UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY



Class of 1960

MEMORIAL CEREMONY

September 19, 2025





THE CLASS OF 1960 MEMORIAL CEREMONY

The Class of 1960 Memorial Ceremony is conducted this year as part of their 65th reunion and provides an opportunity for the graduate community to honor and remember those classmates who have passed away.

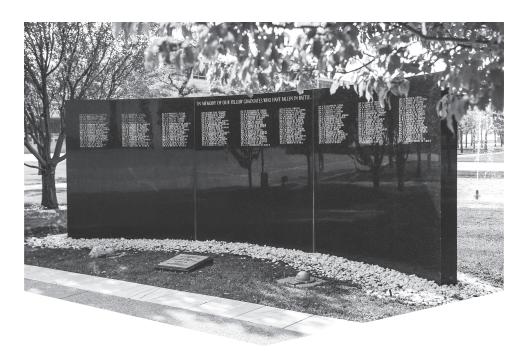
The first ceremony of this type occurred in 1964 with a memorial service in the Cadet Chapel. In 1965, the ceremony was changed to a formation on the Terrazzo, and then returned to the Chapel in 1990 for classes celebrating their 25th or later reunion. This year's memorial ceremony, conducted in the Southeast Asia Memorial Pavilion on the AOG Heritage Trail, will be highlighted by a roll call of deceased classmates. As each deceased class member's name is called out, all classmates will respond, "Absent, sir." The roll call will be immediately followed by a minute of silence and a slow hand salute to honor the fallen.

This memorial ceremony is dedicated to those members of the Class of 1960 who have gone before us. It is a time to embrace the memories of our fallen classmates. In this ceremony, we recognize our departed classmates, and celebrate as a community the experiences that made us the USAF Academy Class of 1960.

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■ OFFICERS OF THE CLASS OF 1960

President	James F. Glaza
Vice President	Richard R. Sexton
Secretary	Kenneth J. Alnwick
Treasurer	Wayne F. Kendall Jr.
MEMORIAL CEREMONY SEPTEMBER 19, 2025	SEQUENCE OF EVENTS
Welcome	
Invocation	
Recitation	Lord Guard & Guide
Reminiscences	
Roll Call	
Moment of Silence	
Slow Hand Salute	
Reading	High Flight
Benediction	
Music	



■ THE GRADUATE WAR MEMORIAL

The Graduate War Memorial is situated on the north end of the Terrazzo's Air Garden and faces the American flag, for which those deceased graduates listed on the memorial died. The memorial is a striking curved monolith constructed of three 7'x21' slabs of black starlite granite. The inscription, "In memory of our fellow graduates who have fallen in battle..." is a simple but eloquent statement of the criteria for a name to be included on the memorial. The determination of graduates remembered on the Graduate War Memorial follows these circumstances:

- Graduates who died from direct hostile action.
- Graduates who died within an area of conflict as the result of an incident which was in direct support of the conflict.
- Graduates who died outside an area of conflict while directly supporting the activities within that area will be considered on an individual basis by the Board of Directors of the Association of Graduates.

At the dedication ceremony in 1970, Brig. Gen. Robin Olds, commandant of cadets, brought the essence of the memorial forcefully home with the following words:

"This monolith of simple beauty contains the names of graduates of the Air Force Academy who have given their lives in combat. Each was a gallant man, devoted to his country and proud of his heritage. Each died bravely, as one's country sometimes calls upon her sons to do. Remember these names. Honor them. They are a part of you, the Wing. They represent your past, as you today represent our future. Reflect on their example of selfless devotion to duty, and gain courage so that when you face your test you may add honor and glory to the annals of the Wing — and of the Air Force — and of our country."

Seven members of the Class of 1960 are among the 190 names on the Graduate War Memorial.

