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This-N-That

Good afternoon Jim,

We've finally discovered why we weren't receiving as many news alerts as we used to. One of the platforms we'd subscribed to has completely revamped their website and no longer produces alerts.

But we will continue to bring as much news and

information to you as is humanly possible.

In addition, we've removed all but one from the **TAKE ACTION** section. Three of us misread the pages and unfortunately all three of us missed the cancellation notice. For that I do apologize.

We're still working on the Congressional Fax list so we can get back to doing our weekly/bi-weekly fax blast that we're accustomed to doing. It's taking longer as those who had no fax number listed, we're having to go back and re-check again, and sometimes again to get those numbers to be programmed into our server.

But it seems from all we've heard and see, Congress is in no hurry to deal with anyone but drastically changing election laws, cutting millions of jobs, and in some cases personal vendetta's so that is giving us a little breather to finish off gathering all the numbers we're looking for.

In the meantime, though we do have and continue to assemble our hit list of issues so when we're fully capable of fax blasting, we can hit them all one by one.

For a few weeks now we've been asking Veterans to tell us their story, so far, we've not had anyone come forward, that's ok, we know it's not easy to tell, and often trust is an issue as well, but we are hoping soon we will begin to hear from our Veterans, and hopefully what we get can and will help others in our battle with Congress.

In regard to the COVID virus, some have E-Mailed us asking about the vaccine. We're not capable of giving any more information than what we're provided and

we ask everyone to just stay on top of it, read as much as you can and you make the decision for yourself and your family.

Continue to practice safe practices like masks when out, keeping safe social distancing, steer clear of anyone sneezing or coughing to help protect yourself and your family.

We lost the wife of a Veteran two nights ago to COVID, we'd really like to not hear of anyone else being lost to this horrible virus.

We continue to gain momentum on MEWE, and some of our followers that we'd lost when we migrated from Face Book over to MEWE are finding us again, and please to rejoin us. And we encourage all of our readers to join us there, links to all our pages are further down in this newsletter.

And I'd like to encourage everyone who can to help and support Military-Veterans Advocacy go to www.militaryVeteransadvocacy.org

On behalf of our Volunteers nationwide and myself, we wish you and your family good health!

Respectfully,

Jim Davis

Founder

Jim.Davis@Veterans-For-Change.org



**Find a Provider, Get the Care You Need
with TRICARE**

Have you seen your doctor in the last year? If not, it's time to make an appointment. Seeing your doctor for regular checkups is one of the best ways to screen for diseases and prevent future health problems. And it's something you can do safely during the COVID-19 pandemic. If you're looking for a doctor, TRICARE can help. Your coverage enables you to visit several types of providers.

To learn more, [read the article](#).



DOD vaccinating personnel worldwide against COVID-19

A little more than a month after the Food and Drug Administration issued emergency use authorization for the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines Dec. 12 and Dec. 17, respectively, vaccines have been increasingly and successfully distributed and administered to Department of Defense personnel worldwide in a safe and effective phased approach.

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Senate Committee Holds VA Secretary Confirmation Hearing

On Wednesday, the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs held a confirmation hearing to consider Denis R. McDonough for the position of Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). The full Senate must vote on McDonough's nomination before he can be confirmed. McDonough emphasized his qualifications for the position stating, "I can unstick problems inside agencies and across agencies, especially at an agency as large as VA." [Watch the hearing.](#)

4 WAYS TO HELP HOMELESS VETERANS

- 1 Encourage the Veteran or their families to visit the closest VA Medical Center or Community Resource and Referral Center for help.
- 2 Give the Veteran the phone number to the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans (1-877-424-3838).
- 3 Call the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans (1-877-424-3838) on behalf of the Veteran.
- 4 Explore www.va.gov/homeless to learn about VA programs for Veterans who are homeless and share that information with others.



DHA director visits San Antonio military units, JBSA vaccination sites

Joint Base San Antonio's role in Operation Warp Speed, the whole-of-nation response to COVID-19, and ongoing vaccination efforts were the highlight of a visit by Army Lt. Gen. Ronald Place, director of the Defense Health Agency, last week.

