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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

THURSDAY, APRIL 21ST - 11:00 AM LUNCHEON,
THE LANDING, ST. MICHAEL'S ROOM, FORT RUCKER, AL

GUEST SPEAKER

COL. ROSS NELSON
 Commandant, US Army Warrant Officer Career College



President's Message
by Ron Kaita

has finally arrived in the Wiregrass. I hope everyone is enjoying life to its fullest as it looks like for most cases, we have put the COVID-19 experience behind us for now. Along with spring flowers popping out everywhere you can see that it is another election year as candidates for local and state positions are about as prevalent as daffodil and azalea blooms. Please do your due diligence and vote for those who you feel are best suited to represent you and our state and country. MOAA will no doubt be soliciting your support for those who can support MOAA's priorities and agenda for our military personnel and

SCHEDULE & MENU

Social: 11:00 AM!
Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance: 11:45 AM!
Dinner: 12:00 NOON!

>>>Trio of Crostini—Brushetta, pimento, walnut fig cream cheese.

>>>Menu #1: Salmon Salad w/spinach, feta, tomatoes, cucumber, strawberries, blue berries
 >Raspberry dressing
 OR

>>>Menu #2: Southwest Chicken Salad
 >Romaine, mixed greens, shredded cheese, corn & black bean salsa, diced tomatoes
 >Crispy Tortilla strips, Chipotle Ranch dressing

>>>All salads have a roll & butter; bread Pudding w/Vanilla Bourbon sauce; sweet & unsweet tea, & water

Cost: \$19.00 per meal

Whoya Gonna Call?

Please make your Reservations by noon **MONDAY APRIL 18th** to Mary Rutkowski at (334) 347-4966. **Select either Menu #1 or Menu #2 when calling.** No changes at the door; meals are preordered.
Cash or personal checks only!
 Persons not canceling their reservation by noon on the Wednesday prior to the Luncheon Meeting will be responsible to our Chapter Treasurer for full payment of the reserved meals.

I believe everyone can agree that Spring their families, and especially our veterans. Please research each candidate and see where they stand before you vote this year.

MOAA priorities for 2022 continue to focus on protecting military and retiree pays, COLA, and TRICARE as our duly elected members of Congress have still not provided the annual budget for 2022. Please engage your representatives whenever and/or however you can provide your input as a voting MOAA member as they tackle the daunting task of funding the government and its operations. MOAA works to protect and defend the earned benefits of our men and women in uniform and their families. Everyone in our chapter need to support this line of effort by helping the recruitment of new members for our association and

our chapter. Membership is key for the lifeblood and standing of MOAA. Overall MOAA's membership increased significantly from 354,208 at the end of January to 355,664 at the end of February - which is 820 above year-to-date projections.

There will be two recognition events for our Vietnam Veterans on 29 March 2022 at 1100 hrs., either at the Main Exchange or in Enterprise. Check the webpages of our veteran websites for further information. It is truly an honor to recognize our Vietnam Veterans for their sacrifice and contribution for what they have done for our families and our nation.

One of the chapter's important actions is our support to the US Army Warrant Officer Career College
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(Presidents Message from page 1) (USAWOCC) for the FY22 Honorable Order of the Eagle Rising Society (ERS). LTG Atkins is the expected presenter along with the USAWOCC Commandant, and the selected awardee. The suspense for ERS packets submission is 2 May 2022, with a ERS ceremony sometime in July 2022 at the Aviation Museum on Fort Rucker, AL. If the event is open to the public, please add this event on your calendars. The application packet forms will also be posted on our webpages for those who want to encourage applicants to submit for this prestigious award before May 2022.

Our next Chapter Luncheon (Dinner) meeting will be held for the first time as a luncheon on Thursday, 21 April 2022 at the Landing (formerly the Officers Club) on Fort Rucker in the St. Michael's Dining Room. Our agenda will include a solicitation for everyone's input on chapter actions and direction on future events the membership would like to see as we move forward in this busy and very important year ahead. We will still have dinner meetings but are trying something new just to see if this venue is more to the liking of the chapter's membership.

