



*I am an American Airman: Wingman, Leader, and Warrior.
I will never leave an Airman behind, I will never falter, and I will not fail.*

924 Tradition

An old 924th tradition is that friends who have not seen or heard from each other for long periods of time never question their friendship. These friendships resume at the same time they left off regardless of distance and time between them. We call these friends "**Family**".



Once an Outlaw, Always an Outlaw



OUTLAW MONTHLY BULLETIN



ALSO ON 924 WEBSITE

*Distance and time may separate us
but friendship and memories won't*

Dedicated to those who have invested their lives to the cause of Freedom in America! God Bless our Men and Women who are (or Have) in any way or manner served to protect our Great Nation and the freedom we have. And God Bless the United States of America



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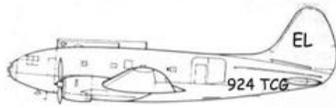
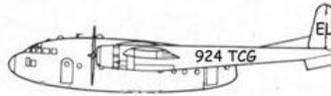
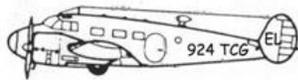
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924 Luncheon 13 Jan 16 (Tommy Williamson has Outlaw T-Shirts for sale)





1988 March AFB CA



Birds of a Feather...Flock Together



Outlaw F-4E



Listen to music as you read the newsletter

Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy: The Andrew Sisters

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qafnJ6mRbgk> then click on the Minimize minus sign (-) at the top right corner of your screen. It will then go back to the newsletter with music playing. When finished listening to music, go to desktop home page, on the bottom tool bar, right click [The Andrew Sisters...](#) then select close.

The Warrior Song: Marching Snare Drums

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ITs6a0ORdQU&feature=player_embedded

Ghost Riders in the Sky: Johnny Cash

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mynzbmrtp9I>

Run Through the Jungle: CCR

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Eb10cMyyw_M

Courtesy of the Red, White and Blue: Toby Keith

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5PXSK3iDeAI>

American Soldier: Toby Keith

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2hLBukeFJoY>

Proud to an American: Lee Hazelwood

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ps7xmW-9LXQ>

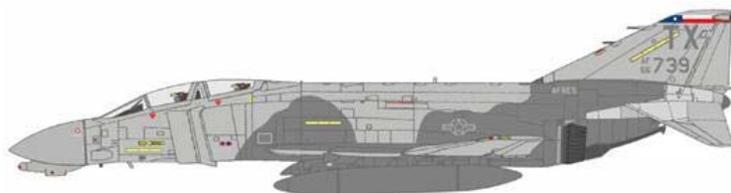
Ballad of the Green Berts...1966: SSGT Barry Sadler

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m5WJVVSE_BE

America, The Land I Love: James Rogers http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_JCCyjZs3hY



924th Air Force Reserve
The Unit That Refuses to Disband



924 Photo Albums *(Sets)*

37 Albums....1915 Photos

Click here: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/924outlaws/sets/>

Click on each photo to enlarge

View counts as of 24 Jan 16, since July 2007

Photos
296,044views
Photo stream
15,724views
Albums
17,038views
Total
328,806 views

*****FYI***** www.Flickr.com charges \$24.95 per year to keep the **OUTLAW Photo Albums** on their website.
****Paid the one year fee on 15 Nov 2015****

OUTLAW WEB SITE:

www.924tfg.com (password: Outlaws)...O is capital
15,033 Visitors since Jan 09

[History](#), [Latest Info](#), [Photos](#), [In Memoriam](#), [Miscellaneous](#), [Newsletters](#), [Links](#), [Recall Roster](#)

924th Webmaster Says....



Paid \$183.95 to renew GoDaddy website hosting (2 years) on 10 Sept 2015
Paid \$25.00 to renew Outlaw Flickr Photo site (1 year) on 15 Nov 2015
Donations are appreciated
Ed Copher
242 Toye Blvd
Canyon Lake, TX 78133

924 Website and Photos site FEES:

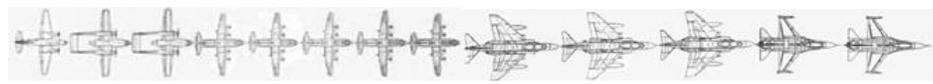
Jim Houston, Palm Coast FL, is the 924 webmaster, he designed the website, and does all the updates etc.

