CYPRESS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

2026 Veterans Day Roll of Honor

Honored by the Aftosmes Family (Mrs. Kimberly Aftosmes)

Michael Aftosmes, Sr. | Corporal | Marines | 1981-1985

Michael Aftosmes, Jr. | Sergeant | Marines | 2013-present

Honored by the Ahrendt Family (Molly)

Carl Ahrendt | Specialist |Army | Four years
Served in the first Gulf War (Operation Desert Storm) and Somalia (Operation Restore Hope)

Honored by the Alburtis Family (Jackson, Cali)

Javier Lugo | CPL | Marines | 1966-1969
Vietnam Veteran, Lima Co, 3rd Battalion 9th Marines, Purple Heart recipient, Operation Buffalo and others

Honored by the Almonte Family (Jacob, Grace, Luke)

Erich Almonte | Major | Army | 2005-2014
Iraq and Afghanistan

Jennifer Almonte | Lt Col | Air Force | 2003-present

Honored by the Bailey Family (Hudson, Georgia)

Richard Black | Private PE1 | Army | 2004-2009
Served honorably as a combat medic during Operation Iraqi Freedom

Honored by the Bandstra Family (Isabelle)

Jodfrey Bandstra | E6 | Navy | 1999-2009
Served in Operation Enduring Freedom

Honored by the Bates Family (Royce, Briggs, Hollis)

Marques Bates | Corporal | Marines | 1999-2007
Served in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (2005)

Willie Tucker | Army

Honored by the Baumgarten Family (Nadja, Liesel, Gretel)

William Lange | Colonel | Marines | 1967-1996
Vietnam War

Honored by the Belanger Family (Matthew, Philip, Jane)

Jon Belanger | E-4 | Marines | 1987-1990

Philip Belanger | Captain | Army | 1943-1945
Served in Army Air Corps in the Pacific Theater of WWII

Raul Morales | Marines

Steven Napier | Marines

Ferdinand Peik | Corporal | Army | 1917-1918

Honored by the Benningfield Family (Ava, Brock)

Israel Aguilar | Army
Served in Vietnam War

Trinidad Salazar, Sr. | Air Force

Honored by the Bickle Family (Mason)

Jerry Bickle | Air Force

Stan Bickle | Captain | Air Force | 1991-1996

Honored by the Bienko Family (Dillon ('21), Katelyn)

Alex Bienko | E4 | Navy | 1962-1968
Radio Man

Honored by the Boerboom Family (Jaden, Clara, Aniah, Amara, Jacie, Mr. Eric Boerboom)

Steve Boerboom | E-5 | Navy | 1968-1972
Bob Yost | Spec 4 | Army | 1972-1975

Honored by the Boul Family (Carter, Ce Ce)

Jonathan Boul | E5 | Navy | 1996-2002
Nuclear Submarine, Veteran of Foreign Wars, was in Kosovo, Qualified Submarines

Honored by the Brechler (Faith, Mrs. Patricia Brechler)

Steve Brechler | Staff Sergeant | Army | 2010-2023
Three deployments to Afghanistan

Honored by the Brewer Family (Jordan)

Jartavian Jordan | Senior Airman | Air Force | 2014-2018

Honored by the Brinkmeyer Family (Briella, Ava)

Rob Brinkmeyer | Navy | 1994-1998

Honored by the Brown Family (John ('09), Taylor ('11), Mrs. Robin Brown)

John Brown | Seaman | Navy | 1940-1943
Served in Pearl Harbor after December 7, 1941; Grandfather of John ('09) and Taylor ('11) Brown

Taylor Brown | Petty Officer 2nd Class | Navy | 2016-present
US Navy Diver First Class and son of CCS school nurse Robin Brown; Taylor is based in Honolulu, Hawaii and is currently on deployment.

Corbet Taylor | Coxswain | Coast Guard | 1942-1945
Father of CCS school nurse Robin Brown; Grandfather of John ('09) and Taylor ('11) Brown

Honored by the Brown Family (Kellan, Lleyton, Julian)

Roy Brown | First Lieutenant | Air Force | 1941-1942
World War II Fighter Pilot

Donald Jones | Navy | 1944-1946

Stephen White | Lieutenant | Navy | 1970-1973
Service medal entitlement: Vietnam Service Medal with Bronze Star attached, National Defense Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device

Honored by the Brown Family (Rachel, Hunter)

Tom English | Specialist | Army | 1970-1972
Wheel Vehicle Mechanic

Tim M. Brown | Sergeant (E-5) | Army | 1969-1971
Vietnam War – Infantry Tour

Honored by the Buzell Family (Kylie, Brady)

Sidney Bennett | Staff Sergeant | Air Force | 1942-1945
US Army Air Corps WWII, 1944-1945 German POW, Shot down by fighters and crashed near Belgium and was prisoner of war (POW) for 16 months.

Honored by the Campbell Family (Kobe)

Tim De Anda | E8/1SG | Army | 1981-2005
Battles: Desert Storm, Just Cause – Panama, Operation Iraqi Freedom; Special Commendation: Bronze Star

Honored by the Choi Family (Jesse, JJ)

Thomas Boyd | First Lieutenant | Army | 1966-1968

Joseph Choi | Captain | Marines | 1999-2004

Honored by the Clinton Family (Caden ('24), Brielle)

George Clinton | Air Force | 1966-1970

Honored by the Connelly Family (Avery ('25), Jackson)

Lupe Gonzalez | Army | 1968-1971

Honored by the Collier Family (Savannah)

Arnold Petersen | PFC | Army | 1957-1959

Honored by the Crozier Family (Catherine ('10), Daniel ('13), John ('16), Olivia ('17), Mrs. Julie Crozier)

John Crozier | Staff Sergeant | Marines | 2019-present

Roger Daniel Mitchell | First Lieutenant | Marines | 1961-1964
Cuban Missile Crisis

