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HALL OF FAME CEREMONY

THURSDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER, 2004
3:30 P.M.

DAVIS FINE ARTS AUDITORIUM

Historical Sketch of West Virginia State University ROTC

The second Morrill Act of 1890 made training in agriculture and mechanical arts available to African-American citizens. Section four of the Morrill Act required military training as part of the curriculum. West Virginia responded on March 17, 1891 by enacting legislation to create a special land grant institution for Blacks. Federal funds provided \$3,000 for faculty salaries, and the West Virginia Legislature appropriated \$10,000 to purchase a farm and build a school building upon it. The institution was founded as the West Virginia Colored Institute.

Although not specifically included in the West Virginia Legislative Act, military training was conducted during the school's first year. The ROTC Department opened shortly after the establishment of a military corps in 1899. In 1915, West Virginia Colored Institute was renamed the West Virginia Collegiate Institute. It assumed its present name in 1929. Military training continued at the college from 1899 until present, with the exception of temporary suspensions from 1907-1916 and 1920-1942.

From its beginnings until 1915, the institution offered the equivalent of a high school education with a curriculum devoted primarily to agriculture, trades, and teacher education. In 1915, the school was given the authority to award college degrees requiring instruction in Mathematics, Chemistry, French, and English. The first college degrees were awarded in 1919.

Much of the credit for establishing the present Senior ROTC program goes to Mr. Daniel P. Lincoln and Professor Daniel L. Ferguson. Their success in conducting voluntary military training early in World War II kept alive the War Department's recognition of the college's desire to continue the ROTC program.

In 1942, LTC Payton Winlock established a Senior ROTC unit to provide instruction in Field Artillery. Artillery was taught until 1956, when the department was designated a General Military Science Program. Graduates could now be commissioned into any of the Army's eighteen branches of service.

With the 1954 Supreme Court decision, *Brown v. the Board of Education*, West Virginia State College was propelled from a small Black college to a racially integrated one. Program offerings expanded, and new ones developed as the College kept pace with the demands of students and the needs of the larger community. In 1970, the Military Science Department acquired elective status and ceased to be a mandatory program for all male students.

2004 Program

LTC George A. Nelson, Presiding
Professor of Military Science, WVSU ROTC Yellow Jacket Battalion

PRELUDE: "America: Sweet Land of Liberty" arr. Mike Story
The West Virginia State University Marching Band
Jim Florkevich, Director

ARRIVAL OF OFFICIAL PARTY LTC George A. Nelson

POSTING OF COLORS WVSU ROTC Color Guard

NATIONAL ANTHEM Francis Scott Key

INVOCATION Cadet Aaron Harless

WELCOME & INTRODUCTORY REMARKS LTC George A. Nelson
Air Defense Artillery, Professor of Military Science

RECOGNITION OF SGT DeForest L. Talbert (KILLED IN IRAQ)

RECOGNITION OF Octrous G. Culp (Posthumous)

PRESENTATION OF INDUCTEES AND RESPONDENTS

Theodore A. Crawford, Colonel (Retired), Class of '55 *Presented by Cadet Jason Staats ,
Cadet Battalion Commander*

Francis V. Wilson, Lieutenant Colonel (Retired), Class of '53 *Presented by Cadet Lucas Dennison,
Cadet Battalion Executive Officer*

Albert W. Powell, Lieutenant Colonel (Retired), Class of '57 *Presented by Cadet Fredrick Miliam,
Cadet Battalion Assistant S3*

Charles W. Marshall, Lieutenant Colonel, Class of '83 *Presented by Cadet Daniel Goodwin ,
Cadet Battalion Command Sergeant Major*

MUSICAL SELECTION: "God Bless America" arr. Jay Bocook
The West Virginia State University Marching Band

RECOGNITION OF HONORED GUESTS LTC George A. Nelson

CLOSING REMARKS Dr. Hazo W. Carter, Jr.
President, West Virginia State University

ALMA MATER Spencer/Wade

ARMY SONG & RECESSIONAL OF OFFICIAL PARTY

POSTLUDE: "God Bless the USA" arr. Mike Sweeney
The West Virginia State University Marching Band

