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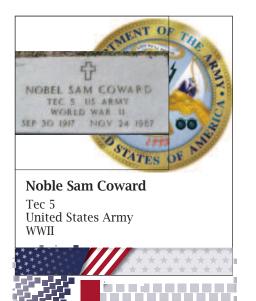
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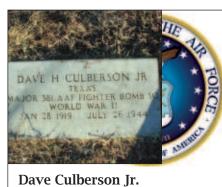






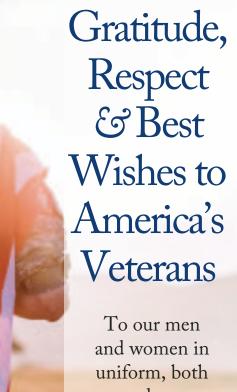
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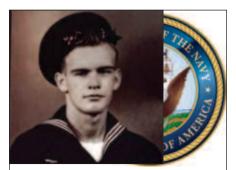


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John Davidson Boatswain's Mate, First Class United States Navy 1942-1946





Bert Allen Floyd, Sr. Unknown United States Army 1943-1945



Ernest Louis Pat Forrest Unknown United States Army WWI



Charlie Cecil Foust Unknown United States Army Unknown (Pictured in 1946)



George Duncan Corporal United States Marine Corps 1961-1976



Fisher Loyd Forrest Photographer United States Air Force WWII



Bunk Forrest Construction Battalion United States Navy 1936-1940, 1943-1946



Rodney Frye Sergeant First Class United States Army 1982-2008



Charles Loyd "Jack" Elam Corporal United States Army Unknown



Elisha King Forrest Musician United States Army Civil War



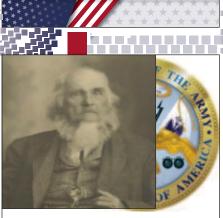
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Robert Holderby Spec 5 United States Army 1967-1970



Edwin Travis Floyd E5 United States Navy 1977-1983



Richard Oziah Forrest Unknown United States Army Mexican War



Luther Walter Foust Medic United States Army WWII



Madalene Holloway 2nd Lieutenant United States Army WWII



Michael Hoover CW4 United States Army 1980-2022



Milton Duane Keele Helicopter Pilot United States Marine Corps Vietnam



Bill Loggins Fireman United States Navy 1944-1946





James C. Jackson Spec 4 United States Army 1969-1971



Robert Douglas Landry Unknown United States Army 1961-1963



Leonard Love First Lieutenant Confederate Army Civil War (Confederacy)

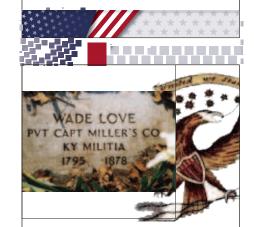




Paul H. Jackson Unknown United States Army WWI



Billy Edwin Laxson Unknown United States Air Force 1951-1954



Wade Love Private Kentucky Militia War of 1812



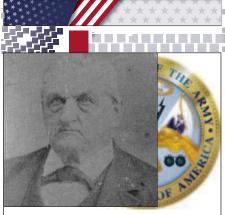




Edward J. Jackson Unknown United States Navy WWII

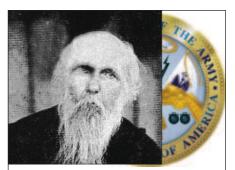


William Travis Laxson Unknown United States Navy 1942-1945



David Love Private United States Army 1846





Alexander Hawkins Love 3rd Corporal United States Army Civil War





Willis Grady McLeod E6 United States Army 1947-1966





Matthew Dale Mohler Sr, Master Sergeant United States Air Force 2000-2020



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Edward Marty Major United States Army 1967-1988





Willis Grady McLeod Electricians Mate EM2C United States Navy 1943-1945





Aaron Dale Mohler Airman 1st Class United States Air Force 1961-1964



GOD BLESS OUR VETERANS!



