

Ulysses Bernard Class of 1963

Ulysses Bernard, a native of Ocala, Florida enrolled at Tuskegee University in 1957 and earned a scholarship in football in 1958. A defensive and offensive guard, he lettered all four years (1958-1961). In addition, Ulysses Bernard was an outstanding catcher for the TU baseball team and lettered two years (1959 and 1960).

Ulysses' major was Mechanical Engineering. Following graduation, he worked for the Department of Defense for the Navy and the Air Force. Over the years of his employment he received numerous awards and recognition for his designs and innovations. Numbered among them are: an Outstanding Performance Award every year, four Notable Achievement Awards, Civilian of the Quarter Multiple times, Supervisor of the Quarter and Supervisor of the Year multiple times. He garnered the Significant Design and Achievement Award four times, designed mechanical and structural systems for the Air Force, the first relocatable aircraft hangar, mechanical designs for 400, 200, and 100 bed hospitals, a 25 bed dispensary, and a 125 bed casualty staging unit for Southeast Asia, and was involved in programming, and design and construction of the Robotic Paint facility and the Museum of Aviation facilities at Robins AFB, Georgia.

Ulysses has supported his community through donations of his time by being involved and affiliated with various community, professional, service, social and spiritual organizations. Numbered among them are the Macon Chapter of the Georgia Society of Professional Engineers, tutoring high school students in mathematics and science, and becoming Chairman of the Advisory Committee for Bibb County Technical Education Program. As a member of New Hope Baptist Church, he has served as president of the youth group, teacher of the mid-week Bible class, long time member of the Board of Deacons, and Sunday school and Baptist Training Union teacher.

Ulysses continues to be a strong and consistent supporter of Tuskegee University through donations to the university, funding individual scholarships as well as contributing to the engineering scholarship funded by engineering alumni, and through his membership in the Tuskegee Alumni club.

Currently, Ulysses and family reside in Macon, Georgia.