Press Coverage

Carl Sanders: Governor, statesman and firm founder

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Troutman Sanders chairman emeritus and firm namesake Carl Sanders was the focus of an October 2011 Augusta Magazine article titled “Augusta’s Governor.”

The article, an oeuvre of Sanders’ life, discusses his birth and early life in Augusta; his football experience at UGA; his stint flying B-17s in the Army Air Corps; his tenure in the Georgia State House and Senate; his gubernatorial run and win at age 37, serving as Georgia’s Governor between 1963 and 1967; his law career and post-political life; and his work with numerous civic and charitable organizations.

The article also points out the many accomplishments Sanders had within the Georgia aviation communities; his efforts to keep Fort Gordon in Augusta, which including a meeting with then-President John F. Kennedy; and his efforts in substantially improving Georgia’s higher education system, most notably with Augusta College.
“Hollywood handsome and willing to take the state in the direction of reform, Sanders began Georgia’s transition to a more urban and industrialized state,” the article stated. “When he left office in 1967, Sanders was an extremely popular governor who was not only leaving a legacy of accomplishments internally, but also a better image for the state on the national stage.”

“So when driving the stretch of I-20 between Madison and Augusta that bears the name Carl Sanders Highway or enjoying the many benefits of his efforts,” the article instructs readers, “we should remember this native son who rose from modest beginnings and ‘did us proud.’”

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