

The Chennault Aviation and Military Museum opened its doors to the public in 2000 and was originally called the Monroe Aviation Historical Museum. The museum strives to promote and preserve Louisiana's pivotal role in our nation's aviation and military history.

Operations and alumni of the Selman Field Navigation School from WWII constitute the principal focal points of history that are preserved by the museum's collections. of similar interest for the museum is the history and personal story of Gen. Claire Lee Chennault and the Flying Tigers, the celebrated air squadron that engaged the Japanese in the defense of China in WWII. Chennault was raised in northeast Louisiana, attended L.S.U. and resided in Monroe after WWII.

From WWII to space flight, we have personal artifacts, real life stories, vintage aircrafts, and pioneers of flight.

CURTIS P-40 WARHAWK WERE THE OFFICIAL PLANES FLOWN BY THE FLYING TIGERS.



GREAT FOR SCHOOL TRIPS



Originated by the Flying Tigers, pilots wore Chinese and American flags, and a message in Chinese characters to explain they were in China to help fight against Japan..

AMAZING FAMILY FUN



Hand-made dragon robe encrusted with silk threads and jewels worn by the last emperor of China and gifted to Gen. Claire Chennault for his service to China.

FREE ADMISSION FREE! FREE!



Jacket, helmet, and mask worn by pilots during WWII.



The museum's state-of-the-art, 50 seat theater is available for community events.



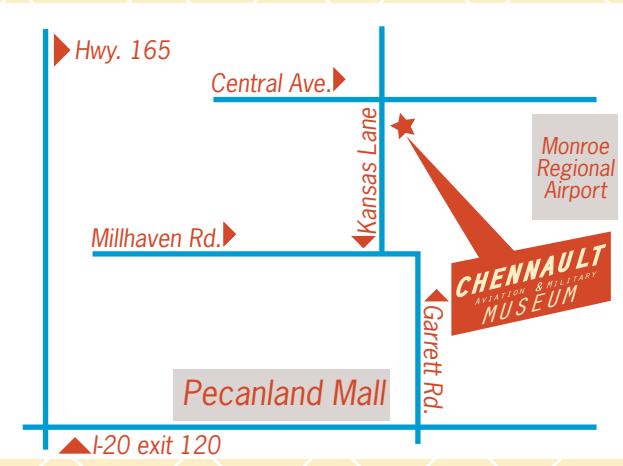
See personalized exhibits from local veterans.



Take a tour with Nell Calloway, the granddaughter of General Chennault and director of the museum.



Many local soldiers have exhibits displaying their time and experiences in the military and in the war.

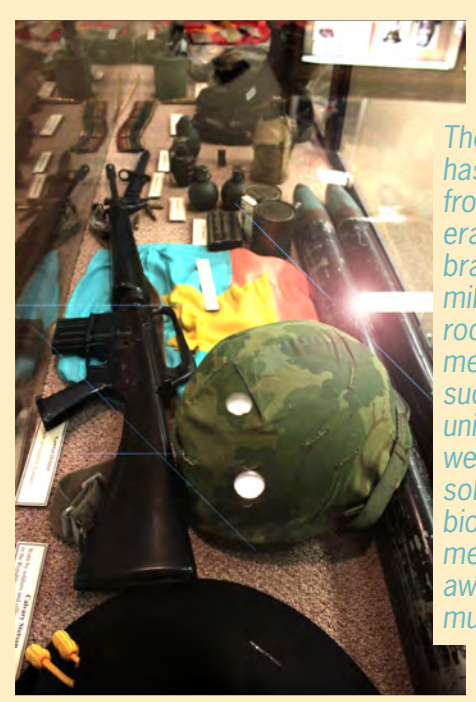


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The Chennault has many items from different eras of war and branches of the military. Several rooms are full of memorabilia such as guns, uniforms, weapons, local soldier biographies, medals and awards, and so much more!