Honored by the Daigle Family (Addison, Olivia)

Phillip Sickinger | Lieutenant Colonel | Army | 1965-1994

Honored by the DeLongchamp Family (Lucas, Bennett)

Charles DeLongchamp Sr. | Private First Class | Army | 1943-1946

Charles (Bob) DeLongchamp Jr. | Captain | Army | 1969-1972

Charles DeLongchamp III | Lieutenant Colonel | Air Force | 1998-present

Claude Donaldson | Lieutenant Colonel | Army | 1948-1969

Honored by the Dziubarczyk Family (Aleah ('25), Merick, Mrs. Cam Dziubarczyk)

Jordan Dziubarczyk | E3 Gunner's Mate | Navy | 2014-present

Honored by the Elgie Family (Mr. Todd Elgit)
Rick Mock | Marines | 1953-1958
Father-in-law of CCS employee Todd Elgie.

Honored by the Escamilla Family (Mrs. Tanya Escamilla)

Ralph Gregory Messenger | E4 Specialist | Army | 1968-1970
Served in Vietnam War

Honored by the Exum Family (Allison, Elizabeth, Jude, Mrs. Adrienne Exum)

Jason Exum | Lieutenant Colonel | Air Force | 1998-present

Honored by the Feigleson Family (Dean, Luke, Sloane)

Harry Feigleson, Jr. | Commander | Coast Guard | 1950-1970
CDR Feigleson's distinguished career in the Coast Guard included notable appointments as Commanding Officer of the USCG Calhoun in Galveston, TX and USCG Acacia in Port Huron, MI. Following retirement from active duty, he worked with the US Navy at the Pentagon and in a unique post-Cold War assignment, he captained a Soviet East German vessel on behalf of the Navy - a testament to his adaptability and expertise. He was awarded a bronze star and an expert pistol medal. He was laid to rest this year in Arlington National Cemetery.

Honored by the Ferrell Family (Max, Reagan, Mrs. Jill Ferrell)

Joe Schultea | Petty Officer Second Officer | Navy | 1950-1954

Honored by the Fields Family (Cade ('25), Colton)

Mark Fields | Sergeant | Marines | 2006-present

David Gray | VF-101 Grim Reapers | Navy | 1989-1993
Aviation Electrician and Plane Captain on F-14 Tomcats

David Higginbotham | Navy | E4 | 1965-1968

Honored by the Fivecoat Family (Brandon ('24), Addie)

Phillip Fivecoat | O5 – Lt Col | Army | 1991-2022

Honored by the Fransen Family (Audrey ('25), Sophie ('26))

Mike Fransen | CPT | Army | 1999-2004
Commissioned as an officer after attending the United States Military Academy; deployed to Kosovo in 2001 and worked with NATO; worked at the Defense Intelligence Agency for final two years of military service

Honored by the Gaines Family (Garner, Brady, Breck)

Hilmar Schlichting | Master Sergeant | Air Force | 1938-1970
Army & Air Force. Tour of duty-several different U.S. bases, German and Japan. Served in the Korean War

Honored by the Gates/Van Rieg Family (Oliver, Matthew, Jessica Gates ('06), Michelle Stanton ('08), Mr. John Van Rieg)

Ruben Cantu | Navy
Served in the Korean War, Oliver and Matthew's great-uncle

Colin Davis | Marines
Oliver and Matthew's third cousin

Andrew Eckhardt | Master Sergeant | Marines
Served in Iraq and was on the last plane to leave Iraq in 2021; he brought home the last U.S. flag to fly over the Marine base; the flag with donated to the Smithsonian; Oliver and Matthew's third cousin

Gilbert Gerritsen | Army
Served in WWII; died of heat stroke while in a Texas Base Camp for training

Christina Gutierrez | Air Force
Oliver and Matthew's third cousin

Jasper Haveman | Army
Served in the U.S. in WWII; Oliver's great-great-great-uncle

Jaime Francisco Hernandez | Army
Oliver and Matthew's third cousin

Martin J. Herrema | Army
Served in the U.S. in WWII; Oliver and Matthew's great-great-great-uncle

Garrett Locke | Army
Oliver and Matthew's third cousin

Maria Olivia Martinez | Petty Officer First Class | Navy
Oliver and Matthew's third cousin

Benjamin J. Noteboom | Army
Served in the Philippines in WWII; Oliver and Matthew's great-great-great-uncle

Clarence Noteboom | Private First Class | Army | 1944-1945
Served as rifleman and scout in the 417th infantry regiment, 76th division, company F; died in combat February 9, 1945; awarded Purple Heart posthumously

Peter J. Noteboom | Army
Served in Germany in WWII; Oliver and Matthew's great-great-great-uncle

Walter J. Noteboom | Army
Served in the U.S. in WWII; Oliver and Matthew's great-great-great-uncle

Abe Optholt | Army
Served in the U.S. in WWII; Oliver and Matthew's great-great-great-uncle

Nora Ortiz Palmer | Sergeant | Air Force
Served for six and one-half years in the Persian Gulf War; Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

Felix Reyes Sr. | Army
Served in WWII, Oliver and Matthew's great-uncle

Felix Reyes Jr. | Army
Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

Alex Rodriguez | Navy
Served in the Korean War; Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

Edward Rodriguez | Navy
Navy band; Oliver and Matthe's great-uncle

Edward Rodriguez Jr. | Marines
Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

Gregorio Rodriguez | Marines
Served in WWII; Oliver and Matthew's great-great-uncle

Irma Rodriguez | Marines
Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

John Sanchez Rodriguez | Corporal | Marines
Served in the Korean War, Oliver and Matthew's great-grandfather

Jose Rodriguez | Marines
Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

Joseph Rodriguez | Marines
Oliver's third cousin

Juan Rodriquez | Corporal | Marines
Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

