







ROBERT MOFFATT LOSEY  
*Fourth District, New Jersey*  
 Trenton, New Jersey



ROBERT LAWRENCE LOVE  
*Eighth District, Missouri*  
 Alameda, California

WHEN Signor Marconi developed the science of wireless telegraphy he started a remarkable development, a development that had results far greater than anyone could anticipate. We doubt if he fully appreciated the results that would follow the introduction of his marvelous invention. Least of all could he anticipate the havoc that radio would work in the Corps of Cadets. For Robert Losey has, with others, been purveyor of radio sets to the tactical department for so long that the memory of man runneth not to the contrary. We thus see in him a fine disregard for useless restrictions, a spirit not easily rebuffed, a wide interest in science. Bob carries with him into the Service not only these qualities, but as well a love of sport that has made him an authority on football and golf, an assortment of hobbies and accomplishments, and an aspiration for the Air Corps.

*Sergeant (1), Polo (3, 2), Remount Squad (1), Bugle Notes, Assistant Editor (2), Editor (1), A.B.*

BOB's crowning glory is his hair. It is the type that challenges one's imagination. A man possessed with such a head covering should be able to do most anything, and this time its owner is just that sort of individual.

Strangely enough, Bob first impressed us as a calm, unruffled, young man who asked little of life as he smilingly wandered along its paths. Now we have seen him on the rifle range when rain poured on the sights. One bitterly cold Thanksgiving we witnessed him courageously tackle them low for the glory of the goats. Red hair does come in handy.

Those of us who have been near Bob at a football game, around mail call or even upon the completion of a descrip writ, know how really enthusiastic and jubilant he can become. May no future event cause him to change his interest in life.

*Sergeant (1), Rifle Team (4, 3, 2, 1), Goat Football (2), Rifle Expert.*





WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON

January 18, 1940.

IN REPLY  
REFER TO

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF  
CAPTAIN ROBERT M. LOSEY, AIR CORPS.

The records of this office show that Captain Robert M. Losey, Air Corps, who was born May 27, 1908, at Andrew, Iowa, was appointed 2nd Lieutenant of Field Artillery June 13, 1929, from Cadet, U. S. Military Academy. He was detailed in the Air Corps September 12, 1929; transferred to the Air Corps December 11, 1930; promoted 1st Lieutenant October 1, 1934, and Captain June 13, 1939.

The degree of B. S. was conferred upon him by the U. S. Military Academy in 1929. He is a graduate of the Air Corps Primary Flying School, 1930, and the Air Corps Advanced Flying School, Pursuit Course, 1930. The degrees of M. S. in Meteorology, (1935), and M. S. in Aero Engineering, (1937), were conferred upon him by the California Institute of Technology. He is rated Air Pilot.

He is at present on duty in the Office of the Chief of Air Corps, Washington, D. C.

He is married.

By authority of the Secretary of War:

E. S. ADAMS,  
Major General,  
The Adjutant General.



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January 22, 1940

The Secretary of War presents his compliments to the

Honorable the Secretary of State and has the honor to inform  
him that Captain Robert M. Losey, Air Corps, has been detailed  
as Assistant Military Attache and Assistant Military Attache  
for Air to Finland, Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia, with station  
at Helsinki. A brief biographical sketch is enclosed. It is  
expected that Captain Losey will sail about the first of  
February.

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Enclosure:

Biographical sketch.

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January 25 1940

No. 231

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The Honorable

H. F. Arthur Schoenfeld,  
American Minister,  
Helsinki.

Sir:

The Department advises you of the receipt of a letter from the War Department dated January 22, 1940 stating that Captain Robert M. Losey, Air Corps, has been detailed as Assistant Military Attaché and Assistant Military Attaché for Air to Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia, with station at Helsinki. The War Department adds that it is expected that Captain Losey will sail about the first of February.

You are requested to advise the Foreign Office in the matter.

A biographical sketch of Captain Losey is enclosed for your information and the files of the Legation.

Appropriate instructions in the matter have been addressed to the missions concerned.

Very truly yours,

For the Secretary of State:

G. S. Messersmith

JAN 24 1940

Enclosure:

Biographical sketch  
as above.

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AMERICAN LEGATION,  
HELSINKI, (FINLAND).

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Your 36, January 18, 2 p.m.

