


# Chapter Initiative:
# National LE Officers Memorial Recognition: Whiteman 4
# EOW: 11 June 1982

**Kick-Off Presentation: Staff Sgt Joshua C. Jones**

**509th Security Forces Squadron Whiteman AFB MO**

**October 10, 2024 – Eagle Chapter**

**Air Force Security Forces Association**

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National LE Officers Memorial Washington DC












# Eagle Chairman




Eagle Chairman, Lee Chambers (left), with Proud Warrior, Staff Sergeant Clee A. Lee, May 2018 at the Warrior Transition Center Walter Reed Bethesda MD prior to lunch. SSgt Lee was injured while deployed to Southwest Asia.

# Eagle Chapter Chairman/CEO – Lee Chambers



Eagle with then AF Chief of Staff and CMSgt of the AF



2023 Vietnam Security Police Assocaition Presents Lee with the Warriors Medal of Valor on Behalf of the Native American Nations of the USA and VSPA Meritorious Service Award.



Eagle introduction to DC Police Chief Kathy Lanier

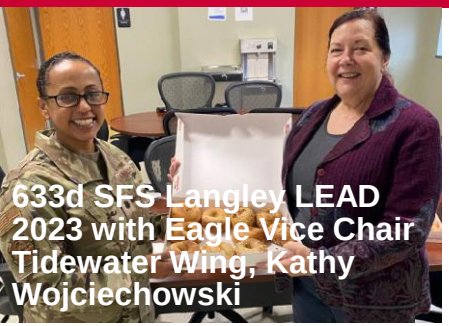
- **25 Years 1972 – 1997 – Air Force taught me to defend and love my country the best way possible and earn a good living at it.**
  - **Barksdale AFB LA (Strategic Air Command (SAC)) 72-77**
  - **Castle AFB CA (SAC) 77-79**
  - **Bitburg AB Germany (USAFE) 79-81**
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  - **The Pentagon - 7th Comm Group/AF Pentagon Communications Agency 91-97**
- **24 Years Cybersecurity Consultant – 1997- 2021 Federal and private corporations; CISSP, CISM, ITILv4, and MS Information Systems.**
- **July 22, 2003 – to Present – Chairman/CEO Eagle Chapter AF Security Forces Association**
  - **2013 – AF Security Forces Association Hall of Fame Medal**
  - **2023 – Vietnam Security Police Association – Warriors Medal of Valor – Native American Nations of the USA and VSPA Meritorious Service Medal**
- **Married (35-years) – husband to Gail and father of three (Camille (Jay), Michael, & Daniel) and one grand-daughter (Emily Vanessa).**

# Chapter Background



Eagle Chapter Wreath Honoring Security Force Airmen at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Washington DC

# Background – Who We Are


633d SFS Langley LEAD 2023 with Eagle Vice Chair Tidewater Wing, Kathy Wojciechowski


Eagle presents Defensor Fortis flag to SF at Dover AFB DE


AFOSI - A4S Hustler 6 1st Anniversary Memorial Fallen 4 OSI Agents & 2 Defenders


Eagle's Trudy Hannah – Wreath Designer – Vietnam War Veterans Women's Memorial Veterans Day 2005

- **AF Security Forces Association**
  - Created September 1986
  - Located Helotes, TX (Outskirts of San Antone)
  - 50 chapters
- **Eagle Chapter**
  - Chartered July 22, 2003
  - Board Leadership
    - Elected Chairman/Chief Executive Officer and Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer
    - Appointed Board of Officers. Each 'appointed' officer must be approved by a unanimous vote of all officers.
  - 501(C)(19) Veterans Service Non-profit Organization
  - *Eagle Chapter membership is free* to all AFSFA members who work or live in Washington DC, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, or West Virginia (and other locations).
  - Eagle Chapter operates three (3) global missions.