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Links to Other Stories

- [1. Teen Honors Fallen Marine by Playing Patriotic Hymns Outside Home for Two Weeks](#)
- [2. DOD recommends adults 75 and older should seek COVID-19 vaccine](#)
- [3. Medical mentoring fosters retention, improved health care delivery](#)
- [4. Where to Find Housing Assistance During the Pandemic](#)
- [5. Dog Tag History: How the Tradition & Nickname Started](#)
- [6. PFAS 'forever chemicals' are widespread and threaten human health – here's a strategy for protecting the public](#)
- [7. VA turns away some Veterans seeking COVID-19 vaccine](#)
- [8. Virtual diabetes training benefits Veterans and active duty personnel](#)
- [9. Ex-VA Doctor Who Misdiagnosed Patient Sentenced to Prison](#)
- [10. Afghanistan Veteran Named as Pentagon's](#)

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'COVID-19 Coordinator'

11. Businessman Charged in Scheme to Hoard
Personal Protective Equipment and Price Gouge
Health Care Providers

12. Former Veterans Affairs Doctor Sentenced to
Prison for Sexual Abuse of Veterans

13. Fayetteville Doctor Sentenced To 20 Years In
Federal Prison For Mail Fraud And Involuntary
Manslaughter

14. Case manager and property agent plead guilty to
stealing federal funds designated to help homeless
Veterans



**COVID-19 Testing and Vaccination
Available for Caregivers**

VA offers COVID-19 testing and [vaccinations for caregivers](#) participating in the Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers (PCAFC) per the COVID-19 Vaccination Plan for the Veterans Health Administration. Veterans and caregivers can [sign up](#) for updates and express their interest in receiving a vaccine, which will help VA with their vaccine supply.



Veterans-For-Change Web Site

The Veterans-For-Change website has been around since 2009. The looks pretty much stay the same for now, but in the background our new webmaster has been working on a whole new look and feel, a facelift so-to-speak. And we're sincerely hoping to roll out the new website sometime this coming June.

Constant improvement and change are being done to make our website the most user friendly **"One-Stop-Shop"** website to find almost everything you might have tried to find searching the internet.

Almost a hundred people have been involved; collecting web links to documents now houses on the VFC website, collecting thousands of web links for various issues, illnesses and benefits. Creating forums for all eras of service and two forums one just for men and one just for woman where you can go question, comment, share medical and personal concerns, what ever you'd like it to be.

We also have a forum with for Mental Health and are currently seeking a new Licensed Mental Health Worker, where you can seek help or just ask questions.

We average **1,760** hits per day, and downloads average **2,288** per day with a total **7,071,060** visitors as of Saturday.

If you subscribe you will have full access to the entire website and best of all it's **FREE of CHARGE!** You just need a valid E-mail address so the system can send us a notification to approve your account. Once received, and we approve, the system will send you an E-Mail letting you know your account has been approved. Be sure to check your junk and spam folders just in case you don't receive it in your In-Box.

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- Documents Library with over **20,047** documents in 233+ Libraries, added 33 new documents on-line (Updated: 01/12/21)
- FAQ's on-line with **1,843** FAQ's on 104 topics! (Updated 05/30/20 - 46 NEW)
- Multiple Forums
 - o Afghanistan Veterans
 - o FMP - Foreign Medial Program
 - o Gulf War & Desert Storm Veterans
 - o Iraq Veterans
 - o Korean Veterans
 - o Men Veterans Forum
 - o Mental Health for Veterans (Counselor Needed)
 - o Political Issues
 - o Suggestion Box
 - o The Mess Hall
 - o VA Hospitals and Medical Centers

- o Veteran Affairs
- o Vietnam Veterans
- o Welcome Mat
- o Women Veterans Forum
- o WW II Veterans
- Job Postings
- Memorial Pages (Updated: 04/23/20) (3 Added)
- News (Articles On-Line: **10,183**)
- Polls
- Web Links, more than **7,895**, Added 86 New Links (Updated: 12/29/20)

