

HONOR FLIGHT, Historic Triangle Virginia



Congressman Rob Wittman speaks to Honor Flight HTVA at WWII Memorial



WWII Vets At World War II Memorial
30 April 2011

Time is running out for the men and women of America's Greatest Generation. Hundreds of World War II Veterans die daily...soon they will be no more. Every American owes a debt of gratitude to these heroes who were prepared to sacrifice their all so that we can enjoy a free world today. Honor Flight is a small payment of gratitude to these World War II warriors.

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Bill Tucker, Fred Malvin, Donna Malvin, Bill Byars
WWII vets, Tucker and Byars, were escorted on the 30 April bus "flight" by VIPMOAA's Fred Malvin, CDR, USN, Ret and his wife, Donna. It was the 5th HFHTVA.

Bill Tucker talked about his own and his buddies patriotism even though as African-Americans, they were initially only given menial jobs. Through dedication and hard work, they overcame prejudice and earned the respect and admiration of the other veterans. Tucker earned World War II commendations on the islands of the South Pacific, transferring ammunition and supplies under intense enemy fire to soldiers and Marines ashore. After the war he transferred from the Navy to the Air Force where he was a cargo plane load master and crew chief.

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WWII vet, Frank Floyd, with his Honor Flight escort VIPMOAA member, Jack Greenhalgh, CDR, USN, Ret, at WWII Memorial.
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