Wing (Provisional) active duty and Reserve components and was promoted to Brigadier General in 1998.

Efferson was a combat pilot in Southeast Asia, Persian Gulf, and Decisive Edge operations Bosnia; was commanding officer of the 926<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group, 442<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Wing, 301<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing; and served as Air Force Component Commander, U.S. Strategic Command. He has more than 5,500 hours of flying time, including more than 4,200 hours in fighter aircraft (F-105, F-4, A-10, F-16, and T-38) and more than 324 hours of combat time, and he served as a T-38 and F-105 instructor pilot. He retired from military service in 2003.

Among Efferson's military awards are the Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Distinguished Flying Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal with silver and two bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, Air Force Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, Distinguished Presidential Unit Citation with Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with distinguished "V" device and Oak Leaf Cluster, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia), Kuwait Liberation Medal (Government of Kuwait), and the National Defense Service Medal.

He is a member of the Fort Worth Air Power Council and has served on its board of directors, is vice president of his neighborhood association, and is a member of the LSU Pershing Rifles Alumni Association. He volunteers with the local Veterans Administration Clinic and was guest speaker for dedication of the F-105 exhibit at the Fort Worth Aviation Museum.

Efferson and his wife, Cyndy, reside in Fort Worth, Texas. They have two sons, Michael and David, both Air Force fighter pilots, and five grandchildren.



## Willis W. Gayle

Captain, U.S. Army



The late Willis Gayle graduated from LSU in 1944 with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. During his undergraduate years, Gayle was an active member of Lambda Chi Alpha social fraternity and served in numerous leadership positions in LSU Army ROTC. He graduated from Officer Candidate School, Fort Belvoir, Virginia, in June 1943.

After he received his commission as a Second Lieutenant, Gayle began his formal military training at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana. During his active duty tenure, he first served in the European Theater of Operations as the overall commander of the Engineering Unit overseeing the operation of all the dump trucks hauling fuel and supplies for tank units involved in that portion of the war.

When duty ended in the European Theater, Gayle's unit, along with many others, transferred to the Philippines Theater of Operations for training in preparation for the upcoming Japanese invasion. There he reported to the Construction Corps under Commanding Officer Colonel Henry McGowen, of Lake Charles, Louisiana. He served as Headquarters Commandant until the unit was discharged and returned to the states in 1946.

During the war he was promoted to First Lieutenant in July 1944 and to Captain in January 1946. For his service, he was awarded the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with two Bronze Stars, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, the American Theater Campaign Medal, and the Victory Medal.

After the war, Gayle returned to his hometown, Lake Charles, Louisiana. He was active in numerous clubs and organizations, served as an officer in the Rotary Club, and was on the Calcasieu Savings & Loan (Louisiana Savings Association), Better Business Bureau, and Lake Charles Country Club boards of directors. He served in the Officers Reserve Corps of the State of Louisiana from July 1946 to April 1953.

Gayle passed away on November 25, 2007. He was predeceased by his first wife, Ann Watkins Gayle, and stepson Pierre Carmouche; survived by his second wife, Virginia Carmouche Gayle; sons Thomas H. Gayle and his wife, Jan Badon Gayle; and Willis W. Gayle, Jr.; stepson Edward Carmouche; stepdaughters Maura Carmouche Mize and Vee Carmouche Emory; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



## Richard J. Keller

Colonel, U.S. Army



The late Richard Joseph Keller, a native of Hahnville, Louisiana, graduated from LSU in 1939 with a bachelor's degree in chemistry. He received his commission through LSU Army ROTC, and during World War II served as an active duty officer in the U.S. Army Reserve. He continued to serve in the Reserve after the war until his retirement in 1974.

During WWII, Keller served as Infantry Platoon Leader, Company F 148<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment 37<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, and at Headquarters Detachment 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion 148<sup>th</sup> Regiment at Camp Shelby. He saw combat as Platoon Leader, Company G 148<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment in Fiji, Guadalcanal, and New Georgia. As Company Commander, E Company 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion 148<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment he valiantly led troops in battle at Bougainville before suffering a near-fatal wound. After recovery, he attended Command and General Staff College In-resident program and served there as an Instructor and Chief of Library Services/Classified Archives. Returning to Louisiana, he served as Commandant, U.S. Army Reserve School in New Orleans. For his notable career, he had been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross (Bougainville), Bronze Star, and Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster, Combat Infantry Badge, Presidential Unit Badge, Asiatic Pacific Medal, WWII Victory Medal, and Reserve Service Medal with Hour Glass Device.