Colonel (Retired) Theodore A. Crawford



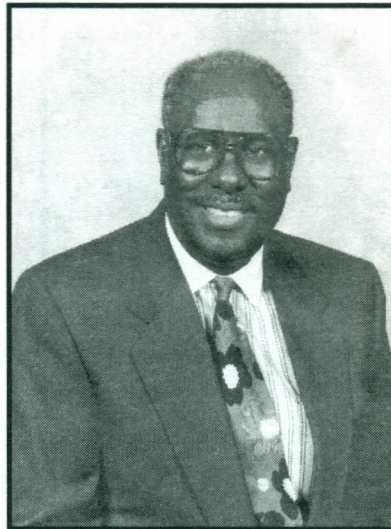
Theodore A. Crawford (Tee or Ted) was born and raised in Hinton, West Virginia and graduated from Lincoln High School in 1951. His father and mother, Everett and Naomi Crawford, were both graduates of West Virginia Collegiate Institute, later named West Virginia State College (WVSC) in 1929. His grandfather graduated from the same institution in the 1890's when it was named West Virginia Colored Institute.

Ted entered WVSC in 1951, majored in mathematics, and graduated in 1955. While attending college, he became a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. As a ROTC Distinguished Military Graduate, he was commissioned in the regular army as a 2nd Lieutenant. Immediately following his graduation he embarked on a 30-year military career, attaining the rank of Colonel. During that period, he served a combat tour in Vietnam; graduated from the Command and General Staff College, and also graduated from a graduate level missile science course; commanded a High Alert Hawk Missile Battalion in Korea; earned a Master's Degree in Business Administration; and served more than four years at the Department of the Army Staff (Operation and Research and Development Directories) in the Pentagon.

Subsequent to Ted's military career, he has been involved in real estate investments and at one time owned and operated a business in Washington, D.C. for a two year period. He was the Manager of the American Red Cross office at Fort Meade, Maryland. Currently, he works on various projects with business associates in Honduras and Nigeria. Additionally, he is a member of the Board of Directors of Daedalus Project, Inc., a business utilizing innovative building materials for affordable housing and special facilities worldwide.

Ted has three adult children, all college graduates, and he is an active member of the WVSU DC Metro Alumni Chapter.

LTC (Retired) Albert W. Powell



LTC Powell is the son of Helen and Bernice Powell. He spent his formative years in Winding Gulf, (a coal mining village in Raleigh County) West Virginia. He was educated in the West Virginia school systems. He graduated from West Virginia State College in 1957 with a BS degree in Mathematics and Physics. He received his commission through the Field Artillery ROTC Program. He completed 28 hours of post graduate studies at Old Dominion University. While at State, LTC Powell was a member of the West Virginia State marching band, the concert band, catcher for the West Virginia State baseball team, and a member of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity.

LTC Powell's military training included the Field Artillery Officers basic and advance courses; Command and General Staff College; the Army Aviation School; and the Defense Race Relations Institute.

LTC Powell served in Germany and two tours in Vietnam. His assignments in Germany included field artillery forward observer, fire direction officer, battery executive officer, and operations officer. On his return to the states, he completed fixed wing and rotary wing flight training. He then served two tours in the Republic of Vietnam as a command pilot.

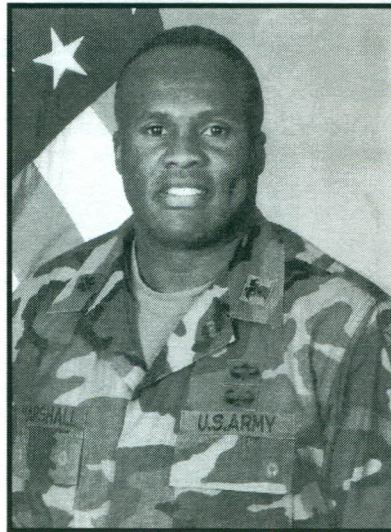
LTC Powell's state side assignments included tours as a command pilot for the United States Army 5th Region Air Defense Command, Fort Sheridan, IL; Equal Employment Opportunity Officer, Headquarters Continental Army Command; Fort Monroe, VA; Commander Army Element Defense Race Relations Institute; and Director Support Equal Opportunity Management Institute, Patrick AFB; Flight Commander Hunter Army Air Field, GA; Headquarters Commandant United States Training and Doctrine Command, Fort Monroe, VA; and Council Member Department of the Army Military Review Board Agency, The Pentagon.

After completion of his military service, LTC Powell worked for the DC government as the Support Services Officer for the Office of Tax and Revenue. He retired from that position in March 2003.

