



John Marshall High School

CADET ALUMNI GUIDON

Richmond, Virginia

www.jmcadetalumni.com

April 2025

President's Message

Dear Alumni and Friends of the John Marshall Corps of Cadets, I welcome you to the 2025 edition of the Cadet Alumni Guidon.



Although our membership numbers are in decline our Esprit de Corps continues to be strong. Just as Floyd Harvey's emails to the JM family include the phrase "Keep The Spirit Alive," we in the Cadet Alumni Association strive to achieve our mission to "Preserve and Promote" the memory of the John Marshall Corps of Cadets. It should be noted, that during

our 2024 Memorial Day ceremony to honor the memory of the seventy-six former JM Cadets, who gave their all for our country, a U. S. flag that had flown over the nation's Capital Building, was presented to our fellow board member, Jack de Treville, F Company, 1955. Please see an article regarding Jack's exceptional military service during the Vietnam War elsewhere in the Guidon.

Now for an especially important announcement: A Cadet Reunion will be held at noon on Saturday, September 27th at The Place at Innsbrook, just off West Broad Street. Since the 2023 reunion was such a success there, we have attempted to duplicate such a memorable day. We will have a served/sit-down lunch, and the fantastic Richmond Cadet Alumni Band will perform school songs and marches you will surely remember from your JM school days.

In addition to Sponsors and Cadet Alumni, Friends of the Corps, Family members, JM Alumni, and Guests are all invited to attend. Seating will be open, meaning that you may sit at a table where ever and with whomever you like.

If I have left anyone out, you are also invited. Additionally, through the generosity of a Cadet Alumnus we are once again able to hold our reservation price down to a more affordable level, so please save the date and make plans to attend.



You will find the reunion details and a reservation form on the last page of this Guidon. Since reservation forms will not be mailed to everyone again, it is important for you to either mail your reservation now or save it for mailing later. (Reservation forms will also be available to print out from our website: www.jmcadetalumni.com)

In closing, I know there are many of you who for health and travel issues, or for various other reasons cannot attend our events. Please know that you are remembered and, in our prayers, whenever we meet or gather. Thank you all for your continued support of the JMCAA.

Warmest regards,

James (Jim) E. Hines III, F/B Co. '58

Always remember, "Duty, Honor, Country".



J.M. Cadet War Memorial at Hollywood Cemetery

*They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.*

Cadet Alumni Events

May 26, 2025 - Memorial Day Ceremony at the Cadet War Memorial. (12:00 pm)

Sept. 27, 2025 - Cadet Alumni Reunion (12:00 pm)

December 13, 2025 - National Wreaths Across America Day at the Cadet War Memorial. (12:00 pm)
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Board of Directors

The Cadet Alumni Association is governed by a Board of Directors. Current board members are:

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B Co.

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Cadet Alumni Website

Have you visited the JM Cadet Alumni Website? Please go to www.jmcadetalumni.com! We hope you will enjoy it, as some of the information and pictures have never before been published! You will enjoy cadet history, photographs, audio and video interviews, video archives, and the Jim Walthall films. Also, don't forget to visit www.oldjayem.com.

Revisions to the Roster

Please contact Rich Minter, A Co. '53, with roster changes of any nature. As well as additions and removals to the roster, please help by letting Rich know of any address or phone number changes for you or other cadet alumni, sponsors, or friends of the Corps. Rich can be contacted at: mintrg35@proton.me or at 804-675-0485.



In Memoriam

We remember those Cadets and Sponsors who left us in the past year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Co.</u>	<u>Yr.</u>
Richard Oscar Arnold	A	59
George Anthony (Tony) Berry	B	57
James Anthony (Bootsie) Bowen, Jr	C	64
Robert Edward (Bob) Cathcart	E	51
Carl C. Christiansen	B	65
Dr. Kennon W. Davis	F	56
Maurice B. Duling	Band	54
Patricia Schwartz Hart	1 Bn. Sponsor	52
Stuart Wade Hastings	A	56
##Edward Lee (Eddie) Johnson	E	50
+Julius Robert (Bob) Johnson	A	50
David Read Lee	Band	58
George W. Lloyd	B	70
Otis S. McKay	F	59
+George Edward Morgan	C	55
Col. Howard T. Moss (USAF Ret.)	Commandant	60-61
Sterling Neblett	B	58
Walter William Norman	F	54
Rev. Dr. Charles Burgess Nunn, Jr	B	49
Walter L. (Butch) Olphin	C	70
Valerie Joan Crick Padgett	1 Bn. Sponsor	47
Andrew Jackson Peay, Jr	F/A	57
Mary Alice Grumbles Phillips	Band Sponsor	54
Helen Glazebrook Redford	C Co. Sponsor	46
Manfred (Max) Reinhardt	Band	49
Clinton H. (Buster) Sheppard Jr	C	49
Luther Easley Spencer	F	54
William H. (Bill) Stanley	D	48
Freddie Sue Garber Stewart	B Co. Sponsor	50
Linwood Lewis Sykes	F	55
James Nathaniel (Jim) Tiller	A	57
Anthony Lenzi Toler	B	55
Charlotte Rhodes Ganzert Tyndall	C Co. Sponsor	46
Gilmer Edward Womack Jr	C	57

