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United States Secretary of Veterans Affairs. The Honorable Douglas A. Collins was sworn in as the 12th secretary of Veterans Affairs on Feb. 5, 2025, following his nomination by President Donald J. Trump. A native of Gainesville, Georgia, Mr. Collins saw public service modeled by his father, a Georgia State Trooper, and mother, who provided care to local senior citizens. He earned a degree in political science and criminal justice from the University of North Georgia. Secretary Collins earned his master's degree in divinity from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and his community roots deepened in the eleven years he pastored Chicopee Baptist Church. In 2006, the people of Georgia's 27th State House District elected Mr. Collins to represent them. During his first term in the state legislature, Collins graduated from Atlanta's John Marshall Law School and established his own legal practice.

As a U.S. Air Force Reserve chaplain, Mr. Collins has ministered to our country's military since 2002. He completed a 2008-2009 deployment to Iraq while stationed at Balad Air Base. He remains a colonel in the Air Force Reserve.

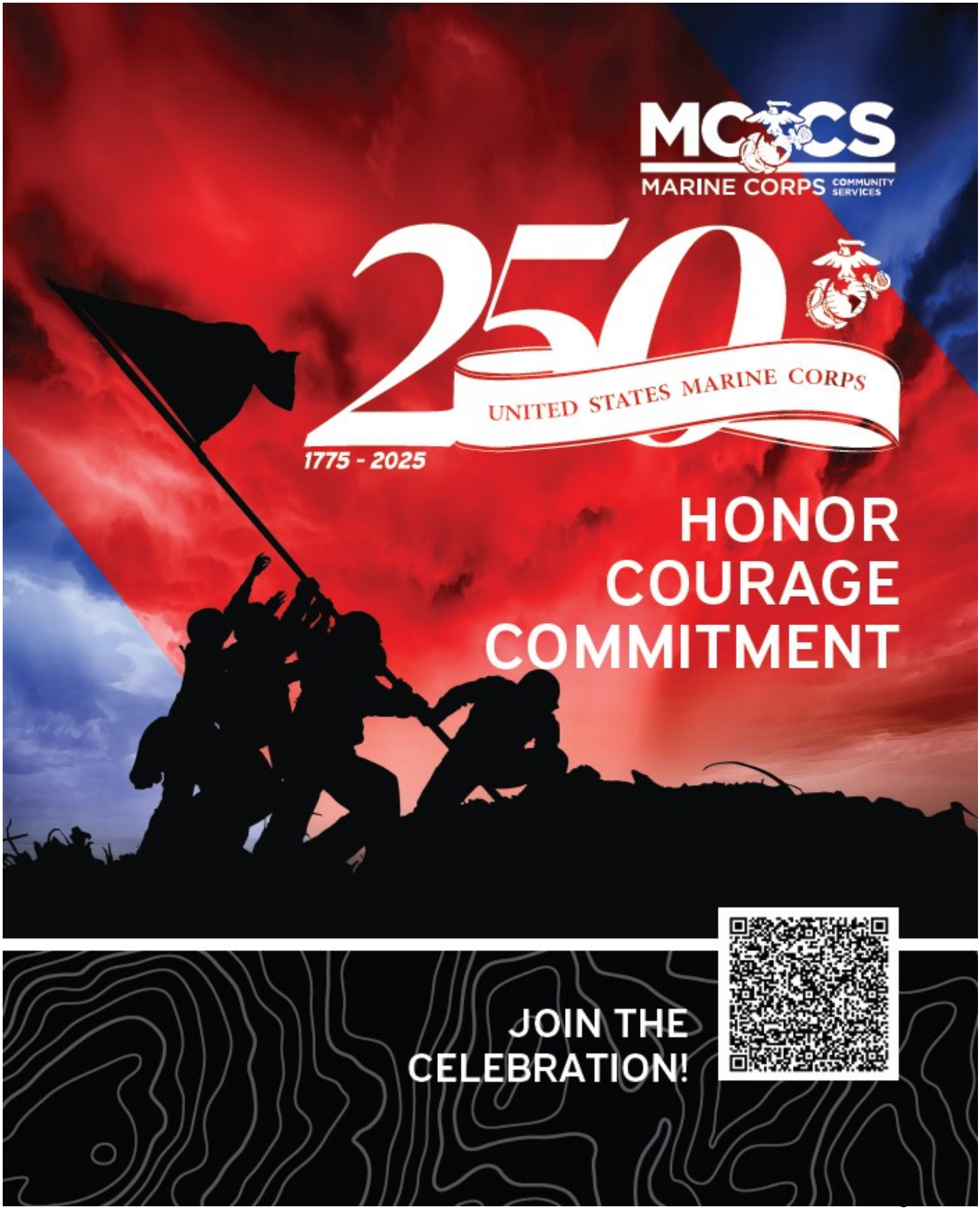
Secretary Collins served as a U.S. Representative for Georgia's Ninth Congressional District from 2013-2021. While he is a public servant, attorney, and practicing military chaplain, he remains foremost a husband to Lisa and father to daughter Jordan and sons Copelan and Cameron. Lisa was a lifelong educator in Georgia's public schools, and together she and Doug are actively involved at Lakewood Baptist Church.

Acting Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs. Ronald E. Walters was named Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs (PDUSMA) for the National Cemetery Administration (NCA), effective June 2009. From June 2014 through December 2017, and from January to June 2021, he led NCA in roles as interim and acting Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs. Prior to his position as PDUSMA, he served as NCA's Deputy Under Secretary for Finance and Planning and Chief Financial Officer from July 2006.

Mr. Walters helps lead 156 national cemeteries in providing dignified burial services for military Veterans and eligible family members. His responsibilities include: maintaining cemeteries as national shrines; land acquisition, design, construction, and other activities relating to the establishment of new national cemeteries; overseeing memorial programs to honor the service of deceased Veterans, including the provision of headstones, markers, medallions and Presidential Memorial Certificates; and administering federal grants to help states, territories and tribal governments establish Veterans cemeteries.

He was instrumental in efforts to modernize the approach to memorializing Veterans by establishing the Veterans Legacy Program and Veterans Legacy Memorial.

Mr. Walters represents NCA at congressional hearings, in briefings with members of Congress and their staff, Veterans Service Organizations, the Office of Management and Budget, advisory committees, and other interested groups. In his previous position, he was responsible for the successful implementation of key legislative mandates to include the Chief Financial Officers Act and the Government Performance and Results Act within NCA.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2025 Navy & Marine Corps Retiree Council

The Secretary of the Navy established the Navy & Marine Corps Retiree Council to consider issues of significant importance to retired military personnel and their family members, to facilitate interaction between Department of Navy leadership and the Navy and Marine Corps retired community, and to facilitate participation in other aspects of the Retired Activities Program.

