



BIOGRAPHY

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NAOMI BELL



Naomi Bernice Bell was born September 27, 1921 in Sandersville, Georgia, the daughter of Arthur and Mamie Hayles Bell. She was in the class of 1939 of Sandersville's Thomas Jefferson Elder High and Industrial School. She graduated on October 6, 1942 from the University of Georgia Nursing School. Second Lieutenant Naomi Bell entered the military on December 28 1942. By 1946, she had been promoted to First Lieutenant. Bell served as a Surgical Nurse and Ward Three Night Nurse. She has been called the "Sweetheart of Tuskegee Air Force Base." She has also been mentioned as a member of the Tuskegee Army Air Force Player's Guild. Lieutenant Bell was one of the five who nurses initially reported from TAAF to Lockbourne on May 3, 1946 as the base was closing down. She was later promoted to Captain and also served at Brooke Army Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas and Percy Jones Hospital at Battle Creek, Michigan. Ending her military career on September 13, 1952, the former Military Nurse worked in nursing in the Detroit area. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in English in 1961. Bell had breast cancer. She joined the Lonely Eagles Chapter in October of

1975. The Detroit Chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen sponsored a scholarship in her memory. The Captain Naomi Bell American Legion Post No. 70 was named after her.

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