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New LMR at LeeComm

RADIO SYSTEM: New mission-critical network will increase signal reception

PCC STAFF

MONTROSE - LeeComm and the Lee County 911 Service Board are proud to announce a new mission-critical land mobile radio (LMR) network, built on Project 25 (P25) standards for interoperability. The system will increase radio coverage, improve signal reception, and voice quality, as well as enhance interoperability for Lee County first responders, including police, fire, and EMS.

"We are excited to unveil our new radio network, one year after using it across our public safety agencies," said LeeComm Director Tony Keefe. "This system provides significant communication enhancements for our personnel to better serve our residents. With this trusted technology, we can move forward with confidence in the usability, security, and reliability of radio communications to help keep our communities safe."

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Nicholas Greco, of C3 Education and Research talks with Lee County Sheriff's deputies and dispatchers with LeeComm about mental health and its impact on law enforcement and first responders Thursday. The four-hour session focused on dealing with depression and emotional well-being.

IN MEMORY

FM business icon Brockman passes away at 78

Michael Arnz Brockman, age 78, tenderhearted husband, father, and grandfather, passed away at Hospice House in

BROCKMAN

West Burlington, IA, on Wednesday, November 8. 2023. He was born in Fort Madison on August 20, 1945, the son of Carl G. and Dorothy Saar Brockman. On December 28, 1968, he married

Mary Nystrom in Beloit, Wisconsin. She survives.

Mike always pursued life with willful determination and positive energy. After graduating from Aquinas High School in Fort Madison in 1963, he continued his education by earning a B.S. in mathematics and physics from St. Ambrose College in 1967. He then immediately entered graduate school at the University of Kentucky, Lexington, where he completed a Master of Science Degree in Mathematics. He and Mary met at a French Department party during their graduate school studies

at U of K. What Mike was doing at a French Department party we will never know, but the rest is history.

After their time in Lexington, Mike and Mary relocated to Rantoul, IL, where Mike served for three years in the USAF at Chanute Air Force Base working as an instructor in the Minuteman Missile program. He also taught mathematics part-time at Parkland College during this period.

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COUNTY NEWS

County Dems host Eppers-O'Malley dinner Thursday night

KEOKUK - The Lee County Democratic Party is hosting their annual Eppers-O'Malley Dinner on Thursday, November 16 at Meyers' Courtyard, 629 Blondeau St., Keokuk. The social hour will be 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. and the program/ dinner will follow at 7:00 p.m. Speakers will include Christina Bohannan, candidate for U.S. House of Representatives; Pam Jochum, Iowa Senate Minority Leader; Jennifer Konfrst, Iowa House Minority Leader; and Rita Hart, chair of the Iowa Democratic Party. The Democratic candidate for Iowa Senate District 50 will also be speaking.

Awards will also be given to volunteers who have made significant contributions to the local party with their time, talents, and dedication.

Tickets are \$25 each. To purchase a ticket in advance and have it held for you at the door, you may call Mary Jo Riesberg (319-526-3160), Jerry Kearns (319-795-0069), or Janet Hissem (319-316-3852). Tickets may also be purchased at the door. If you cannot afford a ticket or have any questions about the event, candidates, or the Lee County Democratic Party, please call Mary Jo Riesberg at 319-526-3160.

BUDGETS

IWD partnership focuses on veterans

DES MOINES - Iowa Workforce Development today is announcing a new partnership that will make it easier than ever for Iowa employers to expand their workforces by hiring skilled military service members who have honorably served their country and are now seeking new opportunities as they leave the military.

IWD recently was approved to become a third-party administrator for the U.S. Defense Department's SkillBridge pro-

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Obituaries/Iowa News

IUB wraps public hearing on Summit CO2 project

DES MOINES - The Iowa Utilities Board's (IUB) public evidentiary hearing on Summit Carbon Solutions' proposed carbon capture pipeline concluded on Wednesday evening, November 8, in Fort Dodge, marking the finish of the longest public hearing held by the IUB.

