

# DeLand, Florida—USA



**DNAS Museum News - November-December 2022**

**THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY**



***Remembering Our Troops Who Won't Be Home For The Holidays***







# IN MEMORY

## **Gene Edward Storz** **WWII Navy Veteran**



## 11/23/1923 - 12/2/2022

With great sadness, we announce the passing of WWII Navy Veteran Gene Edward Storz at the age of 99. Gene was a lifetime member of the DeLand Naval Air Station Museum and a member of the Board of Directors. He was our Father, Grandfather, Friend and Mentor. He made many contributions to the museum and will be greatly missed. His great smile and spirit will always be with us.

Memorial donations in his memory can be made on-line at [www.delandnavalairmuseum.org](http://www.delandnavalairmuseum.org) or mail to 910 Biscayne Boulevard, DeLand, Florida 32724.



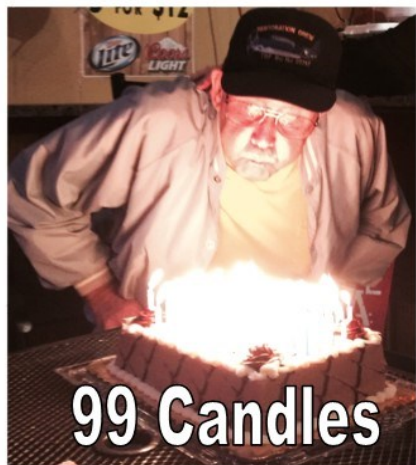
**WWII Veteran Gene Storz at age 99 was an inspiration to us all. After his retirement and the loss of his beloved wife, Fay, he found his 2nd purpose through his volunteer commitment at the DeLand Naval Air Station Museum. Working alongside Capt. Greg Gerard and many other veterans and volunteers, the 14 year quest to restore the WWII Grumman TBF Avenger was a great accomplishment for them all. Gene enjoyed educational tours for youth and adults, giving them a first hand recollection of joining the Navy at age 18 after the Pearl Harbor attack and his work on the B-24 Bombers. He worked on many other projects for the museum, including gardening, maintenance, building construction, new displays, student mentoring and community outreach. In past years, Gene was a very active volunteer for the West Volusia Historical Society, working alongside Bill and Irene Dreggors. Irene even got him to dress up as an elf for Breakfast with Santa and carefully wash china tea cups for her Mother's Day Tea. Gene had a beautiful voice and performed in the community with the Great Expectations Men's Choir along with his friends, Rabel Moremen Parson, Harold Parson and Jack Fortes. While he was separated by distance and other states from most of his family, he was surrounded at home by many photos of his family. He was very proud of them all and wished only the best for their future. It was our honor to know Gene and we will hold on to our great memories of him and his legacy.**







WWII B-24 Bomber  
Recollections



99 Candles



Gene Edward Storz



Capt. Greg & Gene



Grandson Dr. Brian Storz



Father's Day  
Custom Bench



Youth Education



Great Expectations  
Mens Choir



Our Grand Marshal



# A DOUBLE RAINBOW OVER THE MUSEUM



A Sign Of Great Hope For The Future





# USS ELOKOMIN (AO-55) REPLICA MODEL DONATED

## Marvin H. Logue - DeLand Native



### In Memory



**Cedar Wood Model Carved  
On Ship During WWII**

Our thanks to Taryn (Terri) Wiskirchen and Donald Logue for donating a cedar wood replica of the USS Elokomin (AO-55). The replica was made by their father, Marvin H. Logue during WWII while he was serving on the USS Elokomin. The model was carved out of a single piece of cedar.

Marvin Logue was born on Christmas Day, 12/25/28 in DeLand, Florida in a house that was located just across the street from the current DeLand Naval Air Station Museum historic house. He graduated from DeLand High School in 1947 and served in the United States Naval Reserve from 1947-1950. After his service, he returned to Daytona Beach with his wife Aldorae. He owned Logue Construction until his retirement in 2004. He passed away on Veterans Day, November 11, 2012.