Roy McGaugh Corporal United States Army 1951-1953





Francis Marion Miller Corporal United States Army 1942-1945



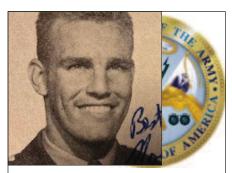


Willis Aaron Mohler SV6 - Ship Cook United States Navy 1943-1945





James Clifton Petty PFC



Noel Ray McLaughlin Colonel United States Army 1961-unk





Mary Catherine Mitchell Commander United States Navy 1966-1986





R Q Moore PFC United States Army 1941-1944





Robert A. Pollard Private United States Army Civil War

Thank you for your service.



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United States Army WWII





Milton Bud Pollard Private United States Army 1942-1945



Bert David Wells Pollard Unknown United States Navy WWI & WWII



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Roger Rabb Sergeant United States Marine Corps 1979-1983



William Robinette Sgt, First Class United States Army 1958-1978



Ted J. Satcher SFC United States Army 35 years



Robert Gene Shelton Mechanic United States Army 1967-1997



Al Penn Rabb Unknown United States Navy WWII



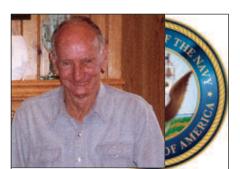
William Robinette Jr. MS2 E5 United States Navy 1987-2000



Robert J. Schultz Lt. Colonel United States Army 1994-2001



John Carroll Shirley Sp4 E4 Texas Army National Guard 1957-1962



Louis Rabb Unknown United States Navy 1951-1971



Frederick Roest, Jr. Chief Boatswain's Mate, E7 United States Navy 20 years



Don Baker Scott Staff Sergeant United States Air Force 1951-1955



Joe Frank Shirley Unknown United States Army 1958-1964



Elaine Andrews Rabb Unknown United States Navy 2 years



Ted D. Satcher LTC United States Air Force 20 years



William Scott Private United States Army WWI - KIA Nov 5, 1918



Eugene Shirley E3 United States Marine Corps 1960-1963



Arlice D. Smith PFC United States Army Air Corps 1942-1945





James L. White Spec 4 United States Army 1965-1967





Steve Gary Wilhelm Captain United States Army 1967-1973





Carl (Butch) Stevens Staff Sergeant United States Army 1988-2008



William F. White Spec 5 United States Army Vietnam



Herschel Troy Wilhelm Sergeant United States Marine Corps 1942-1945





Stephen J. Stroud Unknown United States Army 2000-2004



William F. White Unknown United States Army WWII

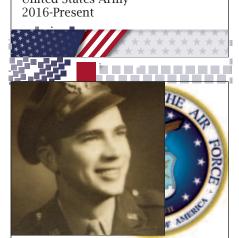


Benjamin Franklin Wilhelm Private United States Marine Corps 1918-1919





William Matthew Trine Sergeant United States Army



Clarence Edwin Wilhelm Lt. Colonel United States Air Force 1941-1947, 1949-1969



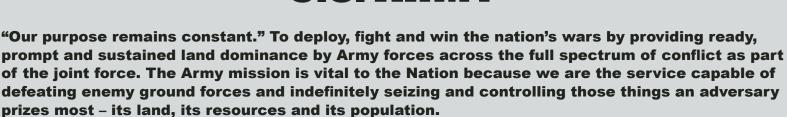
James Arthur Williams Medic United States Army WWII



U.S. ARMY

Veterans Day 2022

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U.S. NAVY

The United States is a maritime nation, and the U.S. Navy protects America at sea. Alongside our allies and partners, we defend freedom, preserve economic prosperity, and keep the seas open and free. Our nation is engaged in long-term competition. To defend American interests around the globe, the U.S. Navy must remain prepared to execute our timeless role, as directed by Congress and the President.



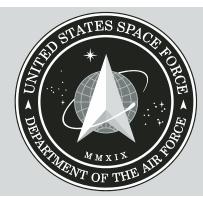
U.S. MARINE CORPS

Semper Fidelis. Always faithful. To protect our Nation's ideals, America turns to its Always Faithful. Every marine. Those who share an uncommon bond for a common cause. Who fight until they win in the battles not everyone can fight. For the promises that America has made. For the promise that America is. Marines remain true to the motto of Semper Fidelis.