- # Member of Alumni Board of Directors
- ## Former Member of Alumni Board of Directors
- ### Former President of Alumni Board of Directors
- + 1st Captain



**OH, TO BE A BOY AGAIN
JUST TO SEE MY FRIENDS AGAIN
JUST TO HEAR THEM LAUGH AGAIN
JUST TO SEE THEM MARCH AGAIN**

Memorial Day 2025

Our Memorial Day Ceremony for 2025 is scheduled for noon at Hollywood Cemetery on Monday, May 26 and will last about 30 minutes. Please bring a chair and gather at the bottom of the hill close to the Cadet War Memorial since only a small sound system will be employed. As many of you as possible will be allowed to park on the hill where the Alumni Band had assembled in the past.

The program will focus on honoring and showing respect to the seventy-six former JM Cadets who made the ultimate sacrifice, and to all the brave active-duty military members and veterans who have served our great nation.

We hope to see you on Memorial Day as we continue our efforts to **“Preserve the Memory of the John Marshall Corps of Cadets.”** *Jim Hines F/B Co, 58*

Cadet Alumni Reunion - September 27, 2025

Our JM Cadet Reunion on September 27, 2025 will be a great opportunity for alumni to renew old acquaintances, share stories, and enjoy the spirit of the Corps. A luncheon catered by The Place is included. Enjoy music played by the *Richmond Cadet Alumni Band (RCAB)*. Browse cadet and school memorabilia. All former cadets, sponsors, family, and friends are welcome! (See the last page of this Guidon for the Cadet Reunion registration form.)

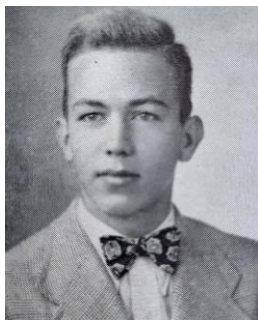


On October 6, 1947, the John Marshall Cadet Corps participated in the Fire Prevention Week Parade in Richmond. Participating were twelve floats from various organizations, and every school cadet corps in the city. Shown here is B Co. from JM as they pass the Reviewing Stand.

John Marshall Corps of Cadets And the Churchill – Eisenhower Visit of 1946

By Dick Nicholas, B Co., Class of '48

March 8, 1946 was a memorable day for the John Marshall Corps of Cadets and especially for a fifteen year-old Corporal in the 1st Squad of the 1st Platoon of B Company. The occasion was the visit of the former British Prime Minister Winston Churchill who had been invited to Richmond to give a speech to the Virginia General Assembly. Churchill was escorted to the event by then Army Chief of Staff General Dwight Eisenhower.



A grand ceremony and welcoming was planned for the distinguished hero of World War II and the John Marshall Corps was to have a prominent role in the event along with the cadets from Thomas Jefferson and Benedictine. Churchill and Eisenhower arrived by train at Broad Street Station that morning from Washington and from there proceeded by motorcade down Broad Street and then at some point over to Grace Street leading into the entrance to the Capitol where he was to speak.

The Corps was given the responsibility of serving as honor guard for the event and was to line both sides of Grace Street approaching Capitol Square as well as the driveway into the Capitol grounds. In spite of the cold and rainy day, there was a massive throng of people along the parade route and especially in the Capitol Square area.

We were in full dress uniform stationed elbow to elbow on both sides of the corridor along Grace Street and the Capitol driveway with crowds of onlookers with their umbrellas immediately behind us.

