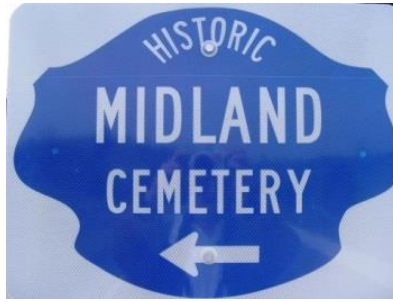


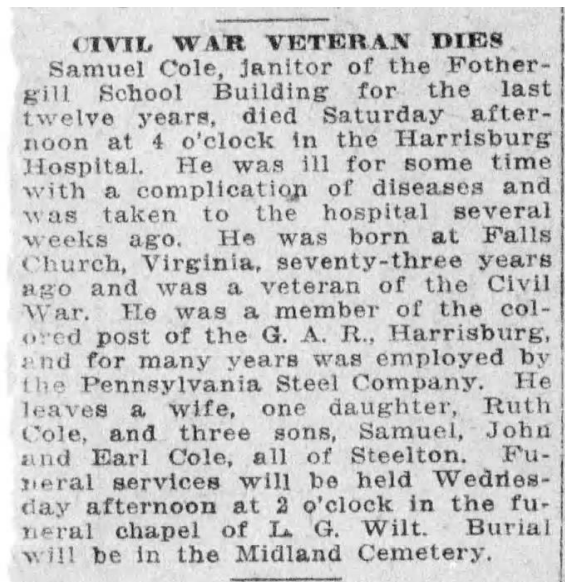
# FRIENDS of MIDLAND



## ANNUAL MEMORIAL SERVICE

May 28, 2016

1:00 PM



**Black soldiers digging trenches north end Brazos Island 1864 - Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper 1864.**  
Courtesy of Texas State Library and Archives Commission

**HISTORY begins with MIDLAND CEMETERY**

Dear Friends of Midland,

History marches on at the historic Midland Cemetery. The cover features the obituary of Samuel E. Cole, who was a United States Colored Troop soldier during the Civil War. Not much information was found to describe the type of soldier that he was in Company G of the 127<sup>th</sup> Regiment; however information was found about the Regiment as described in the following statement.

## ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVENTH U. S. COLORED REGIMENT.

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**T**HIS regiment was formed from men enlisted and drafted in the State of Pennsylvania, to serve one, two, and three years. It was organized at Camp William Penn, during the period extending from the 23d of August, to the 10th of September, 1864. On arriving at the front, it was incorporated with the Army of the James. The official army register of Colored Troops, shows that the only battle in which this regiment participated, was at Deep Bottom, and the only loss in killed and wounded it sustained, was one man, killed in this battle. It was sent with other troops to Texas, after the close of hostilities in the east, and was posted on the Mexican frontier. On the 11th of September, 1865, it was consolidated into a battalion of three companies, and the men and officers whose term of service had expired, were discharged. The battalion was mustered out of service on the 20th of October. The muster-out rolls only of the consolidated companies were returned to the office of the Adjutant General, and consequently the records of the men who left the regiment before the close of its term, cannot be given.

The picture on the front cover is showing the 127<sup>th</sup> Regiment digging trenches in Brazos Santiago, Texas. Several months ago I was researching and writing a story on this Mr. Samuel Cole and found some wonderful moments in his life. Not only did he survive the Civil War but he was able to have an awesome life in Steelton making a difference that still impacts the Steelton residents today. His life story was featured in the Middletown Press and Journal on February 17, 2016 in the Genealogy, Pennsylvania Family Roots column.

The Friends of Midland gather today to honor all of our veterans, those who are gone and those who are still in the fight of freedom, those who started in the segregated units in 1862 to those who were in the last of the segregated units in 1946. Let us remember from where we came in order to pave the way for our future in unity of American history.

Thank you for your support and prayers in the continued restoration, preservation of these hallowed grounds allowing us to use Midland as a tool for education.