The USAWOCC has been in the throgs of conducting this year's WOCS classes. As usual, our chapter will support with the presentation of Leadership and Distinguished Honor Graduates from the Warrant Officer Candidate School. MOAA awards at every graduation for MOAA National in recognition of their achievements with a MOAA certificate, a \$100 check, and a three-year Premium membership. Their last graduation on 23 February was finally open to the public without masks as long as they were fully vaccinated. The next series of WOCS graduation dates will be Tuesday's 15th, 22nd, and 29 March 2022 at 1000 hours at the post Aviation Museum. Hopefully masking is a thing of the past to attend in-person.

I would like to remind everyone to please check out MOAA's National homepage as to the many important updates and new offerings. MOAA is constantly making new offerings for its members. As the COVID-19 restrictions seem to be a thing of the past for traveling here and abroad, please check out the domestic and international river and Caribbean cruises, as well as foreign travel opportunities and discounts offered by MOAA.

For our chapter's newest community service project, we will provide the beautification maintenance of the Wounded Warrior Cabin on East Beach at Lake Tholocco. This will be a quarterly project, approved by the Garrison Command and the Outdoors MWR Office. Our first rodeo will probably be in June 2022. This is a joint venture between us and Fort Rucker's Above the Best Silver Chapter of the US Army Warrant Officer Association (USAWOA). It will be a quick operation, probably only an hour, followed by a snack and officer fellowship afterwards. I hope you can support this cabin beautification project to ensure our visiting wounded veterans have a first-class visiting experience.

As always, please take care of yourselves, your families, as well as prayers and well-wishes for our men and women who are deployed keeping us safe and secure.

Please stay safe and enjoy the beautiful weather we will be experiencing over the next few weeks.



Membership Report

by Othan Gilbert

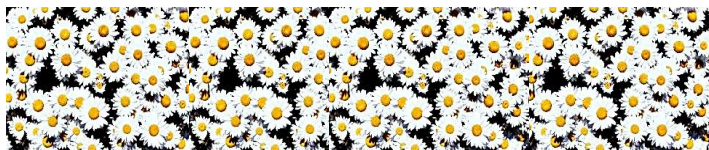


I am pleased to report the welcome addition of a new chapter member: CPT Jerry Ogles. He and his wife, Debbie, live in Enterprise. They are **welcomed** and their confidence in joining our chapter is appreciated.

As you know by now, our February dinner was cancelled due to insufficient reservations. As a result, we have scheduled a luncheon in April to see if there will be a better response. Through the years I have heard from members that they would come if only the meetings were held in the day because they did not drive at night. This will be your opportunity to reinforce that sentiment so please make your reservations and come! Whether or not we continue with luncheons (vs dinner meetings) will be determined by the attendance in April. At that time attendees will be asked their preference. Be sure to come so you can voice your opinion.

The national MOAA website is moaa.org and our chapter website is fortruckermoaa.org. Please check the chapter website from time-to-time as photos from our past dinners, minutes from our board meetings, and chapter finance reports are posted there. The phone number for MOAA National is 800-234-6622. If you would like to purchase a MOAA National life membership, it is better to do so by calling them direct and speaking with someone. If you do that (versus doing so over the web), they will give you a 10% discount, give you credit for your current premium membership (if applicable) and arrange payments over an extended period.

Remember to patronize the ten sponsors of our newsletter. They help to support the chapter and deserve our consideration.





Retired Officer Wives Association (ROWA)

by Mary Jane Collins



Greetings Everyone,

The winds of March have arrived as we march onward toward lovely spring

time. In the midst of transferring from winter 's cold to warming sun's temperatures we see the rising colors and appearance of March's daffodils, buttercups, and redbud trees. How thoughtful is our Creator to give us various seasons to receive, enjoy, and harvest nature's many different gifts throughout the year.

In this year as last, we encounter our country's challenges with hope for peace to prevail. As we hope, we carry on and find ways to manage. ROWA has continued to meet each month and keep in touch at The Landing. The possibilities January offered in the new year gave us opportunities to consider with ROWA. Lunch is enjoyed with interesting discussions of activities and gifts won with drawings such as beautiful plants or other prizes.

February highlighted the origin of Valentine cards to express the love and kindness exemplified by St. Valentine. As we march onward the season of Lent is prevalent in Christian history throughout the ages. St. Patrick is remembered as the Patron Saint of emerald Ireland, exemplifying renewal with joy and purpose. Hope continues prevalent, inspiring hearts, lighting paths, and reviving efforts while we prepare with focus on the divine gift of the coming Easter which brings renewal and joy.