We must have taken our positions at “parade rest” about 9 or 9:30 and about an hour later the first of the motorcade consisting of both cars and police motor cycles appeared and the crowd began to cheer. We immediately came to “attention” and went to “present arms” with our rifles in front of us as the cars began to pass. I remember very vividly that my position was on the south side of the driveway into the Square, facing north, and just inside the Capitol gate. The other members of my platoon were lined up on both sides of me.

The 3rd car in the procession was an open convertible and Churchill, wearing a raincoat in the rain, was standing up in the right rear of the car holding his hat in one hand and waving to the crowd with the other. Eisenhower was seated to his left. As they passed directly in front of me, not 10 feet away, on his way into Capitol Square, Churchill turned and looked directly at me and flashed his famous “V” for victory sign. It was an awe-inspiring, thrilling, yet humbling moment for a young teenager to see and be so close to this great man of history and one that I will never forget.

The Corps had every reason to be proud of their performance that day. As I later learned, General Eisenhower wrote a letter to our Commandant, Col. Earl Brown, in which he quoted Churchill's compliment about the “smart looking ... ROTC units which lined the streets leading to the capital.” And Eisenhower himself stated that he had “been most favorably impressed with the soldierly appearance they [ROTC units] maintained despite the unfavorable weather.”

The ceremony ended about noon, but I don't remember how long we remained in our position. I doubt if we stayed to the conclusion. What really sticks in my mind is that it was a very wet and miserable day and we were all soaked by the time we marched back to Grays Armory. We had no coats, rain-gear, or protection from the weather of any kind at that time. However, the sight of the Corps enduring such miserable conditions apparently sparked the movement to procure some weather protection for us, because by that fall we were outfitted with wool mackinaws. I remember them as bulky and not particularly comfortable or rain-proof, but at least they kept us warm.

The Churchill event is probably the highlight of my experiences in the Corps, but there were many other memories that I also treasure, such as the camaraderie, the spit and polish, the competitive close-order drills in Grays Amory, and the parades to Hollywood Cemetery behind our wonderful band. Especially unforgettable was the Corps' participation at the annual JM -TJ football game! We paraded into City Stadium prior to kick off with each of us holding a small white megaphone hanging on a ribbon over our shoulders. Once our formation was in place on the field, we did a right face, the command was given, we raised the megaphones, and the entire Corps yelled the following organized cheer in unison for all to hear:

"Come on Blue, Come on White, Come on Team, Fight - Fight - Fight!"

Maybe it had some effect, because I remember we won the game! Now, almost eighty years later, I can thankfully and proudly say, ***"I wouldn't have missed it for the world!"***



Churchill being escorted by then Army Chief of Staff General Dwight Eisenhower. John Marshall Cadets line the driveway leading to the Capitol where Churchill would address the Virginia Legislature.

JMCAA Participates In National Wreaths Across America Day

At noon on Saturday, December 14, 2024, Christmas wreaths were placed on our Cadet Memorial Plaques at Hollywood Cemetery. One of our faithful cadet alumni and his wife made all the arrangements with Wreaths Across America so the Cadet Alumni Association could honor our seventy-six former cadets. On the same day, more than two million volunteers and supporters of Wreaths Across America gathered to place wreaths at Arlington National Cemetery and more than 4,600 additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea, and abroad.



The Wreaths Across America Organization's mission is "Remember Our Fallen U.S. Veterans," "Honor Those Who Serve," and "Teach Your Children The Value Of Freedom." As President Reagan said "Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We did not pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same, or one day we will spend our sunset years telling our children and our children's children what it was once like in the United States where men were free."

This year the National Wreaths Across America Day will be held at noon on Saturday, December 13, 2025. We invite you to join us at the Cadet War Memorial in Hollywood Cemetery for this brief, but meaningful ceremony. *Jim Hines, F/B '58*

J.M. Victory Corps

The **Victory Corps** was an American program during the Second World War that provided military training to male and female high school students. The Victory Corps was established on September 25, 1942, by the Commissioner of Education John W. Studebaker, in conjunction with the United States Departments of War, Navy, and Civil Aeronautics. The program was designed to prepare secondary school students for possible military service and participation in the war effort.



The John Marshall High School Girls' Victory Corps were Led By (L to R) Louise Beverly, Ruth Chamberlain, Josie Garnett, and Jean Knight

On May 21, 1943 The John Marshall Corps of Cadets and the Girls' Victory Corps (shown at left), led approximately 6,000 boys and girls representing more than fifty-six public and parochial schools throughout the city, in the annual Safety Parade.