The Council may review the effectiveness of current programs and policies affecting retirees and may make recommendations concerning improvements to privileges, benefits, assistance to retirees, quality of life, and any other matters relating to retired personnel.

SECNAV Instruction 5420.169K details Council membership and responsibilities and broadly empowers the Council to make recommendations on any matter relating to retired personnel.

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The Navy's New Amphibious Transport Dock Ship will honor a Fallen Marine

The Navy officially named three future ships this past week, as well as the official name for its new class of ocean surveillance ships. The vessels honor two Navy veterans and underwater explorers, as well as a Marine killed in action during the Iraq War. Former Secretary of the Navy Carlos Del Toro announced the names at different events on 10 January. The amphibious transport dock ship LPD 33 will be named for 1st Lieutenant Travis Manion, an academy graduate who served in the Marine Corps with 1st Reconnaissance Battalion and fought in Iraq. On April 29, 2007, Manion and his fellow Marines were ambushed while searching a suspected insurgent house in Iraq's Anbar province. As he led a counterattack, Manion was fatally wounded by a sniper while aiding his wounded teammates. He deliberately exposed himself to heavy enemy fire to draw fire away from his wounded Marines. For his actions, he received the Silver Star and the Bronze Star with Valor posthumously. "Today, as our men and women continue to serve on the front lines, I know Travis would want this ship to be a tribute to this entire generation of veterans and a reminder to honor and remember their service and sacrifice," said Marine Col. (Ret.) Thomas Manion, chairman emeritus of the Travis Manion Foundation.

The San Antonio-class amphibious ship represents the combined power of the Navy and Marine Corps team and relies on the seamless integration of Sailors and Marines working together. Amphibious transport dock ships are warships that embark, transport and land elements of a landing force for a variety of expeditionary warfare missions. LPDs are used to transport and land Marines, their equipment, and supplies by embarked Landing Craft Air Cushion (LCAC) or conventional landing craft and amphibious assault vehicles (AAV) augmented by helicopters or vertical take-off and landing aircraft (MV 22). These ships support amphibious assault, special operations, or expeditionary warfare missions and serve as secondary aviation platforms for amphibious operations.

USS San Antonio (LPD-17)
USS New York (LPD-21)

Defense Finance and Accounting Service

DFAS Tips for a Smoother Tax Season

Military Retiree and SBP Annuitants: Need a 1099 R? Jump online, not inline to get your 1099R. You can have a 1099R mailed to you y ordering through our convenient online askDFAS request form. https://corpweb1.dfas.mil/askDFAS/ticketInput.action?subCategoryID=9725.

The IRS Form 1099-R is the retired pay and Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) annuitant tax statement, like the W-2 provided to wage earners. The 1099-R documents the amount of your taxable retired or SBP annuity income and how much was withheld in taxes.

Retirees and SBP Annuitants: Managing Your Pay Account Just Got Easier! Managing your retired or SBP annuity pay account is easier when you use our new, more convenient askDFAS online tools! Ask a question, upload a form or document, or update your mailing address. See our Quick Tools webpage to find out more: https://www.dfas.mil/raquicktools

Important News for Reserve and Guard Gray Area Retirees. We created a new kind of myPay account especially for Gray Area Retirees! This account will help you stay connected to important news and updates between the time you retire from Service and the date you're eligible to receive retired pay. Find out how to log on and update your contact information so you never miss a message. https://www.dfas.mil/RetiredMilitary/plan/Gray-Area-Retirees/.

DFAS Contacts

DFAS Retired & Annuitant Pay Website

https://www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary

Retired Pay:

Defense Finance and Accounting

Service, U.S. Military Retired Pay

8899 E 56th Street

Indianapolis IN 46249-1200

Annuitant Pay:

Defense Finance and Accounting Service, U.S. Military Annuitant Pay 8899 E 56th Street, Indianapolis IN 46249-1300

DFAS Retired & Annuitant Pay Phone and Fax Numbers

Phone:

Toll-free: 800-321-1080

Local: 317-212-0551

DSN: 699-0551

Retired Pay Fax: :800-469-6559

Annuitant/Survivor Pay Fax: 800-982-8459

myPay

https://mypay.dfas.mil

Phone: 888-332-7411

DFAS - What to Do When a Military Retiree Dies?
What You Need to Know.

We are sorry for your loss, and we are here to help you. Although it's a difficult time, it's important to report the death of a military retiree promptly. Please use one of the options below to report the death of a retiree.

Information about claiming a retiree's final pay and claiming Survivor Benefit Plan payments (if the retiree was enrolled) is also included in this checklist.

Additional information is available on the DFAS Report a Retiree's Death webpage: https://www.dfas.mil/retdeath

Please note: The Arrears of Pay (AOP) beneficiary and Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) beneficiary are designated by the retiree. They can be the same, but are not always the same. Separate claims must be made for AOP and SBP.

How to Report a Retiree's Death. Prompt reporting of a death is important to avoid overpayment. Retired pay ends on the date of death of the retiree. You can report a retiree's death using our online form or by calling our Customer Care Center, or via fax or mail. Filling out the online askDFAS Notification of Death form is the quickest and most convenient option. It's available 24/7.

- To use the online askDFAS Notification of Death form, visit our Quick Tools webpage: https://www.dfas.mil/raquicktools, then click on "To Report the Death of a Retiree."
- To contact our Customer Care Center, call toll-free: 1-800-321-1080 or 1-317-212-0551 (during business hours M-F, Eastern Time).
- OR Fax to: 1-800-469-6559 OR Mail to: Defense Finance and Accounting Service, U.S. Military Retired Pay, 8899 E 56th Street, Indianapolis IN 46249-1200

Supporting Documents Required. We are required to have a copy of the retiree's Certificate of Death that states the cause or manner of death prior to making payments. If you have not yet provided this specific type of death certificate, please include a copy of it with your documents. □ The supporting documents to claim SBP depends on your individual situation. Please check our webpage for specific information: https://www.dfas.mil/startsbp

Reminders. Is your form signed and dated by you (and by witnesses for the AOP SF 1174)? □ Did you include supporting documents? Is the retiree's name and Social Security Number on each document?

