

Modeena May Holcomb, T-38

24 March 1921 – 5 April 2011

(aged 90)



Private Modeena May Holcomb of Memphis, is the first WAC to receive an airport control tower operation license, Harding Field, Baton Rouge LA, announced today.

She made the highest grade on the Civil Aeronautics Administration examination of any applicant from Harding Field.

"My greatest difficult," she said, "Is keeping pilots from being so interested in my Southern accent that they forget to lower the landing gear."

Private Holcomb joined the WAC last September.

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