With warm regards,

*Barbara Barksdale, President of Friends of Midland*

Board members: Sharon Harris, Clayton Carelock, David Harris, Herman Thomas



# DLA Distribution Brig. Gen. Richard B. Dix United States Army Commander

United States Army Brig. Gen. Richard B. Dix assumed command of the Defense Logistics Agency Distribution on May 29, 2014.

With more than 25 years of service in the Armed Forces, Dix has served the nation, as a leader at every level. Dix is a native of Atlanta, Ga. He graduated from Armor Officer Basic Course in 1987. After graduation he served as tank platoon leader, A Co, 3rd Battalion, 69th Armor, 24th Infantry Division. He later served as the executive officer for A Co, Headquarters Command, 224th Forward Support Battalion during Operation Desert Shield/Storm. Dix deployed to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, where he served as the BDE S-4 FWD during Operation Desert Defiance. Upon redeployment, he served as the chief of supply and services 32nd ADCOM G-4.



Dix later served in Germany, where he was assigned to the 21st Theater Support Command (TSC). He also served as the deputy chief of plans and exercises G-3, 21st TSC, Group S-3, 29th Support Group (SG), support operations officer 200th Materiel Management Center, brigade executive officer 29th SG. He culminated his career in Germany as the 29th SG rear group commander during the unit's successful deployment as the Joint Logistics Command (JLC) for Combined Joint Task Force-76 (CJTF-76), Afghanistan Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF VI).

Dix served as the 3-401st Army Field Support Battalion commander from February 2006 to June 2007, Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF VII). From July 2007 to June 2008, Dix served as the aide-de-camp to the commanding general, Army Materiel Command, Ft. Belvoir, Va.

From July 2009 to July 2010, Dix successfully commanded the 401st Army Field Support Brigade (AFSB) in Bagram, Afghanistan. From July 2010 to July 2012, he served as the chief of staff for the Army Sustainment Command. Dix later served as the executive officer to the deputy chief of staff, G-4 from July 2012 to August 2013.

Dix comes to DLA Distribution after having served as the director of Strategy and Integration G-45/7 for the deputy chief of staff of the Army, G-4.

Dix attended the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., where he also received a Master of Arts in Procurement and Acquisition Management from Webster University. He is a 2009 graduate of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF), Fort McNair, Washington, D.C. In 1987, he graduated from South Carolina State University's Army ROTC Program (Distinguished Military Graduate) with a Bachelor of Science in Marketing.

His military awards include the Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal with four oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters, NATO Defense Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terror Service/Expeditionary Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, South West Asia Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal with three oak leaf clusters.

**Friends of Midland  
Annual Memorial Service  
Saturday, May 28, 2016 1:00 PM**

PROCESSION

Mistress of Ceremony:	India Garnett, M.Div.
<b>Placing of Colors:</b>	American Legion Post 733 and the 3 <sup>rd</sup> United States Colored Troops re-enactors
Pledge of Allegiance:	Attendees
National Anthem:	Attendees
Opening Prayer:	Rev. Yvette Davis, Grace United Methodist Church
Musical Selection:	Spiritual Messengers
Introduction:	Dauphin County Comm. George Hartwick
<b>Keynote Speaker:</b>	<b>Brig. General Dix</b> , Commanding General, DLA Distribution
Special acknowledgements:	Montford Point Marine, Vietnam Vets honorees
Steppers presentation:	Steelton Elk's Youth Dept. #21 Steppers, Helen Green
Remarks:	Swatara Township Commissioner Tom Connolly
Poem:	Marian Dornell, Poet – recites "They Call"
Remarks:	Oscar Douglas, PA State Rep. Patty Kim's office
Remarks:	Steelton Borough Councilman Jeff Wright
Remarks:	Brandon Flood, Exec Dir., Pa. Legislative Black Caucus
Special acknowledgement:	Bradley O. Miller, Eagle Scout project (benches) Tp.202
Musical Selection:	Spiritual Messengers
Presentations and Closing Remarks:	Barbara Barksdale, President of Friends of Midland
<b>Salute of Volley and Taps:</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> United States Colored Troops re-enactors
Closing Prayer:	Rev. Davis

Spiritual Messengers will continue with songs

Thank you to all the members, volunteers and attendees for making this a special event!