# Eagle Chapter NLEOM Approved Submissions (Global)


SSgt Todd "TJ" Lobraico


Officer Is Killed In Kirtland Mishap

Chance proved a cruel master Tuesday for the Kirtland Air Force Base provost marshal, Capt. George E. Morris was killed in a ground mishap here at a time when he had planned to be en route to a tour of temporary duty in Washington, D. C.

The 35-year-old Morris, one of the best-known officers on the base, was killed instantly Tuesday morning when struck by a wheel assembly when a tire exploded on a medium bomber.

Capt. George E. Morris

Delays Trip

Then he heard that a fellow

Captain George Morris


Airman Laurie Lucas

- **Goal: SF Airman recognized by the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial (NLEOM) Washington DC through Eagle Chapter:**
  - **18 Approved –through 2023 – 19 Currently pending action**
    - **2012 – SRA Nicholas Alden – 48 SFS RAF Lakenheath UK EOW: 03/02/2011**
    - **2018 – SRA Kcey E. Ruiz – 66 SFS Hanscom AFB MA – EOW: 10/02/2015**
    - **2018 – SRA Nathan R. Sartain 66 SFS Hanscom AFB MA – EOW: 10/02/2015**
    - **2019 – Staff Sgt Todd Lobraico, Jr 105 SFS Stewart ANG NY – EOW: 09/5/2013**
    - **2019 – Captain George Morris – 377th SFG Kirtland AFB NM – EOW:04/03/1956**
    - **2020 – First Lieutenant Joseph Helton – 6th SFS MacDill AFB FL – EOW: 09/08/2009**
    - **2020 – Senior Airman Jason K. Phan – 66th SFS – Hanscom AFB MA – EOW 09/12/2020**
    - **2021 – Airman Leebernard Chavis 824th SFS – Moody AFB GA – EOW : 10/14/2006**
    - **2021 – Staff Sergeant Travis Griffin 377th SFG – Kirtland AFB NM – EOW: 4/3/2008**
    - **2021 – Airman First Class Elizabeth Jacobson 17th SFS Goodfellow AFB TX – EOW: 8/28/2005**
    - **2022 – Tech Sgt Jason L. Norton – 673d SFS Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson (JBER), AK – EOW 1/22/2006**
    - **2022 – Staff Sgt Brian McElroy – 673d SFS JBER, AK – EOW 1/22/2006**
    - **2022 – Senior Airman Jason D. Nathan – 48th SFS RAF Lakenheath UK: EOW: 6/23/2007**
    - **2023 – Staff Sgt John T. Self - LRAFB AR - EOW: May 14, 2007; SSgt Charles Huskey - Senior Airman David Heitkamp - Airman First Class Barry Holmes – Ellsworth AFB SD - EOW: May 29, 1986; Airman Trinity Reinhart - FE Warren AFB SD - EOW: Sep 16, 2023**

# Track 1 – Goal – NLEOM Notification










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Lt. Colonel Elia (Lee) Chambers
Chairman, Eagle Chapter
Air Force Security Forces Association
PO Box 334
Gainesville, VA 20156-0334

Dear Lt. Colonel Chambers:

It is our honor to inform you that the names of the following officers have been approved for inclusion to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C. Their names will be formally dedicated on **May 13, 2024 at the 36th Annual Candlelight Vigil** during National Police Week.

**Senior Airman DONALD HERMAN HEITKAMP (End of Watch: 5/29/1986)**
**Airman 1st Class BARRY PHILLIP HOLMES (End of Watch: 5/29/1986)**
**Staff Sergeant CHARLES LANE HUSKEY (End of Watch: 5/29/1986)**
**Airman TRINITY LEEANN REINHART (End of Watch: 9/16/2023)**
**Staff Sergeant JOHN THOMAS SELF (End of Watch: 5/14/2007)**

An invitation to the Candlelight Vigil and National Police Week information will be sent to you via email. The current email we have on file for you is chairman@afspaeagle.com If this is incorrect, respond to research@nleomf.org with an update. If contact information was provided for the officer's family, a similar letter has also been sent to them.