A decorated military combat officer, husband, and father of one, Keller returned to LSU in 1949 for graduate school. In 1950 the family lived for a time on campus in the graduate student quarters after the birth of their second child. He graduated in 1951 with a master's degree in education and was a member of Phi Delta Kappa and Kappa Delta Pi.

Keller's civilian career was also noteworthy. He was a social worker with the Louisiana Department of Public Welfare before the war. After, he taught science in the St. Charles Parish public school system, was one of the first guidance counselors and school principals in the parish special education schools, and held various leadership positions throughout the public school system, including school boards and teachers and guidance counselors associations.

Keller volunteered with several local, state and national civic and political organizations. He held leadership positions in many, and was named St. Charles Rotary Citizen of the Year in 1996. In 2001 he received a Letter of Commendation from the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army in recognition of his military, civilian, and volunteer service.

Keller died on December 19, 2013. He is survived by his four children – William Keller, Richard Keller, M.D., Mary Keller Clulee, and Jane Laiche; his sister Dorothy Lirette; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Beth Keller, and followed in death by his second wife, Lorraine Keller.



## Germaine C. Laville

### Corporal, Marine Corps Women's Reserves



The late Germaine C. Laville, a native of Plaquemine, Louisiana, and the oldest of seven children, graduated from LSU in 1942 with a bachelor's degree in education. A member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority, she held the offices of warden, chaplain, and social chairman. She represented her dormitory in Associated Women Students, was a senior adviser to freshman girls and a member of the Newman Club, and was an honor student.

Laville taught fifth grade at Shady Grove Elementary School in Iberville Parish for a year after graduating and in July 1943 enlisted in the Marine Corps Women's Reserves to represent her family in the World War II effort. Upon completion of boot camp at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, she was ordered to the Aerial Gunnery School, 3<sup>rd</sup> Marine Aircraft Wing at the Cherry Point Naval Air Station, North Carolina, where she served as an aerial gunnery instructor. She was promoted to corporal in February 1944.

On June 3, 1944, nine civilian men were cleaning the two-story, wooden Synthetic Training Building when a highly volatile floor wax thrown by a buffing machine hit the worn wires of a flight simulation machine, setting the building ablaze. Five Marines died and thirty-seven were injured. At age 22, Laville gave her life trying to help others escape. She was buried with the highest military honors on June 10, 1944, in her hometown.

She received a citation for heroism and is honored in Marine training. An obstacle on the final training course, the Crucible, at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Parris Island, South Carolina, is named "Cpl. Laville's Duty." The obstacle involves two platforms and six tires suspended from a beam. Marines must use teamwork, communication, and commitment to get from one platform to the other. A library at the depot is also named in her honor.

East and West Laville Halls were dedicated in 1948. Today, the halls are home to the Laville Honors House, which provides both a residence and an academically focused collegiate atmosphere for first-year students in the Ogden Honors College, as well as upper-class Honors students who choose to reside there.

Laville is survived by two sisters, Betty Bagot and Ann Scharfenberg, both of New Orleans; twenty-eight nieces and nephews, many of whom are LSU graduates; and several great-nieces and great-nephews who are enrolled at LSU today.





## O. Fred Loy

Staff Sergeant, U.S. Army



Fred Loy earned a bachelor's degree in general studies from LSU in 1962 and was commissioned through Air Force ROTC. While a student, he was a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity.

Assigned to the 7513<sup>th</sup> Transportation Staging Station, Loy took part in combat training at Fort Knox, Kentucky, and was assigned as an aide to the commander of the Transportation Corps.

He was honorably discharged from active service in 1966 at the rank of Staff Sergeant. His awards include the Combat Infantry Badge and the Presidential Unit Citation.

Loy is president of Governmental Corporate Consultants, a position he has held since 1988, and a member of the Public Affairs Research Council of Louisiana Board of Directors. He was previously executive director of the Committee of 100, executive director of the Louisiana Committee for Economic Development, and executive director for the Committee for SECURE Louisiana.

Active in community affairs, Loy is a member of the Baton Rouge Symphony, City Club of Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge Country Club, Kappa Alpha Order Alumni, and Cadets of the Ole War Skule.

He is a Paul Harris Fellow and member of the Rotary Club of Baton Rouge, serves on the Centenary College Board of Trustees, is former president general of the Philemon Thomas Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, former chairman of the Baton Rouge Assembly, and serves on the boards of the Public Affairs Research Council, Louisiana Public Radio, and the American Cancer Society.

Loy is a member and lay leader of First United Methodist Church and has held leadership positions in the church, the Methodist Children's Home, and the Louisiana General and Jurisdictional Methodist conferences, and he was a delegate to the 18<sup>th</sup> World Methodist Conference.

