



(Lt. Col.) Robert C. Glass
Class of 1953
(Posthumously)

Robert C. Glass, an elusive Golden Tiger running back 1949-1952. He matriculated at Tuskegee Institute from Middleton High School in Tampa, Florida, where he starred as a halfback, while learning the game of golf. He was given the nickname "Shobootie" for the manner in which he ran the football by faking and shaking off his opponents. Glass lettered in football each of his four years at Tuskegee. You could always depend on "Shobootie" giving his best resulting in many outstanding performances on the football field. He lead by good example.

Robert Glass also loved playing golf. Despite the numerous obstacles, he was instrumental in starting a Tuskegee golf team, under the supervision of Coach Ross Owen. The lack of suitable facilities and scarcity of opponents did not deter Robert Glass and his fellow Tuskegee golf enthusiasts.

Upon graduating in 1954 with a B. S. degree in English, Robert Glass was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force. In 1956, he was promoted to First Lieutenant. Robert Glass maintained a personal commitment to achievement throughout his military career, where he received numerous citations for his outstanding duty and dedication. He was awarded the Air Force Commendation Medal for Meritorious Service on three separate occasions including 1965, 1967 and 1968 while serving in Korea, Mitchell Air Force Base (Wisconsin) and Long Island, New York, respectively. In 1970, he was assigned as Deputy Commander and Director of Equal Opportunity Programs for the Army and Air Force Exchange Services in Munich Germany. He was also promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He also received a Masters of Arts degree on Public Administration from the University of Oklahoma in August 1971.

Once again in Robert Glass' military career, he applied lessons learned at Tuskegee and began coaching football and basketball teams at the Lakenheath-Mildenhall Air Force Base in England.

Robert Glass was married to Doris Byars and they have three children, Tina and twin sons and Air Force Captains Robert Jr. and George. Robert Glass also has a daughter, Barbara Jane, from a previous marriage.