U.S. AIR FORCE

The mission of the U.S. Air Force is to fly, fight, and win... airpower anytime, anywhere. Air Force history began when the Army acquired America's first military aircraft, the Wright Flyer, on August 2, 1909, designated Signal Corps Airplane No. 1. The "aeroplane" was designed and created by Orville and Wilbur Wright. The demonstration flight took place on Fort Meyer, Virginia. Initially formed as a part of the U.S. Army on Aug. 1, 1907, the USAF was established as a separate branch of the U.S. Armed Forces on September 18, 1947, with the passing of the National Security Act of 1947.



U.S. SPACE FORCE

The U.S. Space Force is the newest branch of the Armed Forces, established December 20, 2019. The USSF is responsible for organizing, training, and equipping guardians to conduct global space operations that enhance the way joint and coalition forces fight, while also offering decision makers military options to achieve national objectives. Prior to the Space Force's creation, U.S. military space operations were managed by the Air Force Space Command, within the U.S. Air Force. Today, the Secretary of the Air Force has overall responsibility for the USSF, under the guidance and direction of the Secretary of Defense.



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During peacetime, the U.S. Coast Guard is a stalwart service branch of U.S. Homeland Security, and operates under the Navy during wartime. The Coast Guard was originally established in 1790 to protect the nation's revenue through enforcing tariff laws and preventing smuggling. The Coast Guard will serve the nation through the selfless performance of its missions, which includes preventing and being a first responder to maritime casualties and disasters. As the nation's unique instrument across the full spectrum of maritime operations, the Coast Guard cooperates and builds capacity to counter maritime threats.



NATIONAL GUARD

The Army National Guard's federal mission is to maintain well-trained, well-equipped units available for prompt mobilization during war and to provide assistance during national emergencies such as natural disasters and civil disturbances.



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Museum dedicated to Medal of Honor to open soon

Veterans Day 2022

The Medal of Honor is the nation's highest medal for valor in combat that can be awarded to members of the armed forces.

The medal was first authorized in 1861 for sailors and marines, and the following year for soldiers as well. Since then, more than 3,500 Medals of Honor have been awarded to members of all Department of Defense services and the Coast Guard.

Medals of Honor are awarded sparingly and are bestowed only to the bravest of the brave; and that courage must be well documented.

Opening in Arlington, Texas, in late 2024, the Medal of Honor Museum will serve as the premier national institution dedicated to the stories, impact and legacy of the service members who went on to become Medal of Honor recipients. Visit mohmuseum.org to read the inspiring stories of recipients from 32 different conflicts.

THESE COLORS DON'T RUN During the Civil War, the

job of color bearer was one

of the most hazardous as well as important duties in the Army. Soldiers looked to the flag for direction and inspiration in battle, and the bearer was usually out in front, drawing heavy enemy fire while holding the flag high.

On Nov. 16, 1863, regimental color bearer Pvt. Joseph E. Brandle, from the 17th Michigan Infantry, participated in a battle near Lenoire, Tenn. "(Having) been twice wounded and the sight of one eye destroyed, (he) still held to the colors until ordered to the rear by his regimental commander."

ABOVE AND BEYOND

Cpl. Alvin C. York, from the 82nd Division, fearlessly engaged the numerically superior German force at Chatel-Chehery, France, on Oct. 8, 1918 - just a month before the armistice was signed.

His citation reads: "After his platoon had suffered heavy casualties and three other noncommissioned officers had become casualties, Cpl. York assumed command. Fearlessly leading seven men, he charged with great daring toward a machine gun nest, which was pouring deadly and incessant fire upon his platoon. In this heroic feat, the machine gun nest was taken, together with four officers and 128 men and several guns."

ULTIMATE SACRIFICE

Valor is found across the times as well as across the ranks, as World War II 2nd Lt. Robert Craig, from the 3rd Infantry Division, demonstrated. According to his citation, 2nd Lt. Craig volunteered to defeat an enemy machine gun that three other officers before him could not. He quickly located the gun outside of Favoratta, Sicily, but without cover, he and his men found themselves vulnerable to approximately 100 enemies.