Visit our website at www.nleomf.org for more information about the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial. If you have any questions or concerns, contact our Research Managers, Carolie Heyliger at (202)737-7136 or Vanissa Varnado at (202) 737-7981.

Sincerely,

Bill Alexander
Chief Executive Officer

444 E STREET, NW WASHINGTON, DC 20001-2725 WWW.LAWMEMORIAL.ORG 202.737.3400 RESEARCH@NLEOMF.ORG

## NLEOM Approved 2024 Notification

# Proposed SF Recognition – Whiteman Four




Staff Sergeant Richard LaRue Bohling
End of Watch: June 11, 1982
Age: 22


Sergeant Thomas P. Meredith
End of Watch: June 11, 1982
Age: 21

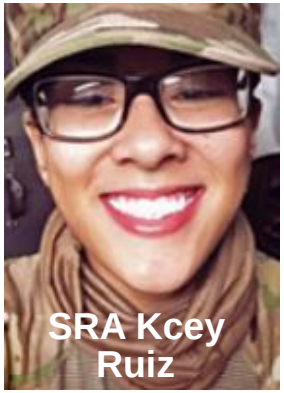

Senior Airman David Ralph Jones
End of Watch: June 11, 1982
Age: 21


Senior Airman Marion Lee Pace
End of Watch: June 11, 1982
Age: 21

- While on a routine weapons system security mission aboard an Air Force UH-1 F (Huey) Iroquois helicopter, the crew was part of an Air Force convoy transporting weapons systems from Whiteman Air Force Base MO to a missile launch silo near Passaic, MO. An Air Force investigation revealed the helicopter's main rotor blade dipped out of position and struck the tail of the aircraft, which then broke apart.
- The four Defenders along with the two-person aircrew all perished in the ensuing crash on Friday, June 11, 1982.
- The four Defenders that perished that day that we are attempting to recognize are:
  - Staff Sergeant Richard L. Bohling,
  - Sergeant Thomas P. Meredith,
  - Senior Airman David R. Jones, and
  - Senior Airman Marion L. Pace.

# SF Recognition – Next Steps

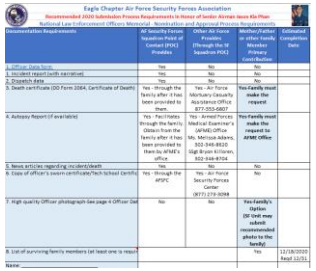

SRA Nicholas Alden


SRA Kcey Ruiz


SRA Nathan Ruiz

1. **Complete –** Commander review the nomination information, if yes, selects one or more Project Managers (PM). Recommend at least one person as PM per named nominee.
2. **Complete –** Submit name, phone numbers and email address to Eagle Chapter Chairman – chairman@asfpaeagle.com.
3. **In progress –** Eagle Chapter will convene a conference call to discuss the checklist and artifact collection process.
4. Process begins with agency and family notifications to gather artifacts/evidence. Note: *Eagle Chapter has provided initial next of kin family information.*
5. *Strongly Recommend* Eagle Chapter Chairman review the data sheet before the commander signs.
6. When complete, commander signs the NLEOM Data Sheet. Note: *NLEOM will only accept the commander's signature.*
7. Use the checklist to measure progress and communicate issues – Determine update frequency
8. Submit the complete package by 12/15/2024 to qualify for 2024.

# SF Recognition: Keys to Success



Use and update the Eagle Chapter checklist to inform SF manage-ment and chapter

- **Assign a motivated POC – if he goes TDY – quickly assign a backup or replacement.**
- **After acquiring agency info, contact the family, let them know how they can help – after the Eagle Chapter conference call.**
- ***Stay in contact with the family, as needed.***
- **Using the checklist, update management, Eagle Chapter. Eagle Chapter will assign a volunteer, SFS member who has successfully completed a NLEOM package.**
- **Fill out the NLEOM data sheet with all required tasks – avoid use of military terms like "sniper" or "insurgent."**
- ***Strongly recommend*: Eagle Chairman review of the data sheet before Commander review/sign.**
- **Submit all required items at once to NLEOM.**
- **Eagle Chapter will continue to follow up with NLEOM until notified of approval.**