DFAS 2025 Pay Schedule

Entitlement Month	Retired Pay Date	Annuitant Pay Date
December 2024	December 31, 2024	January 2, 2025
January 2025	January 31, 2025	February 3, 2025
February 2025	February 28, 2025	March 3, 2025
March 2025	April 1, 2025	April 1, 2025
April 2025	May 1, 2025	May 1, 2025
May 2025	May 30, 2025	June 2, 2025
June 2025	July 1, 2025	July 1, 2025
July 2025	August 1, 2025	August 1, 2025
August 2025	August 29, 2025	September 2, 2025
September 2025	October 1, 2025	October 1, 2025
October 2025	October 31, 2025	November 3, 2025
November 2025	December 1, 2025	December 1, 2025
December 2025	December 31, 2025	January 2, 2026

DFAS Contacts

DFAS Retired & Annuitant Pay Website: https://www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary

Retired Pay: Defense Finance and Accounting Service, U.S. Military Retired Pay 8899 E 56th Street Indianapolis IN 46249-1200

Annuitant Pay: Defense Finance and Accounting Service, U.S. Military Annuitant Pay 8899 E 56th Street, Indianapolis IN 46249-1300

DFAS Retired & Annuitant Pay Phone and Fax Numbers Phone: Toll-free: 800-321-1080, Local: 317-212-0551, DSN: 699-0551, Retired Pay Fax: :800-469-6559, Annuitant/ Survivor Pay Fax: 00-982-8459 myPay, https://mypay.dfas.mil , Phone: 888-332-7411

TRICARE Online Patient Portal Decommissioning: Download Your Health Records Now

On April 1, the TRICARE Online Patient Portal will no longer be available. The Department of Defense's new electronic health record.—MHS GENESIS—has replaced the TOL Patient Portal. As part of the transition, the DOD is decommissioning the TOL Patient Portal. If you want to keep a copy of your legacy health records for personal use, you must download them from the TOL Patient Portal before April 1.

"All military hospitals and clinics have transitioned to MHS GENESIS. We encourage you to take these important steps to save your personal health records before the TOL Patient Portal decommissions," said Rear Adm. Tracy Farrill, Principal Deputy, Assistant Director for Health Care Administration, and Military Health System EHR Functional Champion at the Defense Health Agency. "Your medical history is a valuable resource for managing your health, and saving your records now ensures you have access if you need it."

Why is the TOL Patient Portal decommissioning?

The MHS GENESIS Patient Portal has replaced the TOL Patient Portal. As detailed in the TRICARE Choices in the United States Handbook, MHS GENESIS allows you to access your EHR 24/7. You can also book and cancel appointments, request prescription refills and renewals, see clinical notes and certain test results, and exchange secure messages with your military healthcare team. The change from TOL to MHS GENESIS eliminates the need to maintain two systems and streamlines EHR management.

What Will Happen to My Records? Provider access: Your provider will continue to have access to your complete health records. Personal access: You can use the steps below to download your legacy records for personal use before April 1. You can also request a physical copy from your military hospital or clinic's records management office. To do this, you'll need to complete a request form in person, and then return at a later designated time to pick up the records. Beginning April 1, if you want your legacy health records, you'll have to follow this process.

What should I do now? To keep copies of your legacy health records, follow these instructions:

1. Visit www.TRICAREOnline.com

2. Log in: Sign in using your DS Logon, CAC, or DFAS myPay credentials. If you don't have a DS Logon, you'll need to create one by clicking "Need An Account."

3. Access: On the TOL homepage, click the blue "Health Record" button to view your personal health data.

4. Find data: Select "Download My Data." You'll see several data categories.

TRICARE Online Patient Portal Decommissioning: Download Your Health Records Now Continued

5. Customize: Choose the person, data types, date range, and format for the records you want to download.

6. Download: You can choose to download your records in portable document format (.pdf) or as a (.xml) continuity of care document. The CCD format allows you to share your data with family, caregivers, providers, and healthcare systems, or to document data in your preferred personal health record.

7. Save: After downloading, you can either open the file or save it securely for future use. You can also print your records and store them in a safe place.

Important details.

* Your records won't transfer to MHS GENESIS once TOL decommissions.
* Your TOL health records only reflect periods of time when your military hospital or clinic was using TOL. Note: If you moved from one duty station to another, and one military hospital or clinic used TOL and the other used MHS GENESIS, your records in MHS GENESIS may have gaps. You'll find these "gap" records in the TOL Patient Portal. Be sure to download them.
* You can only download your records from the past 30 years, from the date you log in to TOL.
* Protect your health information. When you download or print your personal health information, it becomes your responsibility to keep it safe. Use secure options. Avoid saving personal data on unsecure devices or platforms.

It's also important to know that if you're planning to file a claim with the Department of Veterans Affairs, this decommissioning won't affect your ability to do so. Providers will still have access to your complete health records.

Can I see my children's health records?

Yes. You can view all available health data for your children under the age of 12. For children aged 12 to 17, you may view COVID-19, coronavirus, and flu test results, as well as allergies, vitals, and immunization data.

Due to state privacy laws, there are limits to what health data you can view online for your children aged 12 to 17. You can request printed results from your child's clinic or provider

Don't wait—take action

Remember: The TOL Patient Portal will only be available until April 1. Take the time now to download and store your health records to ensure you can easily access them if needed.

To get started or learn more, visit the TOL Patient Portal. https://www.tricareonline.com/tol2/prelogin/desktopIndex.xhtml

USMC Reunions

Organization/POC	Date	Phone	Email
E Company 2/7 Vietnam Veterans Tucson AZ / G.J. Trautman	7-12 April 2025	904-504-1852	psusmc2003@yahoo.com
TBS Instructors years 1984-1988 Quantico, VA TBS / Mike McBride	25-27 April 2025	503-819-6887	tbs.instructors.84to88@gmail.com Tbsinstruc-tors5.godaddysites.com
Marine Corps Distinguished Shooters Association Bittersweet Farm, Unionville, VA / Danny Burke	17 May 2025	540-287-3833	b12daniel@aol.com www.marinedsa.org
Marine Air Control Squadron Marine Air Command and Control System 4225 O'Neill Stret, Yuma, AZ 85369 / Frank Walter	14-18 May 2025	(260) 667-0602	macsreunions@gmail.com www.macsreunions.org
Hotel 2/7 Vietnam Veterans (1965 -1970) Embassy Suites by Hilton Downtown, Des Moines, IA / Jer-ry Moorehead	29 May - 1 June, 2025	(515) 999-2690	gamoorehead@msn.com
W/C-610 Marines of MCAS K-Bay Las Vegas, NV / 1StSgt Mitravich / MSgt Warriner	10 June 2025	(808) 271-0655, (425) 402-6975	JohnMit@me.com , Top-MJW@Live.com https://www.facebook.com/groups/1395918457768385/
2025 Marine Corps Engineer As-sociations (Annual Reunion & Wards Banquet) Hampton Inn Stafford/Quantico & Conference Center Stafford, VA 22554 / LtCol	23-26 September, 2025	931-307-9094	treasurer@marcorengasn.org, or visit the MCEA website at www.marcorengasn.org
VMFA-531 (All years) Key West, FL / Richard Niedner	29 September - 4 October, 2025	(703) 566-6865	lipsdurkin@hotmail.com https://531grayghostsquadron.org/history
Marine Fighter Foray Reunion Hyatt Regency, Dallas, TX / Donnie Herrin / William Pratt, / Rick Packard	14-18 October 2026	214- 632-5124 210-441-9889 352-988-0410	dherrin@vmfareadyroom.com prattwf@gmail.com Packard.rick@gmail.com
A-6 Intruder Reunion (All Squadrons - All Years) Hyatt Regency, Dallas, TX / Joe Krauss	22-26 April 2026	703-362-4761	hjkrauss2@gmail.com intruderassociation.org

