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SO PROUDLY WE HAILED AT THE
TWILIGHT'S LAST GLEAMING,
WHOSE BROAD STRIPES AND
BRIGHT STARS THROUGH THE
PERILOUS FIGHT OVER THE


RAMPARTS WE WATCH'D WERE SO GALLANTLY
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BOMBS BURSTING IN AIR, GAVE PROOF THROUGH THE
NIGHT THAT OUR FLAG WAS STILL THERE, O SAY DOES
THAT STAR SPANGLED BANNER YET WAVE OVER THE
LAND OF THE FREE AND THE HOME OF THE BRAVE!

THANK YOU TO OUR VETERANS

On November 11 each year, we honor the generations of men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces. As we celebrate this Veterans Day, we salute these dedicated Americans for their service, their sacrifices and their contributions to our country. Thank you, veterans for all you have done and all you continue to do to protect our freedom and our nation.

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Remembering our veterans

The men and women who defend the liberties and freedoms of the countries they represent hold a special place in people's hearts and an eternal spot in their countries' histories.

Any opportunity is a good time to commemorate the bravery and selfless deeds of military personnel, but certain prominent holidays in November make this an especially important time to thank veterans for their service.

November 11 is Veterans Day in the United States and Remembrance Day in Canada. It's also known as Armistice Day in other parts of the world. These holidays honor all military veterans who have provided service to their countries, and that each falls on November 11 is no coincidence, as the day commemorates the anniversary of the end of World War I on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918.

Many places around the world pause and remember fallen veterans on November 11, but a good majority of Veterans Day and Remembrance Day commemorative events focus on past and current veterans who are still alive. There are many ways to honor the military at home and abroad in time for the November festivities. The following are just a handful of ways to show appreciation for military men and women.

- When dining out, ask your server if you can pay the tab for a soldier or veteran you see in the restaurant.
- Attend a military parade with your family and explain the significance of the day to children in attendance.
- Draft letters and send care packages to soldiers currently in service far away from home.
- Ask your company if Veterans Day or Remembrance Day can be an observed holiday at your place of business each year to pay homage to servicemen and women.
- Visit a military memorial in a city near you. Your town also may have its own memorial.
- Petition town officials to erect a memorial if your town does not already have one.

Such memorials can be a source of inspiration for your community.

- Support a military family in your town who may be missing a loved one stationed elsewhere. Make meals, mow the lawn, help with grocery shopping, or simply provide emotional support.
- Volunteer time at a veterans' hospital. You may be able to read with veterans or engage in other activities.
- Get involved with a military support charity that can provide much-needed funds to struggling families or disabled veterans.
- Have children speak with veterans in your family, including grandparents, uncles and aunts or even their own parents. It can help them gain perspective on the important roles the military plays.
- Ask a veteran to give a commencement speech at a school or to be the guest of honor at a special function.
- Drive disabled veterans to doctors' appointments or to run any errands.
- Support a local VFW organization.
- Create a scrapbook for a veteran in your life.
- Cheer for or thank military personnel each time you see them.
- Visit the veterans' portion of a nearby cemetery and place poppies or other flowers on the graves.
- Always keep the military on your mind and never forget those who have served and didn't return home.



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With Gratitude, Happy Veterans Day!



On Veterans Day, we'd like to share our admiration and appreciation for the brave men and women in uniform whose service and sacrifice have protected our freedom and our way of life through the generations. To all of our dedicated soldiers both past and present, our deepest gratitude and best wishes remain with you and your families on Veterans Day and always!



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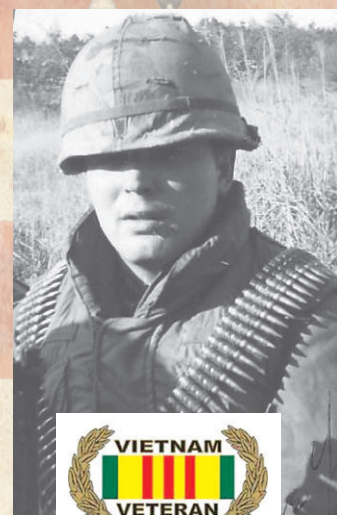
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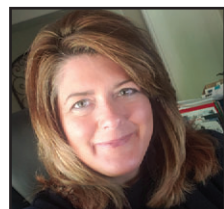
With the warmest of gratitude for those that serve and have served our country. As a proud daughter of a Vietnam Vet, I am thankful every single day for my Dad, my country and freedoms.