> Valmore W. Bourque Robert C. Davis Michael L. Hyde James D. Mills James E. Morton Jr. Samuel E. Waters Jr. Grant R. Waugh

There are 190 graduates listed on the Graduate War Memorial, including two graduates—Charles E. Jones '74 and LeRoy Homer Jr. '87—who were killed in the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks.

A Graduate War Memorial replica is located north of the Class of '59 Challenge Bridge at Doolittle Hall. The replica, a gift from the Class of 1970, was completed and set in place in May 2004.

Memorial Locations:

In addition to the war memorial and replica, cadets and graduates are memorialized in other Academy locations. The names of those who die on active duty are placed on plaques outside the Cadet Chapel. Names of other deceased graduates may also be found on the plaque at the Memorial Tree Grove located east of Doolittle Hall, in the memorial section of the USAF Academy Cemetery and on a memorial payer at Doolittle Hall.

LORD GUARD AND GUIDE THE MEN WHO FLY

Lord guard and guide the men who fly Through the great spaces of the sky; Be with them traversing the air In darkening storms or sunshine fair.

You who support with tender might The balanced birds in all their flight, Lord of the tempered winds, be near, That, having you, they know no fear.

Control their minds with instinct fit Whene'er, adventuring they quit The firm security of land; Grant steadfast eye and skillful hand.

Aloft in solitudes of space, Uphold them with your saving grace. O God, protect the men who fly Through lonely ways beneath the sky. Amen.

- Mary C. D. Hamilton

HIGH FLIGHT

Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of earth
And danced the skies on laughter-silvered wings;
Sunward I've climbed, and joined the tumbling mirth
Of sun-split clouds—and done a hundred things
You have not dreamed of—wheeled and soared and swung
High in the sunlit silence. Hov'ring there
I've chased the shouting wind along, and flung
My eager craft through footless halls of air.
Up, up the long, delirious, burning blue
I've topped the windswept heights with easy grace
Where never lark, or even eagle flew.
And, while with silent, lifting mind I've trod
The high untrespassed sanctity of space,
Put out my hand, and touched the face of God.

— John Gillespie Magee Jr. (1922-1941)

■ THE U.S. AIR FORCE (VERSE III)

Here's a toast to the host
Of those who love the vastness of the sky,
To a friend we send a message of the brave
who serve on high.

We drink to those who gave their all of old Then down we roar to score the rainbow's pot of gold.

A toast to the host of those we boast, the U.S. Air Force!

Robert MacArthur Crawford

CLASS OF 1960 DECEASED MEMBERS

Alphabetical Listing

* Indicates name on Graduate War Memorial



Derry A. Adamson Lt. Col. (Ret.) 4th Squadron Oct. 2, 2010



Norman C. Alexander Lt. Col. (Ret.) 10tht Squadron Nov. 11, 2013



Ames
8th Squadron
Oct. 1, 2002



James W. Anderson III

2nd Squadron

June 3, 1973



Robert E. Badger





Robert L. Baker

9th Squadron Dec. 21, 2018



Andrew W. Biancur Col. (Ret.) 15th Squadron Jan. 10, 2021



Kenneth H. Biehle Lt. Col. (Ret.) 11th Squadron Aug. 29, 2023



Bilello

4th Squadron
Oct. 23, 2023

J. Anthony



Bishop

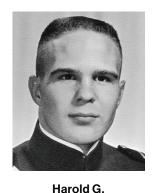
1st Squadron
April 25, 2015



Valmore W. Bourque* Capt. 6th Squadron Oct. 24, 1964



John F. Boutz 1st Lt. 7th Squadron Feb. 8, 1964



Brost
Lt. Col. (Ret.)
1st Squadron
Oct. 20, 2020



Buchen Lt. Col. (Ret.) 12th Squadron June 23, 1990



James H. Bujalski

5th Squadron May 28, 2021



David W. Burns 1st Lt. 10th Squadron Feb. 4, 1964



Anthony J. Burshnick Lt. Gen (Ret.) 4th Squadron Aug. 17, 2021



Burton

10th Squadron
March 2, 2011

Peter J.