Mariano Rodriguez | Navy
Oliver and Matthew's great uncle

Nora Rodriguez | Navy
Served in the Vietnam War; served for 20 years; Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

Paul Rodriguez | Navy
Oliver and Matthew's great uncle

Rebecca Chantel Rodriguez | Navy
Served for 20 years as a career registered nurse; Oliver and Matthew's third cousin

Seferino Rodriguez | Sergeant | Marines
Served for 14 years in the Vietnam War; Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

Dr. Vincent Rodriguez | Air Force
Dental assistant; Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

Macario Sanchez | Lance Corporal | Marines
Served in the U.S. in the Vietnam War; Oliver and Matthew's second cousin

Alan H. Sherwood | Gunner's Mate Starboard Bow | Navy
Served as Navy Aircraft Gunner on the battleship USS Texas; injured during Normandy invasion when the ship was hit by ground cannons; Oliver's great-great-uncle

Chris Van Beek | PVT | Army | 1944
Served as light machine gunner, 134th infantry regiment, 35th infantry division, company E; died in combat on December 31, 1944, at age 19; Purple Heart awarded posthumously; Oliver and Matthew's great-great-great-uncle

Gerald Van Beek | PFC | Army | 1955-1961
Served in company C, 9th infantry, heavy weapons infantry, Yukon Command, Alaska; served in Army Ski Patrol; Oliver and Matthew's great-grandfather

Kenneth Van Beek | Captain | Army | 1980-1995
Served in the 49th armored division, HHC, Austin, Texas, Oliver and Matthew's great-uncle

Honored by the Geyer Family (Robert ('14), Christopher ('16), Kayla; Daniel Galloway ('02), Cody Galloway ('04), Brandon Galloway ('10), Andrew Galloway ('12))

Andrew Galloway | Specialist E4 | Army | 2014-2018

Robert Geyer | Sergeant | Marines | 2015-2019
Actively served until March 2019 and served in the Marine Reserves until 2021

Honored by the Giuffre Family (Carra)

Richard Giuffre | Sergeant E-5 | Army | 1957-1965

Honored by the Granato Family (Gia ('23), Olivia)

Terry Finkbiner | Colonel | Army | 1965-1992
Terry was commissioned out of college as a Second Lieutenant in the Army, Armor. He served in active duty from 1965-67, stationed in Germany. He then served in the active reserves from 1967-1992. He had assignments in Ohio, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas and Kentucky.

Ernest Granato Jr. | Lieutenant Colonel | Army | 1954-1965
Ernie was commissioned out of college as a Second Lieutenant in the Army, Artillery. He served in active duty from 1954-1957, stationed in Germany. He then served in the active reserves from 1957-1968.

Honored by the Griffiths Family (Mrs. Alicia Griffiths)

Charles Griffiths, Jr. | E4 | Navy | 1993-1996
Desert Shield

Honored by the Gwyn Family (Elizabeth ('16), Avery ('18), Lydia ('24), Mrs. Lisa Gwyn)

Richard Giuffre | Sergeant E-5 | Army | 1957-1965

Ken Gwyn | Staff Sergeant E-5 | Air Force | 1966-1969

Honored by the Hards Family (Oliver, Lucy)

Darrell (DJ) Donaldson | Sergeant | Army | 2006-2010

Honored by the Harper Family (Kiran ('24), Jacob, Jonathan)

Mike Harper | E4, Jet Engine Mechanic | Air Force | 1970-1972

Larry Shelton | Boilerman Third Class E4 | Navy | 1960-1964

Honored by the Haynes Family (Elise)

Jeremy Haynes | Sergeant | Army | 2001-2011
Served 4 years in Korea as a Korean language translator. Served one tour with the 5th Special Forces Group during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Honored by the Heller Family (Chase ('02), Rachel ('02), Camryn, Hayley)

Michael Ash | Corporal | Marines | 2004-2008
Camryn and Hayley's uncle

Andrew Grimm | SSGT | Air Force | 2017-2021
Camryn and Hayley's cousin

Patrick Grimm | Master Sergeant | Army | 2003-present
Special Forces (Green Beret) Attaché to C Co 1/19th SFG (A); Camryn and Hayley's uncle

Jeff Heller | E4 | Navy | 1974-1977
Camryn and Hayley's grandfather

Larry Heller | E6 | Navy | 1982-1987
Camryn and Hayley's great-uncle

Doyle Pruitt | Corporal | Army | 1952-1953
Camryn and Hayley's great-grandfather

Honored by the Hicks Family (Riley, Randi)

Chad Barton | MA2 | Navy | 2000-2006
Operation Enduring Freedom

Ralph Girdner | Colonel | Army
West Point Class of 1952, Master Paratrooper, Served in WWII, Korea, Vietnam and the Panama Canal zone.

Randy Reich| Navy | Class of 1973
American Spirit Honor Medal Recipient

Caissius Viator | Army | 1939-1946
Served as translator, interpreter and paramedic for the US Army during WWII

Honored by the Holleman Family (Dylan)

Jimmy Holleman | Sergeant | Air Force | 1968-1972
Served in the Vietnam War period, Passed away June 2026

Honored by the Hosea Family (Jaxon, Delaney)

Robert Hosea | Corporal E4 | Army | 2003-2009
82nd Airborne Division

Honored by the Hoyle Family (Micah)

Jeanette Segovia-Hoyle | SPC | Army | 2006-2008

Kyle Hoyle | SPC | Army | 2006-2010

Benjamin Segovia | SSG | Army | 2016-2023, 2023-present | Navy Reserve

Joe Segovia | MSG | Army |1997-2012

Peter Segovia | SPC | Army |1997-2023
2011-2016 Army Reserve | 2016-present Air National Guard

Honored by the Hunt Family (Jameson, Jaxtyn)

Joshua Hunt | Major | Marines | 2007-present
Joshua Hunt, uncle to Jameson Hunt, is attached to the 25th Marine Regment serving as the Tactical Communications Officer, based out of Fort Devens, MA. Uncle Joshua served eight years active duty, serving several tours overseas, and now serves in the reserves. Uncle Joshua is currently attending Command & Staff College at Joint Air Reserve Base, Fort Worth, TX.

