

Distinguished Achievement Citation

Joseph T. Glatthaar Class of 1978

With pride, we present Ohio Wesleyan's Distinguished Achievement Citation to Joseph Glatthaar in recognition of his exceptional career in higher education, as an accomplished author and as a recognized authority in military history.

After graduating from Ohio Wesleyan in 1978 with his bachelor's degree in history, Dr. Glatthaar went on to earn his M.A. from Rice University and his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1983. Shortly after leaving the University, Dr. Glatthaar secured a position with the U.S Army Command and General Staff College as a visiting Assistant Professor. In 1985, he joined the teaching faculty of the University of Houston as an Assistant Professor and advanced through the ranks to Associate Professor with Tenure in 1989 to his current position as Professor with Tenure in 1992.

In addition to his career in higher education, Dr. Glatthaar is a prolific author on history. His first book, The March to the Sea and Beyond was a pioneering attempt to reconstruct the lives and experience of common soldiers. It received three major national prizes: the Bell Irvin Wiley Award of the National Historical Society, the Fletcher Pratt Award and the Jefferson Davis Award of the Museum of the Confederacy. His second book, Forged in Battle, examined race relations with the Union Army. One major scholar declared that this book established Glatthaar "as the leading authority on black troops in the Civil War." Some of his recent works include The Oneida Indians in the American Revolution, and General Lee's Army.

Dr. Glatthaar has received countless honors and awards for his literary efforts and research. He received the Distinguished Book Award issued annually by the Society for Military History in 1992, the Bell Irvin Wiley Award issued biannually by the National Historical Society in 1984-1985 and again in 1988-1989. Dr. Glatthaar was a Virginia Historical Society Fellow in 1989, United States Army Military History Fellow in 1986 and received many grants to continue his ongoing research into the history of the War Between the States.

While at Ohio Wesleyan, Dr. Glatthaar was a member of Beta Theta Pi Fraternity and a member of Phi Beta Kappa Honorary Society. He currently resides outside Houston, Texas with his wife Jackie.

We join his reunioning classmates in saluting Dr. Joseph Glatthaar and recognizing his outstanding achievements through the presentation of this Distinguished Achievement Award.

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