A native and resident of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Loy is married to the former Sandra Rountree. They have three children – Leslie Lurline Loy (deceased); James Clifton Loy; and Frederick Stephen Loy and his wife, Sheri Loy; and three grandchildren, Tucker Hayes Loy, Hayden Marley Loy, and Parker James Loy.



## Ian H. “Sniffer” Rowe

Major, United States Marine Corps



Ian Rowe earned a bachelor’s degree in sociology from LSU in 2001. While a student he was a member of Sigma Chi social fraternity and a Reserve Marine with Weapons Company 3/23.

Rowe enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1997 as a Mortarman and served in Weapons Company 3/23 in Baton Rouge until he was commissioned through Officer Candidate School in 2001. He is a graduate of Infantry Squad Leaders School; Advanced Mortar Leaders Course; Jungle Operations Training Course; Naval Aviation Flight Training, Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron-One’s Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course; Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape School; Airborne School; Expeditionary Warfare School; Command and Staff, and Joint Forces Staff College.

He is currently serving as Requirements Officer for Close Air Support and Adversary Training at Headquarters Marine Corps Aviation, Pentagon. He is selected for appointment to Lieutenant Colonel.

Rowe was deployed twice to Iraq as an AH-1W Super Cobra pilot in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and twice to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom – first as an Air Officer and Joint Terminal Attack Controller for Marine Corps Forces Special Operations Command then as a pilot and Operations Officer for Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 169. During his time in Afghanistan with Marine Special Operations, Rowe trained and combat advised an Afghan Commando 81 millimeter mortar platoon in addition to his duties as a Terminal Attack Controller.

During his career, he has conducted humanitarian operations in Indonesia, counter-piracy operations in the Gulf of Aden and the Indian Ocean, served on the Joint Staff working on fire support standardization and interoperability, and advised partner and NATO nations on Joint Terminal Attack Controller programs.

For his service, Rowe has received the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal with Strike Flight Numeral 9, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with Combat “V” and Gold Star in lieu of second award, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with Gold Star in lieu of second award, and the Combat Action Ribbon in addition to numerous campaign and unit awards.

Rowe is an advocate and fundraiser for the MARSOC Foundation, which provides benevolent support to active duty and medically retired Marine Raiders and their families, as well as to the families of Raiders who have lost their lives in service to our nation. He also works with The Wingman Foundation, an all-volunteer, veteran-run, non-profit organization dedicated to providing immediate post-mishap support for the Navy and Marine Corps Aviation community and their families. He is a member of Cadets of the Ole War Skule.

Rowe is son to Frank and Adelaide and brother to Libby, a Chicago attorney.



## Charles Ray Smith

Lieutenant Junior Grade, U.S. Navy



Charles Ray Smith entered LSU in 1943 before he enlisted in the Navy in 1944 at the age of seventeen.

After graduating from gunnery school at the U.S. Naval Training Center in Bainbridge, Maryland, Smith was assigned to duty aboard the *U.S.S. Franks* DD554 as GM3/C. He was a Gunner Mate Third Class on a 40mm AA gun.

From Pearl Harbor, the ship traveled to Eniwetok and Honshu to gather intelligence on weather patterns for the upcoming invasion on mainland Japan. The *Franks* sailed toward the southern tip of Japan preparing for the upcoming invasion. After receiving word of the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and Japan's surrender, the *Franks* sailed back to the United States. Smith remained on the *Franks* until it was decommissioned.

For his service, Smith received the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal, and the Louisiana Veterans Medal.

Smith remained in the reserves for four year years and retired from the U.S. Naval Reserve at the rank of Lieutenant Junior Grade.

After graduating from LSU in 1949, he began his career in banking at the Bank of New Roads and ended it as CEO and chairman of the board. The Bank of New Roads later became part of Regions Bank. Smith served as chairman of the board of the Regions-New Roads branch. He retired in 1986.

Smith is a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in New Roads and a member of the Tiger Athletic Foundation.

Smith and his late wife, Joane, had six children – Charles Ray, Jr., Gary, Jeffrey, Peter, Scott, and Stephen. Joane and the six children were graduates of LSU. Two of his grandchildren are currently attending LSU, with one serving in the Air Force ROTC. One grandson graduated from LSU and is currently enrolled in the LSU Flores MBA program. In addition, Smith had two other grandchildren graduate from LSU.



