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RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS

# HALL OF FAME CEREMONY

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1999**

11:00 a.m.

Campus Parade Ground  
West Virginia State College

**Inclement Weather Plan:**  
P.A. Williams Auditorium  
Harrison H. Ferrell Building



# HISTORICAL SKETCH OF WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE ROTC

The second Morrill Act of 1890 made training in agriculture and mechanical arts available to African-American citizens. Section four of the Morrill Act required military training as part of the curriculum. West Virginia responded on March 17, 1891 by enacting legislation to create a special land-grant institution for Blacks. Federal funds provided \$3,000 for faculty salaries, and the West Virginia Legislature appropriated \$10,000 to purchase a farm and build a school building upon it. The institution was founded as the West Virginia Colored Institute.

Although not specifically included in the West Virginia Legislative Act, military training was conducted during the school's first year. The ROTC Department opened shortly after the establishment of a military corps in 1899. In 1915 West Virginia Colored Institute was renamed the West Virginia Collegiate Institute. It assumed its present name in 1929. Military training continued at the college from 1899 until the present with the exception of temporary suspensions from 1907-1916 and 1920-1942.

From its beginnings until 1915 the institution offered the equivalent of a high school education with a curriculum devoted primarily to agriculture, trades and teacher education. In 1915 the school was given the authority to award college degrees requiring instruction in mathematics, chemistry, French and English. The first college degrees were awarded in 1919.

Much of the credit for establishing the present Senior ROTC program goes to Mr. Daniel P. Lincoln and Professor Daniel L. Ferguson. Their success in conducting voluntary military training early in World War II kept alive the War Department's recognition of the college's desire to continue the ROTC program.

In 1942, LTC Payton Winlock established a Senior ROTC unit to provide instruction in Field Artillery. Artillery was taught until 1956 when the department was designated a General Military Science Program. Graduates could now be commissioned into any of the Army's eighteen branches of service.

With the 1954 Supreme Court decision, *Brown v. the Board of Education*, West Virginia State College was propelled from a small Black college to a racially integrated one. Program offerings expanded and new ones have developed as the College kept pace with the demands of students and the needs of the larger community. In 1970, the Military Science Department acquired elective status and ceased to be a mandatory program for all male students.



# FALL PROGRAM

Barbara J. Oden, Presiding  
Vice-President, Academic Affairs

PRELUDE: "American Celebration" . . . Arr. by Robert W. Smith  
The West Virginia State College Symphonic Band  
Julie Gendrich, Director

ASSEMBLE THE COMMAND\*

ADJUTANTS CALL\*

ARRIVAL OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY

POSTING OF COLORS—

Reserve Officer Training Corps Color Guard  
Yellow Jacket Battalion

NATIONAL ANTHEM . . . . . *Francis Scott Key*

INVOCATION . . . . . Don Gresby  
Director of Judicial Program/Special Programs

DRILL TEAM DEMONSTRATION . . . . . Capital High School  
Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS . . . . . R. Tim Kleppinger  
Lieutenant Colonel, Quartermaster  
Professor of Military Science

PRESENTATION OF INDUCTEES AND RESPONDENTS

John F. Hailey, Lieutenant Colonel (Retired), Class of '62  
Presented by Cadet LTC Jordan Berry  
Cadet Battalion Commander, Yellow Jacket Battalion

Herbert L. Lawrence, Lieutenant Colonel (Retired), Class of '53  
Presented by Cadet CPT Miles Cary  
Cadet Company Commander, A Company

Clarence E. Wilson, Lieutenant Colonel (Retired), Class of '54  
Presented by Cadet 1SG Daniel Holland  
Cadet First Sergeant, B Company

Frank E. Duncan, Lieutenant Colonel (Retired), Class of '65  
Presented by Cadet SSG Stephen Leonard  
Cadet 1st Squad, 1st Platoon, B Company

Timothy A. Boyles, Lieutenant Colonel (Posthumous) '83  
Presented by Cadet LT Gary Sanders, III  
Cadet 1st Platoon Leader, A Company

TAPS/CANNON SALUTE\* . . . . . Christopher Bays  
Trumpet

MUSICAL SELECTION: "Ellington Classic"—  
*Duke Ellington / Bob Russell*  
Arr. by Jim Prime and Fred Magro  
The WVSC Symphonic Band

RECOGNITION OF HONORED GUESTS . . . R. Tim Kleppinger  
Lieutenant Colonel, Quartermaster  
Professor of Military Science

CLOSING REMARKS . . . . . Hazo W. Carter, Jr.  
Ninth President, West Virginia State College