Honored by the Jenkins Family (Annabelle)

William Jenkins | Chief Warrant Officer Two | Army | 2002-2022
Veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom (three campaign stars), Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Resolute Support and Operation Inherent Resolve. Recipient of Military Intelligence Knowlton Award.

Honored by the Joseph Family (Danyel)

Darryl Joseph | Sergeant E5 | Army | 1979-1986

Harry Joseph | Corporal E4 | Army | 1979-1986

John Joseph | Staff Sergeant E6 | Army | 1979-1992

Junius Joubert | Private | Army | 1945 | World War II

Honored by the Kahanek Family (Ethan-Ray, Alianah-Grace)

Raymond Allen Kahanek | Sergeant (Expert Marksman) | Coast Guard | 1963-1969

Honored by the Kohout Family (Carter, Mr. Adam Kohout)

William "Bill" Brown | Chief Petty Officer | Navy | 1958-1987

Honored by the Klapesky Family (Reece, Blake, Sage, Mr. Joey Klapesky)

Robert Morales | Marines

Honored by the Kreitz Family (Kiley ('23), Caden ('26))

Marshall Boyd Bailey Jr. | Sergeant | Air Force | 1947-1950

Bill Benthal | Navy | 1943-1949
Served in WWII

Doyle W. Braxton | Private First Class | Army | 1947-1949
Served in Korea

William Thomas Dilworth | Sergeant | Army | 1947-1950

Leslie Estes | Third Class Engineman | Navy | 1953-1957
Served in Korean War

Finn Kelly | Lance Corporal | Marines | 2018-present

Bob Guy Mitchell | Navy | 1955-1975

Don Mitchell | Tech Sergeant | Air Force | 1953-1980
Served in the Vietnam War in Greenland

Honored by the Kyrish Family (Brooklyn ('25), Landon)

Danny Carraway | Petty Officer Third Class | Navy | 1960-1963 Aircraft carrier USS Constellation

Honored by the Laidlaw Family (Reagan, Faith, Elyse, Jovi, Mr. Chris Laidlaw)

Johnny Bailey | Sgt | Marines | 2004-2014
Four combat deployments – Iraq (2), Afghanistan (2)

Eddie Lakey | Private | Army | 1967

Jame E. Tucker | Sergeant E-7 | Marines | 1951-1971
WWII Victory Medal, Korean Service Medal, UN Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Korean PUC, two Navy Unit Citations

Honored by the Lavergne Family (Joseph)

Barry Page | Sergeant First Class | Army | 1999-2019

Honored by the Layman Family (Grayson)

Dillon Layman | Captain | Marines | 2016-2020

Honored by the Layton Family (Gray ('25), Owen, Kie, Dr. Mary Layton)

Kenneth Turner | Sergeant E-4 | Air Force | 1968-1972
C-130 Crew Chief

Honored by the Leamons Family (Kyle ('25), Emily ('25), Ryan, Mrs. Mary Reynolds)

Roy Leamons | Corporal | Marines | 1966-1967
National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Sharpshooter Badge - Rifle

Honored by the LeSpade Family (Isabella)

Orval Lee Bradley | Lieutenant | Navy | 1950-1956

Honored by the Leyrer Family (Michelle, Aiden)

Ronald Riede | Lieutenant | Marines | 1963-1968
Awarded Silver Star in Vietnam; rescued Marines from a downed helicopter while they were under attack

Honored by the Ligon Family (Jett, Jay)

Frank Ligon | Officer | Air Force | 1966-1968

Honored by the Limon Family (Eli, Emi)

Joe Limon | SP4 | Army | 1966-1967

Honored by the Lindholm Family (Eli, Cam, Claire)

John Sheffield | Tech Sergeant | Army | 1943-1945
Cold War, United States Army Artillery (Pershing missile command nuclear weapons), New Ulm, Germany, National Defense Medal, Good Conduct Medal

Johnny Sheffield | Sergeant | Army | 1969-1971
Army Air Corp, 381st Bomb Group, Ridgewell Airfield, Essex, England, B-17 Waist Gunner, 35 missions over Germany

Honored by the Maclin Family (Aniston)

Sherre Maclin | Major | Air Force | 1991-2014

Honored by the Macune Family (Daniel ('19), John ('21), Grace ('22))

John Farmer | Captain | Marines | World War II

Chuck Macune | Captain | Army | 1992-1999
United States Military Academy, Class of 1992

Daniel Macune | Cadet | Army | 2019-present
United States Military Academy, Class of 2022

John Macune | Cadet | Army | 2021-present
United States Military Academy, Class of 2025

Grace Macune | Cadet | Army | 2022-present
United States Military Academy, Class of 2026

Honored by the Malone Family (Paxton, Maddox)

Bill Benthal | Navy | 1943-1949
Served in WWII

Doyle W. Braxton | Private First Class | Army | 1947-1949
Served in Korea

William Thomas Dilworth | Sergeant | Army | 1947-1950

Leslie Estes | Third Class Engineman | Navy | 1953-1957
Served in Korean War

Finn Kelly | Lance Corporal | Marines | 2018-present

Bob Guy Mitchell | Navy | 1955-1975

Don Mitchell | Tech Sergeant | Air Force | 1953-1980
Served in the Vietnam War in Greenland

Honored by the Marsh Family (Penelope)

Ryan Marsh | SPC | Army | 2002-2006
Airborne Infantry, Operation Iraqi Freedom

Honored by the Martin Family (Katie ('26), Maddison, Samuel)

Franklin David | Master Sergeant | Army | 1940-1964
Served in World War II and the Korean War; three Bronze Stars for bravery in battle

Jess Martin | Staff Sergeant | Army | 1958-1964
Served in Germany and Vietnam; Special Forces

Honored by the McCartney Family (Andrew ('20), Ashlyn ('23), Luke, Mrs. Crystal McCartney)

Edward McCartney | Staff Sergeant | Air Force | 1967-1975
SSGT Edward McCartney served in Vietnam at Tan Son Nhut Air Base, just outside Saigon, So. Vietnam. He was an aircraft mechanic and worked on the RF-4 Phantom Jets. These planes were reconnaissance aircraft. His tour of duty was from 1969-1970.