Next Generation Uniformed Services ID Card

The Department of Defense transitioned from its legacy paper-based Uniformed Services Identification (USID) card to a more secure, next generation USID card. The Next Generation USID card incorporates an updated design and security features to deter counterfeiting and fraud, and is printed on a plastic cardstock. Initial issuance of the Next Generation USID card began on July 31, 2020 at select DoD ID card facilities, with phased implementation at all DoD ID card facilities, and completed in December 2020. USID cards are issued to retired and reserve members, dependent family members of uniformed Service members, and other eligible individuals in accordance with DoD policy to facilitate access to benefits, privileges, and DoD bases. The Next Generation USID card does not change the populations who are eligible to receive the current card.

Legacy USID cards remain valid through their expiration date, however, individuals with an indefinite (INDEF) expiration date on their legacy USID card may replace those ID cards with a Next Generation USID card.

USID cards may now be renewed online. Please see our online USID card renewal page https://www.cac.mil/Next-Generation-Uniformed-Services-ID-Card/Renewing-Online/ for more information.

Next Generation USID Card Type

- **Geneva Convention Identification Card**

  Members of the Individual Ready Reserves and Inactive National Guard
  Non-CAC-eligible civilian noncombatant personnel deployed in conjunction with military operations overseas

- **Sponsor Identification and Privilege Card**

  Retired members entitled to retired pay
  Members of the Temporary Disability Retired List (TDRL)
  Members of the Permanent Disability Retired List (PDRL)
  Retired members of the Reserves and National Guard
  Medal of Honor recipients
  100% Disabled Veterans
  Former members in receipt of retired pay
  Transitional Health Care Member (TAMP)
  Full-time paid United Service Organizations (USO) personnel when serving OCONUS
  United Seaman's Service (USS) Personnel OCONUS
  Officers and Crews of MSC vessels deployed to foreign countries
  Other benefits-eligible categories as described in DoD policy

- **Dependent Identification and Privilege Card**

Dependents of:

Active duty Service members of the regular components
Reserve component Service members on active duty for more than 30 days
Retirees
Medal of Honor recipients
Former members in receipt of retired pay
Transitional Health Care Members (TAMP)
100% Disabled Veterans
Ship's Officers and Crewmembers of NOAA Vessels
Reserve members not on active duty or in receipt of retired pay
Former members not in receipt of retired pay

Surviving Dependents of:

Active duty and retired Service members
Medal of Honor recipients
Other benefits-eligible categories as described in DoD policy

2025 Military Retiree Appreciation Days

Date	Location	Contact
5 April 2025	Kingwood, WV (location)	wvmcrad@gmail.com
25-26 April 2025	Pittsburgh, PA (Location)	usarmy.usarc.rso@army.mil
26 April 2025	Coast Guard Island, Alameda, CA	510-390-6312 www.NCCGRC.org david.d.swanson@outlook.com
26 April 2025	Fort Wainwright, AK	907-353-2095
1-3 May 2025	Fort Jackson, SC	803-751-6715
3 May 2025	JBER-Richardson, AK	907-384-3500
27 June 2025	JB Lewis-McChord, WA	253-966-5884
19 July 2025	Presidio of Monterey, CA	831-242-4986
16 August 2025	Tobyhanna Army Depot, PA	570-615-7019/7834/2734 RSVP: usarmy.tyad.usamc.mbx.rso@army.mil
6 September 2025	Camp Pendleton, CA	760-725-6090
12-13 September 2025	Fort Leonard Wood, MO	573-593-6637
18 September 2025	Fort Sill, OK	580-442-2645
20 September 2025	Fort Campbell, KY	270-798-5280
20 September 2025	Buckley SFB Aurora, CO	720-847-6693 raobuckley@gmail.com
27 September 2025	Fort Gregg-Adams, VA (Fort Lee)	804-734-6973/7345
9-10 October 2025	Camp Lejeune, NC (Marston Pavilion)	910-451-0287
11 October 2025	Fort Bliss, TX	915-568-5204
18 October 2025	JB Ellington, Houston TX	210-221-9004 / 9793
18 October 2025	JB Langley, Eustis, VA	757-878-3648
18 October 2025	Carlisle Barracks, PA	717-245-4501
24-25 October 2025	Fort Belvoir	703-806-4551
24 October 2025	Fort Knox, KY	502-624-7236 / 1280
25 October 2025	Fort Leavenworth, KS	913-684-5583 / 2425
31 October 2025	Fort Novosel, AL (Fort Rucker)	334-225-9124 / 9739
1 November 2025	Fort Johnson, LA	337-531-0363 / 0402
7 November 2025	Fort Moore, GA (Fort Benning)	706-545-1805-4434

Military Funeral Honors (TAPS)

The Defense Department provides military funeral honors to recognize the sacrifice and contributions of our nation's veterans. The following individuals are eligible to receive military funeral honors: Military members who die while on active duty, Veterans who served in the active military, naval or air service, and were discharged or released from that service by means of an "honorable" or "under honorable conditions" discharge. Providing military funeral honors is the nation's way of showing gratitude and paying final tribute to a veteran's honorable military service.

Learn how the military can honor a veteran at their funeral, and find out how to get a military grave marker. Who is eligible for military funeral honors and how to request them Funeral honors include the playing of "Taps," the presentation of a U.S. flag, and a detail of uniformed military personnel. Learn more about what happens during military funeral honors. These honors are provided for free for veterans and active-duty members. See if you or your loved one is eligible for military funeral honors. Please visit https://ww.militaryonesource.mil/casualty-assistance/military-funerals/eligibility/

How to Request Military Funeral Honors. The funeral director who handles the veteran's service will request the honors. You will need to provide the veteran's discharge papers to verify eligibility. If you need a copy, submit an emergency request for military records to the National Archives. Please visit https:download.militaryonesource.mil/12038/MOS/Misc%20Files/mos-mfh-nara-form.pdf

Military Funeral Memorials. Veterans and reservists are eligible for other memorial items. Learn how to apply for memorials, including: Headstones, markers, medallions, plaques, and urns, burial flag Presidential memorial certificate These memorials are available for veterans buried in private cemeteries. Spouses or dependent children buried at national or veterans cemeteries may also be eligible for headstones or markers. Please visit https://www.va.gov/burials-memorials/memorial-items/

Military Funeral Honors Directory. Use the Military Funeral Honors Directory by locating the state or territory in which the requested funeral honors will take place. Under the state, you will find a local phone number for each of the military services. Choose the phone number that corresponds to the military service of the deceased. Numbers for each military service will apply, in most cases, to the state as a whole. But some states will have more than one phone number per military service, listed by county or city. For additional information, contact Military OneSource at 800-342-9647. https://www.militaryonesource.mil/resources/tools/military-funeral-honors-directory/

Military Funeral Honors (TAPS) Honoring Those Who Served

U.S. Marine Corps military funerals are conducted to recognize the proud American tradition of honorable service which USMC men and women have given to their country. Our Nation regards the memorializing of its military deceased as an honorable and sacred obligation.