Upon the conclusion of witness testimony and closing of the arguments, the IUB made the uncommon decision to grant into the record the additional 83 days of comments that had been filed prior to and through the conclusion of the hearing. This move allows hundreds of additional public comments to become part of the proceeding. The decision came after 26 days of hearing in which the IUB took unprecedented steps to allow landowners and other interested Iowans to represent themselves and speak on their own behalf.

Over the hearing's eight weeks, the IUB heard from dozens of scheduled witnesses and more than 100 landowners who chose to testify. In addition to reaching out to landowners affected by the pipeline route, the IUB relaxed its rules within the hearing to allow those affected landowners to represent themselves without seeking to join the proceeding as an intervenor.

Summit Carbon waived its right to call rebuttal witnesses. The record in Docket No. HLP-2021-0001 is now closed. To date, the IUB has processed more than 7,600 filings in the docket, including nearly 2,000 regular exhibits and 200 hearing exhibits. In comparison, the 2015 Dakota Access pipeline hearing lasted 11 days and had 69 witnesses testify, and it yielded nearly 4,000 filings and 300 total exhibits.

"We appreciate all those who sacrificed time, resources, and effort in participating in what the Board believes has been its most open and transparent hearing process," IUB Chair Erik Helland said.

The IUB will issue an order with a briefing schedule. Once the parties' briefs are filed, the IUB will begin to deliberate on the application. The IUB has the option to grant the permit, grant it with modifications, or deny the permit. There is no deadline for the IUB to issue its final decision.

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OBITUARIES

JONER JUNIOR BROWN

Joner Junior "Pete" Brown, 69 of Keokuk, IA died Tuesday, November 7, 2023 at the University of Iowa Hospital in Iowa City, IA.

He was born November 15, 1953 in Keokuk, IA the son of Joner Junior and Martha Mae Kay Brown. Pete graduated from Keokuk High

> Pete was a United States veteran and proudly served his country during the Vietnam War.

On October 30, 1989 Pete was united in marriage to Mary Christine Dickens. She survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Leanora Brown (Donald Bauswell) of Keokuk and Rachel Brown (Chase Broth-

erton), one son, Matt Dickens of Keokuk, one step-daughter, Christina Ramsey of Keokuk, seven grandchildren, Casey Vradenburg, Jacoby Brown, Colton Vradenburg, Kolton Ramsey, Raelee Bauswell, Tayler Ramsey and

Blake Briggs all of Keokuk. He is also survived by one sister, Diane LaFever of Australia and one nephew, Steve Brown of Ft. Madison, IA.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one daughter, Rebbecca Ferrall, two grandsons, Jayden Trent and Landon Trent, two brothers, John Brown and Steven "Butch" Brown, and two sisters, Linda Brown and Dorothy Andrews.

Pete had been employed as an over the road truck driver for In God We Trust-Ron Monroe Trucking Company until his retirement in 2016.

Pete loved trucking and his happy place was in his semi. He also loved working with Bill Goldie Logging. One of Pete's lifelong passions was motorcycles. He enjoyed motorcycle rides and also tinkering with motors. Pete was happiest when he was surrounded by his family. He treasured the time he spent with them making memories.

A Gathering of Remembrance will be held from 2-4 p.m., Monday, November 13, 2023 at the Vigen Memorial Home in Keokuk, IA with family meeting with friends at that time.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.vigenmemorial-



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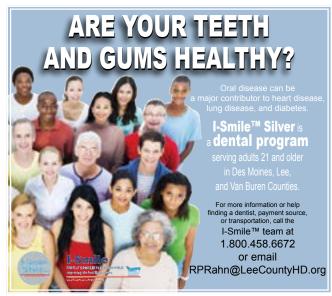
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MICHAEL A. BROCKMAN

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Following his stint in the Air Force, Mike again returned to graduate school at Purdue University, where he earned a second Master of Science Degree, this time in Applied Statistics. This academic path led him to work for several years as a statistician for engineering support at the Winthrop Hill site of Proctor and Gamble in Cincinnati, OH.