It takes a special, selfless person to stand for an idea or a person one has never met and defend a country or person that may never appreciate what is being done on their behalf. I celebrate you. My hope and prayers for you all is that you know you are appreciated, loved and what you do and/or have done does mean something, especially to me.



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This Nov. 11, help stem tide of veteran suicides

The numbers are sobering, but we can do something about them.

The Department of Veterans Affairs' 2019 National Veteran Suicide Prevention Annual Report says nearly 6,200 veterans took their own lives in 2017 — and more than 6,000 took their lives every year from 2008 to 2017.

"In 2017, the suicide rate for veterans was 1.5 times the rate for non-veteran adults, after adjusting for population differences in age and sex," says the report.

And as with civilians, suicide rates are increasing among veterans.

"Among U.S. adults, the average number of suicides per day rose from 86.6 in 2005 to 124.4 in 2017," says the report.

"These numbers included 15.9 Veteran suicides per day in 2005 and 16.8 in 2017."

The awfulness of warfare is unimaginable to those who've never experienced it. That's why war should be an absolute last resort — and why thousands of



TOM PURCELL

men and women who served are burdened by what they experienced.

Iraq War veteran Danny O'Neel, a speaker on suicide prevention, PTSD and mental health for the Independence Fund, explains his experience in a USA Today column.

"War inflicts permanent psychic scars on survivors," he writes.

"Scrubbing a friend's flesh out of a Bradley reconnaissance vehicle, packing up the cold clothes of a new dad to ship home to his family, pulling tortured corpses out of a water treatment facility — the trauma from these experiences is deep and lasting."

Veterans who have seen such horrors may suffer from "moral injury," which psychiatrist Jonathan Shay identified in veterans in his 1994 book "Achilles in Vietnam."

Rita Nakashima Brock

of the Shay Moral Injury Center and Ann Kinsfield, a New York City Fire Department chaplain, explain the concept in USA Today.

"Moral injury is the result of violating core moral foundations by causing or witnessing serious harm or failing to save others," they write.

"It can also occur by being exposed to a great evil, like a terrorist attack, that shakes our foundation. Losing moral grounding challenges people's identity and meaning systems when they condemn themselves for doing the wrong or inadequate thing, even if there was nothing they could have done."

Moral injuries burden veterans with immense guilt. Without proper help for the depression that guilt may bring, they may see suicide as their only option — when it surely is not.

And too many veterans think that seeking such help is a sign of weakness — which it surely is not.

If you're a veteran having such thoughts, contact the Veterans Crisis Line: Call 1-800-

273-8255, then press 1 for a VA staff member. Veterans, active-duty military and their families can also text 838255 or visit VeteransCrisisLine.net.

Like or dislike President Trump, in March he issued an executive order, the President's Roadmap to Empower Veterans and End the National Tragedy of Suicide (PREVENTS).

It requires government agencies to collect better research; establish better, more aggressive prevention methods; and collaborate with local-level organizations to get veterans the services they need.

Each of us can help, too. We can volunteer time or give money to a local organization that works tirelessly to prevent veteran suicides.

Today is Veterans Day. That's a great time to honor our veterans — by doing our small part to tackle the growing issue of veteran suicides.

TOM PURCELL is a Pittsburgh Tribune-Review humor columnist. Comments can be sent to Tom@TomPurcell.com.

Explore the history of Veteran's Day

Service members make numerous sacrifices in defense of their countries.

While the debts to service members may never be the kind that can be repaid in full, paying tribute to veterans, on Veteran's Day and throughout the year, can be a great way to show them just how much their efforts are appreciated.

Veteran's Day begins with Armistice Day

Veteran's Day is a byproduct of the end of World War I, when Germany and the Allied Nations signed the Treaty of Versailles, formally ceasing fighting and establishing terms of peace.

On November 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the signing of the treaty, the first Armistice Day events were held.

Armistice Day was initially a legal holiday to honor the end of World War I only, states History.com.

The United States Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday starting in 1938.

However, in 1954, after the country had been embroiled in both World War II and the Korean War, Congress amended the Act of 1938 by renaming the commemoration "Veteran's Day" to honor veterans of all wars.