Major George E. Huthsteiner reassigned Military  
Attaché to Finland January 20. See mail instruction 225.

Captain Robert M. Losey, Air Corps, detailed Assistant  
Military Attaché and Assistant Military Attaché for Air  
January 25. Sailing about February first.

Advise Foreign Office.

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January 25 1940

In reply refer to  
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My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have received a letter from the War Department (G-2/10039-1499) dated January 22, 1940 stating that Captain Robert M. Losey, Air Corps, has been detailed as Assistant Military Attaché and Assistant Military Attaché for Air to Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia, with station at Helsinki. It is stated that it is expected that Captain Losey will sail about the first of February.

Appropriate instructions in the matter have been addressed to the American Legations concerned.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

George S. Messersmith  
Assistant Secretary

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The Honorable  
Harry H. Woodring,  
Secretary of War.

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Please note that Oslo is being instructed to notify the Foreign Office of these designations:

I suppose the instruction should stand for the record, even though the information may never reach a Norwegian Foreign Office?

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War Department is instructing Major Hayne and Captain Losey to proceed Stockholm for duty as Military Attachés there and Norway. Hayne is being detached from Helsinki but Losey will continue to be accredited to Helsinki in addition to his other assignments.

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CAPTAIN ROBERT M. LOSEY

Captain Losey was born at Andrew, Iowa, May 27, 1908. Appointed to the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York, from New Jersey in July, 1925, graduated in June, 1929, and was commissioned a second lieutenant of Field Artillery.

Detailed to the Air Corps in September, 1929, he received ground school instruction at Brooks Field, Texas, until June, 1930, and was a student at the Air Corps Advanced Flying School at Kelly Field, Texas, until October, 1930. Upon graduating from that course he was transferred from the Field Artillery to the Air Corps and was ordered to Mather Field, California. He served at Mather Field and at Barksdale Field, Louisiana, with units of the Air Corps until September, 1934, when he was ordered to the California Institute of Technology, from which he graduated in June, 1935, with the degree of Master of Science in Meteorology. He then served at March Field, California, as Meteorological officer until August, 1936, when he returned to the California Institute of Technology, graduating in June, 1937, with the degree of Master of Science in Aero Engineering. From August, 1937, to January, 1940, he was on duty with the Training and Operations section of the Office of the Chief of Air Corps in Washington, D. C. In February, 1940, he left the United States for Helsinki, Finland, as Assistant Military Attache for Air. In April, 1940, he was also detailed as Assistant Military Attache for Air to Norway and Sweden.

Captain Losey is survived by his wife, Mrs. May Banta Losey, whose residence is 7968 Norton Avenue, Hollywood, California.



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AMERICAN LEGATION

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Your 180, April 9, 1940, 6 p.m.

War Department has instructed Major Hayne and Captain Losey, now at Helsinki, to proceed to Stockholm for duty there and in Norway.

Repeat to ~~Legation at~~ Oslo.

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April 22 1940

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No. 249

The Honorable

H. F. Arthur Schoenfeld,  
American Minister,  
Helsinki.

Sir:

The Department advises you of the receipt of a letter from the War Department dated April 9, 1940 stating that orders are being issued by cable detailing Captain Robert M. Losey as Assistant Military Attaché and Assistant Military Attaché for Air to the American Legations at Oslo, Norway, and Stockholm, Sweden, in addition to his duties as Assistant Military Attaché and Assistant Military Attaché for Air to Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia.

Appropriate instructions in the matter have been addressed to the other missions concerned.

Very truly yours,

For the Secretary of State:

BRECKINRIDGE LONG

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Helsinki

Dated April 23 1940

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Secretary of State  
Washington

208, April 23, 11 a.m.

German Military Attache called on Major Huthsteiner  
this morning to express condolence on the death in  
Norway April 21 of Captain Losey, Air Attache of this  
Legation, and stated that the German Minister and mem-  
bers of his Legation wished him to convey this expres-  
sion to us on their behalf.

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Respectfully request that condolence of myself,  
Huthsteiner, and Messrs. Shantz and McClintock be  
conveyed to Mrs. Losey, 7968 Norton Avenue, Hollywood,  
California.