ARMY SONG & CANNON SALUTE\*

ALMA MATER . . . . . *Spencer-Wade*

POSTLUDE: "Trooper Salute"—  
Arr. by Jay Bocoock and Barry Reese  
West Virginia State College Symphonic Band

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NOTE: \* Denotes items not occurring during inclement weather program



# LIEUTENANT COLONEL (Retired)

## JOHN F. HAILEY

Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) John F. Hailey is a native of Peachland, North Carolina. Born June 18, 1938, he entered the Army on 25 November 1962 after being commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Field Artillery and receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Technology from West Virginia State College. He has a Master of Arts degree in Executive Development in Political Science / Business Administration from Ball State University in Indiana. His military education includes the Command and General Staff College, Air Force Logistics Course and the Field Artillery Special Weapons Course.

He has served in various positions at several military installations including basic and advanced Field Artillery Officer's School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma; 1/33rd Field Artillery, 5th Army at Fort Riley, Kansas; Fire Direction Officer, Battery Executive Officer, and Assistant Fire Direction Officer at the Division Artillery; Security Control Officer and Detachment Commander of a special weapons site, U.S. Army, Europe in Istanbul, Turkey; instructor and public information officer with the OCS Brigade at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Maryland; Battery Commander, 1/14th Field Artillery, 198th Infantry Brigade with duty at Fort Hood, Texas; Battalion Executive Officer for the 1/73rd Field Artillery, 1st Cavalry Division; Deputy Post Commander, Fort Greely, Alaska; and a number of general staff positions while at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, including chief of a Gulf War OPLAN development team.

In 1978, he left the military to pursue entrepreneurship and employment with General Motors Corporation. LTC Hailey remained an active member of the U.S. Army Reserves. In 1981, the Hailey family established their first of three childcare businesses in Decatur, Georgia. To date, he has operated a number of successful businesses, including an automobile dealership, an emergency transportation service for the elderly, and a 19-agent insurance firm. In September 1982, he returned to active military service at Fort McPherson, Georgia as the Chief of Information Resource Management Division, Third United States Army. His primary responsibility was to continue the development of the Gulf OPLAN. He retired from the U.S. Army Reserves on 30 May 1994.

LTC Hailey's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal, Army Meritorious Service Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Army Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Army Achievement Medal. He is authorized to wear the Army Parachutist Badge and the coveted Combat Infantry Badge. LTC Hailey received the "Distinguished Community Service Award" while serving as chairman for the Chapel Meadows Community Action Organization in Decatur, Georgia; and the "Dedicated Service Award" for outstanding performance and service in significantly improving the security of the prestigious Eagle's Landing Subdivision of McDonough, Georgia.

LTC Colonel Hailey and Ramona, his wife of 37 years, have two daughters, Zanetta and Anisa, and a granddaughter, Tori.



# LIEUTENANT COLONEL (Retired)

## HERBERT L. LAWRENCE

Lieutenant Colonel Herbert L. Lawrence is a native of Clarksburg, West Virginia and now resides in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. He departed West Virginia after completing high school and entered the military service. Following a three-year enlistment in the US Army, he was honorably discharged with the rank of Sergeant. Using his GI bill he studied at Hampton Institute and West Virginia State College. Not only did LTC Lawrence graduate from West Virginia State College with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education, but he excelled to graduate as a Distinguished Military Graduate. He was recognized and awarded the Association of the United States Army Artillery ROTC Medal. In addition to these many honors, he was commissioned as a Army Second Lieutenant.

During his Army career LTC Lawrence served in the Artillery and Air Defense Artillery branches at various military posts throughout the United States. His foreign duty included Germany, Korea, Japan, Okinawa, and a tour of duty in Vietnam. LTC Lawrence is the recipient of the Army Commendation Medal and the Legion of Merit, with 2d Oak Leaf Cluster. He retired from military duty as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1974 and moved to Massachusetts to work for General Electric Ordnance Systems.

General Electric Ordnance Systems employed LTC Lawrence as a Logistics Engineer working with the US Navy's Polaris, Poseidon and Trident Fleet Ballistics Missile Systems. He retired from General Electric Ordnance Systems as a Group Leader in 1990. LTC Lawrence is a very active community volunteer. He is serving his fourth year of a seven-year term as a member of the Board of Trustees at Cottey College, Nevada, Missouri. He is a member of the Lions Club of Pittsfield and has served as the club's president, vice president and treasurer. He is also an active member of the Local Chapter of AARP. In this organization he has served on the Chapter's Board of Directors and as treasurer. In the Massachusetts AARP State Organization he has served as the Region I Assistant State Coordinator for the AARP 55 Alive/Mature Driving Program. He continues to be an instructor in the program. He is very active within The First United Methodist Church of Pittsfield. LTC Lawrence is a member of the church's administrative board, the building committee, co-chairman of the program committee for the Evergreen organization, and serves as the Reserve Lay Member to the annual conference. LTC Lawrence's hobbies are woodworking and gardening.