Mike never liked to sit still for very long and was always on the go. In 1980 at only 34 years of age, he opted for a major life and career change and moved his family back to Fort Madison, where he joined his father Carl in the management of the family business, Fort Madison Ready Mixed Concrete and Brockman Sand Company. In 1982 Mike expanded the business when he purchased the Houghton Ready Mix Concrete Company. Upon his father's untimely passing in 1983, he then assumed ownership and operation of the company. At the Ready Mix Mike loved the challeng-

es of task analysis and construction design, overseeing the wellbeing of his employees, and meeting and collaborating with construction colleagues state-wide. He worked here until selling the company in 2000. He also hosted an annual holiday party in this era which many considered to be the best party in town.



Civic interests also led Mike to participate as a board member of the Fort Madison Development Corporation, the Fort Madison Chamber of Commerce, Lee County Bank, Fort Madison Country Club, and Fort Madison

Community Hospital. He also served as president of the two later entities.

In retirement, Mike exhibited the same enthusiasm and energy that had pre-

In retirement, Mike exhibited the same enthusiasm and energy that had previously marked his career paths. He became an avid reader, traveler, organized family adventures, and continued several of his civic interests. He enjoyed writing a book review column for the Fort Madison Democrat and volunteered with the Fort Madison Food Pantry. Most importantly, he became a loving papa! Mike and Mary frequently traveled to France, where they would stuff their belongings into a little car, and then casually explore any idea or region that captured their imagination. Being in France also allowed them to continue their friendship with their family's former French exchange student Cécile Mazou and her family.

Mike's generosity and devotion to his family brought him great joy. He was always available to lend a helping hand. All who knew him will forever remember his infectious laugh, which also served as an infallible beacon for friends and family to find him in any crowd.

Mike is survived by his wife Mary and three children: Andrew Brockman (Anna Waterman), Matthew Brockman (Shannin Zevian), and Elizabeth Brockman Woodbury (Brent), as well as two grandchildren, Mia Elizabeth Woodbury and Drew Arnz Woodbury. He is also survived by his loving siblings Mary Ann Brockman Boyle (Ken), Robert Brockman (Kim), and Patrick Brockman (Becky) as well as eight nieces and nephews.

Those who wish to contribute a memorial in Mike's honor might consider the Fort Madison Public Library, the Fort Madison Area Art Association, or Doctors Without Borders, all organizations that were close to Mike's heart. King-Lynk Funeral Home is assisting the family and online condolences may be left at http://www.kinglynk.com

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Fort Madison, on Wednesday November 15 at 11:00 AM. Reverend Robert MacAleer will be the celebrant. A gathering immediately following the service will be hosted by the family at River Rocks, 709 Avenue H.

Pen City Current obituary policy

Pen City Current runs obituaries one time at no charge to funeral homes and they run the day they are submitted in most cases. They are also run as submitted by the funeral homes. Reposting of obituaries due to changes can only be requested by the submitting funeral home and will be assessed a \$15 reposting fee.



OBITUARIES

SADIE M. MITCHELL

Sadie M. Mitchell, 90, of Fort Madison, IA, passed away at 10:59 a.m. on Wednesday, November 8, 2023 at Blessing Hospital in Quincy, IL. She was born on January 7, 1933 in Fort Madison, IA to Idol J. & Scundra George Rashid. She married James R. Mitchell on July 6, 1962 in Carthage, IL. He preceded her in death on September 14, 2018. Sadie's life was her family. She loved to cook their traditional Lebanese foods and did so until the time of her passing. She enjoyed sewing & crocheting.

Sadie is survived by: 3-daughters: Pam (Ron) Watson of Fort Madison, IA, Rhonda (Stephen) Koser of Fort Madison, IA & Cynthia (Wayne) Otte of Fort Madison, IA; 1-son: Dr. Idol (Jill) Mitchell of Macomb, IL; 20-grandchildren & 29-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by: her parents, husband, 2-sons, 2-grandchildren, 1-great granddaughter & 2-brothers.