On behalf of the Commandant of the Marine Corps and the Sergeant Major of the Marine Corps, we offer our deepest condolences to the families and friends of the following Marines:

Rank/Name	Date of Retirement	Date of Death
General Thomas R. Morgan	July 1988	December 2024
Major General Leslie M. Palm	September 1998	January 2025
Colonel Derek J. Donovan	October 2007	February 2024
Lieutenant Colonel Arthur R. Wright	October 1990	September 2024
Chief Warrant Officer 4 Michael Caracciolo	April 2005	October 2024
Master Gunnery Sergeant Michael L. Barker	August 1998	September 2024
Master Sergeant Kenneth A. Noble	November 2002	February 2024
Gunnery Sergeant Author W. Weaver	February 1999	January 2025
Gunnery Sergeant Curtis A. Felton	October 1976	January 2022
Gunnery Sergeant Jerry W. Luttrull	June 2001	October 2004
Gunnery Sergeant Lue D. Jackson Jr.	October 2009	October 2024
Staff Sergeant Alfonzo Jones	October 1968	August 2024

Your 2025 State and Federal Veteran Benefits

Everyone knows about the federal benefits available to veterans, but did you know many states also offer great benefits to their veterans? State benefits range from free college and employment resources to free hunting and fishing licenses. Most states also offer tax breaks for their veterans and specialized license plates, and some states even provide their veterans with cash bonuses just for serving in the military. Please visit State Benefits for Veterans at https://www.military.com/benefits/veteran-state-benefits/state-veterans-benefits-directory.html to see what your state provides.

Marine for Life Network We connect transitioning Marines, family members, and veterans to educational resources, employment opportunities, and services that support their career and life goals. https://quantico.usmc-mccs.org/marine-family-support/transition-readiness-program/marine-for-life-network

Spread the word: The 2025 Veterans Benefits Guide is now available . Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents and Survivors handbook online. https://department.va.gov/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/2025-Federal-Benefits-for-Veterans-Dependents-and-Survivors.pdf

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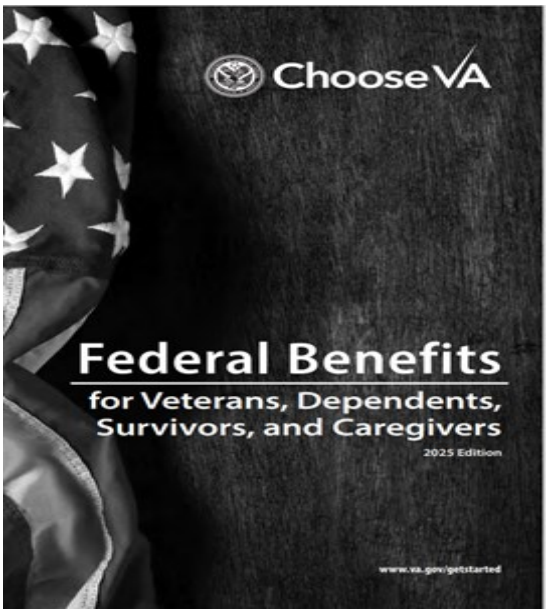
Veterans may be eligible for one more year of G.I. Bill benefits. Are you a Veteran who served at least two periods of service? In other words, did you reenlist? If so, there's a chance that you're eligible for additional G.I. Bill benefits. Specifically, under the previous policy, eligible Veterans who served at least two periods of service were forced to choose between the Montgomery GI Bill and the Post-9/11 GI Bill for a maximum of 36 months of G.I. Bill benefits. Under the updated policy, Veterans will no longer have to make that choice when they apply for benefits, meaning that they can qualify for up to 48 months of G.I. Bill benefits. Please visit https://news.va.gov/137500/veterans-may-eligible-one-year-g-i-bill-benefits/
2025 VA Federal Benefits Guide for Veterans, Dependents, Survivors, and Caregivers."
at www.va.gov/.



Resources

Your connection to information, answers and support when MilLife happens. We can help you overcome challenges, reach your goals and thrive. As a member of our military family, you have access to a wealth of tools, information and resources from the Defense Department anytime, anywhere. Eligible service members and families can also access personalized support for a range of issues.

TSA PreCheck -TSA PreCheck for Separating or Retired Service Members- For those transitioning out of the military or a DoD Civilian role, be sure to enroll into TSA PreCheck https://www.tsa.gov/precheck prior to leaving to maintain your travel benefits for another 5 years. Many credit cards and loyalty programs reimburse TSA PreCheck enrollment fees. Check to see if yours does: Credit Cards and Loyalty Programs featuring TSA PreCheck: Ihttps://www.tsa.gov/precheck/credit-cards-offer

Arlington National Cemetery - Write to Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA 22211. For general information, location of gravesites, and visitor information call 877-907-8585. Please note that the Arlington National Cemetery staff does not make pre-arrangements. Visit www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/.

Armed Forces Recreation Centers
Dragon Hill, Seoul -- Phone: 011-82-2-790-0016. Email: reservations@dhl.korea.army.mil. Fax: 011-82-2-790-1576. Web: www.dragonhilllodge.com.
New Sanno Hotel, Tokyo --
Web: www.thenewsanno.com. Phone: 011-81-3-3440-7871. Email: room_rsv@thenewsanno.com
Hale Koa Hotel, Hawaii -- Phone: 800-367-6027. Email: information@halekoa.com.
Web: www.halekoa.com.
Shades of Green Resort in Orlando.
Phone: 407-824-3400.
Email: sales@shadesofgreen.org. Web: www.shadesofgreen.org.
Armed Forces Vacation Club - The Armed Forces Vacation Club is a space-available program offering Department of Defense-affiliated people affordable condominium vacations at more than 3,500 resorts worldwide. For more information, visit http://www.afvclub.com/.

Replace Veterans' Medals, Awards, and Decorations. Retired Marines can request initial issuance or replacement of military service medals, decorations and awards. See https://www.archives.gov/veterans/replace-medals.html#marine-corps or write to National Personnel Record Center
1 Archives Drive St. Louis,
MO 63138 or request online at https://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records

Burial at Sea - Visit the Navy's website for details regarding burials at sea at https://www.mynavyhr.navy.mil/Support-Services/Casualty/Mortuary-Services/Burial-at-Sea/,or call 866-787-0081.