VETERAN'S DAY IN OCTOBER?

According to Military.com, for a short time, thanks to the Uniform Holiday Bill, which in 1968 established three-day weekends for federal employees by celebrating national holidays on Mondays, Veteran's Day was moved to the fourth Monday of October — the first being October 25, 1971.

However, many people did not agree with this decision,

continuing to honor the holiday on the original date.

In 1975, President Gerald Ford signed a new law that returned Veteran's Day to November 11 beginning in 1978.

Since then, parades, memorial events, volunteer efforts, and other celebrations revolving around veterans have been held on November 11.

VETERANS AROUND THE WORLD

Many countries, including the United States, celebrate veterans on or near November 11.

America's closest neighbor to the north, Canada, commemorates veterans on Remembrance Day (also Nov. 11), as does the United Kingdom.

Britain also has Remembrance Sunday, which is the second Sunday of November.

Remembrance Day also is called Poppy Day, when people of the Commonwealth member states wear a red poppy flower in honor of military members who have died in the line of duty.

PAYING TRIBUTE

There are various ways to honor veterans on Veteran's Day and Remembrance Day. Federal government closings, educational efforts in schools, parades, and visits to military hospitals or cemeteries may take place.

In Europe, it is common to observe two minutes of silence at 11 a.m. every Nov. 11.

Veteran's Day and its sister holidays mark the honoring of veterans of all wars, with a particular focus on living veterans.

It is a day to celebrate the dedication and selflessness of hard-working military men and women.

DID YOU KNOW?

Veterans Day, once known as Armistice Day, was first celebrated on November 11, 1919, the anniversary of the end of World War I.

In 1928, the United States Congress passed a resolution for Armistice Day to be an annual observance, and by 1938, the day became a national holiday.

Differing from Memorial Day in May, Armistice Day, which would be renamed Veterans Day in 1954 under President Dwight Eisenhower, pays tribute to veterans who survived various wars. Memorial Day commemorates those veterans who lost their lives.

Americans celebrate Veterans Day, while residents of Great Britain, Canada and Australia celebrate Remembrance Day.

According to the American Community Survey, there were 19.3 million military veterans in the United States in 2014. Of those, 1.6 million were female.

California, Texas and Florida comprise the states with the largest number of veterans, equalling one million or more.

Veterans consist of people who served in the military. This includes the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard. Veterans serve in times of war and peace.

The word "veteran" comes from the Old English language and means "old, experienced soldier." The first use of the word was documented in 1789.

Although many veterans are working, and the average annual income of male veterans is \$37,000, some

veterans continue to be unemployed.

According to data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the overall unemployment rate for veterans rose to 7.6 percent in January 2013.

The unemployment rate of post-9/11 veterans or those who participated in the Gulf War reached 6.2 percent.

Upon retiring or being discharged, veterans may need help acclimating to life outside the military. The Department of Veterans Affairs says about 30 percent of Vietnam War veterans have been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder, or PTSD.

Between 1971 and 1977, Veterans Day was celebrated on the fourth Monday in October. It was changed back to its original date, November 11, in 1975 when President Gerald Ford signed bill S.331 into law. The change went into effect beginning in 1978.

An American soldier was buried at the national cemetery in Arlington on November 11, 1921. His identity was unknown, and the gravesite is known as the "Tomb of the Unknown Soldier." A guard from the Society of the Honor Guard stands watch over the grave each year on Veterans Day, and the president or another high-ranking member of the government places a wreath on the grave.

Veterans Day occurs each year on November 11, marking the end of World War I. The day has evolved into a celebration and remembrance of the heroism of America's brave soldiers.

Combat veterans and the threat posed by PTSD

Every day men and women in the military put themselves in harm's way to protect the lives and freedoms of their fellow countrymen.

These brave men and women pay a steep price for their service, spending time away from their loved ones and putting themselves at risk of long-term physical and mental injuries.

Many men and women, even those who never served in the military, are aware of post-traumatic stress disorder, or PTSD, a mental health problem that some people develop after experiencing or witnessing a life-threatening event.

Combat veterans are vulnerable to PTSD, and the percentage of veterans who deal with it each day is alarming.