Our next ROWA meeting is April 12 at The Landing. Reservations by the Friday beforehand: Mary Rutkowski 334-347-4966. Social time begins at 10:30 a.m. and Seating is at 11:00a.m.

Retired Officers Wives are invited to join us and guest are welcomed. May your Easter joy abound with blessings through the year!



(Standing L to R) Faye Swinehart, Mary Rutkowski, Martha McKee, Lenore Case
(Seated L to R) Gloria Loser, Susanne Bailey, Mary Jane Collins, Sandy Hefner

Legislative Report

by Ray Collins



The National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2022 included some important initiatives while unbelievably leaving out some which seem equally important. A 2.7% pay raise for active duty kept pace with the Employment Cost Index but didn't address the 2.6 % ECI gap from previous years.

The basic needs allowance was supported but not the automatic payment for junior grade military families which fall below the poverty line which the Military Coalition wanted included.

Aid to service members in the form of authorized leave was included in parental care changes and bereavement leave.

Impact Aid was included to assist school districts that have lost revenue in the form of property tax due to tax exempt federal property.

National Guard and Reserves special pay equality in hazardous duty pay and aviation.

Changes have been included to reform the UCMJ placing specialized military prosecutors to try sexual harassment cases.

There were some omissions from the bill that fit into the "wait until next year" bracket. One of the missing issues which promises to be raised for consideration with each coming military funding cycle is the ANC issue. Another issue that is high on every ones wish list except congress is the continuing battle for concurrent receipt. The issue of forcing women to register for selective service was left out of the NDAA even though it was in both the house and senate versions.

CG RETIREE COUNCIL:

EXCHANGE—The exchange will observe Viet Nam service in differing promotions during March. March 29 will be a Viet Nam Veterans' drive through event from 11:00 until 13:00. March 30/31 the food court will have a planned power outage from 07:00 am until 07:00am. Exchange lower section bathrooms will reopen in approximately three weeks. The Exchange has openings 20 hours a week at \$15 per hour. H&R Block is open M-F 09:00 until 18:00 and Sat 09:00 until 16:00. MWR Arts and Crafts is offering beginning pottery a four week class. MWR also offering a Pickle ball clinic on Mar 19. The Golf Course is conducting their annual membership drive. Equestrian center is really becoming an active entity. The recent barn dance was a huge success. Another new riding instructor has been hired.

WARRANT OFFICER CANDIDATE AWARDS



WO1 Nicholas K. Deweese (R), the Distinguished Honor Graduate of Class 22-05, as the student with the highest class standing.

WO1 Joel A. Jones (L), the Leadership Awardee of Class 22-05, as the student demonstrating the highest leadership attributes.



WO1 Collin S. Odenweller (R), the Distinguished Honor Graduate of Class 22-06, as the student with the highest class standing.

WO1 Zane A. Wilson (L), the Leadership Awardee of Class 22-06, as the student demonstrating the highest leadership attributes.



WO1 Mitchell M. Keeton (R), the Distinguished Honor Graduate of Class 22-07, as the student with the highest class standing.

WO1 Abraham I. Thomas (L), the Leadership Awardee of Class 22-07, as the student demonstrating the highest leadership attributes.

WHERE HAVE ALL THE YOUNG PASTORS GONE?

“While attending a church meeting in Atlanta, I was invited to join a small group of bishops for lunch. One of the bishops from the South Central Jurisdiction shared the story of a telephone call that he had received from an angry Chairman of a Pastor-Parish Relations Committee of a large church in his area, demanding that the bishop meet with the committee. The bishop shared that when he walked into the room where the committee was meeting, the angry Chair of the Pastor-Parish Relations Committee handed him the keys to the church and screamed, ‘Where are all those gifted, young adults that you once appointed to our church?’ The bishop said that he paused for a moment, and then he replied, ‘I tell you where they are! They are doctors and lawyers, architects and engineers, bankers and airline pilots. Churches like yours are no longer encouraging young adults to enter the ordained ministry!’

“Bishops cannot clone Christian ministers. They must be ‘sent’ from our churches. We desperately need more and more effective young adults to become a part of this most rewarding and fulfilling vocation in the world!”

Editor’s Note—This last paragraph might be applicable to all religious denominations.

