



Man's Flight

Through Life Is

Sustained By The

Power Of His

Knowledge

TO HONOR

VAL BURGESS

Val Burgess is an honorary member of the Stalag Luft III Association and has been at the forefront of POW oral histories. She has been recording the stories of former prisoners of war from Stalag Luft III since 1994. Her uncle, Stalag Luft III POW Vernon Burda, was held in Center Compound and was the impetus behind her interest in researching prisoner of war histories. She has completed over 130 oral histories and presented programs nationwide. The goal of her non-profit, Wars Voices, is to create an online archive with educational modules featuring the men's stories. Her work holds particular value in facilitating an understanding of the POW experience and the effect it had on the POW's loved ones.

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