

Certificate of Selection

This is to certify that

William Porter Binks

has been selected to the Hall of Honor



William Porter Binks, native of Benton Harbor, Michigan, spent his childhood in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Upon his graduation from Columbia Military Academy in 1937, he entered the University of Tennessee and in August of 1941 he enlisted in the United States Army and was assigned to the Ninth Division at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

He transferred to the Army Air Corps in 1942 and served as a pilot in the European, African, and Middle Eastern Theater of Operations from 1943 to 1945. During this time he received the Air Medal, the Purple Heart, and the Distinguished Flying Cross. Among his most notable missions during this period was participation in Operation Overlord, the D-Day invasion.

Later duty in the Air Force included successive assignments as a Squadron Commander and headquarters staff officer, a tour with the Air Force mission in Haiti, a posting as Deputy Director of Intelligence with the Strategic Air Command at March Air Force Base in California, and service on the joint staff of US Forces at Fuchu Air Station, Japan. His final active duty assignment was as Deputy Director for Intelligence at Tactical Air Command Headquarters at Langley, Virginia. Upon his retirement from active service, he was awarded the Legion of Merit medal. Other decorations included the Joint Services Commendation medal and the Haitian Distinguished Service medal.

He retired to Satellite Beach, Florida where he commanded the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps at Eau Gallie High School and taught Aviation Science. He was also active in the Military Officers' Association, the Air Force Association, and other military support organizations.

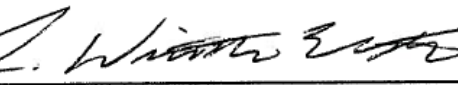
By his many achievements in national strategic and tactical security, leadership in community affairs, and inspirational devotion to teaching the ideals of Duty and Honor to succeeding generations, Colonel Binks distinguished himself in a manner worthy of induction into the Columbia Military Academy Alumni Association Hall of Honor.





President, CMA Alumni Association

**Done this Fourth Day of August
Year Two Thousand and Twelve**



Chairman, Hall of Honor Committee