A private family service will be held with burial will to take place at Sacred Heart Cemetery next to her husband of 56 years. A memorial has been established for St. Jude's Children's Hospital and contributions may be sent directly to them in Sadie Mitchell's name. Online condolences to the Mitchell family may be left at the King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory website: www.kinglynk.com. King-Lynk Funeral Home & Crematory is assisting the family with the arrangements.

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Fort Madison Police Report

11/08/23 – 9:42 a.m. – Fort Madison police arrested Robert Lee Heevner, 48, of Kahoka, in the 4800 block of Avenue O, on a charge of enticing under 16 – sex abuse. He was taken to Lee County Jail.

11/08/23 - 11:25 a.m. - Fort Madison police cited Anthony Christoph Pennington, 21, of Fort Madison, in the 1800 block of Avenue H, on charges of possession of a controlled substance - 1,2,3rd and possession of drug paraphernalia.

11/09/23 – 6:13 a.m. – Fort Madison police responded to a report of a property damage accident in the 2200 block of Avenue L.

Keokuk Police Report

11/08/23 – 4:24 p.m. – Keokuk police cited and released Dalton Michael James White, 23, of Keokuk, in the 1500 block of Des Moines Street, on 2 charges of allowing a dog to attack.

11/08/23 – 10:30 p.m. – Keokuk police cited and released Cornelious Tyrone Brewer, 32, of Keokuk, in the 100 block of North 5th Street, on a charge of driving while barred.

Lee County Sheriff Report

11/08/23 – 6:57 p.m. Lee County sheriff deputies responded to a two-vehicle accident on Hwy. 218 North. According to the report, a vehicle driven by Judith Marie Hatch, 64, of Cedar Rapids, was following a vehicle driven by Brianna Lynette Tweedy, 21, of Keokuk, while it was merging onto Hwy. 61 southbound when Tweedy's vehicle stopped due to traffic and Hatch's vehicle rear-ended Tweedy's vehicle. No injuries or citations were reported and both vehicles were driven from the scene.

Those listed above are presumed innocuent until proven guilty in a court of law.

SkillBridge smooths path for veterans

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gram – a nationwide initiative that allows transitioning service members to spend the last six months of their tours of duty serving in internships at a variety of private businesses. The new relationship will allow Iowa employers to bypass the usual Defense Department process and instead work directly with IWD to get the program started in their companies.

"Iowa employers are always looking for hardworking, mission-driven employees who know how to get a job done," said Governor Kim Reynolds. "Veterans are a perfect match for our state's work ethic and hardworking culture. SkillBridge is another tool we can use to recruit those service members to Iowa and show them firsthand the opportunities that come with living and working in a state where you have the freedom to flourish."

The U.S. Dept. of Defense estimates that roughly 200,000 members of the U.S. Armed Forces leave active military service every year from more than 140 military installations in the U.S. and abroad. SkillBridge was created to smooth the path toward helping those transitioning service members land fulfilling careers in civilian life.

Under the program, the Defense Department will pay a service member's salary and benefits for up to six months while that person receives on-the-job training at a private employer. Employers get to train and evaluate a potential employee at no cost and with no obligation. Training programs must meet Defense Department guidelines – required approval that, under the new relationship, now will come from Iowa Workforce Development.

Some employers across Iowa already are training Veterans via SkillBridge, with a total of 37 Iowa job opportunities for service members currently being advertised on the program's national website. However, Iowa leaders believe the program could benefit many more companies than those who currently are involved.

"Our goal is to significantly expand SkillBridge in Iowa by making it easier than ever for Iowa companies to take part in it," said Beth Townsend, Executive Director of Iowa Workforce Development. "We want every Iowa employer to know about this program, how IWD can help them get started, and how they ul-

timately can find quality talent by hiring people who are leaving military service."