*In Loving Memory of*

*Barrett and Slades  
Families*

**Submitted by**

**Sylvester Slade**

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**Remembering our veterans**

**With**

**Friends of Midland**

***Bruce Horner***

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**Friends of Midland**  
Thanks for all the hard work you do restoring and preserving  
The Historic Midland Cemetery  
Calobe Jackson, Jr. Post Commander  
Officers and Members of Post 733

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The up lifting music prior to, during and after the service has been provided by the

## **Spiritual Messengers**

The group consists of Rev. Moses Jackson, Anthony Jackson, Wayne Bouleware,  
Daniel Stern, Mark Ward, Jim, James McFarland

They are a local group that has taken their message by music around the area to help  
the heart and uplift the spirit with their blessings of song.

GOOD NEWS - THEY HAVE CDs! THE COST IS ONLY \$10 PLUS MAILING FOR 14 OF THEIR  
ORIGINAL WORKS. SEND A MESSAGE TO THEIR WEB PAGE, OR TO: [sterndw@gmail.com](mailto:sterndw@gmail.com)

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## **AM HOF STABLES**

**Honoring the veterans of all wars**

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**John Brunner Sr.**

**John Brunner Jr.**

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**In loving memory of Clementine Carelock**

**Always in our hearts**

**Submitted by her loving husband Clayton Carelock**

## In Memory of The Frye Family

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We present this Memorial for All Members of  
The Frye Family of Steelton, PA  
Who have gone on, but are not forgotten!

May we never forget the Love, Caring and  
Nurturing that you shared to Bless us!!

~~ Your Frye Family Descendants ~~

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### IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY FAMILY BURIED

At the historic Midland Cemetery, Swatara Township and those buried in Philadelphia and at Fort Indiantown Gap

#### LOVE

Anna Stannard Carter

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### Thanks to our 2015 members and contributors

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| Bruce Horner<br>Clementine Carelock (deceased)<br>Beula Mack<br>Freddie Player<br>Ida Proctor<br>Bernie Stevenson<br>Samuel Chivis<br>Jane Phillips<br>Florence Mosby<br>Spiritual Messengers<br>Donna Bauserman<br>John & Rosetta Archie<br>St. Lawrence Club #13<br>Ray Spencer<br>Phillip Clark<br><b>Samuel Chivis</b><br>Ralph (Buzzy) Reed | Audrey Splawn<br>John Brunner<br>Nancy Brunner<br>Joseph Jordan (deceased)<br>Barbara Jean Baker<br>Nolen D. Curtis<br>Sylvester Slade<br>Ron Chivis<br>Peggy Chivis<br>Anna Stannard Carter<br>Eleanor Keys<br>Betty Floyd<br>Herbert Maxwell<br>Angela Preston<br>William Clark<br>Elizabeth Jefferies<br>Ronald McKamey<br>Robert L Austin | <b>Ephraim Slaughter Post 733</b><br><b>Swatara Township</b><br><b>Steelton Borough</b><br><b>Douglas Goff, volunteer cutter</b><br><b>Special acknowledgements:</b><br><b>ARC program</b> – Mike Elby<br><b>Deloitte Consulting, LLP</b> –<br>Special clean up and creators of<br>the website<br><b>Bradley O. Miller</b> , Eagle Scout<br>for the beautiful benches<br><b>Adult Probation and Parole</b> –<br>clean up – Mr. Miller<br><b>Paxton Lodge #16</b> – master<br>chefs of our picnic spread<br><b>3<sup>rd</sup> USCT of Philadelphia</b> |
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**Congratulations to Sharon and David Harris, FOM Board members on receiving  
acknowledgement as volunteers of the year by United Way.**

**Ted Knorr, thanks for setting up and speaking on the history of the Negro League and  
their role in the Civil War.**

**Thank you to India Garnett, mistress of ceremony, native of Steelton and minister  
within many groups to help, strengthen and lift up those in need.**