John Pearson | Staff Sergeant | Air Force | 1957-1966
SSGT John Pearson served in intelligence in Turkey, Greece, and Germany, as well as stateside.

Honored by the McClintock Family (Evangeline, William)

Raymond Brooke | First Class Petty Officer | Navy | 1942-1945
Ray was on the USS Prichett in the Pacific during WWII, specifically in and around Okinawa and Japan. While on the USS Prichett, the ship received the Navy Citation Medal.

Thomas Brooke | Specialist 4 | Army | 1976-1982
Texas Army National Guard, Airborne Division

Samuel K. Davis, Jr. | Torpedoman's Mate First Class | Navy | 1943-1946
Keith served during WWII on the USS Damon M. Cummings, a destroyer escort around Okinawa and on the USS Benner, a destroyer in and around the Pacific and Japanese Islands. He received the Asiatic Pacific 2 Stars and Victory Medal. Keith was also in Tokyo Bay when the Japanese surrendered, which ended WWII.

Honored by the McCown Family (Maddie, Caroline)

Carl Accardo | Specialist 4 | Army | 1961-1967

Marshall Roach | Petty Officer Second Class | Navy | 1966-1968
During the Tet Offensive, Marshall served on the USS Persistent, a minesweeper ship.

Honored by the McGee Family (Maverik, McKenna)

Justin McGee | Sergeant | Marines | 2008-2014

Honored by the McIsaac Family (Claire, Molly)

Michael Carey | Corporal | Marines | 1997-2000

Honored by the McKnight Family (Chris ('17), Maddy ('26), Ms. Christine McKnight)

James Searson | Master Sergeant | Air Force | 1967-1987
He lived a life dedicated to his Lord, his family, and his country.

Honored by the McLees Family (Isabella)

Michael McLees | E4 | Navy | 1983-1986

Honored by the McMurray Family (Emily)

Perry Brock | First Sargent | Air Force | 21 years

Deborah Brock | Sargent | Air Force | 4 years

Honored by the Mei Family (Olivia, Sophia)

William Webster | Master Sergeant | Air Force | 1959-1979
Served 12 months in Vietnam during war. Earned the following Medals: National Defense, Vietnam Service, RVN Gallantry Cross, USAF Good Conduct, Combat Service, Outstanding Unit, Expert Marksmanship, TET Campaign, American Defense

Honored by the Meske Family (Beckett)

Fletcher Browne | Staff Sergeant | Army | 1942-1945
Army of the United States Air Corp

Honored by the Miller Family (Emmy, Knox, Nash)

Bill Gattis | SP5 | Army | 1957-1962
Honored by the Milstead Family (Ashley ('14), Ms. Beverly Milstead)

Sam Weido | Sergeant | Army | 1952-1954

Landon R. Meekma | Sergeant | Army | 2013-present
Stationed Ft. Drum, NY 2013-2018; currently in the Texas National Guard

Honored by the Morgan Family (Ryan ('12), Ms. Becky Morgan)

Becky Morgan | Sergeant E-5 | Army | 1982-1994

Bryce Morgan | Staff Sergeant | Air Force | 2016-present
Currently in recruiting in Indiana

Scott Morgan | Sergeant E-5 | Army | 1983-1990

Max Ryan | Navy | 1947-1949

Honored by the Moya Family (Elias)

Abel Garcia | Seaman | Navy | 2014-2018
Served his country with honor and valor as a Master at Arms (military police) during his enlistment

Rigo Lopez | Sergeant | Army | 2000-2008
Served his country with honor and valor during a tour in Iraq in 2003; he received an honorable discharge and the following awards: Army Commendation Medal (2), Army Achievement Medal (3), US Navy/USMC Presidential Citation Medal, Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Non-Commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Driver/Mechanic Badge

Veronica Moya | Senior Airman | Air Force | 2003-2007
Served her country with honor and valor during a tour in Iraq in 2007; she received an honorable discharge and the following awards: Army Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, AF Outstanding Unit Award with one OLC, Iraq Campaign Ribbon, Meritorious Unit Award, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Air Force Longevity Service Award with Gold Border, Enlisted Medical Badge

Honored by the Mullins Family (Chris ('16), Mrs. Geraldine Mullins)

Joe Mullins | Marines

Honored by the Murray Family (Macy ('24), Marley ('25), Maddy Kate)

Paul Bellow Sr. | Marines | Iwo Jima

Corbett Boaz | Combat Engineer | Marines

Victor Raymond Imbornone | Army | Operation Iraqi Freedom 2004-2005

Chris Reed | US Navy Corpsman | Navy

Scott Reed | Petty Officer Third Class | Navy | 1966-1970
Petty Officer Reed was aboard the USS Enterprise #65, the world's first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier for three years during the Vietnam War. Reed was part of the damage control when the Enterprise had a series of bomb explosions off the coast of Hawaii in 1969, killing 27, injuring 314 and destroying 15 aircraft.

