

County of Nueces



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County Judge
Nueces County Courthouse, Room 303
901 Leopard Street
Corpus Christi, Texas 78401-3697

BRENT CHESNEY

Commissioner
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COMMISSIONERS COURT PROCLAMATION “Recognizing May 8, 2021, as Captain Robert Batterson Day”

WHEREAS, Robert Batterson was born on May 8, 1921, in Mason City, West Virginia;

WHEREAS, following graduation from high school in 1938, he joined the United States Navy and completed boot camp in Norfolk, Virginia;

WHEREAS, Batterson was assigned to the U.S.S Philadelphia (CL-41) which was anchored at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941;

WHEREAS, Batterson is one of the last remaining survivors of the Pearl Harbor attack;

WHEREAS, in 1942, Batterson was selected to enter the V-5 Naval Aviation Program, being commissioned at Naval Air Station- Corpus Christi on September 6, 1944;

WHEREAS, Batterson flew F6F Hellcats in 1945 with VF-1 off of the U.S.S. Bennington (CV-20);

WHEREAS, after the surrender of Japan, Batterson stayed on in the Navy as a Supply Corps officer

WHEREAS, in 1974 Batterson retired as a captain after serving for thirty-five (35) years;

WHEREAS, Batterson served as one of the first volunteers on the U.S.S. Lexington in 1992, prior to its official opening;

WHEREAS, Batterson continues to volunteer on the U.S.S. Lexington where you can normally find him sharing his experiences with visitors in the Pearl Harbor exhibit;

WHEREAS, May 8, 2021 is Capt. Robert Batterson’s, 100th birthday. Join us in honoring and celebrating Capt. Batterson.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, BY THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NUECES COUNTY, THAT THE 8TH DAY OF MAY, 2021 AS:

“CAPTAIN ROBERT BATTERSON DAY”

DULY ADOPTED BY VOTE OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF NUECES COUNTY, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 19TH DAY OF MAY, 2021.

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ATTEST:

KARA SANDS, County Clerk

BRENT CHESNEY
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