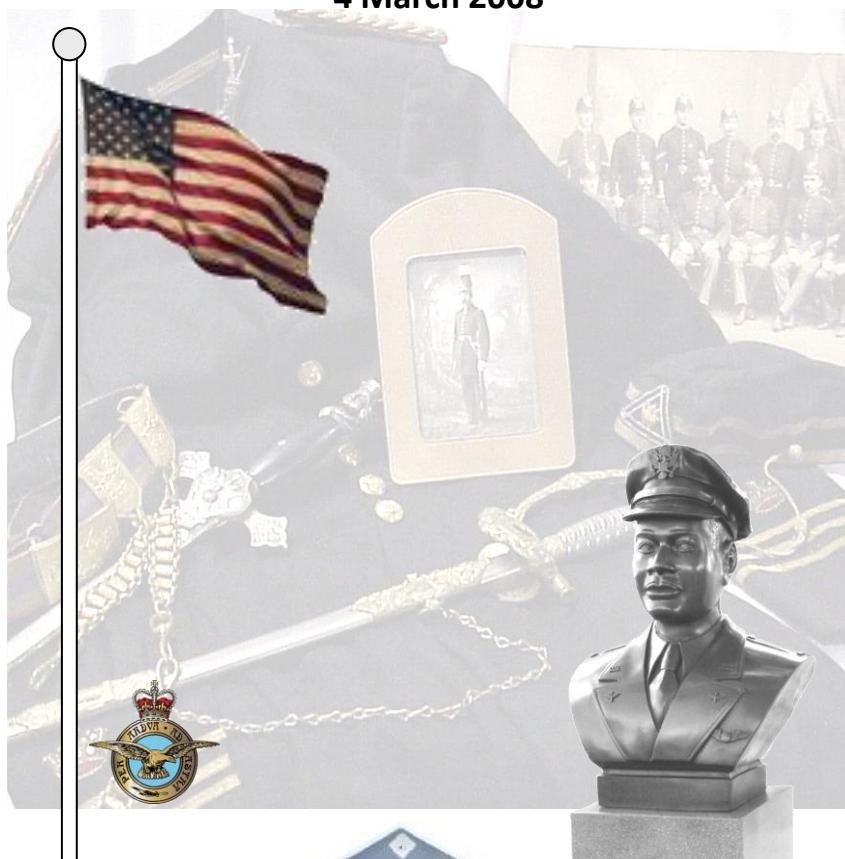


*Welcome to the
Blanchard House Museum's*

Military Memorial Garden Dedication

4 March 2008



Garden Dedication Schedule

10:00 A.M.

- Music by Charlotte High School Jazz Band
- Welcoming Remarks
- Posting of the Colors – Charlotte High Naval
Junior ROTC Honor Guard
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Dedication of the Garden
- Unveiling of the bronze bust
- Reception and tour the garden and museum



Lt Charles P. Bailey

Born in Punta Gorda, Florida, Charles was one of nine children of Archie and Josephine Bailey. He grew up and attended elementary and middle school in Punta Gorda. He graduated from Howard Academy, the high school in Ocala, and graduated from Bethune-Cookman College with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Elementary Education. While in college, he enlisted in the Army Air Force and was selected to attend pilot

training as one of the original Tuskegee Airmen. He earned his wings and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant.

As a member of the 99th fighter squadron, he was sent to North Africa, Sicily and Italy where he flew P-40 and later P-51 fighter planes. He is credited with shooting down two German Focke-Wulfe 190 fighters. Lt Bailey flew a total of 133 combat missions, and was awarded a distinguished flying cross and the air medal with four oak leaf clusters.

After the war, he pursued a career as a funeral director and taught in the Florida school system for many years. He eventually established his own funeral home in DeLand, Florida. Charles married Bessie Lenora Fitch on June 30, 1946. To this union was born two sons, Charles P. Bailey, Jr. and James A. Bailey.

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**"In honor of those who so valiantly
served our country"**

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Our sincere thanks to

Mrs. Bessie Bailey and family for traveling all the
way from Daytona Beach to be with us today.

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	Lloyd E. Thomas US Army 1946 – 1947	Lexy Bass Pvt US Army World War I	Mack G. Gollman US Air Force	Dwight R. Scott YNC SW/PJ USN 21 Yrs	Augustus Holcomb 11th Reg. U.S.C.T. Civil War
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Silas Fulton Jr SGT Army/ Air Force 1946 - 1971	James R. Davis U.S. Coast Guard Korean War	Ralph Anthony E7 US Army Reserve Iraq War 2007	Victor B. Hassell Sgt Air Force 02-85 to 02-95	Lewis June Corporal US Army World War I	
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