Tim Reed | Cavalry Scout (Iran, Afghanistan) | Army

Honored by the Murrill Family (Heather ('17), Matthew ('20), Jackson ('22), Ms. Jennifer Murrill)

Joe Murrill | Petty Officer Second Class | Navy | 1961-1965

Honored by the Novotny Family (Calvin ('14), Clayton ('16))

Calvin Novotny | CPL | Army | 2014-2019
Airborne Ranger, 2nd Battalion/75th Ranger Regiment

Clayton Novotny | SPC | Army | 2016-2021
Airborne Ranger, 2nd Battalion/75th Ranger Regiment

Stephen Novotny | Captain | Army | 1990-1998
1990-1993 Active Duty 5th Infantry Division/2nd Armored Division; 1993-1998 Reserves

Honored by the Oliverson Family (Aiden (23), Logan ('26), Emma, Mrs. Jennifer Oliverson)

Raymond Oliverson | Captain | Air Force | 1966-1971
RF-4C Pilot, 38th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron

Honored by the Overton Family (Landen ('19), Mallory ('22), Mrs. Tania Overton)

Zack Zills | E5-Sergeant | Army | 2005-2014

Honored by the Pereira Family (Eisley, Travis, Mrs. Lorraine Pereira)

Scott Q. Larson | Specialist | Army | 2002-2004
Killed in action in 2004 during Operation Iraqi Freedom

Ray Pereira | Corporal/Specialist 4 – 1st Infantry Armored Cavalry | Army | 1973-1975

Honored by the Petrowski Family (Audrey ('26), Lauren)

Kelly Englund | Major | Air Force
Served in Iraq as a Medical Doctor

Honored by the Petru Families (Caroline ('20), Addison ('23), Claire ('24), Grayson ('25), Paige ('25), Audrey)

R.V. Henry Fields | Sergeant | Army | 1941-1944
Served in the infantry; fought in Germany

William Higgins | Army | 1943-1947
Fought in WWII and was part of three major battles in the Pacific

James Ward | Navy | 1942-1944

Honored by the Pletts Family (Stella)

Jesse D. Pletts | Major | Marines | 2002-2015
Marine Special Operations – Raider | 2002–2015

Major Pletts served 13 years as a Marine Corps officer, beginning his career in artillery and completing five deployments, including combat deployments to Afghanistan and Iraq in support of the Global War on Terror. While serving as the Officer Recruiter for Dallas/Fort Worth, he was recognized as the Western Recruiting Region's Officer Selection Officer of the Year before being selected for Marine Special Operations Command (MARSOC). He went on to serve with 1st Raider Battalion, leading a Commando Team in combat operations in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V" for heroic service. He concluded his active-duty career at the rank of Major in 2015.

Honored by the Poage Family (Violet, Iris)

David Poage | Lieutenant | Navy | 1975-1980

Honored by the Poirrier Family (Caleb)

Victor Poirrier Sr. | Private | Army | 1917-1919

Victor Poirrier | LCpl | Marines | 1956-1962

Darion Whetstone | SPC | Army | 2016-2020
Darion embarked on a series of tours in Kuwait, Jordan, Iraq and Syria as a Black Hawk crew chief.

Honored by the Ponce Family (Chase)

Daniel Garza | Sergeant | Army | 2002-2010

Honored by the Powers Family (Zachary)

Richard Thompson | Lance Corporal | Marines | 1970-1976
Served in Vietnam War; CAR - Combat Action Ribbon

William Miller | Sergeant First Class | Army | 1960-1980
Served in Vietnam War; earned the Meritorious Service Medal

Honored by the Presnal Family (Jacob)

Jeff L. Presnal | LTC | Army | 1980-2007
Senior Aviator

Ryan Presnal | Captain | Army | 2008-2014
Al Qaeda's Last Stand Mosul Iraq 2009, Afghanistan 2011-2012, 2013-2014; 2X BSM, 1X PH, 1X JMSM, 1X MSM, 1X JSAM, 1X MUC, 1X GPB (Gold), 2X ICM, 2X ACM, 1X OSR, 1X CAB, APB, 1X NSR, 1X ASR

Honored by the Ramos Family (Garland, William)

Dean Ramos | Lance Corporal | Marines | 2011-2015

Honored by the Rauch Family (Jacob ('24), Zachary)

Thomas Rauch | Master Sergeant | Marines | 1991-2011
Retired MSgt Rauch is a patriot who strongly believes in and models active service to God, his family and his country. We are proud to recognize and thank him for his service.

Honored by the Reents Family (Lincoln, Liam, Leonidas, Mr. Patrick Reents)

Angie Reents | Staff Sgt. | Army | 2000-2008

Honored by the Reyes Family (Aryana, Arian)

Angel Reyes | Navy | 2006-2009

Honored by the Rhea Family (Kit ('12), Kallie ('16), Mrs. Iva Nell Rhea)

Warren Kitts | Navy | 1942-1945
Served in World War II, Pacific Theater Submarines

Hugh Kitts | Master Sergeant | Air Force | 1982-2004
Served in First Gulf War, 1990

Kent Rhea | Navy | 1942-1945
Served in World War II

Honored by the Rhodes Family (Asher, Levi)

James Baird | Captain | Air Force | 1968-1973
Received two Distinguished Flying Cross Awards and six Air Medals

Christopher Yauch | Corporal | Army | 2007-2010
Earned the Purple Heart while sering in the Iraqi War

Honored by the Rhodes Family (Joshua ('08), Mrs. Donna Rhodes)

Donald Lanning | Commander | Navy | 1944-1967
Served during World War II and Korean War; Naval Reserve Officer for 15 years; died in 1999 (age 74)

David Rhodes | Airman First Class | Air Force | 1960-1964
Died in 2018 (age 78)

Honored by the Rivas Family (Riley)

Catherine Rivas | Corporal | Marines | 2007-2011

Honored by the Rizzutto Family (Charles ('26), Ava)

Philip Cascio | Sergeant | Army | 1942-1945

Joe Rizzutto | Sergeant | Army | 1942-1945

Anthony Rizzutto | E-4 | Army | 1968-1970

Honored by the Rodriguez Family (Bash, Sammy, Leo)