Alfred K. Canterbury Jr.

11th Squadron April 23, 2013



James R. Carter

5th Squadron Sept. 16, 1996



Jerry L. Caskey Lt. Col. (Ret.) 9th Squadron May 2, 2024



Clark Jr. Maj. (Ret.) 14th Squadron

Jan. 13, 2020



Michael A. Clarke Col. (Ret.) 13th Squadron Jan. 14, 2025



Congdon Lt. Col. (Ret.) 8th Squadron Aug. 5, 2003



Gary F. Crew Lt. Col. (Ret.) 6th Squadron July 28, 1998



11th Squadron June 28, 1996

Bert C.

Croft



John R. Currey Jr. Lt. Col (Ret.) 8th Squadron Feb. 14, 2016



William R. Currier Lt. Col. (Ret.) 10th Squadron June 23, 2005



Robert C. Davis* Maj. 5th Squadron March 23, 1969



Day 5th Squadron Nov. 18, 2013

Jon R.



Deem12th Squadron
Feb. 10, 1966



Neil P. Delisanti Lt. Col. (Ret.) 4th Squadron Oct. 27, 2018



Eckweiler Lt. Col. (Ret.) 1st Squadron June 4, 1991



James C. Fey Capt. 16th Squadron Oct. 19, 1965

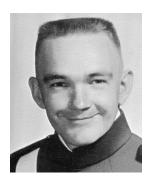


Folkart Jr.

11th Squadron
July 3, 2022



George J. C. Fries Col. (Ret.) 12th Squadron Aug, 7, 2014



Gerald H. Gammill Lt. Col. (Ret.) 6th Squadron Jan. 8, 2024



Georgi
4th Squadron
Dec. 8, 1998



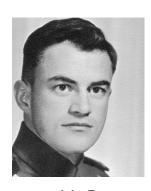
Gonsky
2nd Squadron
Oct. 19, 2022



Goodyear Col. (Ret.) 9th Squadron Dec. 14, 2011



Guillot Jr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) 14th Squadron May 15, 2020



John E. Gutzweiler Jr.

5th Squadron Jan. 20, 2016



Denis J. Haney Lt. Col. (Ret.) 6th Squadron April 12, 2017



Jasper H. Hardison Jr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) 10th Squadron Feb. 14, 2018



Richard J. Hillman Lt. Col. (Ret.) 7th Squadron Nov. 6, 2023



Hines

13th Squadron
June 23, 2002



William T. Hodson III Lt. Col. (Ret.) 15th Squadron Oct. 9, 2018



Holly

10th Squadron
June 21, 2024



Charles A. Holman Jr.

10th Squadron Nov. 9, 2013



Holt Col. (Ret.) 12th Squadron Feb. 17, 2023



Huhn Cmdr. 2nd Squadron Oct. 18, 1981



Michael L. Hyde* Capt. 9th Squadron Dec. 8, 1966



John R. Jansen Capt. 7th Squadron Sept. 15, 1966



Daniel K. Johnson Lt. Col. (Ret.) 7th Squadron Nov. 17, 2023



John A. Johnson Col. (Ret.) 1st Squadron Oct. 23, 2023



Johnson 7th Squadron Aug. 21, 1994



Jolly
4th Squadron
Jan. 12, 2022

William R.

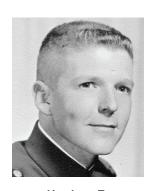


Jones Jr.
Col. (Ret.)
13th Squadron
June 27, 2013



Gary L. Karschnick

12th Squadron Jan. 23, 2011



Harrison E. King Jr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) 12th Squadron June 22, 2020



David E. Lachelt 1st Lt. 1st Squadron May 20, 1963



Hardy F. LeBel Sr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) 4th Squadron Nov. 16, 2003



Leninger 10th Squadron Sept. 7, 2018

William H.