This was the first parade for the girls and they received quite a few compliments on their neatness, military bearing, and snappiness.



In Remembrance of Howard Thomas Moss, 1937 - 2025

Col. Howard T. Moss (USAF Ret.), 19th Commandant of the John Marshall Corps of Cadets



Howard T. Moss was born and raised in Richmond, Va. Upon graduation from Thomas Jefferson High School he was selected to the All City, District, State and Southern football teams. He also won the State High School and AAU 220 yard dash championships.

In 1960 he graduated from Virginia Military Institute and was a seven-time varsity letterman in football and track, played on the nationally ranked 1957 undefeated football team and was Virginia's Big Six 220 yard dash champion three times. He was also selected to "Who's Who among Students in American Colleges and Universities".

Prior to the opening of the new John Marshall H.S. In 1960, Lt. Moss was selected to be the John Marshall High School Commandant of Cadets, Head Track Coach, Asst. Football Coach, and Teacher for senior history.

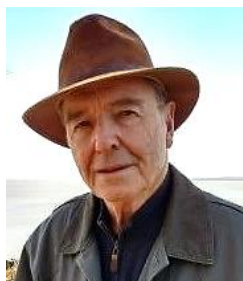
Upon leaving John Marshall in the fall of 1961, he entered the United States Air Force and was assigned to Air Force Systems Command, Vibration and Impact Branch. He became the first human to test an instantaneous 20 G-force under controlled conditions in support of the Gemini Space Program. **After flight school, he was sent to Southeast Asia for his first and later a second combat tour where he was selected as Chief of the Tiger, Fast Forward Air Controller Program (Tiger FAC) at Korat RTAFB, Thailand. He ended his combat flying with 341 missions and 841 hours over North and South Vietnam and Laos.**

After Command and Staff College and a tour at Headquarters, Tactical Air Command, he was assigned to RAF Bentwaters, U.K., as Commander of the 510th Tactical Fighter (A-10) Squadron. In 1981, after the Arab/Israeli War, Col. Moss was selected to lead a team to Israel and de-brief the Arab/Israeli conflict. After a tour at the Pentagon, in 1984, he retired as a Colonel ending 23 years of active military service. His decorations include 4 Distinguished Flying Crosses, 24 Air Medals, 2 Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry and various other citations.

When Col. Moss retired from the Air Force in 1984, he was hired by The General Electric Company to build and supervise The Center for Advanced Airmanship, an F-5 fighter-training facility in Phoenix, AZ. He retired from the business world in 2018 and lived with his wife Susan, and their dog Paces on the James River in Surry County, Virginia.

In the fall of 1960 at the new school on Old Brook Rd., Lt. Howard Moss briefs the newly appointed officers of the J.M. Corps of Cadets.

These cadets had all attended the old school downtown and had been selected by Moss to lead the Corps in its first year at the new school.



Howard T. Moss was an extraordinary man who valued the bonds of family and friendship, dating back to his early childhood in Richmond, Virginia. Known as "the boy from Cary Street", Howard grew up surrounded by his parents and extended family. He attended Thomas Jefferson High School and graduated from the Virginia Military Institute in 1960. It was at VMI that Howard found lifelong connections with the Institute, his teachers and fellow Cadets, which defined much of his career, and close friendships. In recent years, Howard attended many J.M. Mega-Reunions, J.M. Cadet Alumni Reunions, and programs at the J.M. Cadet War Memorial in Hollywood Cemetery.

True Friendships Are Forever

By Richard Minter, A Co., '53



Every time that I attend a monthly JM luncheon at Joe's Inn in Bon Air, a monthly A Co. lunch at Olive Garden in Midlothian, a cadet or high school reunion, or a Cadet Alumni Association Board meeting, I am amazed anew at the continued closeness of those who attended John Marshall High School, especially the downtown school, almost 65 years after the building had breathed its last, in 1960. All of us have great memories and lasting friendships that were forged during our time as proud members of the John Marshall High School Corps of Cadets. Like others, I have vivid memories of classmates, especially of fellow cadets, and the experiences that we shared. Thankfully, I am still allowed to enjoy some of those friendships. Treasured among these are Ellis Grady and Nancy Yates Knight. Ellis, my best friend, was Captain of A Co. in the Fall of 1952, and I was honored to be First Lieutenant. During a football game, Ellis's back was fractured. Not to be deterred, he had his uniforms tailored to fit over his body cast and continued as Captain. What an inspiration he was, and, to this day, I admire him for his courage and dedication.