"Electing to sacrifice himself so that his platoon might carry on the battle, he ordered his men to withdraw... while he drew the enemy fire to himself. With no hope of survival, he charged toward the enemy until he was within 25 yards of them. Assuming a kneeling position, he killed five and wounded three enemy soldiers. While the hostile force concentrated fire on him, his platoon reached the cover of the crest. 2nd Lt. Craig was killed by enemy fire, but his intrepid action so inspired his men that they drove the enemy from the area, inflicting heavy casualties on the hostile force."

TOP RIGHT: Sgt. Alvin York during his 1919 press conference aboard the U.S.S. Ohioan.

BOTTOM RIGHT: Lt. Robert Craig was awarded the Medal of Honor following his actions in World War II.

BOTTOM: Medals of Honor for the Air Force (left), Army (center), and Navy (right)





Dates to celebrate those who serve

Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. military veterans on November 11. servicemen and women who are currently serving in the military. It is celebrated on 2017 by President Trump, this special observance marks the day that American troops left Vietnam, March 29, 1973. The 2012 proclamation also acknowledges what happened when these troops returned. "In one of the war's most profound tragedies, many of these men and women came home to be shunned or neglected — to face treatment unbefitting their courage and a welcome unworthy of their example. We must never let this happen again."

HAPPY VETERANS DAY

Memorial Day is the last Monday in May and honors

those who have died while in military service. Armed Forces Day is not a

Armed Forces Day is not a federal holiday but honors

the third Saturday in May. Vietnam Veterans Day is celebrated on March 29. With the proclamation by President Obama in 2012,

and then signed into law in

Veterans today: How many have served and how many are still alive?

From Staff Reports

The military men and women who serve and protect the United States come from all walks of life. They are parents, children, grandparents, friends, neighbors and coworkers, and are an important part of their communities. Here are some facts about the veteran population of the United States, according to some government sources. **19.2** million living veterans, from periods of war and peace.

- **16.1** million Americans served during World War II, **389,000** of whom are living.
- **8.7** million Vietnam veterans served, **6.2** million of whom are living.
- **2.2** million Desert Storm/Desert Shield veterans, **1.7** million of whom are living.
- **1.7** million of veterans of the Post-911 era are women.
- **1.3** million servicemen and women served in the Post-9/11 era (2001-2012).
- **41.9** million veterans, living or dead, who have served in wartime (1775-1991).

Sources: va.gov, census.gov, defense.gov.



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Women soldiers: Serving in the Armed Forces since nation's birth

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omen represent the fastest growing population in both military service and the veteran community.

Today, in greater numbers than ever, women are stepping up to serve in new, critical and formidable roles contributing to our nation's national security.

But women soldiers are not new to the military. In the history of our nation, women have served alongside men since the Revolutionary War. When militias were forming and Gen. Washington's army was gaining numbers, mothers, wives, sisters and daughters accompanied their men, performing many of the service roles they would do at home-laundry, mending, cooking, tending to the sick.

Women became part of the victory, either by acting as spies or disguising themselves as men and fighting in the battles.

During the Civil War, women's military roles expanded. The role of battlefield nurse was formalized, and many women fought on both sides of the conflict.

By April 1917 during WWI, the U.S. Army Nurse Corps formally established in 1901

- had 403 nurses in its active duty ranks. But by June 1918, just over a year later, there were more than 3,000 American nurses deployed to British-operated hospitals in France. Conditions were often dangerously close to battlefronts, and while women could not vote, they were now serving openly in military service.

During this time, the "war at home" provided an opportunity for women to break out of traditional nursing and domestic military service. They began to replace the men who went overseas in much needed jobs such as radio and telegraph operators, translators and other clerical duties. The Navy enlisted 12,000 "yeomanettes."

When WWII began, men were sent overseas creating openings for non-combat stateside jobs. At this point, all four branches of the Armed Forces had women in their ranks, who some 350,000 served in uniform in that war.

