



# BIOGRAPHY

## A DOCUMENTED ORIGINAL TUSKEGEE AIRMAN

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### **WILLIS J. HUBERT**



Dr. Willis J. Hubert was born in Savannah, Georgia on May 9, 1919. He joined the “Lonely Eagles” on Friday, May 11, 2007. He graduated in 1936 from Cuyler-Beach High School, where his Father was Principal and his Mother was a former Teacher.

In 1943, he entered the U.S. Air Force (until 1947, the U.S. Army Air Corps) and trained at Tuskegee Army Air Field, where he was one of the Documented Original Tuskegee Airmen, under the command of General Benjamin O. Davis, Jr. During a military career of 27 years, he had tours of duty in Europe and the Pacific, and he was the first African American to earn M.A. and Ph.D. degrees while on active duty, as well as the first to complete the Harvard Business School

(Military Co-op) Statistics Training Program.

After receiving a B. S. degree in 1940 from Hampton Institute, he completed requirements for an M.A. degree in rural sociology at Fisk University and then taught at Trinity High School in Athens, GA for a year. He later earned an M.A. degree from New York University, as well as a Ph.D. degree from NYU in 1961.

After a distinguished military career and the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, Dr. Hubert became Academic Dean and, later, Vice President for Academic Affairs at Morehouse College. As a Tuskegee Airman, he was awarded, in absentia, the Congressional Gold Medal on March 29, 2007 at a ceremony at the U.S. Capitol.

Dr. Hubert was a Founding Member of the Atlanta Chapter TAI, a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and he was active in several professional organizations, serving as President of the Southern Conference of Deans of Faculties and Academic Vice Presidents and as First Vice President of the National Association of College Deans, Registrars and Admissions Officers.