**Paxton Lodge #16 (Derrick Lewis) who are always giving a helping hand  
with preparing and serving the tasty food that you enjoy.**



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and  
celebrating the heritage preserved in the Historic  
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Steelton, Pennsylvania



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Rev. J. B. BROWN, Pastor



THE BROTHERS' WIVES



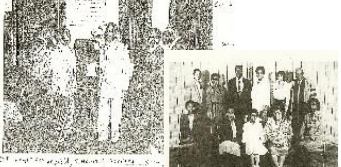
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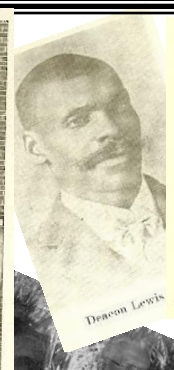
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NEW VOICES CHOIR



REVEREND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Jannie McCullough



Millie Brown



CHURCH MEMBERS

## **Congratulations to our honorees Montford Point Marine, Mr. Eartha “David” Beaty**

### **The Montford Point Marines**

In 1941, President Franklin D. Roosevelt allowed African Americans to be recruited and receive basic training at Montford Point, North Carolina into the United States Marine Corps from 1942-1949. This segregated training base was on the grounds of Camp Lejeune, to prepare the Marines for various duties while in combat. Some became gunners while serving in the Ammunition and Depot Companies.

During World War II, these brave men took the challenge despite not being treated equally to fight for the right to stand against hardships and forge forward to fight at Okinawa, Iwo Jima, Guam and other noted places. Some of them died during battles while others came home without the fanfare given to others that had served in the military. Unlike the Tuskegee Airmen, most people have never heard of the Montford Point Marines. These men opened the doors for integration of other to follow behind them. With the closing of this camp it became possible for the future Armed Forces to be desegregated, unifying the men as equals under the leadership of President Truman.

The retired marines' went on to be the pillars of our society in many communities across the country. We had a hidden jewel in our community of one such man that lives in Steelton and was a Montford Point Marine...Mr. David Beaty. This longtime resident has worked in the area for years, raised his family and always kept a home here. He is a great neighbor and very dedicated to the First Baptist Church of which he is a Deacon. We are to salute him and all the others that stood as a Montford Point Marine.

The Montford Point Marines were finally recognized on November 23, 2011 for their contributions to the Marine Corp and the United States of America by President Obama. In June 2012 the US Congress bestowed the Congressional Gold Medal on these American Pioneers. Nearly 400 Montford Point Marines attended the ceremonies at Emancipation Hall in the US Capital. Mr. Beaty was not aware of this event, however today and then again on June 15<sup>th</sup> 2016 he will be given his just due.

### **Vietnam Veterans honorees**

The Vietnam War was a long, costly armed conflict that pitted the communist regime of North Vietnam and its southern allies, known as the Viet Cong, against South Vietnam and its principal ally, the United States. The war began in 1954 (though conflict in the region stretched back to the mid-1940s), after the rise to power of Ho Chi Minh and his communist Viet Minh party in North Vietnam, and continued against the backdrop of an intense Cold War between two global superpowers: the United States and the Soviet Union. More than 3 million people (including 58,000 Americans) were killed in the Vietnam War; more than half were Vietnamese civilians. By 1969, at the peak of U.S. involvement in the war, more than 500,000 U.S. military personnel were involved in the Vietnam conflict. Growing opposition to the war in the United States led to bitter divisions among Americans, both before and after President Richard Nixon ordered the withdrawal of U.S. forces in 1973. In 1975, communist forces seized control of Saigon, ending the Vietnam War, and the country was unified as the Socialist Republic of Vietnam the following year.

We salute the Armed Forces that were involved in this conflict by recognizing and thanking them for their service. Our Vietnam Veteran honorees are not listed here but will be placed on the Friends of Midland website in the near future due to volume of names.

**Thank you Brigadier General Richard B. Dix, for being a part of our service and for presenting the certificates and pins to the Montford Point Marine and Vietnam Veterans.**