Casualty Assistance - Call toll free 877-353-6807. Overseas callers should contact the nearest U.S. Embassy.

DEERS Telephone Center - Call DEERs at 800-538-9552, Monday through Friday, excluding U.S. federal holidays, 6 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Pacific time.

Legal Assistance -Need legal know-how? Take advantage of a host of free legal assistance services available from Military OneSource. Service members and their families can take advantage of a host of free legal assistance services. Whether you need help making sense of a lease agreement, creating an estate plan, seeking legal guidance on adoption or other matters, Military OneSource is there for support and direction. https://www.militaryonesource.mil/financial-legal/legal/

Identification Cards- Call 800-525-0102 for location of the nearest issuing facility, or to visit the site locator https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/

Resources

Military Funeral Honors Military Funeral Honors - Visit the Military Funeral Honors, website at https://www.va.gov/burials-memorials/what-to-expect-at-military-funeral/ or call 877-645-4667.

National Resource Directory - This directory is a web-based network of care coordinators, providers and support partners with resources for wounded, ill and injured service members, veterans, their families, families of the fallen and those who support them. Located at https://www.nrd.gov/.

Social Security - Call toll free 800-772-1213; commercial 410-965- 8019; or write to Social Security Administration, Office of Public Inquiries, Windsor Park Building, 6401 Security Blvd., Baltimore, MD 21235. Visit https://www.ssa.gov/ for more information.

Space-Available Travel - The best resource is to contact the nearest military passenger terminal. The terminal staff will have the most current information. If you plan to use space-A travel, contact the passenger terminal where you plan to depart from for current flight information and assistance. You can also contact the passenger terminals you will be using along your travel route. General information about the program plus a listing of passenger terminals with contact information is available on the space-A website, https://www.amc.af.mil/Home/AMC-Travel-Site/

TRICARE - For more information about Tricare, visit https://www.tricare.mil/.

TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (Delta Dental) – 1-888-838-8737, or www.trdp.org/retirees/index.html.

TRICARE Mail-Order Pharmacy Program (Express Scripts, Inc.) - In United States, call toll free 800-282-2881; or overseas, call 866-275-4732. Visit https://www.express-scripts.com/TRICARE/index.shtml for more information.

Veterans Affairs - For benefit inquiries call 800-827-1000; life insurance 800-669-8477; status of headstones and markers, 800-697-6947; special issues such as Gulf War/radiation/Agent Orange/Project Shad call 800-749-8387; and GI Bill and education matters call 888-442-4551. Visit the website at www.va.gov/.

Resources
Please visit https://www.va.gov/resources/

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Please visit https://www.va.gov/resources/

Pre-need Eligibility for Burial in a VA Cemetery

Pre-need" means before the time of need. This application is for planning for your own burial in advance. Please don't complete this form if you're requesting burial at the time of need. Find out how to schedule a burial: https://www.va.gov/burials-memorials/schedule-a-burial/

Choose the VA national cemetery where you'd prefer to be buried: https://www.va.gov/find-locations/
What information do I need to apply? To apply, you'll need your (or your sponsor's):

- Social Security number
- Date and place of birth
- Military status and service history (like service dates, discharge character, and rank—commonly found on the DD214 or other separation documents)

Discharge papers (DD214 or other separation documents) Note: If you don't have discharge papers, find out how to request the DD214. https://www.va.gov/records/get-military-service-records/

How to request your records from the National Archives. You can request records from the National Archives online, by mail, or by fax. Note: If you're submitting an application for VA benefits, we'll request your DD214 for you when we receive your application. You don't need to do this yourself through the National Archives.

Option 1: Request your records online

You can request your military service records online using the National Archives' eVetRecs tool. When you get to eVetRecs, select Make a new request. Request your records using eVetRecs on the National Archives website. https://vetrecs.archives.gov/VeteranRequest/home.html

Option 2: Fill out the National Archive's request form (to mail or fax)
Fill out a Request Pertaining to Military Records (Standard Form 180).
Download and print a copy of the SF-180 in PDF format : https://www.gsa.gov/reference/forms/request-pertaining-to-military-records

VA Burial Benefits and Memorial Items
VA burial benefits can help service members, Veterans, and their family members plan and pay for a burial or memorial service in a VA national cemetery. Family members can also order memorial items to honor the service of a Veteran. Find out how to apply for the burial benefits you've earned, and how to plan for a burial in advance or at time of need.

Get Veterans Burial Benefits Eligibility.
Find out if you qualify for burial in a VA national cemetery and for other burial honors.

Veterans Burial Allowance. Learn how to apply for a burial allowance to help pay for a Veteran's funeral services, burial, and transportation costs.

Benefits for Burial or Memorialization.
Find out how to apply for a headstone, marker, medallion, Presidential Memorial Certificate, plaque, or urn to honor a Veteran's service.

Benefits for spouse and dependents (VA DIC). Learn about getting VA disability benefits for a surviving spouse or a dependent child or parent.

Bereavement Counseling. See if you qualify for grief counseling and transition support after the loss of an active-duty Servicemember, Reservist, or National Guard Soldier.

Veterans Burial Allowance and Transportation Benefits https://www.va.gov/burials-memorials/

Find out how to get Veterans burial allowances (sometimes called “Veterans death benefits”) to help cover burial, funeral, and transportation costs.

Am I eligible for allowances to help pay for a Veteran’s burial and funeral costs? You may be eligible for Veterans burial allowances if you’re paying for the burial and funeral costs and you won’t be reimbursed by any other organization, like another government agency or the Veteran’s employer. You must also meet all of these requirements.

One of these relationships or professional roles describes your connection to the Veteran:

You’re the Veteran’s surviving spouse, or
You’re the surviving partner from a legal union (a relationship made formal in a document issued by the state recognizing the union), or
You’re a surviving child of the Veteran, or
You’re a parent of the Veteran, or
You’re the executor or administrator of the Veteran’s estate (someone who officially represents the Veteran), or
You’re a family member or friend who isn’t the executor of the Veteran’s estate, or
You’re a representative from a funeral home, cemetery, or other organization.

The Veteran must not have received a dishonorable discharge, and one of these circumstances must be true. The Veteran died as a result of a service-connected disability (a disability related to service), or the Veteran died while getting VA care, either at a VA facility or at a facility contracted by VA, or The Veteran died while traveling with proper authorization, and at VA’s expense, either to or from a facility for an examination, or to receive treatment or care, or the Veteran died with an original or reopened claim for VA compensation or pension pending at the time of death, and they would’ve been entitled to benefits before the time of death, or The Veteran died while receiving a VA pension or compensation, or the Veteran died while eligible for compensation or a VA pension at their time of death, but instead received full military retirement or disability pay or The Veteran had been getting a VA pension or compensation when they died, or the Veteran had chosen to get military retired pay instead of compensation

Note: We’ll also provide an allowance for the cost of transporting a Veteran’s remains for burial in a national cemetery.

