

**97th BIRTHDAY OF THE
U.S. ARMY WARRANT OFFICER
JULY 9, 2015**

MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENTS

World War II



CW4 Oscar G. Johnson, Jr.
Then Sergeant, U.S. Army, Company B, 363rd Infantry, 91st Infantry Division
near Scarperia, Italy, 16-18 September 1944

Vietnam

Frederick E. Ferguson, Aviator



Then CW2, for heroic actions on
31 JAN 1968, Hue, RVN.
(Retired MAJ)

Michael J. Novosel, Aviator



Then CW3, for heroic actions on
2 OCT 1969, Kien Province, RVN.
(Retired CW4, now deceased)

Louis R. Rocco,
Physicians Assistant



Then an SFC, for
heroism 24 MAY 1970,
N.E. of Katum, RVN.
(Retired CW2, now
deceased)

ASTRONAUT



Then CW3 Thomas J. Hennen made history as the first and only Warrant Officer Astronaut. He flew aboard NASA's Orbiter Atlantis, STS-44, as a Payload Specialist, completing 109 orbits of the Earth and traveling 2.9 million miles. He served over 24 years in the imagery intelligence field. From 1988 to 1990, he underwent Terra Scout payload operations training at Fort Huachuca, AZ. In 1990, he began his Astronaut and Space Shuttle Crewmember Training at NASA. He retired as a CW4 in December 1995. He is co-founder and currently serves as Executive Director of the Non-profit Atlantis Foundation, Seabrook, TX, which is both an advocate and a service provider for people with various developmental disabilities. Tom, who after viewing our planet from a totally different perspective, has rededicated his life to helping people, especially children who cannot help themselves.

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