LTC Powell is married to the former Margaret L. Brown. They have three children and six grandchildren. The Powells currently reside in Fort Washington, Maryland.

LTC Powell is a member of the Saint Paul United Methodist Church in Oxon Hill, Maryland.

LTC Charles W. Marshall



Lieutenant Colonel Marshall was born in Washington, D.C. He graduated from Eastern High School in North East, Washington, D.C. He attended West Virginia State College, where he graduated as a Distinguished Military Graduate, and was commissioned into the Quartermaster Corps in 1983. He earned his Masters Degree at Oklahoma State University in 1993. His military education includes the Quartermaster Officer Basic and Advance Courses, Combined Army and Services Staff School, the US Army Command and General Staff College, Army Inspector Generals Course, and Air Force Airlift Operations Course.

Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Marshall assumed his current duties as Professor of Military Science at Bowie State University on 28 July 2003. Prior to this assignment, LTC Marshall was the Deputy Inspector General for US Army V Corps located in Balad, Iraq. LTC Marshall served as Chief of Logistics Branch in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Engineering, US Army Europe from June 1999-June 2000. LTC Marshall was the Support Operations Officer and then Executive Officer for the 127th Aviation Battalion of the 1st Armored Division from September 1986 to June 1998. During this time, his battalion was deployed to Bosnia in support of Operation Joint Endeavor and again in support of Operation Joint Guard. His unit was designated as the Army's Best Aviation Support Unit for 1996.

His previous tours include an assignment as the Logistics Operations Officer in the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, 5th Signal Command in Worms, Germany; Assistant Professor of Military Science, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma; Plans & Operations Officer 10th Division Support Command 10th, Mountain Division (Light); Commander C Company 10th S&T Battalion, 10th Mountain Division (Light). Other assignments include various platoon and company leadership and battalion staff positions with the 172d Infantry Brigade (Separate) and 6th Infantry Division (Light) Fort Richardson, Alaska.

Lieutenant Colonel Marshall's awards and decorations include: the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (4 oak leaf clusters), the Army Commendation Medal (two oak leaf clusters), the Army Achievement Medal, the GWOT Expeditionary Medal, the GWOT, the Army Superior Unit Award, the National Defense Service Medal, the Armed Forces Service Medal, the NATO Medal, the Basic Parachutist Badge, and the Air Assault Badge.

LTC (Retired) Francis V. Wilson



LTC Wilson was born in Summit Point, West Virginia, Jefferson County. Following his graduation in 1949 from Page-Jackson High School, Charles Town, West Virginia, he entered West Virginia State College and became an active, enthusiastic ROTC cadet. While at West Virginia State College, he was a member of Scabbard and Blade. He diligently worked his way through college while holding several jobs and was graduated in 1953 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture.

Commissioned as a distinguished military graduate of West Virginia State College ROTC, Wilson entered the U.S. Army as a 2nd Lieutenant in 1953. As a career artillery man, he held many positions of increased technical command and leadership responsibility in military institutions in the United States, Europe, and the Far East. From 1964 through 1967, he served as assistant professor of military science at Hampton University in Hampton, Virginia. During his 22 years of service, he graduated from many, military schools including the prestigious Industrial College of the Armed Forces, and the Command and General Staff College. He also received many awards and citations during his tenure in the military including: The National Defense Service Medal w/oak leaf cluster; Army Commendation Medal; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; and the Meritorious Service Medal w/2 oak leaf clusters.

Following his retirement from the Army in 1975, LTC Wilson continued his education and received a Masters Degree in Public Administration from the University of Colorado. He has been actively involved as a volunteer in educational, civic and community service organizations, holding leadership positions on various boards and committees.

LTC Wilson is married to Roberta Colbert Wilson of Colorado Springs, Colorado, his wife of 41 years. They are proud parents of a son, Major Frank V. Wilson, U.S. Air Force, now serving in Europe. The Wilsons have a three-year-old grandson. LTC Wilson credits strong family values, his faith, integrity, and a rewarding career, as the epitome of a fulfilled and rewarding life. Presently, he continues to be generous in responding to the needs of his community.

