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Feigenholtz Honors the Life of Tuskegee Airman Lieutenant Colonel Julius Jackson

***Jackson was one of the first African-American pilots recruited during
World War II***

Chicago, IL — Representative Sara Feigenholtz (D-Chicago) joins today in celebrating the life of Lieutenant Colonel Julius Jackson. Jackson, a constituent of the 12th District, was one of the last surviving Tuskegee Airmen, a group that became America's first African-American military airmen during World War II.

Jackson was a war hero having received the Commander Commendation Award in 2007.

"Lt. Col. Jackson sacrificed for our country. He was always optimistic and full of life," Feigenholtz said.

A squadron of the Civil Air Patrol was named the Lt. Col. Julius Jackson Composite Squadron in his honor. Recently, at the age of 91, Jackson jumped out of a plane at the Chicago Air and Water Show while accompanied by the U.S. Army's Golden Nights.

"We are honored that this war hero lived in our community," Feigenholtz said of the 93-year-old Jackson.

"The Tuskegee Airmen and Lt. Col. Jackson were one of a kind. He will be missed by all who knew him," Feigenholtz said. Feigenholtz plans to attend Jackson's memorial service at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church this weekend.

For more information, please contact Rep. Feigenholtz's constituent service office at 773-296-4141, email sara@staterepsara.com, or visit www.staterepsara.com.



Rep. Sara Feigenholtz pictured with Lt. Col. Jackson in October 2013

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