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## *Distinguished LSU Military Alumni*

### *1996*

Judge Carlos G. Spaht

### *1997*

Mr. Gordon Cain  
Mr. Frank Craig  
Mr. Johnny Cox  
COL Joseph W. Dale, Jr.  
Mr. John Doles  
LTC Walter Johnson  
Mr. Phil Larimore  
Judge Harvey Posner  
MG Ansel Stroud

### *1998*

CMDR Loren A. Bailey  
Mr. John Capdeville  
MG A. Harry Conrad, Jr.  
MG O'Neil J. Daigle  
Mr. W.J. Evans  
MG Joe Gray  
Mr. Charles W. Hair, Jr.  
Mr. Homer H. Harris, Jr.  
Dr. Harold J. Heck  
BG Wilbur F. Joffrion  
Mr. George W. Johnson  
Mr. Marion F. Kirby  
Mr. John P. Laborde  
Mr. Mansel M. Mayeux  
MG Robert Bruce Smith  
Mr. Bert S. Turner

### *1999*

BG J. Levy Dabadie, Jr.  
Mr. Fred C. Dent, Jr.  
MG Carl F. Ernst  
Dr. J. B. Frye, Jr.  
MAJ Adolphe G. Gueymard  
Mr. Francis Landry Kirk  
COL Leo J. Martin  
Dr. George L. Robertson  
COL Frank Humphrey Walk  
COL J. Trigg Wood, Jr.  
Dr. Martin D. Woodin

### *2000*

LTC Sidney V. Arbour, Jr.  
Dr. Thomas Campanella  
Mr. John C. Copes, III  
Dr. Thomas E. Glaze  
Mr. Claude "Buddy" Leach  
BG Robert J. LeBlanc  
2LT Edward V. Loustalot  
LTC William E. Maurin  
LTC William McCollam, Jr.  
Mr. J.B. Olinde, Sr.  
Dr. Gordon W. Peek  
LTC David E. Pope  
Dr. John S. Roussel  
Judge C. Lenton Sartain  
LTC Ben H. Scarpero  
LTC John M. Welch

### *2001*

Dr. Raphael J. Benjamin  
COL John C. Bonnette  
Mr. William T. Bowles  
COL George J. Guidry, Jr.  
CPT Albert M. Karre', Sr.  
Mr. William C. McCorkle  
COL Eugene W. McGehee  
Dr. Gerald E. Posner  
MG Michael A. Schulz  
Mr. Albert Joseph St. Dizier

### *2002*

BG W. Arthur Abercrombie  
LTG Malcolm Armstrong  
Mr. Jack Colle  
COL Fredrick William Grant  
Mr. William J. Heroman  
COL Jerry J. Juneau  
BG Robert J. Koch  
Mr. Lucien P. Laborde  
Dr. Larry D. McCaskil  
BG Wiltz P. Segura

### *2003*

Mr. Paul Arst  
Mr. Edward M. Carmouche  
Dr. Doyle Chambers  
COL Charles H. MacDonald  
GEN Troy H. Middleton  
LTC Dewell D. Pittman  
BG Louie Reinberg  
LTG Thomas G. Rhame  
Mr. Oscar G. Richard  
LTC Calvin L. Robbins, Jr.  
Mr. Harvey J. Schwartzberg

### *2004*

LTG Charles C. Campbell  
Mr. Jack C. Castrogiovanni  
LTG Larry J. Dodgen  
BG Edward B. Kitchens  
Col. Lynn L. LeBlanc  
Mr. Richard A. Lipsey  
Sen. Russell B. Long  
Mr. Larry L. Mobley  
MG Ronald G. Richard  
Mr. Lawrence B. Sandoz

### *2005*

LTG E. Ratcliffe "Andy" Anderson  
GEN Robert H. Barrow  
Congressman  
Thomas Overton Brooks  
Col. Louis G. Cancienne  
GEN J. Lawton Collins  
Mr. Alfred G. Glassell, Jr.  
LTC Edward B. Landry  
LTG John A. Lejeune  
RADM Daniel B. Lestage  
MG Harry J. "Skip" Phillips  
Mr. Kenneth E. Uffman

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### *2006*

LTC Irwin J. Becnel  
Mr. Jeff Benhard  
Col. David Couvillion  
LTC Arthur J. Gayle, Jr.  
Mr. W. Griffin "Griff" Jones  
Mr. Whitney Antonie Langlois  
Col. Harry Lee  
RADM (Ret.) Daniel B. Lestage  
LTC Stanley M. Maillet  
Mr. John B. Perry  
COL Frank B. Stanly  
Mr. John B. Staples  
Mr. Walter G. Thomas  
COL Henry E. Walden  
COL Charles L. Wascom  
COL Roy Young