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TELEGRAM

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The White House  
Washington

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April 22, 1940

Telegraphic memo to Mr. Hassett:

FOR THE PRESIDENT

*Add State Department Summary:*

Secretary Woodring advises that Captain Robert

M. Losey, Air Corps, USA, has been killed by a bomb in or near ~~near~~ <sup>#</sup> Dombas, Norway, according to cable received from a major of the Norwegian Army. No details given. Upon inquiry I ascertained that Captain Losey about one month ago was sent from the United States to Helsinki, assigned to our Legation as a military observer. Later he was transferred from Finland to Norway and Sweden as an observer. The State Department tells me that he was assigned to Mrs. Harriman and assisted her in making safe departure when Norway was attacked. <sup>x267/</sup> ~~Also from the State Department I am advised that he was assigned by Mrs. Harriman after she left Norway to locate and establish contact with the Royal Family.~~

~~No press announcement yet made but~~ I am having the State Department <sup>announce</sup> ~~handle the~~ receipt of the cable announcing the Captain's death. ~~The~~ War Department <sup>will</sup> ~~confine~~ its release to <sup>service record and biography,</sup> ~~in routine way.~~ <sup>strictly</sup>

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April 25, 1940.

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On April 24, 1940 Colonel Crane telephoned to

Mr. Notter stating that Lieutenant General von Boetticher, Military and Air Attaché of the German Embassy, had received a cable from Field Marshal Goering directing him to go to General Arnold in person and to express "the regret and sympathy" of Field Marshal Goering and the German air force over the death of Captain Losey. The appointment was made for April 25, 11:30 a.m. General Arnold requested, through Colonel Crane, to have any suggestions the State Department might wish on what his attitude should be during this conversation.

After consultation with Mr. Hickerson of Eu, I informed Colonel Crane at 3:45 on the afternoon of April 24 that this Department recommended that General Arnold assume the "ordinary attitude" during the recital of regret and sympathy by General von Boetticher and then merely express thanks for the delivery of the message and state that he will communicate the message to the Secretary of War and other appropriate officials of this Government.

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Government.

On the morning of April 25 Colonel Busbee telephoned at approximately 10 o'clock to confirm this message. On the afternoon of April 25, at approximately 2:45, Colonel Busbee telephoned to say that in as much as the "ceremony" had seemed to be a very "flat" one, and because the War Department deemed a press release should be made anyway, the War Department desired to issue a press release. Colonel Busbee read the release to me. After stating that Lieutenant General von Boetticher called on General Arnold to deliver the message of regret and sympathy from Field Marshal Goering, the release continued by saying that General Arnold replied that he "very much appreciated" the message and that he desired General von Boetticher to convey his "thanks" to Field Marshal Goering. General Arnold further stated that he would convey the message to the Secretary of War and to Mrs. Losey. Colonel Busbee was requested by me to delay issuance of the press release pending ascertainment of the attitude of this Department.

The question of the release and its wording was referred to Mr. Hickerson and to Mr. Moffat and, on their recommendation, to Mr. McDermott. Following these consultations, Colonel Busbee was informed by telephone at 3:15 p.m. by Mr. Notter that we had a definite suggestion

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to make and that if I might say so, it was "highly important" that nothing more be said than the following: A statement that General von Boetticher called to convey the personal regret and sympathy of Field Marshal Goering over the death of Captain Losey "in Norway". Then, that General Arnold expressed thanks to the German Military Attaché for the message which he undertook to transmit to the Secretary of War, the Chief of Staff, "and the widow". Mr. McDermott gave his approval to the message as Colonel Busbee read it back over the telephone.

Colonel Busbee inquired whether it was satisfactory to this Department if the release were made this afternoon, and in reply he was told that we had no objection to the immediate issuance of the press release. Colonel Busbee said that the release would be made at once.