Rene Rodriguez III | Sergeant | Marines | 2000-2006
Operation Southern Watch

Honored by the Rodriquez Family (Rocco)

Robert Rodriquez | Sergeant | Army | 1969-1975
Served in Vietnam Fourth Infantry Division

Honored by the Rundle Family (Ryan)

Gregg Rundle | Captain | Army | 2002-2009

Honored by the Sandford Family (Wesley)

Richard Sandford | PFC | Army | 1951-1952
Served in the Army during the Korean War but was never deployed oversees

Ed Sandford | Lieutenant | Navy | 1985-1994
Flew combat missions in Operation Desert Storm from the Aircraft Carrier USS America (CV-66)

Honored by the Santamaria Family (Mac, Edie, Annie, Arthur)

D.W. "Mac" McDonald, Jr. | Coast Guard | Enlisted 1942
Proudly served in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II. Enlisting at age 19, he served in New Orleans and New York. His legacy lives on through his great-grandson, Mac Santamaria, who shares his love and passion for the military and desires to serve our country in the future. We honor our great-grandfather's service to our nation and the lasting legacy he has passed down through generations.

Robert Paul Scott | Sergeant | Army | 1944-1951
Proudly served in the U.S. Army until he passed away in Fort Bragg, NC, at age 25. He was laid to rest with full military honors provided by Ellington Air Force Base. We honor our great-grandfather and remember with gratitude the life he lived and legacy he left through our grandfather and family.

Steven Santamaria | Specialist | Army | 1996-2002
Served in the United States Army from 1996-2002, attaining the rank of Specialist. During his military service, he served with the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (SOAR), supporting the Army's special operations mission. We proudly honor our Uncle Steven for his service, dedication and commitment to our nation.

Honored by the Scott Family (Ashley ('20), Chelsea)

William "Bill" Scott | Major | Air Force | 1965-1982
Flew f105 fighter/bomber during Vietnam war with the 355th tactical fighter squadron during which time he completed his 100-mission tour and was awarded the flying cross.

Honored by the Schimpf Family (Brady)

Gary Akin | Lieutenant | Army | 1952-1956
Served in the Korean War

Honored by the Shaker Family (Samuel & Philo)

Mena Shaker | Navy

Honored by the Shappley Family (William ('24), Thomas ('26), Katherine, Mary Ellis)

John Britcher Guarisco | Air Force | 1941-1944

Honored by the Sicola Family (Cole, Presley)

Sam Sicola Sr | Specialist E5| Army | 1967-1970
National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, served and battled during Vietnam

Honored by the Slabic Family (Sophia ('19), Michael ('22), Alex ('24))

Leo Chaidez | PFC | Army | 1963-1966
Grandfather to Sophia, Michael and Alex Slabic

John Slabic | Navy | 1954-1957
Great-grandfather to Sophia, Michael and Alex Slabic

Michael Slabic, Sr. | Sergeant | Army | 1974-1977
Grandfather to Sophia, Michael and Alex Slabic

Michael Slabic, Jr. | Marines | 1990-1998

Honored by the Spurgeon Family (Rebecca)

Jim Spurgeon | Sgt | Marines | 1989-1995

Honored by the Stamos Family (Lexie)

Nick Stamos | Color Guard | Coast Guard | 2017-2021

Honored by the Stegall Family (Reid, Reagan)

Raymond Stegall | Captain | Army | 1967-1971
82nd Airborne Division and Army Ranger

Ryan Stegall | SPC | Army | 2002-2008

Honored by the Steinbach Family (George, Jack)

Roy Trester | PO, USN Seabee | Navy |1940-1947
Pacific Theatre Okinawa, Japan

William Stieneker | PO3 Coxswain | Navy | 1943-1945
USS Sevier (APA-233) Iwo Jima, Okinawa, Saipan

Leo Steinbach | Commissaryman Petty Officer Third Class (CS3)| Navy |1951-1955
USS Ernest G. Small (DD-838); Korean War

Charlie Stieneker | Petty Officer Second Class | Navy |1980-1984
Submarine service – Pearl Harbor, HI

Honored by the Stockton Family (Taylor, Paige)

John Stockton | Commander | Navy | 1974-1996

Jon Stockton | CDR/05 | Navy | 2006-Current

Susan Stockton | LT/0-3 | Navy | 2006-2013

Honored by the Strange Family (Keira, Elsa)

James Baggett | Private | Army | 1776-1783
James Avery Baggett Jr. fought in the Battle of Fort Sullivan in 1776, helping defend Charleston, South Carolina, from British attack. He continued to serve in the North Carolina Militia throughout the Revolution, later settling in Tennessee after the war. His courage and devotion to liberty live on through his descendants.

Amos Strange | Private | Army | 1779-1781
Amos Bradford Strange served four separate enlistments during the Revolutionary War. In 1780, he fought at the Battle of Colson's Mill in North Carolina under the command of Capt. Benjamin Freeman. Later in the war, Strange took part in operations that escorted 63 captured British soldiers to Wilmington, Delaware, where he and his detachment liberated 75 imprisoned Americans and confined the British in their place. His dedicated service across multiple campaigns demonstrates both courage and leadership in the cause of American independence.

