

WASP
Marion Stegeman Hodgson
Class 43-W-5

*"Put God first, family next,
then do whatever is needed.
When you're needed, be there.
You can do anything with God's help."*



BORN: Athens, Georgia
GRADUATE: University of Georgia

AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND
Love Field, Dallas, Texas

ASSIGNMENT: Ferry Pilot
AIRCRAFT: Piper Cub, PT-19, BT-13, AT-6,
UC-78, C-45

POST WASP: Author, "Winning My Wings;"
Publisher; Texas Aviation Hall of Fame, 2004;
Georgia Aviation Hall of Fame, 2006.
Married Marine Corps Pilot. Mother,
Grandmother, Great Grandmother.



Scan to see video of Marion remembering 2 friends lost during a training mission at Avenger Field..

WASP Marie Mountain Clark

Class 44-W-1

"It is natural for a person to seek happiness in life. However, I believe that this desirable aim is never achieved if one attempts to find it directly. Instead, happiness is found indirectly as a by-product from devoted service to the lives of others."



BORN: West Liberty, Iowa
GRADUATE: Drake University

WESTERN TRAINING COMMAND
Las Vegas Army Air Field, Nevada

ASSIGNMENT: Instrument instructor,
Engineering Test Pilot, Photo Missions
AIRCRAFT: Piper Cub, PT-19, BT-13, AT-6,
P-39, P-63

POST WASP: Music Teacher (Flute);
Principal Flautist - Ann Arbor Symphony;
Author, "Dear Mother and Daddy;" Iowa
Aviation Hall of Fame, 2015; Married USAF
pilot. Mother; Grandmother.



Scan to see video of Marie

WASP Ruth Underwood Florey

Class 43-W-4

"You either had a chance of doing it or go home. Those who wanted transfers went home. We did what we were assigned to do...with no regrets."



BORN: Brownwood, Texas
GRADUATE: Daniel Baker College

SOUTHEASTERN TRAINING COMMAND
Camp Davis, North Carolina
Camp Stewart AAF/Liberty Field, Georgia
THIRD AIR FORCE
Biggs Army Air Field, Texas

ASSIGNMENT: Anti-Aircraft Tow Target Pilot,
Radar Tracking, Control Drones (top secret
missions); Night Tracking; Smoke Laying
AIRCRAFT: Porterfield, PT-19, BT-13, AT-6, UC-
78, A-25, PQ-8, PQ-14, B-34, AT-11, A-24

POST WASP: BOD Am Cancer Society, Red
Cross Volunteer, Prize Winning Golfer, Texas
Aviation Hall of Fame, 2004; Commemorative
Air Force Volunteer; Married Naval Officer. Mother,
Grandmother, Great-grandmother.



Scan to see video of Ruth
describing dangers of towing
targets at Camp Davis,
North Carolina.

WASP
Deanie Bishop Parrish
Class 44-W-4

*"Failure is not failure unless you let it be.
It's simply a change in direction.
Count your many blessings and move on.
With God, nothing is impossible."*



BORN: DeFuniak Springs, Florida
GRADUATE: University of Houston

EASTERN FLYING TRAINING COMMAND
Greenville Army Air Field, Mississippi to
Tyndall Army Air Base, Panama City, FL

ASSIGNMENT: B-26 Air-to-Air Tow Target Pilot,
Engineering Test and Administrative Pilot
AIRCRAFT: Piper Cub, Aeronica, PT-17,
PT-19, BT-13, AT-6, UC-78, B-26

POST WASP: Chief Aircraft Dispatcher, Lang-
ley Army Air Field; Private Secretary/Dir of
Operations, 6th AF; 99's Forest of Friendship,
2001; Texas Aviation Hall of Fame, 2004; Sec.
National WASP WWII; USAF Eagle, 2011; Mar-
ried USAF pilot, Mother, Grandmother and
Great-grandmother. Assoc. Director: Wings
Across America. 2015 Women in Aviation
Pioneering Hall of Fame.



Scan to see video of Deanie
reliving her miraculous first
solo flight in a piper cub.

WASP
Ruth Dailey Helm
Class 43-W-2

"There are certain values in life that are important: You are responsible for your actions, there's right and there's wrong, sexual relations are for marriage, marriage is for life, and a strong faith in God."



BORN: Grapeland, Texas
GRADUATE: Baylor University

AIR TRANSPORT COMMAND
Love Field, Dallas, Texas

ASSIGNMENT: Ferry Pilot
AIRCRAFT: L-6, Piper Cub, PT-19, BT-13,
Aeronica, AT-6, UC-78, P-51, C-47, PT-13,
C-35, P-38, P-40, P-39, B-25

POST WASP: Captain, United States Air Force
Reserves; Owner, Fly-in Guest Ranch; Arizona
Aviation Hall of Fame, 1999; Honored Baylor
Alumni, 1999. Wife, Mother, Grandmother.



Scan to see video of Ruth
describing a day in the life
of a ferry pilot.

WASP
Anita Paul

Class 44-W-6

*"We must pass on the ideals
that make a country, that make
a nation, that make a people...
As for me, I want my life
to be a legacy of love."*



BORN: Nashua, New Hampshire

CENTRAL FLYING TRAINING COMMAND
Altus Army Air Base, Oklahoma

ASSIGNMENT: Engineering Test Pilot,
Administrative and Utility Pilot

AIRCRAFT: Taylorcraft, Piper Cub, PT-17,
BT-13, AT-6, UC-78

POST WASP: HQ Quartermaster Corps;
Carmelite Nun, aka Sister Teresa, first American
Carmelite Nun to be stationed on the mission field:
Korea; Japan; Kenya; Port Tobacco, Maryland
(Prioress); Guadeloupe, French Antilles.



Scan to see video of Sister Teresa remembering her first solo flight.

WASP Florence Shutsy Reynolds

Class 44-W-5

*"My favorite word? HONOR!
That, to me, is more than a word.
That's a way of life.
I would die for honor."*



BORN: Connelsville, Pennsylvania
ATTENDED: Penn State University

WESTERN FLYING TRAINING COMMAND
Merced Army Air Base, California

ASSIGNMENT: Engineering Test Pilot,
Administrative and Utility Pilot

AIRCRAFT: Piper Cub, PT-17, BT-13, AT-6

POST WASP: Silversmith; Jewelry Designer;
Airbrush Artist and Computer Graphic Artist.
Capt. USAF Reserves; Married Air Force Officer.
Chairman, WASP WWII Stores; Vice President,
National WASP WWII; 99's Forest of Friendship, 1998.



Scan to see video of
Shutsy describing
family dinner, learning
to fly and hooking the
mail.