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Statement of the NABVETS Commander Gwendolyn Worthy on the Passing of Lieutenant General Author Gregg

We are deeply saddened by the passing of Lieutenant General Author Gregg, a patriot and trendsetter, on August 22, 2024. We are forever grateful for his service and contributions.

Touted as a good friend and mentor, he passed away at 96. He is the Gregg named Fort Gree-Adams in Prince George County, VA (formerly Fort Lee). He is the only individual to receive the honor of this degree while living. Born in Florence, South Carolina, on May 11, 1928, and enlisted in January 1946. After 36 years of service, rising from the rank of Private to Lieutenant General on July 1, 1977, under selection by President Carter (the first African American to reach the rank of Lieutenant General) after enlisting in 1946 as a logistics officer. His first post was that of Fort Lee in 1950.

Gregg embodied the highest ideals of diplomacy and character. He was a committed advocate of the Army being a place of opportunity. Breaking racial barriers, he could not enter the officers club at Fort Lee. But by the end of 1950, he could go into the officer's club and other facilities on base (noted in CBS 6, interview in 2023).

Notably, we pay tribute to Lieutenant General Author Greggs in this Week of Valor 2024.

Let us remember this giant as one of our great Americans whose legacy continues to inspire and guide us.

Yours, in Patriotism

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