Joe Murphy, president of the Iowa Business Council, said the organization is "thrilled to have IWD be a third-party administrator of the SkillBridge program."

"Having a strategic workforce program like Skill-Bridge to attract and retain military service members is an incredible opportunity for our state," Murphy said. "As we all know, hiring a military person or Veteran provides invaluable advantages for companies of every size and will lead to further talent development opportunities for Iowa. We were proud to be an early partner with IWD in the SkillBridge project, and our members stand ready to expand our partnership as we collectively implement the program."

Outside of its administrative responsibilities, IWD also plans to take part in SkillBridge as an employer and will be working with other state agencies to assist in their hiring of transitioning service members. Any private employer or service member who is interested in the SkillBridge program should start by emailing skillbridge@iwd.iowa.gov.

IWD staffers plan to discuss the program in detail at a virtual Lunch & Learn from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 17. Click here to register.

The new SkillBridge partnership is one of many ongoing efforts by IWD to ease the path for Veterans and transitioning service members and make it easier for them to find new careers in Iowa. The list includes:

Home Base Iowa, which works to attract Veterans and their families to Iowa by providing one-on-one career assistance and connecting transitioning service members to special incentives provided by more than 125 HBI communities. IowaWorksforVeterans.gov, a new web portal launched earlier this year to provide a smoother entry point for Veterans into the Iowa-WORKS job bank and a variety of career assistance available there.

PsychArmor, a program that recently partnered with Home Base Iowa to launch a Business Training Program that helps employers understand military culture

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Education News/From the Front

Central Lee releases 1st quarter honor roll

DONNELLSON - The following is the 1st quarter honor roll for Central Lee Middle School. Pen City Current and our family of advertisers congratulates the following students on their hard work and academic achievements.

Principal Scholar

8th Grade - Buch, Rachel Marie, Derr, Ava Rae, Hohl, Addison Makayla, Maynes, Afton, Newton, Caedon Lane

7th Grade – Calkins, Cooper Allen, Larson, Ruby June, Manwill, Berlyn Kapri, Moeller, Kaylee Ann, Morrison, Kaitlyn Madison, Ruffcorn, Brody Thomas, Sullivan, Ashton Michael

6th Grade - Calfee, Kolt Allen Joe, Derr, Lincoln Lee, Fransk, McKenna Jean

Grafton, Aralind Emelia, Jones, Zoey Jean, Longanecker, Mason Lee, Newton, Drake Alan, Rudd, Brooklyn Addyson

A Honor Roll

8th Grade – Adkins, Evelyn Maree, Alvis, Riley Claire, Anderson, Macy Mae, Ashmore, Micah Robert, Bowen, Jackson Matthew, Breashears, Jade Arleane, Bunnell, Aubree Jo, Burgess, Owen Dean, Canida, Adason Marie, Gates, Olivia Rachel, Grafton, Gracyn Rose, Haigh, Chloee Nicole, Hassman, Madison Jo, Hocker, Brinley Marie, Hopp, Avery Jalynn, Jenkins, Jax Perry, Juarez, Hope Lynn, Kirchner, Colton Jack, Kitzman, Kaylee Marie, McDowell, Arabella Beulah, Perkins, Aubree Lee, Robbins, Henry Roy, Robins, Tristan David, Rohdy, Hadleigh Malia, Seyb, Johnathan Paul, Wagner, Eliza Nicole, Westfall, Keagan Rylee

7th Grade - Ball, Adriana Leigh, Barnes, Jackson Lee, Benner, Marcie Rylan, Burdette, Jayden Lee, Cook, Brylee Nicole, Crank, Liam Edward, Daly, McKenzie Grace, Ekle, Richard Asher, Flikkema, Alexxa Lynn, Fraise, Alissa Mary, Frueh, Madison Lauren, Haigh, Colten Michael, Hewett, Elliot June, Johnson, Levi Michael, Lozano, Malia Michele, Mueller, Jaxson James, Mullins, Maggie Mae, Rule, Hayden Ray Ann, Stark, Kaylee Ann, Sullivan, Ethan Allen, Tweedy, Eliot Scott, Van Ausdall, Grahm Matthew, Weber, Kellen Dean,