Website Hosting is done by **GoDaddy** at a cost of **\$183.95** for two years (**Paid up until 10 Sept 17**)

Domain Name: (Whois Proof) There is an annual charge for keeping the **Domain Name** www.924tfg.com which is \$5 p/yr (**Paid up until 31 Mar 2016**)

Domain Provider: (Active Domain) \$12 p/year, paid for 2 years (**Paid up until 31 Mar 2016**)

Photos Site: I also pay for the 924 Photos on the **Flicker site** which is \$25 p/yr (**Due 15 Nov of each year**) **Paid 15 Nov 2015**



924 FLOWER FUND



The purpose is to send a nice flower arrangement to all 924th funerals. *Each arrangement cost over \$100*
The ribbon will read: **"924th BAFB"**. A flower arrangement has been sent to the last **40** funerals.
Jim Chapman is the POC for collecting funds and sending the flowers. jchapman90@austin.rr.com
Send donations to: *Make out check to [Jim Chapman](#)*
Jim Chapman
145 Oak Ridge Dr.
Cedar Creek, TX 78612

Tom Barrow Passed Away on 6 Jan 2016:
C-119 & C-130A Pilot Ellington AFB (Fair Oaks Ranch, TX)

It is with a heavy heart that I inform you of Tom's passing. You may already have heard this sad news but I am forwarding this email in the interest of making

sure all Tom's family and friends are aware. Tom passed on January 6 after a brief illness. His services will be handled by Vaughan's Funeral Home in Boerne, Texas. Details will be available at www.vaughanfuneralhome.com. A celebration of Tom's life is tentatively scheduled for 21 March. The specific date and time will be available on the funeral home website in late February.

Sue Barrow tbar@gvtc.com

Thomas Lyle Barrow
Born: May 01, 1932
Died: January 06, 2016

 Lt. Col. Thomas Lyle Barrow, Sr. was born May 1, 1932 in Crystal City, Texas to Sebastian D and Lucile Huddleston Barrow. He was predeceased by his parents and his sister Dorothy D. Barrow Savio. He grew up in San Antonio and Waco where he graduated from Waco High School. He received a degree in Mechanical Engineering from Southern Methodist University. Upon graduation from SMU, he entered active duty in the United States Air Force. After completion of pilot training, he served as an Armament and Electronics Maintenance Officer and later as a KC-97 tanker pilot at Forbes AFB, Topeka, Kansas. Following active duty, he returned to San Antonio where he was an engineer in the Service Engineering Division at Kelly AFB. He also flew C-119 aircraft with the 433rd Troop Carrier (Alamo) Wing while at Kelly. Tom later moved to Houston where he was employed by the NASA Manned Spacecraft Center and continued his **USAF Reserve service with the 446th Troop Carrier Wing flying the C-130**. He became Chief of the Flight Crew Support Division's Mockup Section, which provided full scale space craft training mockups for astronaut training during the Gemini, Apollo, and Skylab programs. He then transferred to the NASA Earth Observation Research Program where he was a Mission Manager on the WB-57F high altitude aircraft. He obtained an early retirement from NASA and moved to Huntsville, Alabama with McDonnell Douglas, where he was a Mission Integration Manager on numerous Spacelab missions which flew on the Shuttle. He retired from McDonnell Douglas in 1994 and moved to the Boerne, Texas area in 1998. Tom loved flying and woodworking. However, his greater love was for his country and the freedoms he enjoyed for 83 years. Tom was a very kind and caring man. Left to cherish his memory are his loving wife, Linda Sue (Cardwell), daughter Dorothy (Dee) Steadman (Bob), son Thomas L. Barrow, Jr., stepdaughters Kelly Alcorn, Julie Scalise (John) and Ann Evans (Dan), granddaughter Bonnie Murray (Jason), grandson Garrett Alcorn, great grandsons Ian, Josh, and Ben Svarplaitis, and Kathryn and Luke Murray, a multitude of family members and great friends. A celebration of Tom's life will be held in the Spring at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery. In Lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Fisher House at Lackland, 7323 Hwy 90 west, Suit 107, San Antonio, TX 78227-3562, or Methodist Childrens Home, 1111 Herring Avenue, Waco, TX 76708-9989.

