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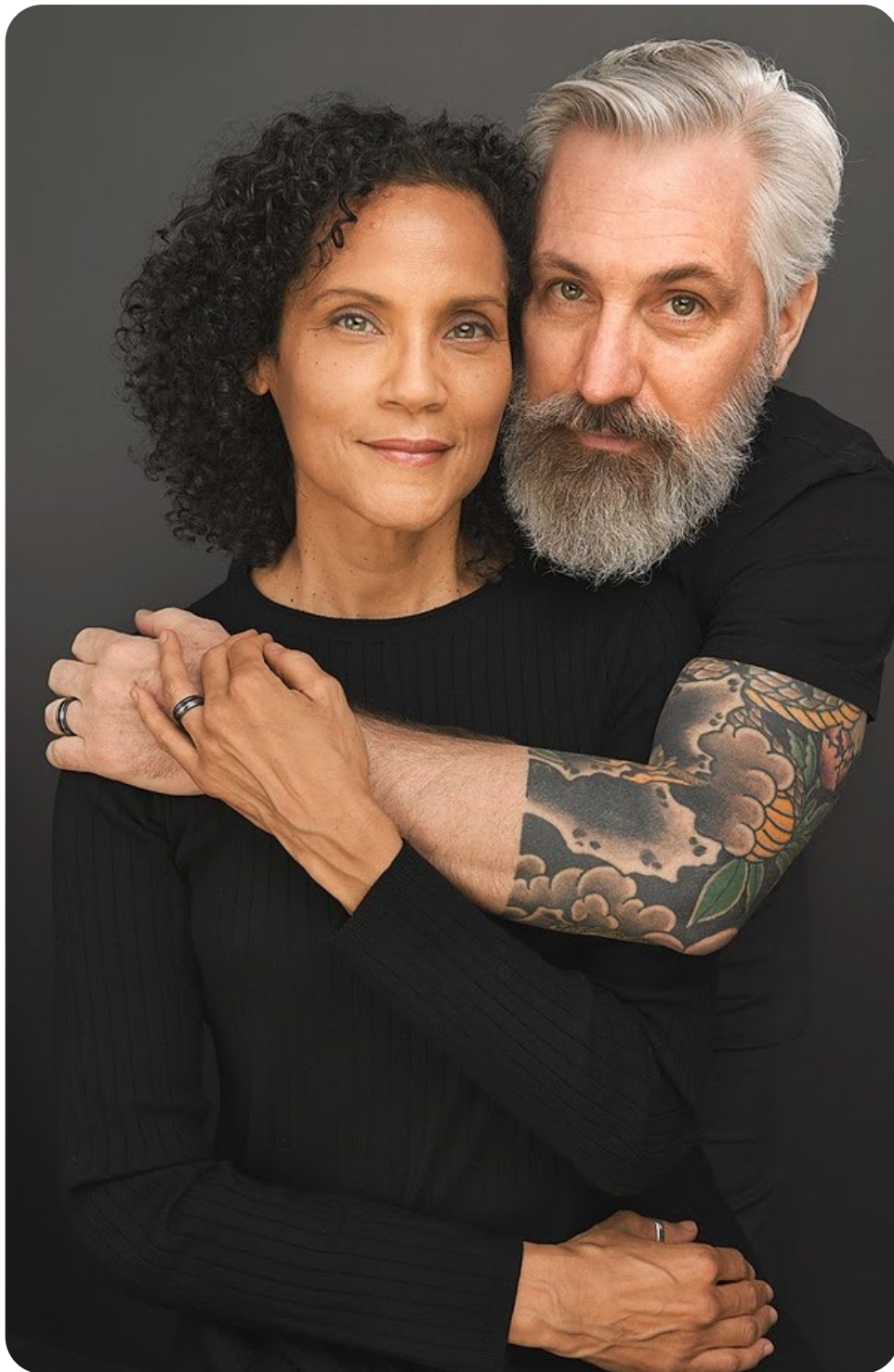
**Your DE-CRUIT Newsletter for Memorial Day 2021**

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**A MEMORIAL DAY NEWSLETTER**



## **This Memorial Day we honor...**

Three fathers, who are Veterans and whose children are near and dear to DE-CRUIT. And without whom, DE-CRUIT might not exist today.

Deb (& Bill) Ryan supports DE-CRUIT in loving memory of Walter A. Clark, Jr.

Alan Jones (and Ashley Garrett) supports DE-CRUIT in loving memory of Horatio G. Jones.

Dawn Stern supports DE-CRUIT in loving memory of William F. Moore.

Today we honor these Veterans

## **William A. Clarke, Jr.**

Father to major DE-CRUIT supporter Deb Ryan, William A. Clarke, Jr. responded to World War II by enlisting in the Army where he went to Fort Dix and Fort Bragg to train as a medic and medical administrator. He served in the 549th Anti-aircraft Battalion, attached to the 87th Division during the fierce fighting in Europe, the battle of Ardennes and Battle of the Bulge. Unlike so many, he survived the battles, and returned home. He rarely talked about his war experiences until decades later.