# If you need help - 2023 Project Manager


Senior Airman Jason K. Phan


1Lt Joe Helton


Airman Laurie Lucas

## DUSTIN T. SILC, MSgt, USAF

**Superintendent, Special Security Operations**

**Program Integration Office, AFGSC/A5F-E**

**Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota**

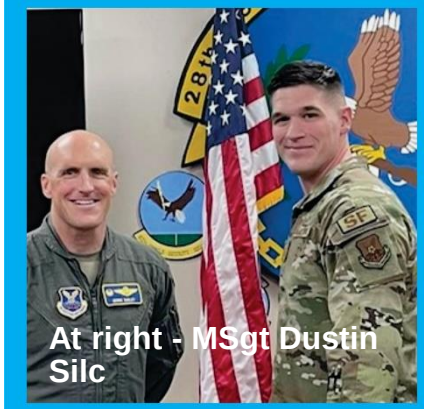
**Cell: (605) 290-8455**

- **MSgt Silc's efforts led to the NLEOM approval of the Ellsworth Airmen who all died May 29, 1986:**
  - **SSgt Charles Lane Huskey**
  - **Senior Airman Donald Herman Heitkamp**
  - **Airman First Class Barry Philip Holmes**


MSgt Silc (at right) receives Eagle Chapter Award for superior service as NLEOM project manager.



# Making Your Submission to NLEOM-A Sample




**When we're ready to go - Using MSgt Silc's example at right, as PM submit the data using the format sample shown:**

1. **Format the email to NLEOM (Cheyliger@nleomf.org) – using his model.**
2. **Send a separate email for each Defender being recognized.**
3. **Copy Eagle Chapter member emails:**
   1. chairman@afspaeagle.com
   2. gadog34@yahoo.com

28 SFS_NLEOM Nominations_1 of 3_SSgt Charles L Huskey

**SILC, DUSTIN T MSgt USAF AFGSC 28 SFS/S3OD**
From: dustin.silc@us.af.mil
To: CHeyliger@NLEOMF.ORG
Cc: PARSONS, ALEXANDER J Maj USAF AFGSC 28 SFS/CC, SABELLA, FRANCIS S CMSgt USAF AFGSC 28 SFS/SFM, BAKER, GREGORY D Capt USAF AFGSC 28 SFS/S3, FUNK, BENJAMIN M MSgt USAF AFGSC 28 SFS/S3, EDWARDS, DANIEL L CIV USAF AFGSC 28 SFS/DD and 4 more...

Greetings,

On behalf of the 28th Security Forces Squadron, Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota.

Please see attached NLEOM nomination submission (number 1 of 3).

Rank: Staff Sergeant
Name: Charles L. Huskey
Age: 28
Tour Length: 5 years
End of Watch: 29 May 1986

Attachments:
Tab 1. Officer Data Form // SSgt Huskey, Charles L.
Tab 2. Defense Casualty Analysis System (DCAS) // US National Archives & Records Administration (NARA)
Tab 3. Air Force Form 313 // Aircraft Accident Report
Tab 4. Press Article
Tab 5. Officer Photo 1
Tab 6. Officer Photo 2

**Only one photo of the Defender should be submitted.**

If any additional information is needed, please reach me at my cell number listed below.

Respectfully,

DUSTIN T. SILC, MSgt, USAF
Flight Chief, Charlie Flight
28th Security Forces Squadron
Ellsworth AFB, South Dakota (AFGSC)
DSN: 385-6875
Cell: (605) 290-8455

Download all attachments as a zip file

# Track 2 – Family/Unit Appreciation and Recognition










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National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives
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National Troopers Coalition
National Police Foundation
Police Executive Research Forum
Police Unity Tour
ReLEntless Defender Apparel
United Federation of Police Officers
Verizon

February 6, 2023

Christina Norton & Family

Dear Mrs. Norton:

It is our honor to inform you that the name of **Technical Sergeant JASON LYNN NORTON (End of Watch: 1/22/2006), of the U.S. Air Force, Security Forces Directorate** has been approved for inclusion to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C. The name will be formally dedicated on **May 13, 2023, at the 35th Annual Candlelight Vigil** during National Police Week (NPW). An invitation and additional information will be sent to you via email. To ensure that you receive this information, send your email address to research@nleomf.org Forward this Memorial Survivor Contact link to family and friends to receive an invitation to the Candlelight Vigil https://ncv.microsoft.com/mkU0DqfSey

Enclosed is a verification form for your officer which lists the information we have received. Review and confirm that the officer's name, rank, department, and the end of watch date is correct and return the verification form to us **by Wednesday, February 15, 2023; otherwise the officer's name will be engraved on the Memorial as it appears on the death certificate.**

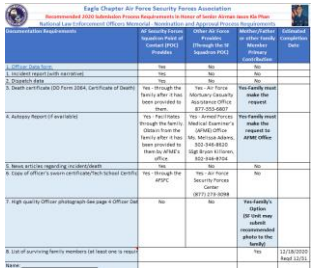
National Police Week (NPW) is a collaborative effort of three organizations, the NLEOMF, Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.) and the Fraternal Order of Police and its Auxiliary. C.O.P.S. will coordinate the survivors' participation in the three major events and will distribute the National Police Week invitation and registration packages. To receive this, visit https://www.concernsofpolicesurvivors.org/peersupport and complete the Survivor Contact Form to register for National Police Week. It is strongly recommended that you wait to receive this packet of information before planning for travel and lodging in Washington D.C. for NPW 2023. Lodging discounts at C.O.P.S. hotels, shuttle service, and arrangements for you to attend various events are available when you register through C.O.P.S. for NPW 2023. If you have any questions, contact Shanna Rizer, C.O.P.S. National Director of Survivor Support at shanna_rizer@nationalcops.org or call 573-346-4911.

For more information about the Candlelight Vigil and National Police Week, visit the Memorial website at www.nleomf.org If you have any questions or concerns about the Candlelight Vigil contact Carolie Heyliger at 202-737-7136 or Vanissa Varnado at 202-737-7981.
Sincerely,

Marcia C. Ferranto, Chief Executive Officer

## NLEOM Family 2023 Notification Sample

# Track 2 – Tasks: Family/Unit Appreciation and Recognition



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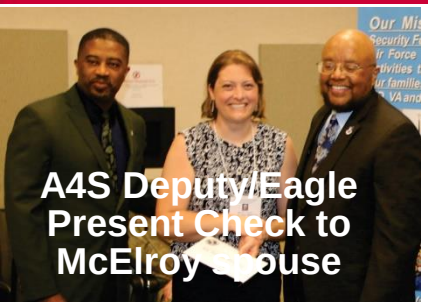
- Aid family members with entry into their state COPS system – See previous letter example notification. COPS will often reimburse DC travel costs of the family members.
- If family is coming to DC for the formal recognition of their loved one's name being formally dedicated to the memorial (May 13, 2025), coordinate travel with Eagle Chapter. We will hold a reception in their honor where we will present $500.00 toward travel costs to a family representative.
- Aid the MAJCOM/Unit Public Affairs, as needed.
- Qualify the SFS unit with $500.00 award.
  - Submit a letter to Eagle Chapter that certifies that the SF Booster Club is a recognized Private Organization.
  - Provide the booster club banking name, if the name is not on the base private organization certification.

# In Summary



Eagle Chapter Wreath Honoring Security Force Airmen at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Washington DC

# Summary – Thank-you for your time


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Mr. Gerald HQ A4S speaks to McElroy, Nathan, Norton Families and 48th SFS and 673d SFS Personnel at Eagle Chapter Pentagon Reception May 12 2023



McElroy, Nathan, Norton families and their unit reps at Eagle Chapter Pentagon Reception May 12,2023




# Eagle Chapter

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