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Miles Foundation to Make Donation to Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum

Pooler, Ga. – The Miles Foundation, an educational foundation in North Texas, is in town to donate their collection of letters and papers from WWII to the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum on Friday, June 18, 2010 at 11 am. Ellison Miles, an oilman from Liberty, TX, was a B-17 pilot in the 92nd Bomb Group of the VIII Air Force, flying the Fortress "Woolaroc" in 25 missions over Occupied Europe.

In cataloguing the collection prior to donating it to the museum, the Foundation made contact with the **last surviving member of the "Woolaroc's" crew**. Glenn Phillippe of Big Spring, TX, was the ball turret gunner for the ship, eventually flying 29 missions. In all, he served this country in the USAF for 20 years. Mr. Phillippe, his wife Laura, and their family have made the trip from West Texas to Pooler **will be present for the dedication of the Miles Collection**. The Miles Foundation is grateful to Mr. Phillippe for his memories of his service with Mr. Miles and his service in WWII and beyond.

Activated in 1942 in Savannah, GA the Eighth Air Force was a critical strike element in World War II and remains an active force today. The Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum is one of the world's most powerful Museum experiences as it honors the Mighty Eighth's proud legacy by preserving the stories of courage, character and patriotism displayed by the men and women of the Eighth Air Force from World War II to present.

Just minutes from Historic Savannah the Museum is located at 175 Bourne Avenue in Pooler, right off of I-95 at Exit 102. The Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum is open daily from 9 AM until 5 PM except on New Year's Day, Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas. For more information, please visit www.mightyeighth.org or call 912-748-8888.

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