If you have a submission for the memorial pages, E-Mail: Jim.Davis@Veterans-for-change.org



VA COVID-19 Debt Relief

Service members, veterans, and family members who have incurred VA debt and have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic have options for relief. Options available until October 2021 include temporary hardship suspension, deference of credit bureau reporting, and delayed referral of delinquent benefit overpayments to the Department of the Treasury. An additional option includes extended repayment plans. [Learn more.](#)



Corpsman up! – Navy 'doc' reiterates importance of blood donations

Navy Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Ashley Thompson not only advocates for the Armed Services Blood Program on a regular basis, she also participates whenever she can.

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Jim, below are links to all currently active pre-written E-Mails to many pieces of legislation. We ask that you go to each one, and send the pre-written E-Mails, and to also call your Reps or Senators and ask for their support on a weekly basis!

Jim you don't need to be Active Duty or a Veteran, in fact we ask all Veteran friends to also help! (Updated 01/29/21)

1. [Oppose TRICARE fee Increases](#)



**CONTACT YOUR
MEMBERS OF CONGRESS!**

To Call your Representative:
202-225-2305

To Call your Senators:
202-224-3841 or 202-224-3553

To call Different Members of Congress:
202-224-3121

TOLL FREE: 866-272-6622


PLEASE... STOP Making Excuses!

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**Survey Seeks Women-Veteran
Participants**

The University of Alabama is seeking women-veteran participants in a survey about your health care experiences. The results of the survey are intended to help assess the needs of women veterans. [Take the survey.](#)



**MHS looks to decrease substance abuse,
as numbers rose in 2020**

If there is one overriding element that Navy Lt. Cmdr. (Dr.) Eric Serpico would like you to know about National Drug & Alcohol Facts Week, it's that help is accessible, and care available.

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Follow us on [MEWE](#)! The support staff at [MEWE](#) is responsive, open to suggestions and works very hard to protect your personal information.

We hope you will join us on this new site.

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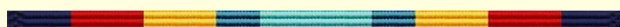


"History is not there for you to like or dislike. It is there for you to learn from it. And if it offends you, even better. Because then you are less likely to repeat it. It is not yours to erase. It belongs to all of us."



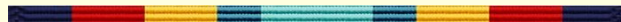
Office of Inspector General

1. COVID-19: Critical Vaccine Distribution, Supply Chain, Program Integrity, and Other Challenges Require Focused Federal Attention
2. Military Housing: Actions Needed to Improve the Process for Setting Allowances for Servicemembers and Calculating Payments for Privatized Housing Projects



Retired Army General Lloyd J. Austin III was overwhelmingly approved for Secretary of Defense by the Senate. Congress granted him a waiver from a law restricting those who are retired from military service fewer than seven years from leading the Pentagon. He was swiftly sworn in as Secretary of Defense, filling a senior national security position in President Biden's cabinet.

Defense Secretary Austin, in his first directive since taking office, has ordered his senior leaders to send him reports on sexual assault prevention programs in the military. SecDef Austin's memo fulfills a commitment he made to Senators during his confirmation hearings. He vowed to immediately address the problems of sexual assault and harassment in the ranks. Several Senators demanded to know what Austin planned to do about the problem. Reports of sexual assaults have steadily gone up since 2006, according to department reports, including a 13 percent increase in 2018 and a three percent increase in 2019. Data for 2020 is not yet available.



Know the Warning Signs

It Matters.