You can’t get burial allowances for certain individuals
We don’t provide burial allowances if the individual died in any of these ways: On active duty, or While serving as a member of Congress, or While serving a federal prison sentence.

Call us. National Cemetery Scheduling Office:800-535-1117

Headstones and markers:800-697-6947 VA benefits hotline:800-827-1000
MyVA411 main information line:800-698-2411
Telecommunications Relay Services (using TTY)TTY: 711

National Cemetery Administration:
https://www.cem.va.gov/
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https://www.cem.va.gov/
NCA Resources Guide
The National Cemetery Administration provides burial and memorial benefits for Veterans and their eligible family members, and maintains national cemeteries as national shrines, sacred to the honor and memory of those interred or memorialized there. The VA provides compassionate, professional services to ease families through the loss of their loved one. Learn more about VA Memorial Benefits.

250th Anniversary of the United States Marine Corps

Eric M. Smith,
General, U.S. Marine Corps,
Commandant

ALMAR 034/24 On 10 November 2025, the United States Marine Corps will celebrate our 250th birthday — a momentous occasion that honors two-and-a-half centuries of service, sacrifice, and unwavering commitment to our Nation. Since our founding in Philadelphia in 1775, Marines have answered the call and fought bravely in every clime and place. Each generation forged warriors who have embodied our core values of honor, courage, and commitment.

For 250 years, Marines have served at the tip of the spear, standing ready when our Nation was least ready and resolute in the face of adversity – from the shores of Tripoli to the mountains of Afghanistan. This incredible legacy fortifies everyone who earns the title Marine, creating an unbreakable bond that ties us to the generations of Marines who came before us and ensuring that the ideals on which our Nation was founded will endure.

As we approach this significant anniversary, let us reflect on the extraordinary journey we share as a Corps. Our 250th birthday offers a unique opportunity to honor our veterans who paved the way, to connect deeply with our fellow Americans, and to inspire future generations to fight under the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor. Throughout 2025, we will engage in a nationwide campaign, featuring two national-level capstone events and six Marine Weeks across major cities, where we will proudly showcase the heart and soul of our Corps.

I call upon each of you — Marines, past and present — to participate in these celebrations with enthusiasm. Organize events within your commands, share stories of valor and comradeship, and let the world know what it truly means to be a Marine. Reflect on the reasons you joined, the sacrifices Marines have made, and the extraordinary bond that unites us. Together, let us celebrate not just our past, but the spirit that drives us forward. As we stand on the brink of this historic celebration, remember that being a Marine is not just a duty – it is a calling that demands the best of us. Let us carry forward the torch of honor and commitment, illuminating the path for those who will follow. The future of our Corps shines brightly because of the legacy we build today. Together, we are not just part of a military branch. We are part of something greater than ourselves — an extraordinary journey marked by bravery, sacrifice, and unyielding loyalty.

United States Mint Unveils Designs for the 2025 United States Marine Corps 250th Anniversary

The USMC 250th Anniversary Commemorative Coins on Sale. The United States Mint (Mint) began accepting orders for products in the USMC 250th Anniversary Commemorative Coin Program on January 2, 2025, at noon EST. Orders are expected to begin shipping on February 11. Please visit https://www.usmint.gov/search?q=USMC&search-button=&lang=default

United States Navy Blue Angels

USMC Maj. Brandon Wilkins
Angel 3

USMC Maj. Scott Laux
Angel 7

The Blue Angels Team

The goal of our Blue Angels' team is to inspire a culture of excellence and service to country. We are representatives from the fleet, showcasing the pride and professionalism of the United States Navy and Marine Corps.

We are thrilled to perform demonstrations across the country, sharing our Navy and Marine Corps experiences with our fellow Americans, bringing Naval aviation to communities across the country that may not have a large military presence.

2025 marks the 79th year of the Blue Angels. Since 1946, it has been our honor to represent the hundreds of thousands of men and women who serve in the United States Navy and Marine Corps to audiences both at home and abroad, showcasing the excitement, precision, and power of Naval aviation.

Our 158 active duty Sailors and Marines uphold the rich tradition of excellence instituted by those who have served before us. Our goal for 2025 is to continue to inspire young men and women, not just to pursue a career in Naval aviation or the military, but to excel in all areas of their lives.

Each performance provides the American public an opportunity to view the incredible capabilities of our service members serving aboard every ship, squadron, and unit in the United States Navy and Marine Corps.

It is our goal to see that tomorrow's leaders will be inspired and motivated by what they see our men and women accomplishing today.

A total of 16 officers voluntarily serve with the Blue Angels. Each year the team typically selects three tactical (fighter or fighter/attack) jet pilots, two support officers and one Marine Corps C-130J pilot to relieve departing members.

United States Navy Blue Angels

USMC Capt. Isaac Becker
C-130J "Fat Albert" Pilot

USMC Capt. Samuel Petko
Lead C-130J "Fat Albert" Pilot

USMC Maj. Joshua Horman
C-130J "Fat Albert" Pilot

The all-Marine flight crew assigned to the squadron's Lockheed-Martin C-130 J Super Hercules is responsible for transporting road-crew personnel, supplies, and equipment to and from each show site throughout the season.

GySgt. | USMC
Brandon Wishard
Fat Albert Flight Engineer
Forest, MS

SSgt. | USMC
Colin Handlen
Fat Albert Flight Engineer
Michigan City, IN

SSgt. | USMC
Lauren Song
Fat Albert Flight Engineer
Aurora, CO

SSgt. | USMC
Matthew Thompson
Fat Albert Flight Engineer
Woodstock, GA

Fat Albert Maintenance

The Fat Albert Maintenance work center maintains the airframe, life support, engine, hydraulic and avionics systems of the Blue Angels C-130 J Super Hercules aircraft, Fat Albert.

