



Man's Flight

Through Life Is

Sustained By The

Power Of His

Knowledge

TO HONOR

JEANNE M. HOLM

MAJOR GENERAL, USAF

Major General Jeanne M. Holm enlisted in the Woman's Army Corps in 1942 and was commissioned in the Women's Army Air Corps the following year. Recalled to active duty during the Berlin Crisis of 1948, she served in positions of increasing responsibility culminating in her appointment as director of Women in the Air Force (WAF) in 1965. Promoted to Brigadier General in 1971, she was the first woman to serve as a general officer in the US Air Force. She achieved another singular distinction two years later when she was promoted to major general, the first woman in any of the armed forces to attain that rank. Following her retirement she served as a consultant to three US presidents and played a significant role in expanding opportunities for women in the military. A long-time, generous supporter of The Friends, General Holm died on 15 February 2010. She was an inspiring trailblazer who left behind a rich legacy of accomplishment.

Leader, Pioneer, and Patriot

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