Edward W. Leonard Jr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) 9th Squadron Nov. 11, 2014



Lewis 6th Squadron April 10, 2014



Anthony H. Long Lt. Col. (Ret.) 5th Squadron Feb. 13, 2023



Love Lt. Col. 10th Squadron March 1, 1976



Lovell

April 2, 1999





George E. Luck Col. (Ret.) 10th Squadron June 10, 2015



John D. MacArtney Col. (Ret.) 12th Squadron Nov. 24, 2001

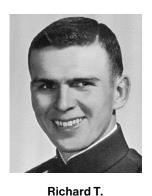


MacFarlane Col. (Ret.) 2nd Squadron Aug. 3, 1992

Willard R.



Jerry L. Mason Lt. Col. (Ret.) 9th Squadron July 14, 2006



Mathews
6th Squadron
April 8, 1967



Frank D. Mayberry Lt. Col. (Ret.) 3rd Squadron April 22, 2018



Dale Q. Mayo Lt. Col. (Ret.) 8th Squadron April 5, 2024



Charles M. McCain Maj. 5th Squadron Nov. 4, 1976



Mills*
Capt.
12th Squadron
Jan. 29, 1968



Molinelli

3rd Squadron
July 3, 1993



James E. Morton Jr.* Maj. 6th Squadron Aug. 3, 1969



Newson Jr. 6th Squadron March 23, 1984

Robert J.



O'Rourke 8th Squadron Feb. 3, 2014

James C.



William R. **Ouellette** Brig. Gen. (Ret.) 13th Squadron July 18, 2001



John F. **Peebles** Lt. Col. (Ret.) 14th Squadron Aug. 13, 2021



James E. Peel Lt. Col. (Ret.) 9th Squadron July 1, 2007



Lew P. **Price**





Hoyt L. Prindle Jr. Col. (Ret.) 9th Squadron



George S. Pupich

1st Squadron Dec. 4, 2017



Robert G. Rager Lt. Col. (Ret.) 1st Squadron March 7, 2012



Douglas A. Rekenthaler Lt. Col. (Ret.) 1st Squadron July 21, 2015



Ronald D. Sandholzer Lt. Col. (Ret.) 4th Squadron Aug. 15, 2021



Robert B. Sapp Col. 9th Squadron Feb. 8, 1981



John A. Schira Jr. Col. (Ret.) 6th Squadron Feb. 10, 2021



Schlechte

2nd Squadron
Sept, 18, 2022



Thomas F. Seebode





Richard B. Shepard





Lloyd E. Shier

10th Squadron April 18, 1993



William D. Siebecker

7th Squadron July 16, 2023



Donald E. Singer

Lt. Col. (Ret.) 5th Squadron Sept. 30, 1999



Patrick J. Smith Sr. Lt. Col. (Ret.) 9th Squadron

Aug. 8, 2022



Donald D. Stevens Col. (Ret.) 1st Squadron

June 29, 2021



Theodore J. Stumm

Col. (Ret.) 3rd Squadron May 25, 2008



Walter C. Sweeney III

7th Squadron May 12, 2023



Victor R. Thomas

Lt. Col. (Ret.) 9th Squadron April 19, 2021



Dale W. Thompson Jr.

