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This month we look forward to a talk on WWII aviation. So please join us on Sat., March 31st, at 12:30 PM at Charlie Brown's where member Tom Kelcec will talk about the annual WWII Weekend Highlights over the years at The Mid-Atlantic Air Museum, Reading Airport, PA. It will feature planes, re-enactors, vehicles and lot more. And there may be a few surprise photos if time allows. So please plan on attending!

One of the Greatest Generation, BGen James E. Young, VP 192, and former NJ President passed on Feb 11, 2018, at the age of 97. In his remembrance, we will dedicate a memorial tile in the Hall of Honor at Camp Evans. See below.



With over 11,000 flying hours during 39 years of service, served in WWII Army Air Force as pilot of B-25 Anti-sub 2nd AF, 10 B-24 (2 to Ploesti Oil Fields) 15th AF, and 34 B-17 (including Normandy) 8th AF missions, was recalled during Korean War and Berlin Crisis, was Commander 170th Military Airlift and Air Refueling Groups, ANG, 1 Aug 67-79, McGuire

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AFB, with C-7s to KC-135s, and retired as the Assistant Adjutant General for Air, HQ NJ ANG, McGuire AFB, NJ.

In keeping with our WWII theme, we should be aware of two other organizations involved with WWII history and their recognition days. One is the Spirit of '45 Day (second Sunday in August) and another is the Rosie the Riveter Day on March 21<sup>st</sup>. These two organizations work together, see: <http://spiritof45.org/home0.aspx>

Capt. Jerry Yellin, P-51 pilot, who passed on Dec 21<sup>st</sup>, attended numerous events with Elinor Otto, known as the "Last Rosie the Riveter." See: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elinor\\_Otto](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elinor_Otto)



Elinor Otto and Capt. Jerry Yellin are shown above in 2015 at the Rosie the Riveter statue located in Wood-Ridge, NJ. This was the site of a large WWII Curtiss-Wright factory. This year at same site, on March 21<sup>st</sup>, another Rosie the Riveter celebration was planned, but it was canceled due to the weather. For site info, see: <https://lostinjersey.wordpress.com/2009/03/05/curtis-wright-aircraft-facility/>

Please join us at our Sat., March 31st meeting described above at 12:30 PM, at Charlie Brown's, 522 Southern Blvd., Chatham Township, NJ, 07928. Everyone is welcome - you don't have to be a member. To make a reservation at \$20.00 pp or for further information, contact Howard Leach at 973-540-1283, or [hhleach@aol.com](mailto:hhleach@aol.com) . Finally, please use our Community Partners below.



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