Sometimes, a crisis may involve thoughts of suicide. Learn to recognize these warning signs:

- Hopelessness, feeling like there's no way out
- Anxiety, agitation, sleeplessness, or mood swings
- Feeling like there is no reason to live
- Rage or anger
- Engaging in risky activities without thinking
- Increasing alcohol or drug abuse
- Withdrawing from family and friends

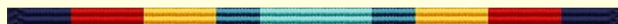
The presence of the following signs requires immediate attention:

- Thinking about hurting or killing themselves
- Looking for ways to kill themselves
- Talking about death, dying or suicide
- Self-destructive behavior such as drug abuse

..... Confidential chat at VeteransCrisisLine.net or text to **838255**



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CFPB Enforcement of SCRA and MLA Critical for Success

The FRA and several other like-minded organizations have dispatched a letter to President Biden and a similar letter to the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Sens. Mike Crapo (Idaho) and Sherrod Brown (Ohio), respectively, urging them to oppose proposals that would curtail the effectiveness of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB). The CFPB is the only entity tasked with monitoring the

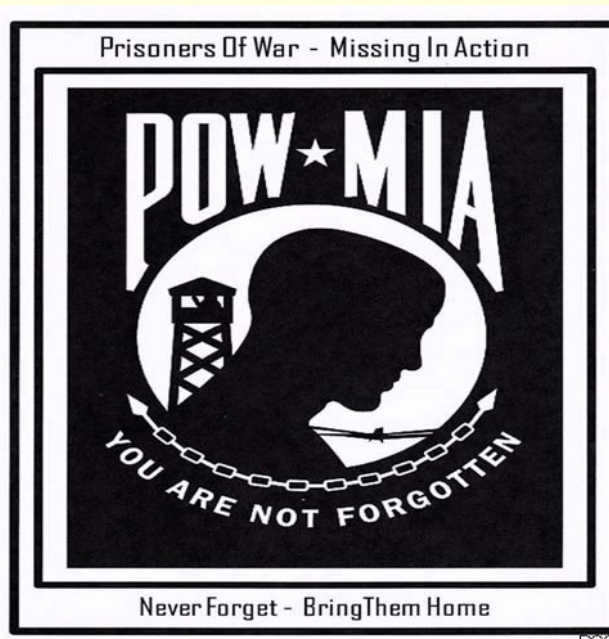
financial entities that may violate service members' Civil Relief Act and the Military Lending Act. The CFPB active enforcement of these important statutes is crucial to the financial safety of service members and their families. Military bases are often targeted by financial fraud and have high interest financial instruments of questionable value. Service members' rights under these statutes become meaningless if they are not enforced. Already, the CFPB has recovered tens of millions of dollars for service members whose statutory rights to a low interest rates were violated.



Spirituality chaplains play important role in overall fitness

Service members' personal beliefs and practices help strengthen their ties to hope, meaning, and purpose.

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Biden Voids Ban on Transgender Military Service

President Joe Biden issued an executive order that requires both the Pentagon and the Homeland Security Department (Coast Guard), to allow transgender individuals to serve in the military. "The all-volunteer force thrives when it is composed of diverse Americans who can meet the rigorous standards for military service, and an inclusive military strengthens our national security," according to a release from the White House.

The Executive Order eliminates the previous administration's policy that began in July 2017, that prohibited transgender Americans to serve in the military. Biden's order immediately shuts down any involuntary separations or denials of continued service based on gender identity.

The White House release stated, "Simply put, transgender service members will no longer be subject to the possibility of discharge or separation on the basis of gender identity; transgender service members can serve in their gender when transition is complete and the gender marker in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) is changed and transgender service members should know that they are accepted throughout the U.S. military," The Executive order requires the Department of Defense and Homeland Security to report their progress in overturning the ban to the White House within 60 days.