Planned 924 Reunion for 2016: Location to be determined, but in Austin somewhere!

SOCIAL: To Be Determined; 7 OR 8 OCTOBER 2016 (Last reunion, gatherings were both nights with appetizers on the second night). **Hoping to have it again at the Hilton Bergstrom Airport Hotel.**

TENTATIVE REUNION DATE: 8 OCTOBER 2016

*****LOCATION:****** Richard Moya Park (was flooded in May, and will not be open for over a year)

POC: Henry Harrison, Johanna Oren or Lois Fontenot Johnson gjohnson09@att.net 214-215-5701

924 Quarterly Luncheon in Austin: Wednesday 13 April 2016 mark your calendars!

Need RSVP please

Date: 13 April 2016

Time: 12:00 (noon)

Location: Golden Corral Buffet & Grill (12509 North Lamar Blvd. Austin, Texas)

Point of contact: Mark A. Ellis papasmurfellis@gmail.com (C) 478-714-9035

Please let know if you can attend!



Note from Stretch: I wanted to send out the information of what was collected at the luncheon on 14 Oct 2015 for the reunion in Oct 2016. **We collected \$703.00.** The money collected will go to deposits for location, purchase some of the food, and supplies. We will send out more info at a later date on ticket prices and where to send your RSVP's and money. I, along with the other two committee heads, Lois Fontenot Johnson and Johanna Oren, want to thank all of you for your generous donations.

Thanks again. Hope to have a good turnout next October
Henry "Stretch" Harrison

924/446 Houston Annual Reunion is 30 JANUARY 2016:

Annual Dinner 446/924 Tactical Airlift Wing

Ellington AFB Houston TX

The annual dinner for former members of the 446 TAW/924 Group will be held

Saturday, 30 January 2016 at 1200

Brady's Landing Restaurant

8505 Cypress Street

Houston TX 77012

Call to arms in the Center Room (next to the public buffet) on **Saturday at 1200** and dinner from the public buffet will commence at 1300. Drinks can be purchased from the open bar. Cost is \$30.00 per person. **Payment (mail preferred) should be made to** Frank J. Herbert at the address listed below.

Enclosed are the pre-addressed envelope and a registration form. Fill out the form and indicate the names of individuals (one or more). Please indicate on your registration form the **full name of guests Male and Female**- (name tags). We need to know how many female guests are coming to reserve a table in the public dining area. Cost of the meal for the girls/ladies in the public dining area is up to the girls/ladies and is **not included** in the \$30.00.

Any up-dated information on any member would be greatly appreciated (deaths, sickness, change of address, etc.).

Questions ---call

Frank J. Herbert 713-944-3026 frank.herbert@att.net

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Passing of 446 TAW/924TAG members

Info on members of the Ellington 446 TAW/ 924 TAG that have passed away recently:

James Boyles on 8 June 2015
 Gene Perrard on 15 Nov 2015
 Bob Krause on Dec 2015
 Bob Martin on 5 Dec 2015