After his honorable discharge from the Army, he came home to care for and bury his father, who died of cancer in 1945. Having two children, Judy, born in 1941, then Walter III (Terry) in 1944, Walter went on to work for his father-in-law, Milton Grinnell, who owned a construction business. During those years, he built a house and a home for his wife and growing family, adding Deborah in 1951, Rebecca in 1955, and Jocelyn in 1959. He worked at International Paper, and then re-



enlisted in the New York State National Guard, serving in Rochester and Albany and attaining the rank of Lt. Colonel. After his beloved wife Mildred (whom he married in 1940 after graduating from Albany Business College) passed away in 1990, Walter re-married twice more. Evelyn Bennett Tobin and Marie Nersesian both predeceased him.

His greatest qualities were his eternal optimism and love of life, which we are certain contributed to his longevity. He reached 98 years of age with a source of amazement for new things, his love of travel, and his interest in other people that serve as an inspiration to us all. He happily embraced new experiences and made friends wherever he went, which included all seven continents. He is missed by his five children, numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, each one of whom was his "favorite". Walter passed away peacefully in West Palm Beach, Florida on April 12, 2016.

William, we stand in awe of your service and your sacrifice.

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## **Horatio G. Jones**

Father to Alan Jones, a major DE-CRUIT supporter, Horatio G. Jones was born on 11 December, 1922 in Scranton, Pennsylvania. He enlisted into the Army 3 November, 1942 as a Radar Repairman. Before his deployment to Europe Horatio married Audrey I. Morgan.



Sergeant Horatio Jones. Courtesy of the Jones family.

By the time he was honorably discharged in December of 1945 as a Sergeant, Horatio Jones had fought in the battles of: Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes, and Central Europe. He was awarded: the European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with *FIVE* Bronze Stars! His additional Citations include: Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Service Medal, World War II Victory Medal. While stationed in Europe from December 9th, 1943 to November 14th, 1945, he served with the 563rd Signal Air Warning Battalion.

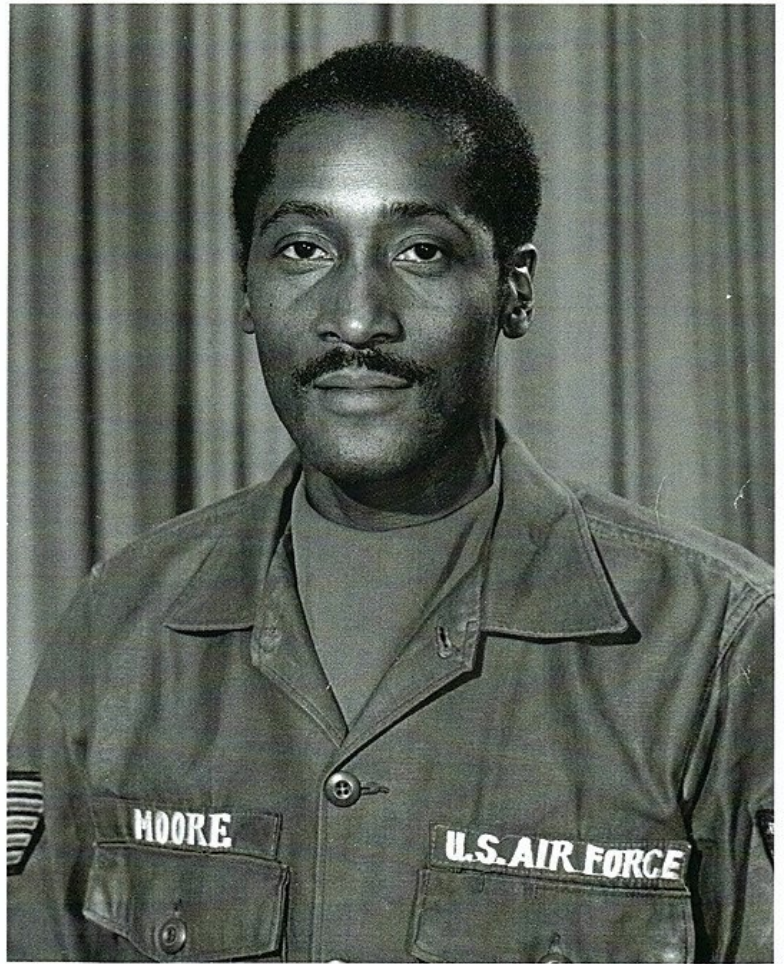
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## William F. Moore

Father to Dawn Stern, DE-CRUIT's COO and my father-in-law. Dawn and I never knew William during his lifetime and have only recently gotten this picture. But, we do know that he fled the American South and retired career Air Force after serving in both Korea and in Vietnam.

For your service to your country, for all that you had to endure as an African American, and for giving us your daughter, Dawn, we salute you and thank you.



**From all of us at DE-CRUIT, to all of you who support, please have a safe and thoughtful Memorial Day.**

**Sincerely,  
Dawn & Stephan**



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