(taken from the *Stegall Seminary Scholarship Endowment Foundation Newsletter*, Spring 2022)

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TREASURER’S REPORT by LTC (Ret) Loel Ewart



Net Worth of the Fort Rucker Chapter of MOAA as of 01/10/2022 is **\$29,261.49**. These funds are in one checking account, one savings account and one Money Market Account in the AllIn (FCU).

Activities Since Last Report: (02/14/22) Starting balance of;		\$29,113.10
DEPOSITS	ACTION	
	02/28/22 Money Market Interest	<u>\$6.41</u>
	Deposits Total	\$6.41
CHECKS:	EXPENDITURES:	
1944	----- VOID	
1945	02/14/22 Carolyn Wooley (Printer Ink)	<u>\$94.83</u>
	Expenditures Total	\$94.83
	Net Decrease	<u>\$88.38</u>
	(03/14 /22) Current Total Balance of;	<u>\$29,024.72</u>
	All In checking	\$4,492.96
	All In Savings	\$5.41
	All In Money Market	\$24,526.35
	Reserve Total: (Minus Reserve);	\$24,526.35
	Life Membership	\$8,340.00
	MOAA reserve,	\$16,186.35
	Minus Savings:	\$5.41
		-\$5.41
	*Usable Funds as of March 14, (Minus reserve/savings)	<u>\$4,492.96</u>
	Other News *No outstanding bills. Scholarship Fund= \$0.00	

Brigadier General David J. Allen Facilities Dedication

*Friends of Army Aviation—Ozark
David J. Allen Facility—“LZ ALLEN”*

On Saturday, March 19th, the Friends of Army Aviation—Ozark conducted a Memorial Dedication of their facilities at Blackwell Field, Ozark, Alabama where they named their facility the “David J. Allen Facility” in memory of BG David J. Allen for all the long and hard work he contributed to bringing this organization to the City of Ozark, and instilling it as a permanent organization and facility to enrich the heritage of Army Aviation. The Friends of Army Aviation—Ozark mission and passion are to convey the importance of Army Aviation and to remember the role it played in armed conflicts by providing troops with the support needed to achieve their mission and to ensure their survival on the battlefield.

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Important Dates for MOAA Ft Rucker Chapter, 2022		
Board of Directors' Meeting	Newsletter Input Suspende	Bi-Monthly Dinner Meeting
11 Apr 22		21 Apr 22
9 May 22	18 May 22	
13 Jun 22		18 Jun 22
11 Jul 22	20 Jul 22	
8 Aug 22		20 Aug 22
12 Sep 22	21 Sep 22	
10 Oct 22		15 Oct 22
14 Nov 22	16 Nov 22	
12 Dec 22		17 Dec 22

Gem, flower, & color for April—Diamond; Daisy; yellow, red.

Brigadier General David J. Allen Dedication (continued from page 5) MASTER OF CEREMONIES COMMENTS

“Ladies and Gentleman, my name is Sam Baker and I am a volunteer and your master of ceremony for today’s events. Welcome to the Friends of Army Aviation Facility Dedication! Today, four years ago, on a Saturday just like today, Brigadier General David J. Allen made his final approach and we are here to celebrate his life and contributions to Army Aviation and more importantly, the Friends of Army Aviation. This dedication completes a vision that General Allen had to educate and display the legacy of Army Aviation. The new additions before you complete and make an entire facility that is the home of Friends of Army Aviation. The board, staff and Friends of Army Aviation are thankful to so many of you, who have been with the organization every step of the way so that this day would finally come to recognize and honor Brigadier General Allen and the new facility.

“I would like to acknowledge and introduce our dignitaries and family for today’s ceremony: the Honorable Mayor of Ozark, Mark Blankenship, Chairman of the board Friends of Army Aviation, Major General (retired) Lou Hennies, Major General and Mrs. Pete Berry, Brigadier General Ken Robinson, the Spouse and family of Brigadier General Retired and Deceased David J. Allen, Mrs. Gloria Allen, Mrs. Tammy Allen, Mrs. Carrie Allen, and grandson Cadet A.J. Dale. Thank you all for taking the time to make today’s event. Brigadier General Retired David J. Allen distinguished himself throughout more than 50 years of outstanding service to his country, the United States Army, and the Aviation branch.