Rodman Hurt | Private | Army | 1918
Served honorably in WWI

Theron Strange | Ensign | Navy | 1944
Served honorably in WWII

Kevin Strange | Captain | Army | 1992-2005

Honored by the Stubblefield Family (Shane)

Raymond Sikora | Seaman First Class | Navy | 1945-1946
World War II veteran

Honored by the Swanton Family (Amanda ('14), Sophia ('24))

John Dickson | Captain | Army Air Corps | 1942-1946

Edwin Metzler | Yeoman | Navy | 1942-1945
Great-great uncle of Amanda and Sophia

Gayton Ross | Navy | 1958-1962
Third cousin of Amanda and Sophia

Robert Ross | Captain | Air Force | 1970-1976
Aircraft Commander, C-141, AFSC 1111 (Fighter Pilot)
Great uncle of Amanda and Sophia

Buster Swanton | Lieutenant | Navy | 1989-2003
Naval Flight Officer, Mission Commander, Tactical Coordinator on P-3C Orion in Patrol Squadron 45; 2016-present Reserves

John Wallace | Army | 1917-1919
Great-grandfather of Amanda and Sophia

Honored by the Tackett Family (JT ('20), Jacoby)

Louis Ghuzman | Master Sergeant | Marines | 33 years
He was in every "police action" while he was in the Marines: WWII, Korean War and Vietnam War. He was captured in Corregidor, a POW for 3 ¾ years (Bataan Death March). The medals he was awarded include Purple Heart, Bronze Star, numerous marksmanship medals and medals for each conflict in which he served.

Honored by the Teague Family (Mrs. Lori Teague)

Robert Baklik | Airman 2nd Class | Air Force | 1958-1962

Honored by the Toups Family (Mia)

John Lee | Master Sergeant | Marines | 1996-2017

Patsy Lee | Staff Sergeant | Marines | 2000-2012

Honored by the Trott Family (Hayden, Paxton)

Frank Herbold | Army
Vietnam, went on a mission to help rescue POWs

Honored by the Velez Family (Keirsten ('14), Garrett ('19), Olivia ('19), Lauren ('20), Mrs. Jane Velez)

Louis Enrique Velez | Colonel | Air Force | 1952-1980

Honored by the Watson Family (Solar)

Frank Barron, Jr. | Private | Marines | 1971

Honored by the Weekley Family (Lillian, Mrs. Andrea Weekley)

Jim Weekley | Corporal | Marines | 2006-2011

Honored by the Weisinger Family (Colton, Peyton)

Brittany Weisinger | Navy | E5 | 2006-2012
Deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation New Dawn

Honored by the Whelan Family (Tessa)

John Bonura, Sr. | Army | Buck Sergeant | 1966-1968
Vietnam War Veteran, Presidential Unit Citation recipient, Silver Star recipient, Legion of Merit recipient

Honored by the Wilhelm Family (Barrett ('25), Addison, Mrs. Erin Wilhelm)

James Hundemer | First Lieutenant | Army
Purple Heart recipient

Honored by the Wilson Family (Paxton, Paisley, Parker, Presley, Mrs. Meg Wilson)

Larry Simpson | Lieutenant Colonel | Army | 1974-1999
Served in the Cold War and Gulf War. Twenty-two years active federal commissioned service in Field Artillery. Awards and decorations from 22 years of service: Bronze Star, Army Commendation Medal (2nd award), Meritorious Service Medal (3rd award), Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal (K), Kuwait Liberation Medal (SA), Southwest Asia Service Medal with one Bronze Service Star, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Medal Ribbon (2nd award), Parachutist Badge

Honored by the Witschonke Family (Preston ('21), Owen ('24), Dr. Christopher Witschonke)

Carl Witschonke | Captain | Army | 1941-1945
Served in the First Infantry Division; landed at Omaha Beach on June 6, 1944 (D-Day)

Chuck Witschonke | Colonel | Army | 1964-1988
Graduated from West Point and served in the Vietman War

Ross Witschonke | Captain | Army | 1967-1976
Graduated from West Point

Honored by the Wright Family (Zakariah ('26), Isabella)

Larry Reddix | Senior Master Sergeant | Air Force | 1954-1975
Great-grandpa of Zak and Bella

John Steckbauer | Corporal | Marines | 1953-1955
Served in the Korean Conflict; Great-grandpa of Zak and Bella

Honored by the Zemanek Family (Grant)

Stephen Plaisance | Captain | Navy | 1981-2011
Personal awards include (Medals): Meritorious Service (2), Joint Service Commendation, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement (2), Navy Expeditionary, Global War on Terrorism, Armed Forces Reserve, Expert Pistol Marksmanship
Unit Awards include (Ribbons): Joint Meritorious Unit, Meritorious Unit, Air & Space Outstanding Unit, Navy E, Navy and Marine Corps Overseas Service, Sea Service Deployment, Coast Guard Special Operations Service

Honored by the Zschiesche (Hudson, Carson)

Jack Hudson | Captain | Air Force | 1942-1945
Pilot of a B-24 bomber that flew 54 missions. Thirty-five of those missions were combat missions, and he never lost a man. Some decorations include the Purple Heart and Distinguished Flying Cross. Investigator for the Federal Aviation Administration. Investor for the Pan Am Flight 812 crash. His findings became known as "The Hudson Report."

Ross Joplin | First Lieutenant | Army | 1968-1971
Received two Bronze Stars and a Purple Heart while serving as an infantry officer in Vietnam.

CCS Alumni

Peter Achterkirch ('16) | Army

Miles Breman ('12) | Army

Taylor Brown ('11) | Navy

Paul Cathcart ('06) | Air Force

John Crozier ('16) | Marines

Blaise Fontenot ('14) | Army

Andrew Galloway ('12) | Army

Robert Geyer ('14) | Marines | Marine Reserves

Luke Jones ('06) | Marines

Daniel Macune ('19) | United States Military Academy West Point

John Macune ('21) | United States Military Academy West Point

Grace Macune ('22) | United States Military Academy West Point

Mark Martinez ('04) | Army

Charlie Mills ('19) | United States Military Academy West Point

Daniel Minchew ('00) | Navy

Kenneth Nelson ('05) | Navy

Calvin Novotny ('14) | Army

Clayton Novotny ('16) | Army

Devin Powers ('06) | Army

Phil Praesel ('98) | Air Force

Jonathan Rangel ('13) | Army

Christian Slabic ('23) | Air Force

Adam Springfield ('02) | Marines

Andrew Wilson ('00) | Marines