

# Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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## Barbara A. McClurkin

### United States Air Force

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Barbara McClurkin was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Air Force at the University of Missouri-Columbia, May, 1990. Her duty stations were Rhein-Main AB, Germany from 1990-1993; Randolph AFB, TX from 1993-1996; and Tinker AFB, OK from 1996-Feb 2000. She served as a Personnel and Training Officer. She was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal, Airforce Commendation Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Force Achievement Medal, Air Force Outstanding Unit Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Air Force Overseas Long Tour Ribbon, and Air Force Training Ribbon. She qualified as a parachutist by completing the US Army Airborne Training Course at Fort Benning, GA.



She stated, "The most interesting thing I saw while in the service was the forest of aircraft tails above the line of hangars at Rhein-Main AB during the movement of troops and equipment into Kuwait for the Persian Gulf War. There were so many planes coming in, the base commander was actually discussing a plan to use the BX parking lot as overflow parking when the ramp was full."

In her civilian career she is an archival librarian for the University of Oklahoma. She is a member of Daughters of the American Revolution Howard County Chapter, P.E.O. Chapter AU-OK, St. Mark the Evangelist Church, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, and Oklahoma Soaring Association. Barbara is married to David A. McClurkin (Lt. Col USAF ret). They are both licensed pilots. They have one daughter currently attending Graduate School at the University of Montana in Missoula.