One of my earliest friends in life was Nancy Yates, a pre-school neighbor. That friendship was interrupted when her family moved from our Southside neighborhood to Highland Park, but resumed when we began attending John Marshall. As luck would have it, she became sponsor of A Co. during the Fall semesters of both 1951 and 1952. She was a fantastic, revered sponsor and she had a positive impact on her cadets, as evidenced by A Co. winning both the Competitive Drill and the Efficiency Award in 1951 and winning the Efficiency Award and placing a close second in the Competitive Drill in 1952. This past summer, unfortunately, Nancy suffered a stroke and Ellis and I visited her in a rehab center. The two accompanying photos, taken 72 years apart, show Nancy Yates Knight, Ellis Grady and me, Richard Minter. In one, we are posing on the steps of John Marshall High School with the newly-won Efficiency Cup and the other was taken during our visit to the rehab center. What a blessing it is, as nonagenarians, to have such lasting friendships!

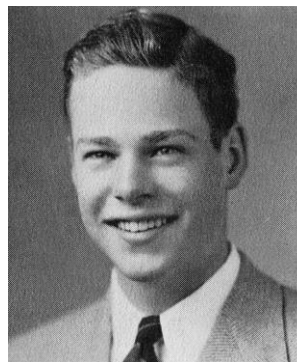


**Rich Minter, Nancy Yates Knight,
and Ellis Grady in 1952**



**Nancy Yates Knight, Rich Minter,
and Ellis Grady in 2024**

US Marine Corps Private 1st Class John Aubrey Connelly, III
JMCC, F Co., Class of 1943



Birth: Sept. 9, 1926
Death: May 10, 1945, AGE 18
Resided at 2820 2nd Ave., RVA

US Marine Corps, 22nd Marines, 6th DIV.
KIA CONNELLY, John A. III,
Co C, 1st. Bn, 22nd Mar. 6th Mar Div. FMF.

On April 1, 1945, during the invasion of Okinawa, the 22nd Marines landed on Green Beach where they secured the left flank of the landing force. Following the landing, they pushed north with the rest of the 6th Marine Division and secured the northern portion of the island. On 13 April, the 2nd Battalion, 22nd Marines reached Hedo-Misaki at the northern most tip of the island. They were eventually pulled down south and placed in the line to the right of the 1st Marine Division where they would eventually secure the city of Naha while taking "very heavy casualties".

During the battle for Naha, May 10, 1945, Private First-Class John Aubrey Connelly, III was killed. On May 16, the 22nd Marines were ordered to capture Sugar Loaf Hill which was captured with the 29th Marines in two days. After the fighting on Okinawa on June 21, the 22nd Marines were moved to Guam to rest and refit.

Three Marines and one Navy corpsman, who was assigned to the 22nd Marines, were awarded the Medal of Honor.



Burial:
Oakwood Cemetery
Richmond
Richmond City
Virginia, USA
Plot: Section B2-B6

The above information on John Aubrey Connelly, III is excerpted from what is shown in Kline Hill's book on the history of the 76 former JM Cadets who gave their all for our Country.

U.S. Army 1st Sgt. John La Boulardrie de Treville, III JMCC, F Co., '55

By Harrell Pedigo, F Co., '54



John La Boulardrie de Treville, III achieved the rank of First Sergeant and unselfishly devoted to this great country a total of 27 years of military service. Some of his assignments were classified. However, the ones not classified include paratrooper training and assignments at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, Parachute Rigger training, US Army Proving Ground at Yuma, Arizona, Special Forces Training and two assignments to Vietnam during the war.

In addition, John served as an Instructor on the Special Forces HALO Training Group for two years. HALO stands for High Altitude Low Opening of the parachute. In this capacity, he often jumped 4 times daily from 12 to 15 thousand feet of altitude.

John's awards include Senior Parachute Badge, Vietnam Service Medal, Air Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal (2 awards), Vietnam Campaign Medal W/60 Device, Army Commendation Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge.

*During our 2024 Memorial Day ceremony to honor the memory of the seventy-six former JM Cadets, who gave their all for our country, a U. S. flag that had flown over the nation's Capital Building was presented to our fellow board member, **Jack de Treville, III, F Company '55**, to honor him for his exceptional military service to our country.*



Jack De Treville, III, and his wife Linda



Jack De Treville, III was presented with a U.S. Flag that had flown over our nation's Capital Building.