Weirather, Grant Shane, Welch, Hayden Lee

6th Grade - Adkins, Adella JoAnn, Breashears, Jinta Vivian, Cantonwine, Greysen James, Cavasos, Chad Michael, Crozier, Carter Lee, Daly, Addalie Elise, Edens, Isaac Michael, Edens, Riley Levi, Eid, Jake William, Ekle, Allana Ruth, Gregory, Corbin Keith, Grossman, Malerie Lynn, Jacobs, Lily Ann, Jones, Charley Jeane, Kieler, Madelyn R, Kite, Kyler James, Lane, Bethany Michelle, Larkin, Cian Trace, Mayer, Evan Allen, Milligan, Laina Kay, Moore, Laney Nicole, Robbins, Emiline May, Rudd, Hallie Josephine, Sanders, Kanon Cole, Umthun, Olivia Grace Marie, Weinberg, Ariyn Harper, Williamson, Jesse John, Workman, Wyatt Orin

B Honor Roll

8th Grade - Aguirre, Colton Christopher, Azinger, Leah Rose, Brotherton, Gracie Lynn, Burkholder, Ava Marie, Capps, Lauren Elizabeth Payge, Chappell, Hallee Kathryn, Keefe, Noah Bradley, Kruse, Luke Isaiah, Liebelt, Delanee Nicole, Rippenkroeger, Rylan Gage, Roberts, Sophia Lynn, Simmons, Gideon Micheal, Westermeyer, Emily Sue, Winters, Drayton Antonio, Worrell, Tyson Kenneth

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6th Grade - Deck, Allana Rose, DiSanto, Ciana Olivia, Eicher, Lydia Mae, Ferris, Abigail Elizabeth, Frueh, Evan Austin, Hamm, Chase Allen, Hirschler, Jarrett Joshua, Jones, Owen William, Koller, Madison Kathryn, Lawson-Welborn, Bryson Raen, Lindner, Ross Michael, Loges, Anna Marie, Markell, Tate Lee, McCarty, Emry June, Moander, Memphis Alan, Noble, Khloe Marie

Ough, Oliver Reese, Scott, Grayson Matthew, Sutter, Aiden Charles, Wagner, Keller Anthony

New radio system gives 98% coverage

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The system, which consists of four towers, will support reliable, seamless communications between users during day-to-day calls and large-scale emergencies. It provides resiliency against service disruptions, coverage where it is needed, and secure communications between first responders. Prior to this build out, Lee County saw a 35% coverage rate while using portable radios. Now, first responders have 98% coverage by switching from a traditional VHF system to the new system.

The new system is also designed to assist in interoperability between other departments such as surrounding Iowa counties and the Iowa State Patrol.

"This new radio network makes greater collaboration and coordination across public safety agencies possible, in turn helping first responders in our community do their lifesaving work. The entire system is new, from pagers to in-car radios," Keefe said.

"This has been a project that has been in the works for Lee County for several years. We had to organize all our first responders in Lee County to determine the needs of each department. This is hard to do when building a system from scratch. Every agency in the county was on board with the overall project, which took several years to complete."

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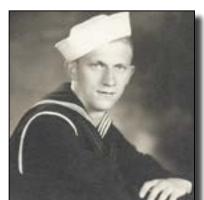
Leonard Anderson US Army Korean War



Robert Arnold National Guard Operation Enduring Freedom: Afghanistan (Feb. 2004-June 2005); Kosovo (July 2007-June 2008)

Always our favorite Veteran. Kristin, Ivy, Lily, and Violet





James Auge WWII - Killed in action in 1943 while serving on a

destroyer in the Pacific.