According to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, as many as 20 percent of veterans who served during Operations Iraqi Freedom or Enduring Freedom have PTSD.

In addition, the USD-VA notes that estimates now suggest as many as 30 percent of Vietnam veterans have had PTSD in their lifetime.

Though it's not exclusive to men and women

who have served in the military, PTSD has long been linked to combat veterans.

In fact, the American Psychiatric Association notes that PTSD has been referred to as "shell shock" and "combat fatigue" in the past.

While the APA notes that a diagnosis of PTSD requires exposure to an upsetting traumatic event, that exposure can be indirect rather than firsthand.

Because some people may assume that only firsthand exposure to trauma can lead to PTSD, many may be suffering in silence.

That makes it all the more important that people learn to recognize the symptoms of PTSD.

Symptoms of PTSD fall into four categories.

1. Intrusive thoughts: Flashbacks, distressing dreams and repeated, involuntary memories are examples of intrusive thoughts symptomatic of PTSD.

The APA notes that some people with PTSD experience flashbacks so vivid that they feel they are reliving the traumatic experience.

2. Avoiding reminders: Some people with PTSD may avoid people,

places, activities, objects, or situations they feel will trigger distressing memories. Soldiers, for example, may avoid interacting with fellow combat veterans. Avoiding discussions about a traumatic event and how they feel about it is another symptom of PTSD.

3. Negative thoughts and feelings: The APA says that negative thoughts and feelings may include ongoing and distorted beliefs about oneself or others; ongoing fear, horror, anger, guilt, or shame; considerably diminished interest in activities previously enjoyed; and a sense of estrangement and detachment from others.

4. Arousal and reactive symptoms: These symptoms may include irritability and angry outbursts; reckless or self-destructive behavior; being easily startled; or have difficulty concentrating or sleeping.

PTSD poses a significant threat to the men and women who serve in the military. Additional resources about PTSD is available at www.ptsd.va.gov and www.psychiatry.org.

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Staff Sgt.
Inventory
Mgt. Specialist
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Private Kenneth R. Loomis
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Troop D
33rd Cavalry
20 Armored Division
European Theater

Robert McCormack
Army
Vietnam
1001st Airborn
Screaming Eagles
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John Waid
Seaman
1st Class
World War II

John Pildner, Sr.
WWII,
Battle of
the Bulge
75th Infantry



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U.S. Navy
1960 - 1964
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Kitty Hawk
U.S.S. Coral Sea

James W. Brown
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Morocco
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Rhineland
Ardennes
Central Europe
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Paris Island,
South Carolina
1985 - 1987

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U.S. Army
1953 - 1976
Staff SGT.
Germany (2 times)
Korea (2 times)
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Schofield Barracks, HI
Bravo Company
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May 2008 - KIA
July 21, 2010 Iraq

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Lt. United States Army
Vietnam War
Served 5/70 to 4/74

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National Guard
Texas, Germany,
North Dakota

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Air Force Academy
Colorado Springs,
Colorado
1981 - 1983



Area veterans to be honored

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On the 11th hour of the eleventh day of the 11th month time stands still for veterans denoting the time of the World War I Armistice being signed and citizens from coast to coast remember those who have served their country.

Several area Veterans Day programs will be held at 11 a.m. today but veterans are scheduled to be honored today at dinners,

school programs and city events throughout northeastern Ohio.

Carl DiDonato, coordinator of the American Legion Dewey Howell Post 103, said the tradition of the 11 a.m. veterans program at the Ashtabula War Memorial will continue this year.

DiDonato said the honor guard will present the colors at the event.

He said there are some younger people starting to joining the guard but many participants are getting older.

"Most of us are getting a little long in the tooth," he said.

DiDonato said they are also very loyal and come out for public events and veteran funerals.

DiDonato said there have been several younger married couples that are now participating in the guard.

"We don't discriminate," he said.

Military service started for DiDonato in 1967 when he was drafted into the military and ended six years later after serving

active duty and inactive duty roles.

"We owe our veterans a lot," he said.

Conneaut veterans are scheduled to begin a parade from the Conneaut American Legion on Broad Street several blocks to the city's war memorial on Main Street around 10:45, said program emcee Rick Gleason.

Wreaths are scheduled to be placed at the site and Denny Distelrath will be the main speaker, Gleason said.