LTC Lawrence is married to the former Bertha A. Ellington. They have four children, Hennie, Herbert II, Lydia, and Lucille, and four grandchildren.



# LIEUTENANT COLONEL (Retired)

## CHARLES E. WILSON

Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Charles E. Wilson is a native of Tarrytown, New York. He was born in March of 1930, moved to Worcester, Massachusetts in 1942, and now resides in Willingboro, New Jersey. After graduating from North High School he began his studies at West Virginia State College where he received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in History and Political Science and an Army commission as a Second Lieutenant. While at West Virginia State College, he was president of the Historical Society, a member of the a capella choir, a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc, and a performer with the College Theater Guild.

LTC Wilson has been assigned to a variety of command, staff, and training positions. Some of his duties and assignments include: Battery Commander, Operations Officer, and Anti-Aircraft Operations Center in the Panama Canal Zone; Battalion S2, Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Battery Commander, Republic of South Korea; Brigade S3 Air, Fort Devens, Massachusetts; a deployment to Anchorage, Alaska as an Air Force J3, staff planner, during Exercise Great Bear; Battery Commander and Battalion Executive Officer in Germany; and student in the Associate Field Artillery Career Course at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Additionally, in 1967, LTC Wilson went to Vietnam via the Military Assistance Training Advisor Corps/Division Course at Fort Bragg, North Carolina and the Vietnamese Language School, Fort Bliss, Texas. In Vietnam he served as a division level advisor at Bam Me Tuoc, II Corps. He also served as an instructor at the USARV advisor School, Ze An. Returning to the United States in 1968, he served as a Field Artillery Advisor, New Hampshire National Guard. His final military assignment in 1971 was as an Assistant Inspector General 7th Corps, Germany. In August of 1974, LTC Wilson retired at Fort Dix, New Jersey.

LTC Wilson has supported and is affiliated with many civic organizations and groups such as: The Eastern Paralyzed Veterans Association, The Fort Dix Retiree Council, Community Development Center for Wayward Boys, Community Bone Marrow & Blood Donation Program, Sickle Cell Anemia Program, NAACP. He is a member of The Philadelphia/Delaware Chapter of the WVSC Alumni, the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Nu Nu Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc, and the Retired Officers Association. He supports many community religious and youth programs.

LTC Wilson's awards and decorations include: The Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, National Defense Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Honor Medal First Class, Vietnam Service Medal, and two overseas Service Bars.

LTC Wilson is married to the former Glenda J. Richardson of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. They have two daughters: Kimberly A. Wilson of Boston, Massachusetts and Deborah L. Wilson of Pennsauken, New Jersey.



# LIEUTENANT COLONEL FRANK E. DUNCAN

Lieutenant Colonel (Retired) Frank E. Duncan was commissioned as a Regular Army Second Lieutenant after graduating as a Distinguished Military Graduate at West Virginia State College. While there, he scored in the top ten at ROTC summer camp in competition with over 3000 other Cadets. This was the highest score for any Cadet in the college's history to that date.

LTC Duncan completed Infantry, Airborne, and Ranger instruction at Fort Benning, Georgia. He graduated from the Command and General Staff College (CGSC) at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. While undergoing the rigorous academic curriculum at the Army Staff College, he obtained a Masters Degree in Military Arts and Science. He has served in various assignments around the world that have centered mainly on troop commands. He commanded four-company size units and was selected to be a battalion commander. This selection placed him in the top one percent of his peers. He served in assignments as an aviator and is qualified in both helicopters and fixed wing aircraft. He served as an advisor to a ranger battalion in Vietnam and instructed U.S. Army Rangers when he returned to the U.S. He retired with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel after 20 years of service.

His honors and awards include: Master Parachutist Badge, Ranger Tab, Air Assault Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, Expert Infantryman Badge, Aviator Badge, Vietnamese Ranger Badge, Bronze Star, five Meritorious Service Medals, four Army Commendation Medals, two Army Commendation Medals with V device for valor in combat, Air Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Vietnam Honor Medal, Vietnamese Cross of Gallantry with Silver Star.

Since retirement from the U.S. Army, LTC Duncan has been the developer of three residential subdivisions and has continued to invest in various real estate projects.

He is a self employed, registered representative, supervisory principal and branch office manager who is registered with the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD). He is also a member of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC).

