



1st Tomb of the Unknowns, 1920s.

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Current Tomb of the Unknowns.

FLIGHT CAPTAIN'S CORNER:



Our speaker for 10 October 2019 was Willie Flight's own [Lt Col Larry Brown](#), USAF Retired. Larry flew the SR-71 "Blackbird" back in his younger days -- he walked us through the training he endured, the extensive mission prep, and the flying of the mission, including the tricky air to air refueling. He had an amazing collection of photos and videos that greatly added to his very interesting and entertaining talk. One of the most amazing parts of the evening was his description of having to make an emergency landing with a limited electrical system and no cockpit lighting! Our members and guests really enjoyed Larry's outstanding presentation about one of the most amazing aircraft ever made.

At this time of the year, our Willie Flight 82 Board members review the affairs of the Flight and make a report to the membership at the November general membership meeting. Our coming meeting Thursday, 14 November will include this activity; serving also as our annual business meeting. We will be conducting nominations and election of five officers for the next calendar year, including our next Flight Captain which is a two year appointment. Installation of the five new officers will take place during our December meeting. Further nominations for the five positions on the Board will be entertained before the election process takes place during the meeting.

Our speaker for this coming 14 November meeting is Matt Scott. Matt was born in Alexandria, Virginia, and spent the majority of his early life through college, in the D.C. suburbs. Following graduate school at Iowa State, Matt entered the financial services industry and has been a Qualified Plan Consultant for 35 years. He moved to Arizona in March of 1993.

His presentation will focus on the 'Selection and Burial of the First Unknown Soldier in Arlington Cemetery. His research includes the use of a report documented by his grandfather, who was a clerk in the Cemetery Division of the Department of War, and who was directed to document the details of the ceremony in France and the burial in Arlington in November of 1921. Matt is fortunate to have grown up in the DC suburbs, where his family was not only involved in the defense industry, but his Mother who worked in the Senate, was also a 'docent' in the DAR in Washington, D.C. Both of his parents are buried at the Arlington National Cemetery.

Please bring guests to the November meeting. Tell them they are guaranteed to meet a large part of aviation history face-to-face. I look forward to seeing you.

V.V. -- [Frank Stookey](#)

NEXT MEETING:

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, 14 November at *The Dobson's Restaurant*, at the Dobson Ranch Golf Course, 2155 South Dobson Rd, Mesa -- [click for a map](#).

Speaker: *Matthew Scott, military historian (bio on page 2).*

Topic: *The First Unknown Soldier in Arlington.*

(Note: Also, we'll have Flight 82 Officer Elections for 2020.)

Time: *1800 Social Hour, 1900 Meeting/Dinner.*

Dress: *Dressy Casual (slacks & shirt with collar).*

Menu: *Roast Beef, Chicken Fried Steak, or Bourbon Shrimp.*

(All served with vegetables, salad, rolls, dessert, and coffee.)

Price: *\$30.00 per person. (Includes toasting wine).*

Note: *Please pay with a check (raffle tickets are 6 for \$5).*

Reservations: To make a reservation, please contact your Element Leader (page 2), by Saturday, 9 November. For questions, please call Arlan Allen (602-283-5862).

Cancellations: If you've made reservations and you can't attend, please contact Arlan Allen (602-283-5862) as soon as possible, so he can notify the restaurant.

Need a ride? Call Art Stark (480-288-9301) for help.

MEETING CALENDAR:

14 Nov:	General Meeting	18 Nov:	Staff Meeting
12 Dec:	Christmas Meeting with Spouses/Guests	16 Dec:	Staff Meeting
9 Jan:	General Meeting	13 Jan:	Staff Meeting
13 Feb:	General Meeting	17 Feb:	Staff Meeting
12 Mar:	General Meeting	16 Mar:	Staff Meeting
9 Apr:	General Meeting	13 Apr:	Staff Meeting
14 May:	General Meeting	18 May:	Staff Meeting

OFFICERS & STAFF:

Elected Officers:

Flight Captain:	Frank Stookey , USA	480-985-4561
Vice Flt Capt & A-V:	Art Stark, USAF	480-288-9301
Treasurer:	Bill Follette, USAF	602-619-5445
Scholarships Chairman:	Gary Zettl, USAF	480-415-6854
Provost Marshal:	Ron Diedrichs, USAF	602-908-3496

Appointed Staff:

Flight Adjutant:	Arlan Allen, USA	602-283-5862
Elements Coordinator & Chaplain:	Tom Waldron, USAF	602-743-3661
Asst A-V Support:	Kurt Gearhart, USAF	480-329-1936
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Asst Scholarship/Awards:	Gerry Homewood, USAF	480-496-9879
Membership & Publicity:	Pat Dooley, USAF Ret	480-802-9914

The Unknown of World War I:

On Memorial Day, 1921, four unknowns were exhumed from four World War I American cemeteries in France. A highly decorated U.S. Army NCO selected the Unknown Soldier of World War I from four identical caskets at the city hall in Chalons-sur-Marne, France, Oct. 24, 1921. The chosen unknown soldier was transported to the United States aboard the USS Olympia. Those remaining were interred in the Meuse Argonne Cemetery, France.

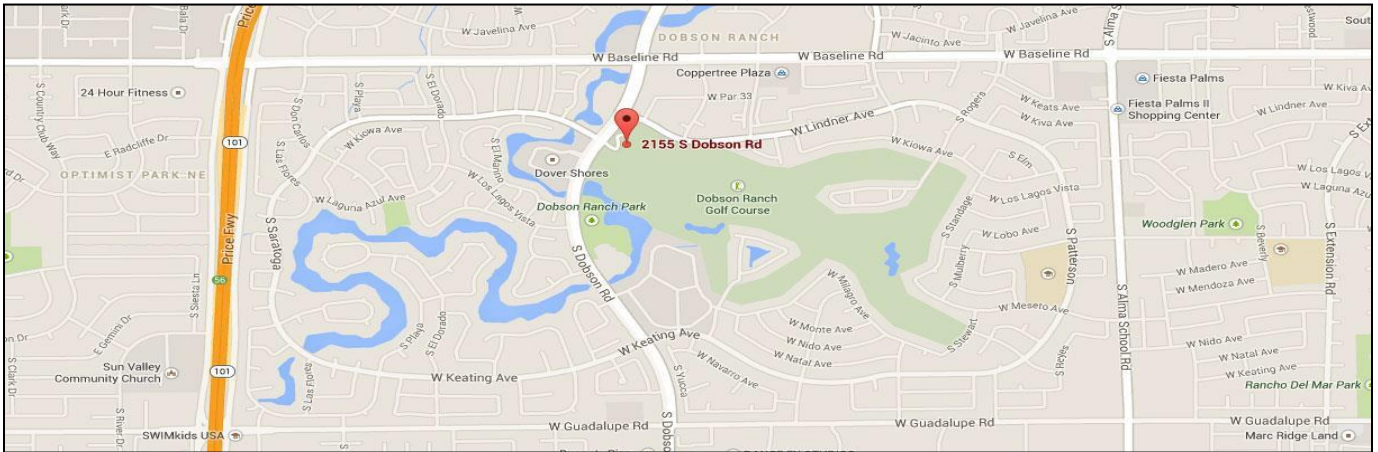
Speaker Mathew Scott, Military Historian:



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Throughout his early life, Matt and his family spent time at Arlington National Cemetery, for not only the burial of family and relatives, but also for various celebrations of historical significance. Matt's Dad, an Army Air Corp veteran and his Mother a Navy Chief Yeoman, who was a liaison from the Navy Department to the US Senate are buried in Arlington National Cemetery. [Click for his full biography.](#)

**Dobson's Restaurant at the Dobson Ranch Golf Course
2155 South Dobson Rd, Mesa (480-644-2600).**



Flight 82 Dinner Reservation Procedures:

When you get this newsletter, please contact your Element Leader (shown below) to make a reservation by the Saturday prior to the meeting. If that doesn't work, please contact Arlan Allen (602-283-5862 or 480-244-5782).

<u>Members:</u>	<u>Element Leaders:</u>	<u>E-Mail Addresses:</u>	<u>Phone Numbers:</u>
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FLIGHT 82 DUES FOR 2020: If you need to pay your local dues, please complete the form below, clip at dotted line, and send to: *Willie Flight 82, P.O. Box 11261, Chandler, Arizona 85248*. Enclose a check for Flight dues (\$15) and add any scholarship donations you'd like to make. Please make your check out to "Willie Flight 82":

NAME: _____
 (First) (MI) (Last)

RANK: _____ SERVICE: _____ ACTIVE _____ RETIRED _____ or OTHER _____

SPOUSE'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

E-Mail: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

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