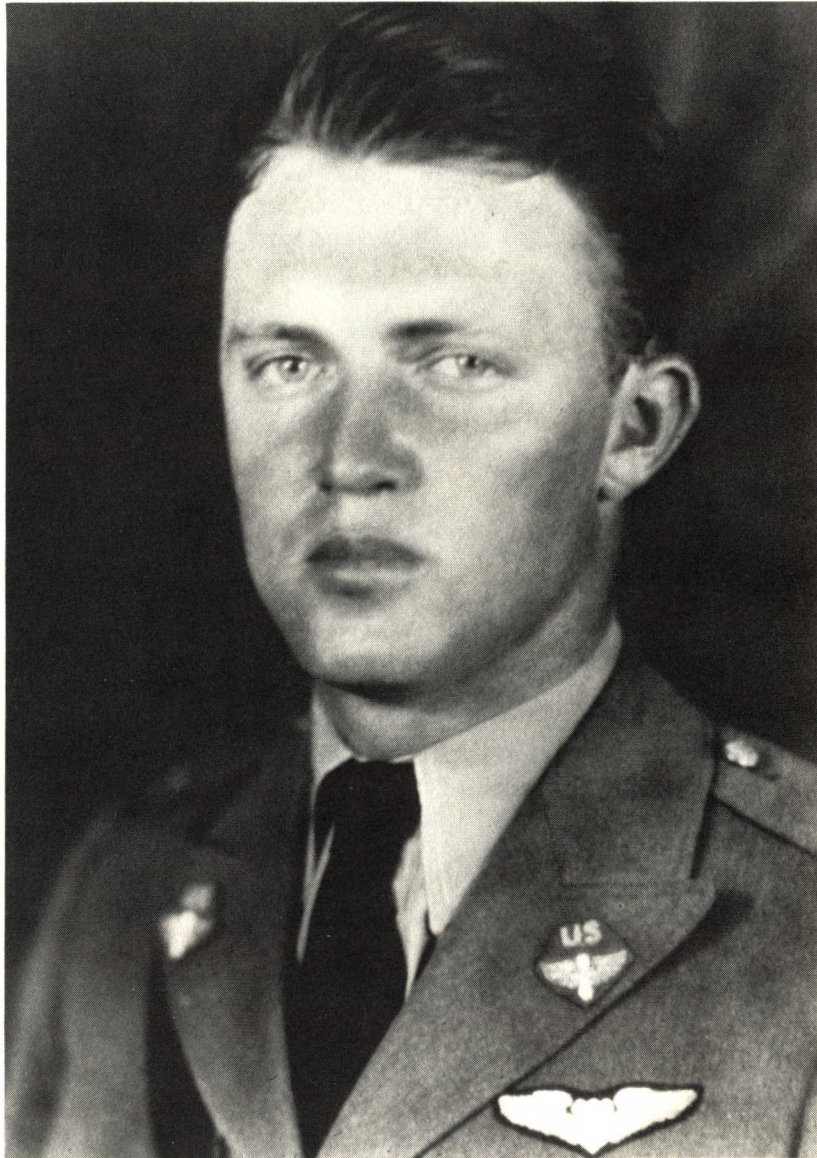
Harley Notter





**A SALUTE TO THOSE WHO HAVE  
SERVED BEFORE US...**





9th Street, renamed in honor of

**Robert M. Losey**

**Captain, United States Air Force**

**ROBERT M. LOSEY**  
**CAPTAIN, UNITED STATES AIR FORCE**

*First Army Air Corps weather chief, and first American officer killed by hostile action while in the service of the U.S. during World War II, April 1940*

In July 1937, Robert M. Losey, then a first lieutenant, was named the first chief, Weather Section, Army Air Corps, (the forerunner of the Air Weather Service.).

When Germany invaded Norway in 1940, the Chief of the Army Air Corps ordered Captain Losey to Norway to serve as a military observer.

Captain Losey had been in Finland where, under orders from the Chief of the Army Air Corps, he had been observing the Russian campaign to gain insight into the problems associated with aerial warfare in the Arctic.

While escorting the United States Minister to Norway, Mrs. Florence Jaffray Harriman, on April 21, 1940, Captain Losey was killed during a German air raid. He was the first American officer to die from hostile action while in the service of the United States during World War II.

Captain Losey was born May 27, 1908, in Andrew, Iowa. He was appointed as a cadet, in the United States Military Academy on July 1, 1925 and graduated with a bachelor of science degree and an appointment to second lieutenant June 12, 1929. He received flight training at Brooks and Kelly Fields, Texas and his meteorological training at California Institute of Technology in Los Angeles, Calif.



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KINGDOM OF SWEDEN )  
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CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE ) SS  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA )

Before me, Harold Carlson, Vice Consul of the United States of America in and for the consular district of Stockholm, Sweden, duly commissioned and qualified, personally came Lars M. Frøislie who, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Captain Losey and I drove from Sweden to Opdal, Norway, in the automobile of the American Minister to Norway, Mrg. Harriman. We learned at Opdal that the road from there to Dombås was blocked with snow and we put the Minister's car on a railroad train at Opdal Sunday morning, April 21, 1940. We arrived at Dombås just before 3 P.M. that afternoon.