LTC Duncan and his wife, Sharon, have been married 18 years. They have three children and are the proud grandparents of two grandchildren.



# LIEUTENANT COLONEL TIMOTHY A. BOYLES

Lieutenant Colonel Boyles grew up in Charleston, West Virginia. After graduating from George Washington High School, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, where he served for four years. He entered Special Forces in 1978 and served in a myriad of Special Operations assignments over a 20-year period. In 1983, he graduated from West Virginia State College, was commissioned as an Army Second Lieutenant, and branched Aviation.

His Aviation assignments were: Attack Helicopter Platoon Leader, Support Platoon Leader, Scout Platoon Leader, and Airfield Commander. He was qualified to pilot both the Apache and Cobra helicopters. Within the Special Forces community, his assignments included service in the 7th Special Forces Group, the 3rd Special Forces Group, USAJFKSWC, and both detachments and company commands in the 1st Battalion, 7th Special Forces Group. LTC Boyles attended the Command and General Staff College in 1993, and was assigned to the Operations Directorate of the United States Army Special Operations Command.

While assigned to the 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne) in 1995, he served as the 1st and 3rd Battalion Operations Officer. He was also the Group Operations Officer. Additionally, he was assigned at Special Operations Command Central (SOCCENT) where he served as Ground operations officer and Chief of the Operations Directorate, J3. His most recent assignment was as the Commander of the 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne), Ft. Bragg, North Carolina; one of the Army's elite forces.

LTC Boyles obtained a plethora of awards and decorations, they include: The Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, The Meritorious Service Medal, (one oak leaf cluster), the Joint Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, (three clusters), the Army Achievement Medal, the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, the United Nations Medal, the Expert Infantryman's Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, HALO Badge, Army Aviation Badge, Special Forces Tab, Ranger Tab, and foreign jump wings from five countries.

Not only did LTC Boyles demonstrate the finest qualities of leadership and professionalism throughout his career, but he epitomized the essence of the Army Values: Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity, and Personal Courage. He lost his life September 14, 1999, in a training accident on the Savannah River near Ft. Stewart, Georgia. He and four other soldiers were swept down stream and trapped under a parked barge during a casualty evacuation training exercise. Only one of the other four soldiers lost his life.

LTC Boyles is survived by his wife, the former Tina Huffman, their 10 year old daughter, Alexandra, mother, Mrs. Johnnye Boyles, brother Bill Boyles, and Sister Debbie Bankert.



# PROFESSORS OF MILITARY SCIENCE

## 1942-1944

Lieutenant Colonel Payton Winlock

## 1944-1945

Lieutenant Colonel Benote H. Lee

## 1945-1946

Captain William J. Gray

## 1946-1948

Lieutenant Colonel Leon Lavoie

## 1948-1951

Lieutenant Colonel Charles H. Wesner

## 1951-1954

Lieutenant Colonel Orion Page

## 1954-1956

Major Robbin Washington

## 1956-1958

Lieutenant Colonel John Woodruff

## 1958-1959

Lieutenant Colonel Howard Bartholomew

## 1959-1963

Lieutenant Colonel Howard Hinkson

## 1963-1967

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph C. Hill

## 1967-1969

Lieutenant Colonel Marvin E. Billups

## 1969-1971

Lieutenant Colonel Louis J. Weil

## 1971-19-74

Colonel Lawrence M. Sevdy

## 1974-1976

Lieutenant Colonel Stanley Goldsmith

## 1976-1979

Lieutenant Colonel Edward Robertson

## 1979-1983

Lieutenant Colonel Charles T. Ledbetter

## 1983-1984

Lieutenant Colonel Douglas W. Richmond

## 1984-1989

Lieutenant Colonel Quewanncoii C. Stephens

## 1989-1993

Lieutenant Colonel Willie C. Lucas

## 1993-1996

Lieutenant Colonel Herbert E. Lattimore

## 1996-1999

Lieutenant Colonel Raphael P. Deegan

## 1999-present

Lieutenant Colonel Robert T. Kleppinger



# ROTC HALL OF FAME

The West Virginia State College ROTC Hall of Fame was created to recognize the accomplishments of its graduates who have excelled in their chosen fields. Previous inductees include:

## 1980

Major General (Ret) Edward Greer  
Major General (Ret) Charles C. Rogers\*  
Major General (Ret) Harvey D. Williams  
Brigadier General (Ret) Dallas C. Brown

## 1981

Colonel (Ret) Frank C. Bacon  
Colonel (Ret) George E. Peters, Jr.  
Colonel (Ret) Robert L. Peters  
Dr. Vincent E. Reed

