

ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD

# AFRICAN AMERICAN PIONEERS

UNTOLD STORIES

**For much of the military history of the United States, African Americans were discouraged from joining the military or relegated to segregated units. The Arkansas Militia/National Guard was no different. In 1948, President Truman officially desegregated the Armed Forces, but it took several years before the process was complete. In 1964, the Arkansas National Guard allowed its first African American to enlist.**



**Arkansas National Guard Museum**

**Thursday, February 23rd**

**11:30 am to 1 pm**

**Light Lunch will be served**