Lt. Gen. (Ret.) 1st Squadron May 23, 2025



Donald L. Thurman Maj. 10th Squadron June 26, 1971



Earl S. Van Inwegen Brig Gen (Ret.) 5th Squadron July 14, 2025



James E. Waddle Col. (Ret.) 1st Squadron June 15, 2025



Clark M. Walker Col. (Ret.) 10th Squadron Feb. 10, 2023



Frederick T. Walker Col. (Ret.) 6th Squadron Aug. 8, 2020



Christian A. Warack Col. (Ret.) 4th Squadron Oct. 27, 1999



Ware
1st Lt.
11th Squadron
July 15, 1963



Waterman Jr.
Lt. Col. (Ret.)
16th Squadron
Nov. 6, 2019



Samuel E. Waters Jr.* Maj. 7th Squadron Dec. 13, 1966



Grant R. Waugh* Maj. 3rd Squadron Aug. 10, 1970



5th Squadron May 25, 2013

Wiest



Donald L. Wolfswinkel Col. (Ret.) 2nd Squadron Dec. 18, 2023



William F. H. Zersen Col. (Ret.) 4th Squadron Dec. 31, 2023

RESTING MEMORIALS, USAFA

NAME	RANK	DIED	AREA	ROW	GRAVE
Andrew W. Biancur	Col. (Ret.)	Jan. 10, 2021	6	F	8
J. Anthony Bilello		Oct. 23, 2023	2	D	98
W. Stephen Bishop		April 25, 2015	8	Α	12
Valmore W. Bourque	Capt.	Oct. 24, 1964	3	D	41
John F. Boutz	1st Lt.	Feb. 8, 1964	3	D	29
Michael G. Buchen	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	June 23, 1990	6	С	11
James H. Bujalski		May 28, 2021	6	F	35
David W. Burns	1st Lt.	Feb. 4, 1964	3	D	25
Anthony J. Burshnick	Lt. Gen. (Ret.)	Aug. 17, 2021	2	D	13
Peter J. Burton		March 2, 2011	6	С	37
James R. Carter		Sept. 16, 1996	6	Α	52
James W. Clark Jr.	Maj. (Ret.)	Jan. 13, 2020	2	С	43
Norman B. Congdon	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	Aug. 5, 2003	6	D	33
Gary F. Crew	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	July 28, 1998	6	Н	29
Robert C. Davis	Maj.	March 23, 1969	6	Α	27
Neil P. Delisanti	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	Oct. 27, 2018	8	Α	55
James C. Fey	Capt.	Oct. 19, 1965	3	D	69
George J. C. Fries	Col. (Ret.)	Aug. 7, 2014	8	Α	17
Gerald H. Gammill	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	Jan. 8, 2024	2	D	134
William G. Goodyear	Col. (Ret.)	Dec. 14, 2011	6	В	50
George H. Hines		June 23, 2002	6	С	27
William T. Hodson III	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	Oct. 9, 2018	8	D	61
James N. Holly		June 21, 2024	2	Ε	50
Michael L. Hyde	Capt.	Dec. 8, 1966	6	В	45
John R. Jansen	Capt.	Sept. 15, 1966	3	Ε	71
Edward W. Leonard Jr.	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	Nov. 11, 2014	8	В	32
Anthony H. Long	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	Feb. 13, 2023	2	D	105
Michael V. Love	Lt. Col.	March 1, 1976	3	С	68
George E. Luck	Col. (Ret.)	June 10, 2015	8	Α	14
Frank D. Mayberry	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	April 22, 2018	8	D	42
Dale Q. Mayo	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	April 5, 2024	2	D	136
Charles M. McCain	Maj.	Nov. 4, 1976	MEM	2	20
James D. Mills	Capt.	Jan. 29, 1968	3	В	63
James E. Morton Jr.	Maj.	Aug. 3, 1969	3	В	63
James C. O'Rourke		Feb. 3, 2014	6	Ε	72
George S. Pupich		Dec. 4, 2017	Α	8	Niche 6
Robert G. Rager	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	March 7, 2012	6	F	74
Douglas A. Rekenthaler	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	July 21, 2015	8	D	12