Army: The Army formed the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, or WAACs, which was later renamed and restructured to form the active duty Women's Army Corps, the WACS. The branch also formed the Army's Women Airforce Service Pilots, called

WASPS.

■ Navy: The Navy formed the Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service, WAVES.

■ Marine Corps: The Marines enlisted women in the Marine Corps Women's Reserve.

■ Coast Guard: The Coast Guard formed the Women's Reserve, SPARS, which stood for the Coast Guard motto - Semper Paratus - "Always Ready.

In addition to clerical and medical jobs, women worked in cryptology, they drove trucks, they flew airplanes, they rigged parachutes and they trained their male counterparts in aerial combat tactics.

But in WWII, women also served overseas in hazardous duty. Some 57,000 women worked in the Army Nurses Corps. In total, 432 women were killed in the line of service during World War II and 88 were taken as POWs.

During the Korean War, some 120,000 women were serving in active duty positions from 1950-1953. Although they could not serve in combat, they undertook new roles such as military police officers or engineers.

The Vietnam War saw the expansion of women's roles in the Armed Forces, allowing them to train for more technical jobs such as air traffic controllers and intelligence officers. By 1972, women were able to be promoted and even to command units that included men.

Since the Vietnam War, there have been many "firsts" for women as the military opportunities expanded, but soon it became routine for women to serve, to receive promotions and medals, to work in roles traditionally done by men.

By 2013, the ban on women serving in direct combat areas was lifted. By 2015, women in combat positions were in full force, opening up thousands of jobs for women in the military, including the opportunity to train and qualify as Navy SEALs and Army Rangers.

More than 300,000 women have served in Iraq and Afghanistan since 9/11, and more than 9,000 have earned Combat Action Badges.

Today, women make up 16% of our nation's Armed Forces, proudly serving in every branch of the U.S. military.

Source: uso.org



U.S. ARMY PHOTO BY ELIZABETH FRASER / ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY U.S. Army Sgt. 1st Class Chelsea Porterfield, Sergeant of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, renders honors during a Presidential Armed Forces Full Honor Wreath-Laying Ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier; Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia, Nov. 11, 2020.

Five ways to thank a veteran all year long

BY JAY ANN COX Staff Writer

group has regular speakers it meetings, invite a veteran cal centers and duty stations. Use veteran-owned businesses or veteran entrepreneurs for goods and services. If you own a business or are responsible for purchasing decisions, consider adding these businesses to your supply chain.



The U.S. is indeed a grateful nation. A 2019 survey by the Cohen Veterans Network with the Harris Poll showed that 91% of civilians have thanked a service member. However, nearly half of the veterans and active duty service members polled (49%) were uneasy when told "thank you for your service." Mostly, they were uncomfortable because they were unsure how to respond to civilian thanks.

Here are some ideas for how to support veterans and bridge that awkward gap that might be caused by the very best intentions.

1. Ask about their duties in the military, where they have been stationed and when they served. And then listen. It's as easy as striking up a conversation with any other stranger.

2. If your club or civic

to speak at the event. Veterans have great experience with crisis management and leadership, and maybe some funny stories to boot.

3. Hire a veteran or a military spouse for your business. Supporting military families through gainful employment helps active-duty spouses keep their skills sharp and provides veterans with that leg-up in the job market after their service.

4. Donate your time, money and even your frequent flier miles. Local veterans and wounded warrior organizations might need legal or accounting pro bono hours. Many groups have raffles, auctions, BBQs that benefit veterans as well as their community. Check into the Hero Miles program at Fisher House (fisherhouse.org), which helps veterans and their families with transportation between home, medi-

Despite the unease some may feel when thanked, veterans have a definite need for validation of the sacrifice - for all the missed holidays, soccer games, school plays and anniversaries; for the loss of limbs and eyes; for the bones broken and comrades lost. So if all you have at the moment is "thanks for your service and sacrifice,' go ahead and say it. It will be appreciated.