William Auge WWII - Member of the Seabees Naval Construction Battallion



Specialist Mark Ballard National Guard 1991 Desert Storm



Adam Benda Sergeant (SGT) U.S. Army

1997-2005









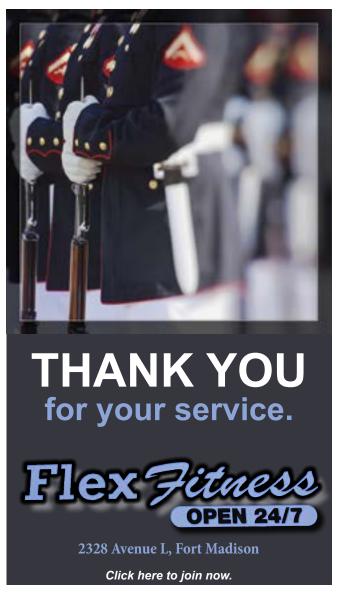
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Robert Bow Air Force, US Army Vietnam, Korea

My dad served his country and did what his country asked of him. He maybe gone but his memory lives on.





CPL Jerome "Jerry" Leroy Brosi US Army Korean War

Your honor lives on through us all.

– Zeke and Shawna Ross and Family





Donald F. Byrd

U.S. Air Force, Retired Vietnam Conflict Served for 20+ years

Thank you dad and everyone who has served and for those that have the Ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. Thank you for your service and your sacrifice.





Joseph W. Carle US Navy

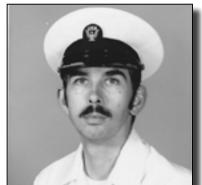
RM2. Served 5 years mostly on USS Brownson in the Mediterranean Sea. Got to see so much of the area around.





Kenneth Collins US Army





Robert Crawmer US Navy

Two tours in the Mediterranean Sea, one tour in Vietnam. Served 7 years. Stationed out of Norfolk, VA and Barbers Point, HI





Clifton Dawley
US Army

Thank you!





Matthew Doty Command Sergeant Major (CSM) Iowa Army National Guard



1994-present



SGT Wendell B Edgington

U.S. Air Force 32nd 45th Civil Engineer Squadron 55150 Pavement Maintenance Specialist



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Thank you for your service.
We salute you every day, but remember all your sacrifices today especially.





Pete Eicher Marines Vietnam



James J. Fedler US Army World War II



Jack K. Foreman **US Navy** World War II, USS Sloat-North Atlantic



Chuck Gillette **US Navy**

Vietnam



Wendell Hannum US Army 1969-1970 Vietnam 25th Inf. B Co. 1-27 Proud of you. Dad!



SFC Jimmie Hayes US Army Desert Shield/Desert Storm OIF 2003, 2004,2006

We are proud to call you

our hero! Love, Amy, Triston, Lexi, Isaiah, and Lila





David L. Holmes Marines Vietnam War

Thank you for your service!



Carlos D. Holmes Marines Currently serving 29 Palms, California Thank you for your service! Lov

you, Mom and Dad



Jeffrey Hubbs US Army 85-90 101st Airborne, 3rd ID



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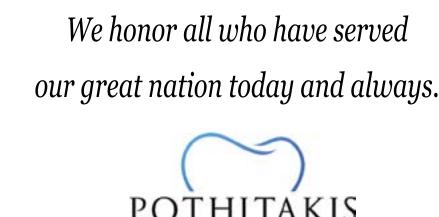
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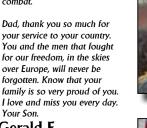
Carree Jones US Navy 1986 to 1992 Adak, AK Camp Pendleton, CA Treasure Island, CA Orlando, FL Pearl Harbor, HI



Gerald Junkins Air Force of the most dangerous targets in Europe. 15th AAF, 464th bomb group, B-24 Liberator. Received Distinguished Fly-

ing Cross for bravery in air

Dad, thank you so much for your service to your country. You and the men that fought for our freedom, in the skies over Europe, will never be forgotten. Know that your



Daniel K. Kincaid **US Army** Operation Enduring Freedom, Afghanistan 2010-

2011 & 2013-2014





Stephen Koser

Air Force Served from May 1966 -April 1970 Vietnam April 1969-April

I am Honored I was able to Protect and Serve our United States of America.