### *2007*

Alden André  
Col. Tom Blakney  
MG Bill Bowdon  
Judge William Brown  
Gen. Claire Chennault  
Col. Dave DeFelice  
MG Hunt Downer  
LTG Terry Gabreski  
Dr. George H. Jones  
Col. Louis Lancaster  
Dr. Denver Loupe  
Col. Gil Slaughter  
Col. Covert Soulé  
Dr. Ken Tipton, Sr.  
Col. Walter White

### *2008*

COL James E. Boutté  
Alex Box  
LTC Richard E. Gerard  
Judge John T. Hood, Jr.  
Gary Garcia Kelly  
LTC James R. McCall  
COL Weldon C. McHugh  
Brig. Gen. Ralph J. Melancon  
LTC Frank M. O'Quinn  
Alfred W. Platte, Jr.  
COL Debbie C. Rondem  
John T. Shelton, Jr.  
COL Frank P. Simoneaux  
LTC Robert R. Taylor, Jr.  
COL William H. Waters  
Dalton J. Woods

### *2009*

LCDR John M. Allred  
St. Claire Bienvenu, Sr.  
BG Glenn Curtis  
Dr. Joel L. Fletcher, Jr.  
Frank W. Harrison, Jr.  
LTC Morton C. Hurston, Jr.  
LTC Samuel E. Lawrence, Jr.  
LTC Sanford A. Redock  
COL Percy Vilas "Pete" Rougon  
Alfred M. L. Sanders  
Dr. Harley Jesse Walker

### *2010*

Joseph Gerace  
Charlie B. Moore  
Farnham Libby "Ham" Morrison  
William S. "Bill" Orlov  
Michael B. Stupka  
John T. "Jack" Twilley

### *2011*

LTC Ralph Thompson Brown  
Lane Anderson Carson  
COL Richard D. Chappuis, Sr.  
BG Steve Archie Chappuis  
Col George L.J. Dalferes  
Billy H. Ezell  
Dexter Allen Gary  
Paul M. Hebert  
Norman V. Kinsey  
Lloyd F. Love  
Lt Col Ralph W. Stephenson, Jr.  
CAPT Carl F. Weiss

### *2012*

Col Kirby E. Allen  
Col Donald C. Bulloch  
Edward C. Capron, Jr.  
CAPT Franklin J. Foil  
LTC Stephen Holsten Harmon, Jr.  
Judge Leon J. LeSueur  
John Dan McNeil  
William M. Meyers  
COL John Foley Pugh, Jr.,  
MG Joseph Alsop Redding  
Lt Col Stanley Shaw  
Robert McGehee "Mac" Wallace

### *2013*

COL Ray Caldwell Dawson  
COL Warren R. Hull, Sr.  
LTC John M. "Jack" Jolissaint, Jr.  
CAPT William Bruce King  
LTC Nicholas J. "Nick" Lorusso  
COL Ernest W. (Butch) Lutz, Jr.  
Judge Thomas Eaton "Tom" Stagg, Jr.  
LTC Ford Edwards Stinson, Sr.  
LTG Jeffrey Wade Talley  
Col Elwood C. "Woody" Tircuit  
COL George K. Todd, Jr.  
COL Warren N. Waggenspack

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### *2014*

Patrick R. Bossetta  
James Gregory "Greg" Jolissaint, M.D.  
Brad J. Juneau  
Lee K. Levy II  
Joseph A. Macaluso  
William G. "Geary" Mason  
Karlynn Peltz O'Shaughnessy  
Dale E. Webb

### *2015*

Robert J. Barham  
LTC James L. Brown  
Louis D. Curet  
James E. Gerace  
John J. Killeen, Sr.  
Maxwell M. Merritt  
Roy D. Mitchell  
Brig Gen Bobby V. Page  
Vaughn R. Ross, Sr.  
William D. Shaffer, Jr.  
Daniel M. Waghelstein

### *2016*

Walter Patterson Anderson  
Henry Elliott Attaya, Jr.  
William J. Butterworth, Jr.  
William Derwood Cann, Jr.  
George H. Fuller  
Gordon Louis Jenkins  
Genny May  
Layne Joseph Romagosa  
John S. "Johnny" White, Jr.  
Hiram J. Wright

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## LSU MILITARY EXCELLENCE COMMISSION

### *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 thirty 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 Excellence Commission, Memorial Tower, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803. Telephone: 225-578-0420; e-mail: [cadets@lsu.edu](mailto:cadets@lsu.edu) or visit the Cadets of the Ole War Skule website at [olewarskule.lsu.edu](http://olewarskule.lsu.edu).



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