SSgt. | USMC
Joseph Gunther
Long Island, NY

Cpl. | USMC
Daisy Dominguez Dutan
Scranton, PA

Sgt. | USMC
Bailey Dorr
Wagoner, OK

Sgt. | USMC
Michael Farthing
Miami, FL

SSgt. | USMC
Jordan Futrell
Odessa, TX

Sgt. | USMC
Bryan Riquier
Durham, ME

Sgt. | USMC
Benaiah Smith
Havelock, NC

Blue Angels

2025 | SHOW SCHEDULE

MARCH

15 | NAF El Centro, CA | NAF El Centro Festival of Flight

22 - 23 | Sacramento, CA | California Capital Air Show

29 - 30 | NAS Key West, FL | Southernmost Air Spectacular

APRIL

5 - 6 | Lakeland, FL | Sun 'n Fun Aerospace Expo

12 - 13 | MCAS Beaufort, SC | MCAS Beaufort Air Show

26 - 27 | Augusta, GA | Air Dot Show Augusta

MAY

3 - 4 | Fort Lauderdale Beach, FL | Air Dot Show Ft. Lauderdale

10 | NAS Corpus Christi, TX | NAS Corpus Christi Air Show

17 - 18 | Brunswick, GA | The Golden Isles Air Show

21 | USNA, Annapolis, MD | U.S. Naval Academy Air Show

23 | Annapolis, MD | U.S. Naval Academy Graduation Flyover

24 - 25 | Middletown, PA | Air Dot Show Central PA

JUNE

7 - 8 | Smyrna, TN | The Great Tennessee Air Show

14 - 15 | Ocean City, MD | Air Dot Show Ocean City

21 - 22 | Belleville, MI | Belleville Air Show

28 - 29 | Eau Claire, WI | Chippewa Valley Air Show

JULY

5 - 6 | Duluth, MN | Duluth Air and Aviation Expo

12 | Pensacola Beach, FL | Pensacola Beach Air Show

19 - 20 | Milwaukee, WI | Milwaukee Air and Water Show

AUGUST

2 - 3 | Seattle, WA | Boeing SeaFair Air Show

9 - 10 | MCAS Kaneohe Bay, HI | Kaneohe Bay Air Show

16 - 17 | Twin Falls, ID | Twin Falls Air Show

23 - 24 | Columbus, OH | Columbus Air Show

30 - 31 | Branson, MO | Branson Wings of Pride Air Show

SEPTEMBER

1 | Branson, MO | Branson Wings of Pride Air Show

6 - 7 | Portsmouth, NH | Thunder Over New Hampshire Air Show

20 - 21 | NAS Oceana, VA | NAS Oceana Air Show

27 - 28 | MCAS Miramar, CA | MCAS Miramar Air Show

OCTOBER

4 - 5 | Salinas, CA | California International Airshow

11 - 12 | San Francisco, CA | San Francisco Fleet Week

18 - 19 | Rome, GA | Wings Over North Georgia

25 - 26 | Jacksonville Beach, FL | Sea & Sky Air Show

NOVEMBER

1 - 2 | Punta Gorda, FL | Florida International Air Show

7 - 8 | NAS Pensacola, FL | Blue Angels Homecoming Air Show

www.blueangels.navy.mil

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AMC PASSENGER TERMINAL
http://www.amc.af.mil/Home/AMC-Travel-Site/

ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY
(703) 607-8000
www.arlingtoncemetery.mil

ARMED FORCES RECREATION CENTERS
www.armymwr.com/travel/recreationcenters/

- **Edelweiss Lodge and Resort (Germany)** (011-49) 8821-9440
- **Hale Koa Hotel (Hawaii): (**800) 367-6027

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME
(800) 422-9988
Email: admissions@afrh.gov
Email: public.affairs@afrh.gov
www.afrh.gov

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BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
701 S. Courthouse Rd., Bldg. 12, Suite 1001
Arlington, VA 22204-2490
(703) 604-6884/6885; Fax: (703) 604-3437
www.donhq.navy.mil/bcnr/bcnr.htm

C

CAMP LEJEUNE NOTIFICATION REGISTRY
https://clnr.hqi.usmc.mil/clwater

COLD WAR RECOGNITION PROGRAM
Attn: AHRC-PDP-A, Dept. 480
1600 Spearhead Division Ave.
Fort Knox, KY 40122-5408
Fax: (800)723-9262 or (502) 613-9510
https://www.hrc.army.mil
Search "Cold War Certificate"

COMBAT-RELATED SPECIAL COMPENSATION BOARD (CRSCB). SECNAV CRSC Board, 720 Kennon St. SE, Ste. 309; Washington, DC 20374, (877) 366-2772, (202) 685-6408, Fax: (202) 685-6610 https://www.secnav.navy.mil/mra/CORB/pages/crscb/default.aspxD

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DD 214s
Marines who have been discharged, separated, or retired on or before 31 December 1998:
National Personnel
Records Center
1 Archives Dr., St.
Louis, MO 63138
(314) 801-0800; Fax: (314) 801-9195
PR.center@nara.gov; www.archives.gov/st-louis

Marines discharged/retired/separated on or after
1 January 1999:
Manpower Management Performance Branch (MMPB-21)
2008 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134
-5030
(800) 268-3710 option (1);
smb.manpower.mmrp_10@usmc.mil

DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE
(800) 321-1080, www.dfas.mil
U.S. and OCONUS: (216) 522-5955, Fax: (800) 469-6559

DFAS Special Compensation for the Severely Disabled
P.O. Box 998011; Cleveland, OH
44199-8011
(216) 522-6170

E

E-BENEFITS: https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/appmanager/eb/veterans

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Federal Employee Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP)
(877) 888-FEDS ((877) 888-3337)
www.BENEFEDS.com/military

Federal Long Term Care Insurance Program (FLTCIP)
(800) LTC-FEDS ((800) 582-3337)
www.LTCFEDS.com/Military

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MARINE CORPS HERITAGE FOUNDATION 1775 Semper Fidelis Way, Triangle VA 22172 (703) 640-7965 OR (800) 397-7585; info@marineheritage.org or https:// www.marineheritage.org/

MARINE CORPS UNIVERSITY 2044 Broadway Street, Quantico, VA 22134-5001 (703) 432-4874, www.history.division@usmcu.edu

MARINE CORPS JUNIOR ROTC TECOM (C46JR) 2007 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 221345001, (703) 784-3706; www.mcjrotc.org , **Fax: (202) 685-6610 https:// ww.secnav.navy.mil/mra/CORB/pages/**

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE NATIONAL HQ
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Stafford, VA 22554, (703) 207-9588:
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MARINE CORPS RECORDS RESEARCH & RECONSTRUCTION (MMPB-21)
2008 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134-5030
(800) 268-3710, (703) 784-3930/4646/5616

MARINE CORPS RESERVE ASSOCIATION
3619 Richmond Hwy, Suite 115
Stafford, VA 22554-7771
(877) 289-8780, (703) 289-1204

MCCS COMMUNITY SERVICES:
www.usc-mccs.org

MEDICAL RECORDS: Marines who have been discharged/separated/retired on 1 May 1994 or later:

VA Records Management Center
P.O. Box 5020;
St. Louis, MO 63115
(888) 533-4558; Fax: (314)

MEDICARE: (800) 633-4227;
www.medicare.gov

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NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE MARINE CORPS
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Triangle, VA 22172
(877) 653-17775
www.usmcmuseum.org

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(314) 801-0800;
https://www.archives.gov/personnel-records-center/military-personnel

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NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY
875 N. Randolph Road Street, Suite 225, Arlington , VA 22203 (800) 654-8364; http://www.nmcrs.org

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www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/quantico.asp

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