Distelrath served two tours of duty in Afghanistan with the U.S. Army Third Ranger Battalion, he said.

Earlier in the morning Grand Valley High School is planning an all

school assembly to honor veterans, said Terry Hejduk, the school's athletic director.

He said a large crowd of veterans, and their families, are expected to attend.

Later in the afternoon American Legion Neal Post 743 is scheduled to lead a Veterans Day program at Greenlawn Memory Gardens in North Kingsville at 4 p.m., said Will Runyan, adjutant for the Post and main speaker for the event.

"It is a 20 minute to a half hour ceremony. It is a simple tribute for all veterans. We close it with a rifle salute and Taps," he said.

Veterans are also invited to a free din-

ner from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Ashtabula Elks Lodge on Lake Road near Kent State Ashtabula.

In Andover Township the community is invited to a 7 p.m. concert at the Pymatuning Valley Veterans Memorial Performing Arts Center at Pymatuning Valley High School, said Melissa Harvey, an elementary school music teacher that is coordinating the program.

"It is to honor our veterans in our community," Harvey said.

She said the fourth grade students, the seventh and eighth grade band and the high school show choir are scheduled to perform.

"Every year we do the military medley and they [each veteran] stands during their song," she said.



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10:45 a.m.
Conneaut parade from American Legion on Broad Street to the city's war memorial followed by program at the memorial.

11:00 a.m.
Ashtabula program at Ashtabula War Memorial on Main Avenue.

3 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Free dinner for veterans at Ashtabula Elks Lodge with family members paying \$6 a person.

4 p.m.
Veterans ceremony at Greenlawn Memory Gardens

7 p.m.
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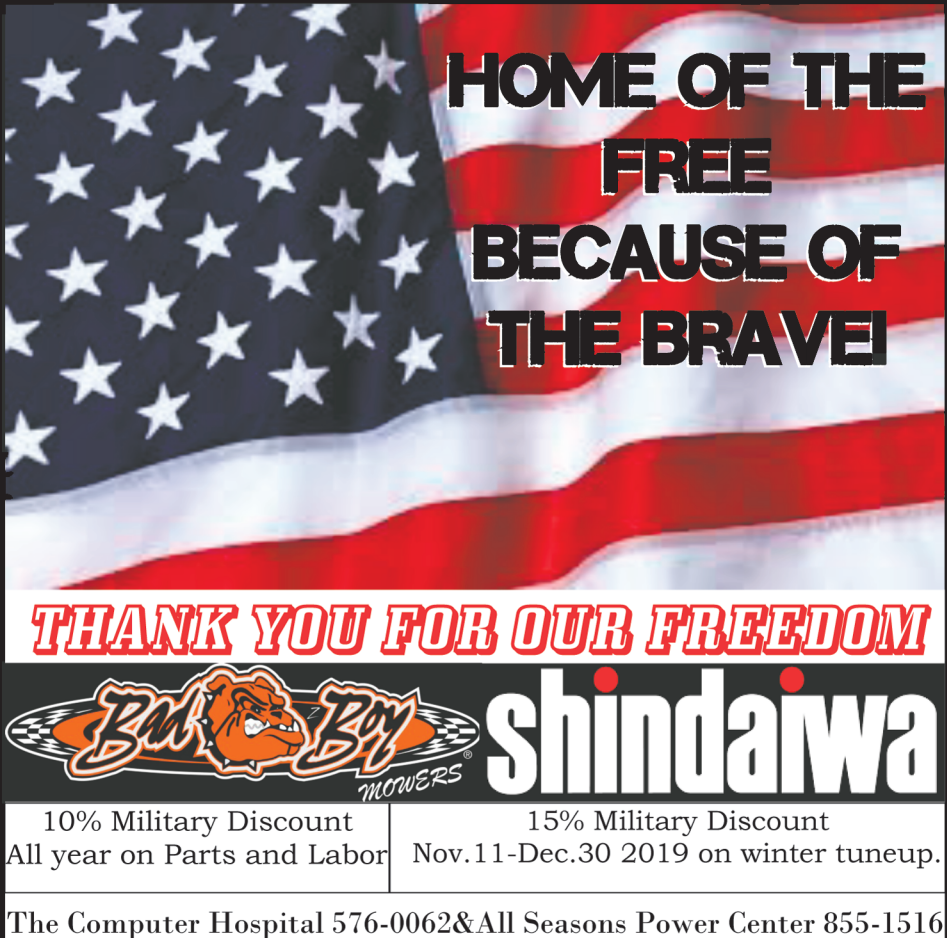
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A VETERANS DAY MESSAGE

FROM DEBORAH ASHENHURST
OHIO DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES DIRECTOR

Today is Veterans Day, and it's so heartwarming to see Ohioans celebrate it with events all across the state to honor our heroes and pay homage to their service.