NAME	RANK	DIED	AREA	ROW	GRAVE
Robert B. Sapp	Col.	Feb. 8, 1981	3	Α	63
Thomas F. Seebode		Aug. 26, 2015	8	В	16
Gary D. Sheets	Col. (Ret.)	Sept. 18, 2012	6	В	46
Richard B. Shepard		Jan. 18, 1994	6	F	3
Lloyd E. Shier		April 18, 1993	6	С	21
Theodore J. Stumm	Col. (Ret.)	May 25, 2008	6	F	39
Dale W. Thompson Jr.	Lt. Gen. (Ret.)	May 23, 2025	2	Ε	55
Donald L. Thurman	Maj.	June 26, 1971	3	Ε	30
James E. Waddle	Col. (Ret.)	June 16, 2025	2	В	120
Christian A. Warack	Col. (Ret.)	Oct. 27, 1999	6	F	62
Donald F. Ware	1st Lt.	July 15, 1963	3	D	21
Charles R. Waterman Jr.	Lt. Col. (Ret.)	Nov. 6, 2019	8	Ε	19
Samuel E. Waters Jr.	Maj.	Dec. 13, 1966	MEM	20	191
Grant R. Waugh	Maj.	Aug. 10, 1970	3	Ε	53
William F. H. Zersen	Col. (Ret.)	Dec. 31, 2023	2	Ε	18

DECEASED OTHER CLASSMATES

When 300 young men reported to Lowry Air Force Base on 9 July 1956, the Class of 1960 was formed. They were joined by 18 members of the Class of 1959 who had to repeat some academic work. Together the 318 became the brotherhood we call *Classmates*. Of that original number, 227 successfully weathered the rigors of academics and professional training and added the title *Graduate* on 8 June 1960. Six of those who did not graduate on that date went on to graduate with the Class of 1961. Most of the remaining 85 went forward to lives of service and rewarding careers. All of them remain *Classmates*. We honor these who are no longer with us.

Class of 1960

Noel P. Bailey Jack D. Ballard Ray M. Barnes Ronald H. Bernhard George H. Bockwinkel Kinsley B. Brennan	Apr. 26, 2011 Nov. 22, 2008 Apr. 28, 2008 Nov. 15, 2018 Mar. 17, 2011 Feb. 7, 1967	Erik F. LaDoe Richard B. Lindsay Thomas O. Middleton Roy L. Mimms Col (Ret) Daniel B. Nowak Thomas P. O'Toole	Jun. 23, 2012 Oct. 30, 2010 Oct. 11, 2020 Jul. 28, 2003 Jan. 27, 2004
James E. Brown Kenneth C. Browne Clyde F. Carmichael Frederick A. Clark Col (Ret) Louis O. Cropp	Aug. 23, 2012	George J. Palfi Dean A. Phelps James T. Riley Paul D. Sones Alan L. Sternberg	Jan. 27, 2004 May 14, 2017 Feb. 22, 1968 May 3, 2015 Nov. 2, 1996
Richard D. Davis C3C Harold A. Harris Allen R. Herman John J. Kelly	Feb. 22, 1958 Apr. 25, 2020	David C. Uimari Wayne U. Waterhouse Stephen J. Wayne Randolph L. Wood	Feb. 11, 2010

Class of 1961

Victor H. Bouquet	Sept. 17, 2001	Donald D. Paye	Mar. 7, 2017
Thomas S. Hill	Feb. 7, 2021	John C. Weaver, Jr.	Aug. 22, 1982

ROLL CALL

Robert Errol Badger Kenneth Hubert Biehle James Anthony Bilello Dean Leroy Bristow Jerry Lewis Caskey Michael Anthony Clarke Charles Stanley Folkart, Jr. Gerald Hunter Gammill John Peter Gonsky Richard Joel Hillman James Nicholas Holly Stephen Ray Holt John Allen Johnson Daniel Keith Johnson Anthony Hugh Long Dale Quentin Mayo Thomas Walter Schlechte William David Siebecker Patrick John Smith, Sr. Walter Campbell Sweeney, III. Dale Willard Thompson, Jr. Earl Sumner Van Inwegen James Edward Waddle Clark Miles Walker Donald Lee Wolfswinkel William Frederick Hugo Zersen