Gerald F. Krogmeier **US Marine Corp** Vietnam



PV2 Jeremy Lee National Guard





SGT Kristopher

U.S. Army 8th MISG (A) 35F (Intelligence Analyst)



Corporal Lloyd E. Lee

U.S. Army 11th Airborne 511th Parachute Infantry Regiment



1970-1973

Hanna Lynch

Air Force, US Army Served 2004-2012; Iraq 2006; Afghanistan 2008, and 2010

I'm a proud veteran of the USAF, and I am blessed to be able to share my experience with others.





Travis McGee

US Army Operation Iraqi Freedom

Today and everyday we are grateful for you! You have shown by example what it truly means to belong to the home of the free because of the brave! Love, Sarah and Weston





Mike McHugh **US Marine Corp** Vietnam Conflict





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I love you and miss you. Thank you for your service, dad. May you watch over all that love you and miss you.





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H. Everett Mungan Navy Served from 1959 -1963



Kenneth Panther US Army Company D, 237th Engineer's Battalion; Served in Germany during the Viet Nam War era



Terry Parrott Navy E-6 MMISS, Wartime Lebanon/Beirut



Lawrence Rankin US Air Force 1973 Santo, TX Lackland Air Force Base



Ralph Rettig US Army Korea

In memory of my Dad. Thank you for serving our country.



Jimilee Riney US Navy Seabees, USS Princeton, Arsenal Island, Rock Island,

We love and miss you!



Michael Riney
US Coast Guard
Patroled from West Palm

US Coast Guard Patroled from West Palm Beach and Miami, FL, Corpus Christi. TX

We love you and miss you! 1962-2014



SSGT Ezekiel "Zeke" James Ross

Iowa National Guard Charlie Company 224th Engineer Battalion, Operation Iraqi Freedom 2004-2005

A Brother in Arms





Claude Salisbury

National Guard Company C 201st Engineer Battalion, Kentucky Army National Guard (1980-2003)

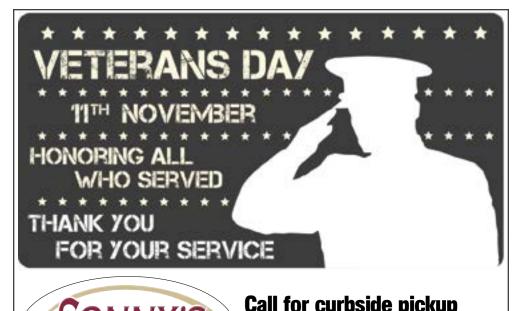
Thank you, Dad, for instilling in me the Army values and a deduction to serving the community. Hooah!

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Aaron Sessions US Marines 2018-2019 American Embassy National Security-Oslo, Norway. Currently in Quanico, VA. Extensive training

I am proud of you! Following in family footsteps. I love you and miss you.





Joshua Sessions National Guard

I am so proud that you wanted to follow family tradition and serve our country! Love you!



Jeffrey R. Smith US Marines





Joshua Smith Air Force Freedom Sentinel & Inherent Resolve, Qatar





Specialist Franklin Statler National Guard 1991 Desert Storm





Gary Steflik US Navy Vietnam





Floyd Strode US Army WWII, Korea





Christopher M.
Sutcliffe
Marines

Marines
Operation Iraqi Freedom /
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Freedom
Purple Heart recipient





Francisco Noe Trejo National Guard

National Guard Operation Enduring Freedom Horn of Africa





Clay Vermazen National Guard 04-05 Iraq

I am always & forever grateful for everything you have done & continue to do. I Love You! You will forever be my always!!! Love Sara.





Dan Vice US Army Vietnam December 1968 -July 1970





Michelle Welborn US Army

Thank you for your service