On Thursday, I joined Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine in inducting our 2019 class into The Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame, which is one of the true highlights of the year for us and the veteran community.

The days following and still ahead feature more ceremonies, parades, special programs, discounts for veterans, and more. It's wonderful.

However, I hope that Ohioans understand Veterans Day is about much more than propping up those who were on the battlefield.

First of all, not all military members, thankfully, see combat, but they still raised their hand to serve their country and did their jobs honorably.

Those who do come back enhance our communities in many ways. Ohio is home to about 733,000 veterans, which ranks our state sixth in the nation.

We are blessed to live in a state where each of our 88 counties has a County Veterans Service Office, the best place vets can go to be connected to their well-earned benefits.

The officers there stand ready every day to help our heroes.

At the Ohio Department of Veterans Services [ODVS], we work closely with our county offices to ensure veterans are maximizing their benefits and care.

We also oversee the State Approving Agency, which provides military members a more affordable way to pursue higher education and helps them manage their GI Bill.

ODVS also has a Veterans Workforce Team that helps businesses identify, hire, retain, and incentivize veterans.

We recognize the more than 5,000 companies across our state that have been designated military-friendly because of their commitment to hire military.

And that number keeps growing.

So when you picture a veteran in your mind, I hope you don't see merely a battle-hardened person in fatigues or, worse, a former patriot in distress or dealing with health issues.

Veterans are entrepreneurs, farmers, teachers, welders, police officers, public servants, business owners, and more.

Veterans use their

unique experiences and skills to further Ohio's industry and economic growth.

You most likely have a neighbor who is a veteran.

Your mayor or city councilman may be one, too.

We live in fantastically patriotic state, one where former service members can live, work, and thrive. In fact, about 10,000 men and women separate from service and return to Ohio every year.

Yes, some of our veterans are in need of care, which is why we have two highly rated Ohio Veterans Homes — one in Sandusky that is the largest nursing care facility in the state, and the other in Georgetown in rural southern Ohio.

Each one offers a quality of life which emphasizes respect, encourages independence, provides comfort and security, and meets our veterans' social and medical needs.

Ohio also is home to five VA hospitals, 34 Community-Based Outpatient Clinics and eight

Vet Centers.

And if you go to our website, OhioVets.gov, you'll find all kinds of links to information and resources about mental health outlets as well.

In fact, OhioVets.gov is a comprehensive online resource outlining all of the ways we are reaching out and connecting to veterans and military families.

You'll find avenues to jobs, wellness, educational opportunities, benefits, the Ohio Veterans Bonus, legal help, and more.

My mission is to serve veterans and military families, and that begins by listening to their stories, their triumphs, and challenges. Gov. DeWine and I want Ohio to be the absolute best state in the union for veterans when it comes to opportunities for work, education, recreation, and success.

So on Veterans Day and every day, honor a veteran.

Hire a veteran.
Hug a veteran.
Happy Veterans Day!



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Ashtabula County Young Marines salute

Members of the Ashtabula County Young Marines salute during last year's Veterans Day ceremony sponsored by the Ashtabula American Legion Post 103 at the Ashtabula War Memorial.

HAPPY VETERANS DAY

We are eternally grateful to all of those men and women who have fought and served for our country. Wishing you and your family a happy, safe and peaceful Veterans Day.