During an inspiring speech several years ago, former Green Beret John Wayne Walding, a wounded veteran, said his response to "thank you" is to simply reply 'you're welcome. You, and this country, are worth it."





November 11, 1919 U.S. President Woodrow Wilson addresses the nation on first "Armistice Day."



November 11, 1918 11:00 p.m.

The Great War (WWI) is formally ended when armistice with Germany was signed.

May 13, 1938 Congress passes law to make November 11 a holiday "to be dedicated to the cause of world peace... known as 'Armistice Day.'

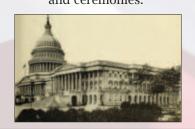
June 1, 1954 Congress passes law, replacing "Armistice" with "Veterans" for the national holiday, at the urging of veterans organizations.



1978 Veterans Day is moved back to November 11 and becomes a day to honor all who have served.



June 24, 1926 Congress adopts resolution for annual presidential proclamations and ceremonies.



WWII veteran Edmund Weeks leads delegation to extend Armistice Day to all veterans, not just those of WWI.

1945

1971 Veterans Day moves to the fourth Monday of October, in line with the Uniform Monday Holiday Act.

SOLDIER'S CREED

- I am an American Soldier.
- I am a warrior and a member of a team.
- I serve the people of the United States and live the Army Values.
- I will always place the mission first.
- I will never accept defeat.
- I will never quit.
- I will never leave a fallen comrade.
- I am disciplined, physically and mentally tough, trained and proficient in my warrior tasks and drills.
- I always maintain my arms, my equipment and myself.
- I am an expert and I am a professional.
- I stand ready to deploy, engage, and destroy, the enemies of the United States of America in close combat.
- I am a guardian of freedom and the American way of life.
- I am an American Soldier.

SAILOR'S CREED

- I am a United States Sailor.
- I will support and defend the **Constitution of the United States of** America, and I will obey the orders of those appointed over me.
- I represent the fighting spirit of the Navy and those who have gone before me to defend freedom and democracy around the world.
- I proudly serve my country's Navy combat team with Honor, Courage and **Commitment.**
- I am committed to excellence and the fair treatment of all.

AIRMAN'S CREED

- I am an American Airman.
- I am a Warrior.
- I have answered my Nation's call.
- I am an American Airman.
- My mission is to Fly, Fight, and Win

MARINE RIFLE CREED

My Rifle – The Creed of a United States Marine This creed, accredited to Major General William H. Rupertus, USMC (deceased), is still taught to Marines undergoing basic training at the Recruit Depots at San Diego and Parris Island. It was first published in the San Diego Marine Corps Chevron, March 14, 1942.

- This is my rifle. There are many like it, but this one is mine.
- My rifle is my best friend. It is my life. I must master it as I must master my life. My rifle, without me, is useless. Without my rifle, I am useless. I must fire my rifle true. I must shoot straighter than my enemy who is trying to kill me. I must shoot him before he shoots me. I will ... My rifle and myself know that what counts in this war is not the rounds we fire, the noise of our burst, nor the smoke we make. We know that it is the hits that count. We will hit.... My rifle is human, even as I, because it is my life. Thus, I will learn it as a brother. I will learn its weaknesses, its strength, its parts, its accessories, its sights and its barrel. I will ever guard it against the ravages of weather and damage as I will ever guard my legs, my arms, my eyes and my heart against damage. I will keep my rifle clean and ready. We will become part of each other. We will Before God, I swear this creed. My rifle and myself are the defenders of my country. We are the masters of our enemy. We are the saviors of my life. So be it, until victory is America's and there is no enemy, but peace!
- I am faithful to a Proud Heritage,
- A Tradition of Honor,
- And a Legacy of Valor.
- I am an American Airman.
- **Guardian of Freedom and Justice,**
- My Nation's Sword and Shield,
- Its Sentry and Avenger.
- I defend my Country with my Life.
- I am an American Airman.
- Wingman, Leader, Warrior.
- I will never leave an Airman behind,
- I will never falter,
- And I will not fail.



From our family at the Gatesville Messenger, **Thank you, Veterans!**