PROFESSORS OF MILITARY SCIENCE

1942-1944	Lieutenant Colonel Payton Winlock
1944-1945	Lieutenant Colonel Benote H. Lee
1945-1946	Captain William J. Gray
1946-1948	Lieutenant Colonel Leon Lavoie
1948-1951	Lieutenant Colonel Charles H. Wesner
1951-1954	Lieutenant Colonel Orion Page
1954-1956	Major Robbin Washington
1956-1958	Lieutenant Colonel John Woodruff
1958-1959	Lieutenant Colonel Howard Bartholomew
1959-1963	Lieutenant Colonel Howard Hinkson
1963-1967	Lieutenant Colonel Joseph C. Hill
1967-1969	Lieutenant Colonel Marvin E. Billups
1969-1971	Lieutenant Colonel Louis J. Weil
1971-1974	Colonel Lawrence M. Sevdý
1974-1976	Lieutenant Colonel Stanley Goldsmith
1976-1979	Lieutenant Colonel Edward Robertson
1979-1983	Lieutenant Colonel Charles T. Ledbetter
1983-1984	Lieutenant Colonel Douglas W. Richmond
1984-1989	Lieutenant Colonel Quewanncoii C. Stephens
1989-1993	Lieutenant Colonel Willie C. Lucas
1993-1996	Lieutenant Colonel Herbert E. Lattimore
1996-1999	Lieutenant Colonel Raphael P. Deegan
1999-2000	Lieutenant Colonel Robert T. Kleppinger
2000-2003	Lieutenant Colonel John M. Horn, Sr.
2003-Present	Lieutenant Colonel George A. Nelson

ROTC HALL OF FAME

The West Virginia State University ROTC Hall of Fame was created to recognize the accomplishments of its graduates who have excelled in their chosen fields. Previous inductees include:

1980

Major General (Ret.) Edward Greer
Major General (Ret.) Charles C. Rogers*
Major General (Ret.) Harvey D. Williams
Brigadier General (Ret.) Dallas C. Brown

1981

Brigadier General (Ret.) Frank C. Bacon*
Colonel (Ret.) George E. Peters, Jr.
Colonel (Ret.) Robert L. Peters
Dr. Vincent E. Reed

1982

Colonel (Ret.) Grover A. DuBose
Colonel (Ret.) James M. Garrison, Jr. M.D.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Nelson R. Bickley
Dr. William J.L. Wallace (H*)
Dr. Prince A. Williams (H*)

1983

Brigadier General (Ret.) Robert L. Stephens, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Preston A. Davis
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Haywood Martin

1984

Major General Joseph E. Turner USAR (Ret.)
Colonel (Ret.) Charles E. Stokes, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Richard V. White*
Lieutenant Colonel Howard L. Wilson

1985

Brigadier General (Ret.) Walter F. Johnson, III
Colonel (Ret.) Thomas E. Carter, M.D.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Thomas D. Carter, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) James L. Hill

1986

Colonel (Ret.) Paul H. Easley, Sr.
Colonel (Ret.) Roscoe A. Swann, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) John E. Baker
Major (Ret.) James W. Hawkins, Jr.

1987

Colonel (Ret.) Vandy L. Miller
Colonel (Ret.) Herman H. Jones
Colonel (Ret.) James W. Vallandigham
Colonel (Ret.) James W. Reed

1988

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) C. Milton Kates
Colonel (Ret.) Alphonso W. Nabors
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Bernice McGhee
Colonel (Ret.) Edwin A. Wilkerson

1989

Major General (Ret.) Kenneth D. Gray
Colonel William P. Greene, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Stephen S. Whisiker*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) John L. Whitehead*

1990

Brigadier General (Ret.) James W. Monroe
Brigadier General (Ret.) Jack Yeager
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Acie McGhee, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Ronald E. McLeod
Colonel (Ret.) George S. Roberts (Posthumous)*

1991

Colonel Ronald E. Townsend
Colonel (Ret.) Kenneth A. Ingram
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Henry R. Bellinger
Commissioner Earl E. Jones

1992

Colonel (Ret.) James Manning
Colonel (Ret.) John Mackey
Colonel Donald Townsend
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Dennis Neighbors
Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright (H*)
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Samuel Kelly (H*)
Dr. John W. Davis (H*)
Mr. James Evans (H*)

1993

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Ronald H. Poole
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Rodney I. McCormick*
First LT Beny J. Primm, M.D.
Dr. Thomas D. Boston

1994

Colonel Frankie D. Hoskey
Brigadier General(P) Terry L. Tucker
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Lazelle Free, Sr.
Major (Ret.) George L. Rich, Jr.