**U.S. FOOD & DRUG
ADMINISTRATION**

1. OPDP Reflects on 2020, Looks Forward to 2021 as It Helps Ensure Prescription Drug Promotion Is Truthful, Balanced and Accurate
2. Bickel's Snack Foods, Inc. Issues Allergy Alert on Specific Lot of Butter Flavored Popcorn
3. Nostrum Laboratories, Inc. Expands Voluntary Nationwide Recall of Metformin HCl Extended Release Tablets, USP 750 mg, Due to N-Nitrosodimethylamine (NDMA) Content Above the Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) Limit
4. Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update: FDA Takes Action to Place All Alcohol-Based Hand Sanitizers from Mexico on Import Alert to Help Prevent Entry of Violative and Potentially Dangerous Products into U.S., Protect U.S. Consumers
5. Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) (01/29/21)
6. CDER Small Business and Industry Assistance (SBIA) Learn
7. FDA Guidance on Conduct of Clinical Trials of Medical Products During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency
8. FDA in Brief: FDA warns company for putting consumers at risk through distribution of non-compliant and misbranded drug ingredients
9. Meitheal Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Issues Voluntary Nationwide Recall of Cisatracurium Besylate Injection, USP 10mg per 5mL Due to Mislabeling
10. FDA Steps Up Efforts to Protect Consumers from Food Allergens
11. Maine Grains, Inc. Issues Allergy Alert on



Keep DEERS Updated

Beneficiaries or your family member that have experienced a change last year, need to update your Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System information. The Defense Health Agency wants beneficiaries to be sure their family information is up to date with DEERS. If you do not keep your information current, it could delay access to health care. Errors can also cause delays with claims and prescription delivery.

Beneficiaries should update your DEERS information anytime you experience a Qualifying Life Event (QLE). Some QLEs include moving, turning age 65, getting married, divorced or having a child. These life events mean TRICARE health plan options for beneficiaries and their family may change.

"If you don't keep your DEERS record up to date after QLEs, you may miss enrollment deadlines," said Mark Ellis, chief of the Policy and Programs Section of the TRICARE Health Plan with the Defense Health Agency. "Another reason to keep your DEERS information current, like your address and phone number, is so you don't experience a break in your coverage."

Beneficiaries should also keep your DEERS information up to date, so you do not miss important information, such as current [COVID-19 news](#). As more information around COVID-19 vaccinations becomes available, up to date information in DEERS will help make sure that you get the latest updates and then

make sure that you get the latest updates and then act accordingly.

Beneficiaries can make DEERS updates online, by phone, in person, or by mail. To add or remove family members, they must do so in person. If you are a sponsor or family member, you can make address changes and update other personal information. But only sponsors can add a family member in DEERS. You may need certain documents to do so, such as a marriage certificate, divorce decree, or birth certificate.

You can view and update DEERS information for you and your family members by [going online](#), calling 1-800-538-9552 (TTY/TDD: 1-866-363-2883) or fax updates to 1-800-336-4416. If you want to do this in person, you can [find your local Uniformed Services ID card office](#) and make an appointment. You can also submit updates to the Defense Manpower Data Center Support Office, (Attn: COA), 400 Gigling Road Seaside, CA, 93955-6771.

The DHA urges beneficiaries to take command of their health this year and start the New Year with making sure your [DEERS information](#) up to date.




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CalVet Secretary Praises Biden's Order Reversing Transgender Military Restrictions

California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) Secretary Dr. Vito Imbasciani today issued the following statement in response to President Biden's order reversing the previous administration's steps to bar transgender individuals from joining and serving openly in the military.

"Equality and diversity are and must always be core values of our military, and every qualified American who wants to serve our country in uniform should be able to do so," said Secretary Imbasciani. "I commend President Biden for taking this important, inclusive step."

The new order immediately bars service members from being discharged or denied reenlistment for their gender identity. It also directs the Department of Defense (DOD) to correct the record of anyone dismissed from service solely for their gender identity.

The 2019 DOD order that imposed tight limits on service by transgender individuals followed a Twitter proclamation by President Trump in 2017, reversed earlier policies issued by the Obama administration.

"This discriminatory policy was essentially don't ask don't tell for transgender service members," said Imbasciani. "As a member of the LGBTQ community and as a military physician who served 26 years, much of it under 'Don't Ask Don't Tell,' I know firsthand how painful, frightening, and demoralizing it is to have to serve in the shadows and hide who you are."

Weed Army Community Hospital staffers show off their skills

Weed Army Community Hospital staff members showed what they could do – and learned some things they couldn't – at a skills fair January 21 at the Mary E. Walker Center.