**Julian Cavaco burned in house fire: 924 Engine Shop**

Fire began about 4:30 AM on 28 Dec 15. First noticed by me on outside of back door. Flames was bright orange and taller than me. Notified wife and her Sister to get out of home and call 911. I immediately opened the front side door getting water hose to try to keep control of fire. Then opened back door to fire area and was slammed down by the back draft blowing the glass door off the hinges. This is where I was burned under my feet and right hand and forehead. Tried to keep the water on the fire while spraying my face at times. Deputy Sheriff Officer came into where I was and told me to get out. Believe I told her soon as the fire department got there. Next thing a fireman got me out and deputy managed to get me to an ambulance. Wife and Sister were being treated and were going to the hospital. They told me I had to get in another ambulance and rushed me to Breckenridge. After arriving at the hospital in the Trauma Room...Doctor said they needed to place a hose down my throat so they would have to sedate me....Reason they were worried my lungs may have been damaged. I agreed and the next thing I noticed I woke up at Brook Army Medical Center Burn Ward in San Antonio. They were my Angels and took great care of me for a few days. Released now and staying with youngest daughter Jessica Cavaco Aden in Kyle. Talked with Fire Marshal earlier this week and was at the home when visited by insurance inspector. Presently waiting answer from insurance company on what course of action they are going to do...Fire burnt down complete garage area and got into the game room area of the main part of home...Spouse and Son staying with her Sister and Family. Doctor at Burn Center said I was very Lucky....Normally persons caught in a back draft usually don't make it, said the man upstairs must of been there for me again. Presently doing Ok and burns are healing fine... Thanks for the concern....Mahalo... Julian Cavaco 10 Jan 16

A collection was taken up for Julian and his Family at the 924 Luncheon on 13 Jan 16:

This is the response from Julian:

Julian Cavaco • 19 Jan 16

I want to Thank Everyone (924 Family) for the donation sent to me for the fire accident that happened at my home. It came in with positive results. It has been a privilege being a member of this Outstanding Unit serving with Great People that will always be Great Friends forever. Thank You All from the deepest part of my Soul and Blessings to You and your Families...With Deep Respect., Aloha from Julian Cavaco and Family

Air Force secretary: 21-gun salute at funerals 'is a priority'

Air Force Secretary Deborah Lee James is "strongly encouraging" commanders to team up with veterans service organizations to provide three-volley gun salutes — often referred to as 21-gun salutes — at funerals for eligible veterans and retirees.

Outrage has built online among some service members and veterans in recent weeks after Honolulu station KHON2 reported that the 15th Wing at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam in Hawaii had discontinued 21-gun salutes at veterans' funerals.

In a Monday post on her official Facebook page, James said that she has asked her staff to better clarify what kind of support is available for veterans' and retirees' funerals, and share that information with commanders across the service.

"Understanding the tremendous demands on our Airmen, we're strongly encouraging commanders to provide a gun volley to those who are eligible and to partner with all the veteran's service organizations in their regions to support the family's wishes," James wrote in her post. "If units are unable to provide more than two [honor guard members to provide a gun volley], wing commanders must be informed prior to the ceremony."

"We're stretched thin, but this is a priority," James concluded. "We will continue to honor all our veterans and the sacrifices they have given for our Nation." The policy change itself is not new, despite the recent uproar. In 2013, the Air Force enacted a policy — driven by the sequester's budget cuts — allowing bases to cut funeral details for veterans and retirees from seven airmen to two. Under the policy, funerals are still required to include the folding of an American flag and its presentation to the family of the deceased, and the sounding of "Taps." But the traditional volley of gunfire to salute the veteran is no longer required.

But base commanders are still allowed to field the full seven-person team for veterans and retirees if the honor guard members are available. If not, commanders or veterans' families can contact members from veteran's service organizations, other retirees, or Reserve Officer Training Corps units, as long as they are willing to pay a statutory stipend.

In response to a comment, James said: "I want to reassure you that the gun salute has not been removed from funeral honors for our veterans. In fact we encourage commanders to provide more than the required two persons whenever possible to ensure a three-shot volley is done according to the wishes of the family."

John & Linda Cline's Daughter-in-Law Passed Away:

Our daughter-in-law



Deborah (Tomkiewicz) Cline, 49, of Mascoutah, Illinois passed away suddenly on January 15, 2015 while visiting in Rhode Island. She was the beloved **wife of John Thomas Cline II** and loving mother to Andrew Thomas Cline. Born in Hartford, CT she was the daughter of Frederick G. Tomkiewicz and the late Mary Anne Tomkiewicz of Wakefield, RI. Deborah graduated from South Kingstown High School and **served 20 years in the Army National Guard**. Deborah was an amazing wife, mother, and friend to all that knew her. She poured her life into the daily lives of those she cared for, putting the needs of others in front of her own. She lived her life by telling it like it was, and held nothing back. Anyone who knew Deb knew they were going to get a straight answer. Deb loved her family and her pets. She enjoyed camping in Illinois and whenever possible she escaped to Rhode Island. She loved Rhode Island and always called it her home. She let it be known that you can take the girl out of Rhode Island but you can't take the Rhode Island out of the girl. She is also survived by her sister Cherie Conover and her brother Frederick G. Tomkiewicz Jr. as well as an extended loving family from Wisconsin, Texas, Connecticut and Rhode Island. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday January 22, 2016 at 9:30 am in St. James Chapel, 2079 Matunuck School House Rd, Charlestown, RI. Burial with military honors will be in Rhode Island Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Visiting hours will be held Thursday January 21, 2016 from 4:00 - 6:00 pm in Avery-Storti Funeral Home, 88 Columbia St, Wakefield, RI.

BAFB T-Shirt



https://teespring.com/bergstrom_afb?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=share&utm_campaign=thank_you#pid=369&cid=6521&sid=back

Pilots Poem:



I FLEW

*When the last checklist is run and the bagdrag is over
I will reminisce of the days I once knew,
I will not remember the 3 AM alerts
But only that I flew!*

*I will not remember the crew rest in tents
Nor recall how cold arctic winds blew,
And I'll try not to remember the times I got sick.
But only that I flew!*

*I will never forget when nature became angry
And challenged my intrepid crew,
And I'll always remember the fear I felt
And the pride in knowing I flew!*

*I will remember the sights my mortal eyes have seen
Colored by multitudes of hues,
Those beautiful lights on cold winter nights
Seen only by those who flew.
God was extremely good to me
And let me touch his face,
He saw my crew through war and peace
And blessed us with his grace.
So when I stand at Saint Peter's Gate
And tell him that I'm new
I know he'll smile and welcome me,
Because he knows
I FLEW!*

Brad Baker

Reserve Retirement: <http://askjune.military.com/2010/07/new-rules-about-guard-and-reserve-retirement.html>

Reserve Retirement Point Chart: *(before age 60 folks only)*

Reserve Personnel Contact Center 1-800-525-0102 or via the virtual Personnel Center-Guard Reserve website at <https://arpc.afrc.af.mil/vPC-GR/>

Go to the AFRC link and it will direct you to Air Reserve Personnel Center-**Retirements/Separations**.

Everything you need including the point chart for 2010.

Reserve Benefits: http://www.militarybenefits.com/military_reserve.html

Reserve Benefits and other Information:

http://search.military.com/search?q=Reserve+and+Guard+Newsletter&search_string=&site=military&client=military&proxystylesheet=military&output=xml_no_dtd&access=p&filter=1&entqr=3&tabname=military&words=Reserve+and+Guard+Newsletter&dne=&rad=50&x=55&y=11&ie=UTF-8&ip=172.30.3.185&sort=date%3AD%3AL%3Ad1&oe=UTF-8&ud=1&start=0

OUTLAW Newsletters in Archives: *To view the last 12 months newsletters*

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Go to www.yahoo.com *(click on the link in blue)*

On the Yahoo home page, select **Sign-In** *(top right side)*

Type in Yahoo **ID:** afreserves924th@yahoo.com

Type in **Password:** **outlaws** *(lower case)*

After Signed In, back on the Yahoo home page, select **MAIL** *(left side bar)*

When you get into the **mail box**, select **Inbox** *(on left side bar)*

Select the newsletter that you want to view.

To get out of **Mail**, under the top toolbar, find **Yahoo!** click on that to get back to the Yahoo home page.

NOTE: The newsletter is being sent as an "**Attachment**" to the email.

To open the attachment, click on the large **blue square box** with 4 lines in the middle.

ALSO: When you get to the **Yahoo Home Page**, if you are already **signed in** to a different yahoo account.