*Deceased

ROTC HALL OF FAME

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1995

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Keith Sovine
Captain John Willis Hill Gravely
First Lieutenant Herbert Henderson
First Lieutenant Edward Scott
Sidney Taylor Brown

1996

Lieutenant Colonel Lew G. Tyree
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Thomas E. Haggins
Major Jeff Chandler Woods
Captain A. Dayton Carpenter

1997

Brigadier (Ret.) General Earl M. Simms
Lieutenant Colonel Carolyn L. Maddox
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Clifford Hill
Captain Jerry L. Hatcher

1998

Brigadier General John E. Barnette
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Ferguson B. Meadows*
LTC (Ret.) Francisco B. Newman

1999

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) John F. Hailey*
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Herbert L. Lawrence
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Charles E. Wilson
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Frank E. Duncan
Lieutenant Colonel Timothy A. Boyles (Posthumous)*

2000

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Howard G. Hicks, Jr.
Colonel (Ret.) Cardell S. Hunter
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Frederick C. Franklin
Major (Ret.) Charles S. Corprew, Jr.

2001

Justice Leander J. Shaw, Jr.
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Osborne E. Reaves
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Robert H. Meggison
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.) Len O. Witcher

2002

Colonel Terry L. Melton
Lieutenant Colonel Edward E.
Dickerson
Major (Ret) Stephen T. Reaves
Judge Booker T. Stephens (H)
Judge Herman G. Canady (H)
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles
T. Ledbetter (H)
Colonel David G. Shaddrix (H)

2003

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Jesse L. Haynes
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Clarence O. Hill
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Harvey C. Johnson
Major (Ret) Mexion O. Prewitt (Posthumous)*

2004

Colonel (Ret) Theodore A. Crawford
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Francis V. Wilson
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Albert W. Powell
Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Marshall

*Deceased

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HONORARY MEMBERS

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1982

Dr. William J. L. Wallace*

Dr. Prince A. Williams*

1992

Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright*

Lieutenant Colonel(Ret) Samuel Kelly

Dr. John W. Davis*

Mr. James Evans

1995

Mrs. Sidney Taylor Brown

2002

Judge Booker T. Stephens

Judge Herman G. Canady

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles T. Ledbetter

Colonel David G. Shaddrix

*Deceased

West Virginia State University ROTC

14 Decorated General Officers

Major General (Ret) Kenneth D. Gray.....	1966
Major General (Ret) Edward Greer	1948
Major General (Ret) James W. Monroe	1963
Major General (Ret) Charles C. Rogers*.....	1951
Major General (Ret) Joseph E. Turner	1961
Major General (Ret) Harvey D. Williams	1950
Major General Terry L. Tucker	1972
Brigadier General (Ret) Frank C. Bacon*	1951
Brigadier General John E. Barnette	1969
Brigadier General (Ret) Dallas C. Brown.....	1954
Brigadier General (Ret) Walter F. Johnson, III.....	1961
Brigadier General (Ret) Earl M. Simms	1968
Brigadier General (Ret) Robert L. Stephens.....	1962
Brigadier General (Ret) Jack Yeager.....	1965

*Deceased

THE ARMY SONG

First to fight for the right, And to build the Nation's might,

And The Army Goes Rolling Along

Proud of all we have done, Fighting till the battle's won,

And the Army Goes Rolling Along.

Then it's Hi! Hi! Hey! The Army's on its way.

Count off the cadence loud and strong

(TWO! THREE!) For where e'er we go, You will always know

That the Army Goes Rolling Along.

THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watch'd, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there.
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

ALMA MATER

Ernest Wade '30

Martha Spencer '31

There is a place we love so dear—
Its name we'll ever praise and revere
'Tis West Virginia State we love—
Just one more step from there is Heav'n above.

REFRAIN:

West Virginia's praise we'll sing—
Lift our voices 'til heavens ring—
As we gaily march along—
We'll sing a song—
For Alma Mater
How we love her
Pride of all our loyal hearts—
From her we will never part—
Thoughts of thee will ne'er be few
Alma Mater we love you.

We'll love her more as days go by,
And send her praises to the sky;
To place her over all the rest,
And keep her e'er the dearest and the best.

Shadowed 'neath a deep blue sky;
Is STATE for whom we'll live and we'll die—
Arise! O men of God and sing;
We're loyal, and to her we'll always cling.