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2021 Military & Veteran Benefits Survey

The FRA is conducting a survey to determine which military and veteran's benefits are most important to active duty and Reserve personnel, retirees, veterans and their families. The survey is [available online](#), and asks you to rate a variety of benefits and quality-of-life programs associated with your service to our nation.

The FRA is asking current and former military personnel and your spouses to share your opinions about the programs you value most. Your responses

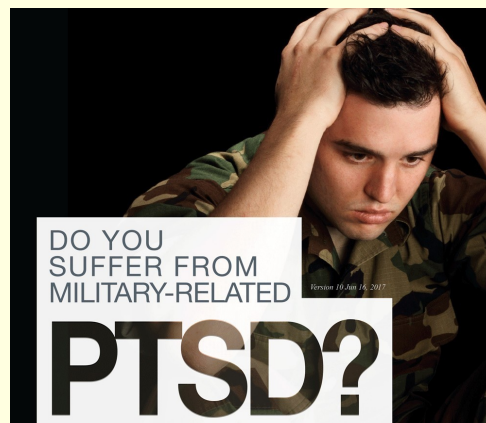
about the programs you value most. Your responses and comments will provide important reference information when we testify before Congress or meet one-on-one with lawmakers and their staff. We also share the results with elected officials on Capitol Hill, key committee staff, and leaders within the Departments of Defense, Homeland Security and Veterans Affairs to ensure these crucial decision-makers understand your enlisted sea service perspective.




SAMHS starts next phase of vaccine rollout, expands to 75 and older

This month the San Antonio Military Health System (SAMHS) will initiate the next phase of the Department of Defense's COVID-19 vaccine rollout — expanding the scope of who is eligible to get vaccinated against the virus.

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1-800-273-8255 & Press 1
Ntl Call Center for Homeless Vets
1-877-424-3838**

MHS Transformation results continue during COVID-19

Focusing on that patient-centered approach to care and improving quality of life, is how Dr. Barclay Butler, the Defense Health Agency's assistant director for management, describes the reason behind the Military Health System's transformation.

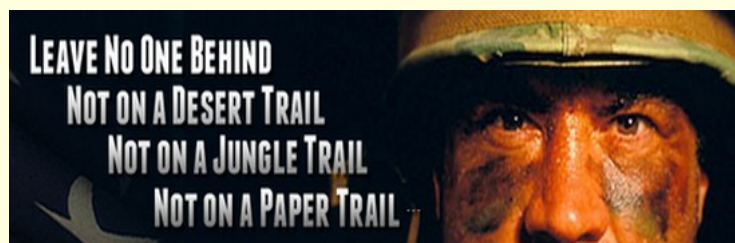
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Social fitness can impact overall health and readiness

Social fitness, or our ability to engage with our social environment effectively and constructively, is an important aspect of holistic health.

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RHC-Europe Soldiers compete for Army Best Medic title

Since winning the 2020 Regional Health Command Europe (RHCE) Best Medic competition last November, Army Sgt. Michael Metcalf and Army Spc. Walter Galdamez from U.S. Army Medical Department Activity (MEDDAC)-Bavaria have been hard at work training for the Army competition near Sembach, Germany.

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Religious support team deploys to help frontline healthcare workers

Air Force Capt. Meredith Schuldt, a pediatrician with the 579th Medical Group at Joint Base Anacostia-Bolling (JBAB) in Washington, D.C., conducts a routine checkup with one of her patients.

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SOUND OFF!

SHARE YOUR STORIES AND COMMENTS WITH US:

We know most Veterans have had issues both current and in the past with the Veterans Affairs, and we'd really like to hear from you!

So now is your chance to voice your concerns, opinions, problems, compliments, advice, etc., anything you'd like to have heard.

We will be creating another category in the “NEWS” section of the website called “SOUND OFF” and instead of us continually sending this type of information in fax blasts to all 535 members of Congress, we will be adding to the website as we know many members of Congress do watch us, and this makes it a lot easier for us to track the number of people reading the issues.