The train was a special train and carried among other things several ambulances of a Red Cross unit which was going south. The train stopped at Dombås and Captain Losey and I went into the restaurant to get something to eat. We found about twenty English who I believe were from the Navy. There were some Norwegian ski troops in the woods near the station and I think they had been looking for German parachutists who were dropped near Dombås.

After we had been at the station about one hour a siren sounded an air alarm, and everyone ran for a railway tunnel. The railway forks just north of the station at Dombås and each branch of it enters into a tunnel through the hills. Both these tunnels are about 200 yards from the railway station. There is also a tunnel about 400 yards south of the railway station. All these tunnels are cut through rock and are bombproof from the top. Nearly everyone ran to the left tunnel, northwest of the station, and Captain Losey said to me, "We must run to the tunnel", and we also ran to the left tunnel. We arrived at the tunnel three or four minutes before the first plane appeared. There were about eighty people in the tunnel, mostly civilians. Three or four Norwegian officers ran up and down in the tunnel telling everyone to keep against the wall and lie down. The sides of the tunnel were uneven and many people lay down and many got into the uneven niches in the wall. The first planes did not come over the station and we heard some machine guns and anti-aircraft guns firing at them.

The tunnel was about 200 yards long and I was about in the middle of it, approximately 100 yards from the entrance, on the right side, and Captain Losey was about 30 or 40 yards inside the tunnel on the left side. We heard the plane go away and thought the raid was over.

APR 21, 1940

Harold Carlson

Vice Consul of the United States of America



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I walked to where Captain Losey was talking to some of the British troops and I also started to talk to one of them. He told me that a group of American women and children had passed through Dombás the day before, and the station master told me that they had passed through there on their way north. I believe he said they had passed through the day before but he might have said two days before. I told this to Captain Losey and asked him if I should tell the station master, who could not speak English, to take Mrs. Harriman's car off the train so that we could go back north. He said, "No, I want to go south to try to find the General Staff". He then told me where he thought the General Staff was, but told me not to repeat it to anybody. Just as he said this someone shouted that the planes were coming back. Everybody ran back deeper into the tunnel, and I got into the same place I had been before. A bomb hit a rock just north of the fork of the tracks. The rock was about 1 1/2 meters high and was almost in line with the right side of the tunnel. By right side, I mean the right side of the tunnel as we entered it, going northwest from Dombás station. There was a terrific explosion, and I felt the air pressure lift me up. The tunnel was filled with soot, smoke and dust and many people were running toward the opposite end from where the bomb had hit. As soon as the smoke cleared I saw that several people on the opposite side of the tunnel from me, which was the left side as we entered, had been injured. An English soldier came toward me, limping, and I asked him if he were hurt. He said, "Yes, I am hurt a bit, but your Captain is badly hurt". I ran directly to the Captain and found him lying down with a big hole in his left side from which the blood was spurting. A doctor was already there, trying to unbutton his coat and stop the flow of blood with some sort of sticky stuff which he had with him. I put my hand over the wound to stop the blood but the doctor said that there was nothing that could be done.

The Captain was still breathing when I got to him but when I called him he did not answer and he died in a very few minutes. I don't think he was ever conscious after he was hit. There were several doctors in the tunnel from the Red Cross unit and I think Captain Losey received medical attention very shortly after he was hit.

Five people were killed besides Captain Losey, and twelve were wounded. I believe all of these had been on the left side of the tunnel which was apparently exposed to the blast of the explosion.

I was afterwards told by some of the people at Dombás that they thought the bomb had weighed 50 kilos.

The Minister's automobile was on a flat car standing near the station at Dombás. There was no American flag anywhere on the car at the time the bomb was dropped; and further deponent saith not.

Lars M. Frøislie

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of April, A.D. 1940.

Harold Carlson  
Vice Consul of the United States of Amer.



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The Secretary of War presents his compliments to the  
Honorable the Secretary of State and has the honor to inform  
him that orders are being issued by cable relieving Major  
Frank B. Hayne as Assistant Military Attache to Finland and  
detailing him as Military Attache to Norway and Sweden. His  
designation is requested.

