



# Willie Flight 82 Daedalians

## March 2025 NEWSLETTER

Greetings Fellow Daedalians,

Our next gathering will be on Thursday, March 13th at the DoubleTree Phoenix/Mesa. The address is 1011 W. Holmes Avenue, Mesa, AZ 85210. W. Holmes is just north of the 60 and Alma School interchange. Head east on Holmes. The hotel will be on your right a few hundred yards down the road. The social hour will begin at 1700, and dinner will be served at 1800. The dinner will be a Taco Bar.

Our speaker will be Linda Crook. She will give a presentation about her grandfather, a WWI pilot and founding member of the Daedalians.

As always, we need to have a head count of members and guests who plan to attend the March meeting. Please contact your Element Leader NLT Sunday, March 9th, using the alphabetical list below with a yes or no answer. Even if you can't attend, a response lets us know that you are receiving the information we are sending out.

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February 2025  
Meeting Photos



13 March 2025  
guest speaker  
**Linda Crook**

Social Hour 1700 hrs  
1011 W. Holmes Ave  
Mesa, AZ



John N. Reynolds, Sr.  
Daedalian #199 Founder Member  
(Maternal Great Grandfather)

Linda Crook is an Air Force BRAT. She comes from a long line of military aviators including those from World War I and II. Her father was a career F-4 pilot with two tours in Vietnam.

Linda has three kids. Her eldest son, Wyatt, is a 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt, USAF, RPA pilot (training), Randolph AFB. (U of A/Engineering) Her daughter Ruby is an engineer (U of A) for Caterpillar, working on her PPL. Her youngest son, Colton, is a Jr. at U of A/Engineering-ROTC, waiting on a pilot's slot.

She was married to Lt. Colonel Jonathan Hackenyos, a flight surgeon with the 161<sup>st</sup> Air Refueling Wing, Arizona Air National Guard in Phoenix. He was in the Guard until his passing (cancer) in 2021. He was also an FAA Medical Examiner in the East Valley until his death.

Linda's Air Force/military connections include her father, sister, brother-in-law, nephew, cousins, uncles, grandfather, and great grandfather... all the way back. Her mother was also a career Air Force BRAT.

Linda was born at Davis Monthan AFB and was quickly ensconced into the military way of life. Living in Spain, Italy and Belgium, along with many TAC bases in the west, she became quite adept at packing and unpacking every two years. She continued her quest for an Air Force life while attending the University of Arizona on an ROTC scholarship. When a pilot slot was not obtained (she likes to blame Bill Clinton.), she moved on to a career in clinical research. After working in clinical trials from University research centers to big Pharma over 18 years, she decided to rehab rental homes.

A gift of a lifetime Daedalian membership from her parents renewed her love and interest in military aviation. She is an hereditary member, following her father's, mother's, and grandfathers memberships because her great grandfather was/is founding member #199.