Then you must **sign out** of that account, and then **sign in** to: afreserves924th@yahoo.com **outlaws**

"ALSO"

Newsletters are on 924 Website: *Past month's newsletters*

Go to 924 Website, click on **Newsletters**, password **(Outlaws)**

Websites of Interest

"Boot Camp" Into the Wild Blue Yonder"

<http://www.cnet.com/pictures/into-the-wild-blue-yonder-u-s-air-force-basic-training-pictures/?ftag=ACQ63afa6d>

FACEBOOK PAGES:

AF Reserve Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/airforcereserve>

United States Air Force Veterans Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/USAFVeterans/>

You Know You Are an Air Force Mechanic when...

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/109677762396385/>

US Air Force CrewChiefs:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/USAFcrewchiefs/>

Randolph AFB weekly "Wingspread":

<https://www.facebook.com/JBSARandolph>

Largest AF Basic Training (Boot Camp) Graduation

<https://www.facebook.com/1642798022649433/videos/1642799712649264/>

AF Stripes Song:

<https://www.facebook.com/USairforce/videos/10154381219574989/>

Awesome Fly-Bys:

<http://speedsociety.com/you-absolutely-need-to-go-to-this-place-if-you-love-planes/?source=gmg>

A-10 Video:

<https://www.facebook.com/692994540838094/videos/726729787464569/>

F-111 Belly Landing:

<http://worldwarwings.com/f-111-needs-to-catch-hook-and-land-without-wheels-or-else?a=mk&var=ww2-f111-hook>

Reserves F-35's replacing F-16's:

<https://www.facebook.com/AirmanMagazine/videos/10153101480361191/>

Vietnam Memorial Wall Song:

<https://www.facebook.com/100000531380774/videos/1142596289101406/>



http://m.ebay.com/itm/391292805183?roken=cUgayN&_mwBanner=1

Randolph AFB weekly news: The Wingspread

<https://www.facebook.com/JBSARandolph/posts/10153205932557842:0> and <http://ow.ly/Rs4Ns>

Airman's Magazine:

<http://www.af.mil/News/ArticleDisplay/tabid/223/Article/612098/latest-airman-magazine-now-available.aspx>

Aviation Buffs:

Even if you are not into this you might want to pass this treasure trove on to others who are. Click on any of the blues:

- [Aviation](#) [Pioneers](#)
- [World](#) [War I Aces](#)
- [Hall](#) [of Fame of the Air](#)
- [WW2](#) [European Theater \(ETO\)](#)
- [WW2](#) [Pacific Theater \(PTO\)](#)
- [WW2](#) [US Marine Corps](#)
- [WW2](#) [US Navy Aces](#)
- [WW2](#) [Mediterranean \(MTO\)](#)
- [WW2](#) [German Aces](#)
- [Korean](#) [War Aces](#)
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John Wayne and the Pledge of Allegiance

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Jf3MQpfBc>

Great Music Video: Military/Miami Dolphin Cheerleaders

The Miami Dolphin cheerleaders sent the US Troops in Afghanistan a music video and they sent one back...mimicking them almost to perfection. SO cool!!! Plus the Soldiers light off a four point deuce mortar as a point of punctuation. Soldiers win...hands down!!!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O7zdr-82WAo>

Virtual Aircraft Encyclopedia:

<http://www.aviastar.org/index2.html>

General Dynamics F-16: http://www.aviastar.org/air/usa/general_f-16.php

McDonnell-Douglas F-4 Phantom II: http://www.aviastar.org/air/usa/mcdonnel_phantom.php

Lockheed C-130 Hercules: http://www.aviastar.org/air/usa/lok_hercules.php

RAO BULLETIN Update, 01 Feb 2016

Read the **Articles** go to the web site at: http://post_119_gulfport_ms.tripod.com/rao1.html



924 RECALL ROSTER

Known Whereabouts: (689 Names)

Revised 24 Jan 2016

New & Changed Addresses:

See website roster

Complete Roster can be found on the 924th website

www.924tfg.com

(Password: *Outlaws*)...**O** is capital

Will email the Roster upon request



Outlaw low level, at range near Corpus Christi



Da...Dat...Dhat's all folks