In addition, it might even open the door for your fellow Veteran’s to see they’re not alone, and they too might voice their concerns.

Your story can be as long or as short as you’d like to express what you have to say, we can post as anonymous, or if you want we can post your name to the article, just tell us how you would like for us to post your story and we will adhere to your request.

We only ask that you keep it clean from foul language, and we will edit only to correct grammar, and if need be to edit out any foul language as that is an almost immediate cut off from Congress to pay attention.

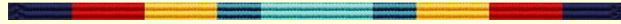
Send your story to JIM.DAVIS@VETERANS-FOR-CHANGE.org and we will get it posted as quickly as we can. And if you have a title for your story that would be fantastic, as we will be providing the story title and link to Congress.



TFF: A holistic approach to health and performance

What does it take to reach and sustain an optimal level of military fitness, health, and performance?

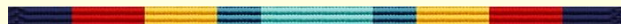
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Mentoring advice from a Navy senior chief

For Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer Luis Reyes, mentoring plays an important role in sailor development.

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The Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency announced one burial update and six new identifications for service members who have been missing and unaccounted-for from World War II. Returning home for burial with full military honors are:

U.S. Navy Water Tender 1st Class Oliver K. Burger, 26, was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which was moored at Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, when the ship was attacked by Japanese aircraft on Dec. 7, 1941. The USS Oklahoma sustained multiple torpedo hits, which caused it to quickly capsize. The attack on the ship resulted in the

quickly capsized. The attack on the ship resulted in the deaths of 429 crewmen, including Burger. Interment services are pending. [Read about Burger.](#)

U.S. Navy Fireman 1st Class Wesley J. Brown, 25, was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which was moored at Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, when the ship was attacked by Japanese aircraft on Dec. 7, 1941. The USS Oklahoma sustained multiple torpedo hits, which caused it to quickly capsize. The attack on the ship resulted in the deaths of 429 crewmen, including Brown. Interment services are pending. [Read about Brown.](#)

U.S. Navy Fireman 1st Class Beoin H. Corzatt, 24, was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which was moored at Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, when the ship was attacked by Japanese aircraft on Dec. 7, 1941. The USS Oklahoma sustained multiple torpedo hits, which caused it to quickly capsize. The attack on the ship resulted in the deaths of 429 crewmen, including Corzatt. Interment services are pending. [Read about Corzatt.](#)

U.S. Navy Seaman 1st Class Gerald J. Bailey, 24, was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which was moored at Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, when the ship was attacked by Japanese aircraft on Dec. 7, 1941. The USS Oklahoma sustained multiple torpedo hits, which caused it to quickly capsize. The attack on the ship resulted in the deaths of 429 crewmen, including Bailey. Interment services are pending. [Read about Bailey.](#)

U.S. Navy Shipfitter 3rd Class Robert E. Bailey, 21, was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which was moored at Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, when the

ship was attacked by Japanese aircraft on Dec. 7, 1941. The USS Oklahoma sustained multiple torpedo hits, which caused it to quickly capsize. The attack on the ship resulted in the deaths of 429 crewmen, including Bailey. Interment services are pending.

[Read about Bailey.](#)

U.S. Navy Radioman 3rd Class Earl M. Ellis, 23, was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which was moored at Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, when the ship was attacked by Japanese aircraft on Dec. 7, 1941. The USS Oklahoma sustained multiple torpedo hits, which caused it to quickly capsize. The attack on the ship resulted in the deaths of 429 crewmen, including Ellis. Interment services are pending. [Read about Ellis.](#)

U.S. Navy Radioman 3rd Class Thomas E. Griffith, 20, of Dayton, Ohio, was assigned to the battleship USS Oklahoma, which was moored at Ford Island, Pearl Harbor, when the ship was attacked by Japanese aircraft on Dec. 7, 1941. The USS Oklahoma sustained multiple torpedo hits, which caused it to quickly capsize. The attack on the ship resulted in the deaths of 429 crewmen, including Griffith. Griffith will be buried May 22, 2021, at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia. [Read about Griffith.](#)



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