“General Allen was a native of Maine and graduated from the University of Maine as a Distinguished Military Graduate with a Bachelor of Science degree in Government. In the summer of 1958 through the Reserve Officer Training Corps program, he was commissioned as a second lieutenant in Infantry. He attended the Infantry Officer Basic Course at Fort Benning Georgia and then Ranger School. He was immediately selected for flight training and graduated the Rotary Wing Aviator Course in 1959. He eventually held a Master of Arts degree in Management from Central Michigan University.

“After a tour in Europe, during which he served as both an aviator and infantry company commander, he completed the Infantry Officer Advanced Course. He then joined the 11th Air Assault Division and soon after deployed to Vietnam. With the 1st/9th Cavalry, he helped perfect new tactics and doctrine for helicopter-borne assaults. The unit’s first major operation was the Pleiku Campaign during which the division conducted 35 days of continuous airmobile operations. The unit also earned the first Presidential Unit Citation presented to a division during the Vietnam War.

“During a subsequent tour in Vietnam, General Allen served as a platoon commander in an assault helicopter company. During his two tours in Vietnam, he was awarded and earned the Distinguished Flying Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster and the Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster.

“He followed up his combat tours with a variety of command and staff positions to include Battalion Commander, 1st Battalion, 5th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division, the 1st Cavalry Division Assistant G3, G5, and as Division Inspector General. He served as the Headquarters Department of the Army G3 for Aviation, the G3 of the 2nd Infantry Division, then returning to Washington, D.C. to serve as the Joint Chiefs of Staff J5 as a Strategic Policy Planner.

“General Allen played a pivotal role at Fort Rucker in the early 1980s when he commanded the only brigade at Fort Rucker and the largest aviation brigade in the Army, the 1st

Aviation Brigade. By this time, Army Aviation had grown in size and technological sophistication. This growth created increasingly complex problems in training, procurement, doctrine development, proponent responsibility and personnel management. General Allen was on the tactical forefront of the preparation and integration efforts in support of the successful establishment of the Aviation Branch in 1983.

“General Allen went on to serve in greater positions of responsibility as the Executive Officer to the Chief, United States Forces Korea, Eighth United States Army, the Assistant Division Commander (Support), 2nd Infantry Division, and the Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver), 2nd Infantry Division, Republic of Korea. His unique background and experience as an Infantryman, aviator and soldier enabled him to provide critical leadership in support of aviation combat readiness and the preparation and training of Soldiers throughout the world. His additional awards and decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with Oak leaf cluster, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal with numeral 50, the Joint Chief of Staff and Army General Staff badges and the Silver Honorable Order of Saint Michael. Additionally, he earned Vietnam Jump Wings, the Republic of Korea Master Army Aviator Wings, and was a Master Army Aviator with over 5,100 flight hours, 1,500 of which were in combat.

“Upon retirement from the United States Army in 1991, General and Gloria Allen relocated to Ozark where he served in a variety of positions, perhaps most notably as the Chapter President of the Wiregrass Chapter of the Army Aviation Heritage Foundation. This foundation was dedicated to presenting the Army Aviation story to the American people through narrated, patriotic flying presentations and static displays of the actual aircraft and equipment used by the men and women who served in Army Aviation. This was and still today is accomplished through the acquisition, restoration, and maintenance of historic flyable Army Aviation aircraft representing Army Aviation, from Vietnam to present day.

“Throughout his career, General Allen had always led by example and retained an outstanding personal reputation as a leader, officer, Soldier, Husband, and Father. He dedicated his entire adult life to the service of others – both while in uniform and retired. Through his unwavering dedication and commitment to making a better future for others, he made a significant and positive contribution to our Army, the branch of Aviation and our community and he is worthy of this dedication.

“Ladies and Gentlemen, next on our agenda is the ribbon cutting ceremony dedicating this awesome facility to the City of Ozark, Blackwell Field, and the Friends of Army Aviation in the honor of Brigadier General David J. Allen, which will be followed by a tour or opening of our facility for Family Day.

“I would like to request the ribbon and scissors to now come forward of the flag pole and may we get MG Hennies, LTC Doc Holladay, Mrs. Tammy Allen, Mrs. Carrie Allen, and A.J. Dale to come forward to cut the ribbon making this the official David J. Allen Facility.