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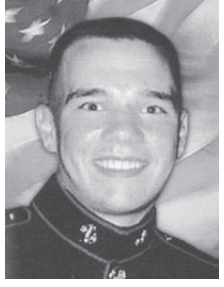
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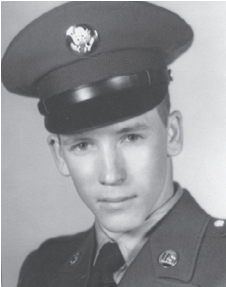
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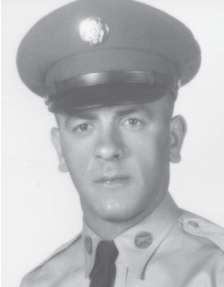
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67-68




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Germany - Guarding
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1944-1946




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Weather Observer
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National Guard
1974 - 1976




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McCluskey**
Korea 1953
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U.S. Army
European Arena
Entered Jan. 10, 1943
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Feb. 11, 1945
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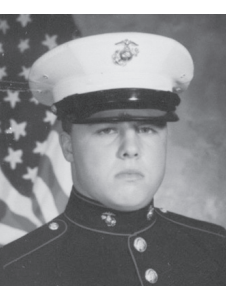
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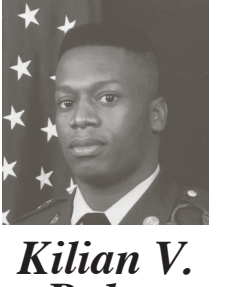
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Stationed Georgia
& Germany
Desert Storm 1991,
3-1/2 months
Years Served 1989-1993




**PFC Archie L.
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U.S. Army
Entered Sept. 1944
Killed in Action
April 9, 1945
7th Army 100th Div.,
397th Regiment
Marseilles, France




Richard C. Davis
Army National Guard
Oct. 1955 -
Retired June 7, 1997
Last duty position
1st Sergeant E8 &
Active Sergeant Major E9




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U.S. Navy
Elect. 2C
Served in Pacific
Theater in WW II
Oct. 2, 1943 to
May 27, 1946



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World War II
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Company A
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**William
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Italy-Africa
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Seaman 2nd Class
1942-1944



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Berlin
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Navy 1945 (6 weeks)
Rank ASV 6
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Happy Birthday

Members of the American Legion Ashtabula Post 103 celebrate the American Legion Auxiliary national organization's 100 birthday on Sunday.

Unique ways to give back to service members

Military service in the United States was once more common than it is today.

According to the Council on Foreign Relations, the draft for military service was ended in 1973, a point in time when 2.2 million men and women made up the country's active military personnel.

By 2018, the number had dipped below 1.3 million. Military service in Canada is also somewhat uncommon, as the Department of National Defence reports that active military personnel totaled just 68,000 as of 2018.

Service members and their families make many sacrifices to protect the lives and freedoms of their fellow

citizens.

The following are unique ways to give back to these selfless men and women.

SERVE AS A DRIVER

Adults who want to help service members can serve as drivers for veterans who can't drive themselves. Such a gesture ensures they won't miss any appointments with doctors or physical therapists.

DONATE AIRLINE MILES

Some disabled veterans receive medical treatments far away from home at facilities that specialize in treating certain types of injuries, which can make it difficult for their families to be there for them during

their recoveries.

By donating airline miles to military families, ordinary adults can ensure injured servicemen and women can still see their families during difficult times in their lives.

SPONSOR A SERVICE DOG

A significant percentage of veterans return home with post-traumatic stress disorder, or PTSD. Programs such as Companions for Heroes, an organization that places service dogs with veterans, has helped many veterans successfully cope with PTSD.

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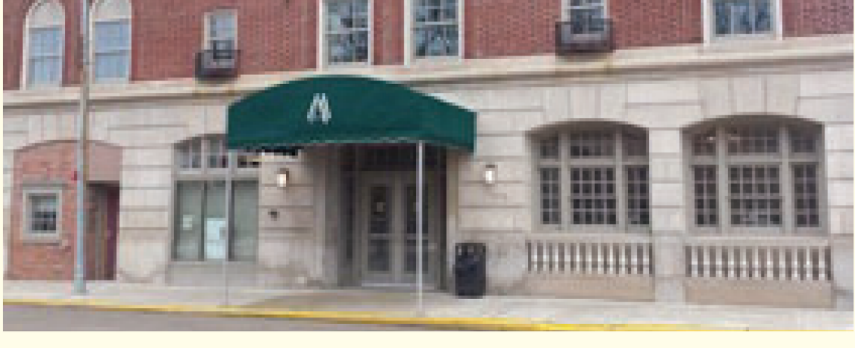
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