At the same time orders are being issued by cable  
detailing Captain Robert M. Losey as Assistant Military At-  
tache and Assistant Military Attache for Air to Norway and  
Sweden, in addition to his present duty.

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Washington,  
April 24, 1940.

MRS. ROBERT M. LOSEY,  
7968 NORTON AVENUE,  
HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

The American Minister at Helsinki has requested me  
in a cable dated April 23 to convey to you the condolence  
of himself, Major Huthsteiner, and Secretaries Shantz  
and McClintock.

*Cordell Hull*  
Secretary of State  
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## MEMORIALIZATION CEREMONY

### THE COMMITTEE

These eleven men were selected by the Scott Air Force Base Memorilization Committee based on the individual's record of heroism or outstanding performance associated with airlift, rescue, weather, communications and audiovisual operations.

Gen. William G. Moore, Jr., commander in chief, Military Airlift Command, established the Memorilization Committee in July 1977 to "establish a permanent memorial to airlifters." While this project was underway, he also asked that a list of names, worthy of memorialization, be prepared for possible renaming of streets and buildings.

Projects undertaken by the committee since its inception include the Airlifter's Monument, dedicated October 27, 1977; The Avenue of the Airlifters, June 1978; and, The James Gymnasium, named after Gen. Daniel "Chappie" James, February 1979.

For this undertaking, the committee researched personnel files and the historical archives to identify and examine these individual's accomplishments or contributions to their particular organization.

Their extraordinary contributions to their country will long be remembered by all freedom loving people that follow.



IN DEDICATION

28 June 1979

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, ILLINOIS

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EFFECTIVE THIS DATE, the following Scott Air Force Base streets are redesignated in memory of eleven distinguished people who dedicated their lives to the service of their country.

1st Street is redesignated King Street in honor of CMSgt. Charles D. King, pararescueman; Air Force Cross winner for extraordinary heroism in recovering a downed USAF pilot in Southeast Asia.

2nd Street is redesignated Pitsenbarger Street in honor of A1C William H. Pitsenbarger, rescue and survival specialist; Air Force Cross winner who sacrificed his life to insure the rescue of wounded combatants.

3rd Street is redesignated Winters Street in honor of A1C Darryl G. Winters, combat aerial photographer; Distinguished Flying Cross winner (posthumously) for extraordinary achievement as a combat cameraman.

4th Street is redesignated McClelland Street in honor of Maj. Gen. Harold M. McClelland, third commander, Army Airways Communications System.

5th Street is redesignated Watnee Street in honor of Col. Lloyd Watnee, first commander, Army Airways Communications System, the forerunner of today's Air Force Communications Service.

6th Street is redesignated Martin Street in honor of Capt. Duane W. Martin, Air Force Cross winner for extraordinary heroism as a helicopter pilot attempting to rescue a downed pilot.

7th Street is redesignated Birchard Street in honor of Lt. Gen. Glen R. Birchard, former Military Air Transport Service vice commander.

8th Street is redesignated Goettler Street in honor of 1st Lt. Harold Goettler, World War I Congressional Medal of Honor winner for extraordinary heroism in dropping supplies in the Argonne Forest, 1918.

9th Street is redesignated Losey Street in honor of Capt. Robert M. Losey, first Air Corps Weather Chief and first Air Corps officer killed in World War II.

10th Street is redesignated Clay Street in honor of Gen. Lucius D. Clay, renowned for his efforts in the Berlin Airlift.

11th Street is redesignated Bucher Street in honor of Maj. Bernard L. Bucher, Air Force Cross winner for extraordinary heroism in military airlift in Vietnam.

## SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

MUSICAL PRELUDE ..... Air Force Band of Mid-America  
Captain Charles Pettijohn, Conductor

MARCH-ON ..... Color Guard

HONORS FOR THE  
COMMANDER IN CHIEF ... Air Force Band of Mid-America

PERFORMANCE ..... United States Air Force Drill Team

INVOCATION ..... Chaplain (Colonel) Robert F. Auer

WELCOME ..... Colonel John A. Doglione  
Commander, 375th AAW

DEDICATORY ADDRESS ..... General William G. Moore, Jr.  
Commander in Chief, MAC

UNVEILING ..... Each Plaque individually

CLOSING ..... Retreat followed by viewing of monuments  
by families and guests

(Reception at the Non-Commissioned Officer's Club for invited  
guests)

## HONORED GUESTS

Families of the Honorees