“On behalf of the Chairman of the Board, MG(R) Lou Hennies, the Board of Directors, and the President of Friends of Army Aviation, LTC(R) John “DOC” Holladay, we would like to thank each of you for taking time out of your busy schedule today. Please join us for Family Day beginning at 1000 with a State of Friends of Army Aviation followed by a fellowship lunch and orientation flights, again Thank You for attending and being a part of today’s festivities.” *(continued on page 7)*

Brigadier General David J. Allen Dedication (continued from page 6)



Ribbon Cutting Ceremony - (L to R) George Schmitz, MG Lou Hennies, Mrs. Tammy Allen, A. J. Dale (grandson), Mrs. Carrie Allen, LTC (Ret) Doc Holliday, & Tom Aretz.



Mrs. Gloria Allen (L) and daughter, Mrs. Carrie Allen (R) viewing BG Dave Allen's awards, decorations, & memorabilia.



BG Dave Allen's awards & memorabilia.



BG Dave Allen awards & memorabilia.



(L to R) Frank Estes, MG (Ret) Lou Hennies, & Lisa Bailey



More BG Dave Allen's awards & memorabilia.



LTC (Ret) Doc Holliday talking with Mrs. Gloria Allen

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Brigadier General David J. Allen Dedication (continued from page 7)



Brigadier General (Ret) David J. Allen



Allen was born in Brewer, Maine and graduated from Brewer High School in 1954. A Distinguished Military Graduate from the University of Maine in 1958, he was then commissioned through the ROTC program as a second lieutenant of Infantry. He also held a Master of Arts degree in Management from Central Michigan University.

He served two tours in the Republic of Vietnam in the 1960s and attended the Command and General Staff College in 1970. After graduation, he was assigned to Fort Hood, Texas, to the 1st Cavalry Division in subsequent positions from 1970-1974 as the Division Assistant G3, the G5, Commander of the 5th Cavalry Regiment, and as Division Inspector General.

In 1974, BG Allen served at HQDA/Deputy chief of Staff of Operations in the Aviation Office, Washington, D.C., for two years. In 1977, he graduated from the National War College and served as the G3 of the 2nd Infantry Division, in Korea. He returned to Washington, D.C., in 1978 and served in the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS)/J5 as a Strategic Policy Planner on the Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (SALT) II Delegation in Geneva, Switzerland.

He commanded the 1st Aviation Brigade at Fort Rucker, Alabama, from 1980 to 1983. He served as Chief of Combat Development and Force Modernization, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations (DCSOPS), HQ, Forces Command at Fort McPherson, Georgia, until October of 1984.

He served in Korea as the Executive Officer to the Chief, United Nations Command/Combined Forces Command/United States Forces Korea/Eighth United States Army, Korea from November of 1984 until May of 1986. On May 22, 1986, he was promoted to Brigadier General and assigned as the Assistant Division Commander (Support), 2nd Infantry Division until July of 1987. He then became the Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver), 2nd Infantry Division, Republic of Korea. In July of 1988, BG Allen became the Chief of Staff/Deputy Commanding General, Installation Activities, Headquarters, First U.S. Army and Fort George G. Meade at Fort Meade, Maryland.

BG Allen's decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, two Legions of Merit, two Distinguished Flying Crosses, two Purple Hearts, two Bronze Star Medals, Department of Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Medal, Air Medal (with numeral 51), Vietnam Service Medal (7 Stars), Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Korean Meritorious Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross (with Palm), Vietnam Civil Actions Medal, Department of Army Staff Identification Badge and Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge, Expert Infantry Badge, Ranger Tab, Parachutist Badge, Vietnam Jump Wings, and Master Army Aviator Wings. He was a Master Army Aviator with over 5,100 flight hours, 1,500 of which were in combat. His military education includes completion of the Infantry Officer Basic and Advanced courses, Airborne, Ranger, Helicopter and Fixed Wing Aviation courses, the United States Army Command and General Staff College, and the National War College.

Upon retirement from the United States Army in 1991, Allen relocated to Ozark, Alabama, and worked as a consultant with Serv-Air, Dyncorp and SCCS Inc. BG Allen spearheaded the establishment of the Friends of Army Aviation organization and the building of its hangar in Ozark at Blackwell Field. Without his vision and leadership, FoAA would not be where it is today.

Allen is survived by his wife, Gloria, two daughters, Tammy and Carrie, and a grandchild.



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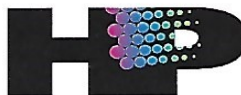
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