## 1982

Colonel (Ret) Grover A. DuBose  
Colonel (Ret) James M. Garrison, Jr., M.D.  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Nelson R. Bickley  
Dr. William J. L. Wallace (H)\*  
Dr. Prince A. Williams (H)\*

## 1983

Brigadier General Robert L. Stephens, Jr.  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Preston A. Davis  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Haywood H. Martin

## 1984

Major General Joseph E. Turner (USAR) (Ret)  
Colonel (Ret) Charles E. Stokes, Jr.  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Richard V. White  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Howard L. Wilson

## 1985

Brigadier General (Ret) Walter F. Johnson, III  
Colonel (Ret) Thomas E. Carter, M.D.  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Thomas D. Carter, Jr.  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) James L. Hill

## 1986

Colonel (Ret) Paul H. Easley, Sr.  
Colonel (Ret) Roscoe A. Swann, Jr.  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John E. Baker  
Major (Ret) James W. Hawkins, Jr.

## 1987

Colonel (Ret) Vandy L. Miller  
Colonel (Ret) Herman H. Jones  
Colonel (Ret) James W. Vallandigham  
Colonel (Ret) James W. Reed

## 1988

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) C. Milton Kates  
Colonel (Ret) Alphonso W. Nabors  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Bernice McGhee  
Colonel (Ret) Edwin A. Wilkerson

## 1989

Major General Kenneth D. Gray  
Colonel William P. Greene, Jr.  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Stephen S. Whisiker\*  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John L. Whitehead\*

## 1990

Brigadier General James W. Monroe  
Brigadier General Jack Yeager  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Acie McGhee, Jr.  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ronald E. McLeod  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) George S. Roberts

## 1991

Colonel Ronald E. Townsend  
Colonel (Ret) Kenneth A. Ingram  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Henry R. Bellingier  
Commissioner Earl E. Jones

## 1992

Colonel (Ret) James Manning  
Colonel (Ret) John Mackey  
Colonel Donald Townsend  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Dennis Neighbors  
Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright (H)\*  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Samuel Kelly (H)  
Dr. John W. Davis (H)\*  
Mr. James Evans (H)\*

## 1993

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ronald H. Poole  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Rodney I. McCormick\*  
First Lieutenant (Ret) Beny J. Primm, M.D.  
Dr. Thomas D. Boston

## 1994

Colonel Frankie D. Hoskey  
Colonel Terry L. Tucker  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Lazelle Free, Sr.  
Major (Ret) George L. Rich, Jr.

\* Deceased



# ROTC HALL OF FAME (Continued)

## 1995

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Keith Sovine  
Captain John Willis Hill Gravely  
First Lieutenant Herbert Henderson  
First Lieutenant Edward Scott  
Sidney Taylor Brown (H)

## 1996

Lieutenant Colonel Lew G. Tyree  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Thomas E. Haggins  
Major Jeff Chandler Woods  
Captain A. Dayton Carpenter

## 1997

Brigadier General Earl M. Simms  
Lieutenant Colonel Carolyn L. Maddox  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Clifford Hill  
Captain Jerry L. Hatcher

## 1998

Brigadier General John E. Barnette  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Ferguson B. Meadows  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Francisco B. Newman

## 1999

Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) John F. Hailey  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Herbert L. Lawrence  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Charles E. Wilson  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Frank E. Duncan  
Lieutenant Colonel Timothy A. Boyles (Posthumous)\*

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\* Deceased



# ROTC HALL OF FAME HONORARY MEMBERS

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## 1982

Dr. William J. L. Wallace\*  
Dr. Prince A. Williams\*

## 1995

Mrs. Sidney Taylor Brown

## 1992

Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright\*  
Lieutenant Colonel (Ret) Samuel Kelly  
Dr. John W. Davis\*  
Mr. James Evans\*

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\* Deceased



## ALMA MATER

*Ernest Wade '30*

*Martha Spencer '31*

There is a place we love so dear—  
Its name we'll ever praise and revere  
'Tis West Virginia State we love—  
Just one more step from there is Heav'n above.

REFRAIN:

West Virginia's praise we'll sing—  
Lift our voices 'til heavens ring—  
As we gaily march along—  
We'll sing a song—  
For Alma Mater  
How we love her  
Pride of all our loyal hearts—  
From her we will never part—  
Thoughts of thee will ne'er be few  
Alma Mater we love you.

We'll love her more as days go by,  
And send her praises to the sky;  
To place her over all the rest,  
And keep her e'er the dearest and the best.

Shadowed 'neath a deep blue sky;  
Is STATE for whom we'll live and we'll die—  
Arise! O men of God and sing;  
We're loyal, and to her we'll always cling.







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