**USS ELOKOMIN NOW ON DISPLAY**



# Happy Retirement Mayor Bob Apgar



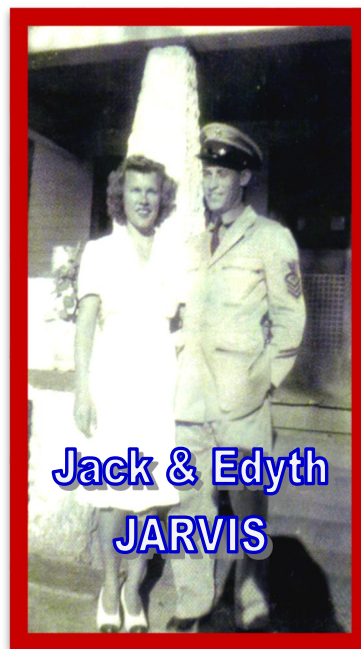
Congratulations to DeLand Mayor Bob Apgar as he retires after serving as Mayor for the past 21 years.

The DeLand Naval Air Station Museum volunteers thank him for his many years of support of our efforts to save the museum and preserve our local military history. Bob attended every important event at the museum over the past 27 years, including always starting our great Big Band Dance fundraiser events.

**THANK YOU BOB**

**ENJOY YOUR RETIREMENT!!**

## SPECIAL VISITORS - JARVIS FAMILY



**Jack & Edyth  
JARVIS**

We were happy to welcome the family of the late Jack and Edyth Jarvis for a recent visit to the museum. John Jarvis (son), Jill Jarvis Rogers (daughter), Stephanie Trese (granddaughter) and Charles Jarvis (son). Chief Jack Jarvis was one of the first Naval officers assigned to set up the DeLand Naval Air Station in 1942 to receive personnel. He and Edyth Larweth Jarvis met in DeLand and were married at the DNAS Chapel. The family stands in front of the new Love & War display under a beautiful flag quilt made by Jill in honor of her parents. Both John and Charles and two other brothers had a full career in the U.S. Navy. Many great family memories are on display at the DNAS Museum.



# DNAS Museum Welcomes Summer Visitors



## Al & Frank Conducts Tour of PTF-3 Vietnam Patrol Boat



"Snow" Albino Pit Bull Visits With A Smile



Al Shows Off the F-14 Tomcat Jet



Family Fun Day At DNAS Museum

Three Volusia County ECHO Rangers Visit With Their Mom

## A Very Popular Tour With Top Gun Movie Fans



Harold & Rick Show WWII TBF Avenger





# DNASM Volunteers Continue Projects & Public Educational Tours

The DNAS Museum is an all volunteer museum and we rely 100% on Community Support. You can support the museum by renewing your membership. Even if you can't participate, please consider becoming a supporting member, make a donation through our website [www.delandnavalairmuseum.org](http://www.delandnavalairmuseum.org) or mail a donation to DNAS Museum, 910 Biscayne Boulevard, DeLand, FL 32724. **CONSIDER END OF YEAR TAX DEDUCTION.** Use AmazonSmile orders to benefit DNAS Museum. Go to AmazonSmile and login to your existing account, choose DeLand Naval Air Station Museum as your charity and the museum will receive a cash credit from your purchase. It's easy and a great way to support the museum.



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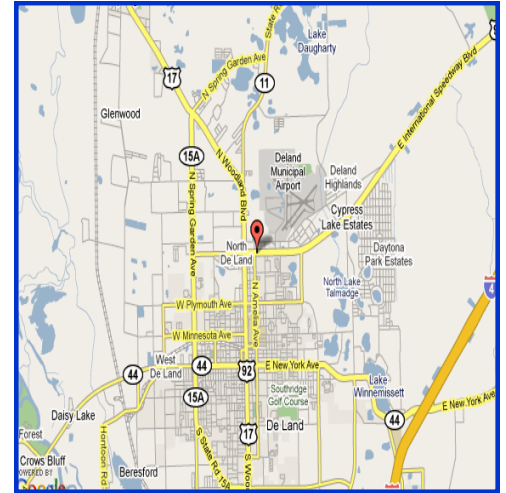
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