

Mr. Porter is survived by his wife, Nebra Porter; three children, Shawnda "Chrissy" Wyland, Damon Evans, and Frederick Porter; one sister, Doris Curry; one brother, Jerry Porter; and 12 grandchildren.

Mr. Porter will be remembered for his distinguished service to America and for always setting a good example for others to follow. He was a true patriot and embodied what it means to be a proud American.

**PARITY FOR U.S. TERRITORIES
UNDER THE VIOLENCE AGAINST
WOMEN ACT**

HON. MADELINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, the Violence Against Women Act, signed by President Clinton 24 years ago today, is a landmark federal law that provides critical support to women and children who face domestic violence and assault nationwide.

However, Congress must do more to protect victims and survivors of sexual assault and domestic violence, especially in the territories.

The Sexual Assault Services Formula Grant Program, authorized under VAWA, provides funding to support rape crisis centers and assist individuals who have been sexually assaulted.

While each State, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia receive 1.5 percent of total funding under current law, American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands receive just 0.25 percent each.

This disparity is unacceptable, especially considering Guam has one of the highest rates of rape per capita in the United States.

That is why today, I am introducing legislation to double the minimum amount of Sexual Assault Services Formula Grant Program funding made available to the territories under VAWA.

My bill builds upon the work of my colleague, Congressman SABLAN (D-MP), who introduced similar legislation (H.R. 840) during the 113th Congress.

This additional funding will provide critical federal resources for community programs that provide direct intervention services in cases of rape, sexual assault, domestic violence, and abuse.

As Congress looks to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act, I urge my colleagues to include my bill to provide greater parity for American Samoa, Guam, the Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

We must strengthen current laws to ensure that all women across the United States feel safe and secure, including women and children of the territories.

I stand ready to support that effort in any way that I can.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to be present during roll call vote numbers 394,

395, and 396 on September 12, 2018, due to recent surgery. I would like to reflect how I would have voted:

On roll call vote number 394, I would have voted "yes."

On roll call vote number 395, I would have voted "yes."

On roll call vote number 396, I would have voted "yes."

**SPECIAL ENVOY TO MONITOR AND
COMBAT ANTI-SEMITISM ACT OF
2018**

SPEECH OF

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 1911, the Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism Act of 2018. This important legislation would elevate the position of Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism to the rank of Ambassador, reporting directly to the Secretary of State; as the primary advisor and coordinator for U.S. government efforts to monitor and combat Anti-Semitism and Anti-Semitic incitement in foreign countries. Many notable groups support this initiative, including the American Jewish Committee, the Anti-Defamation League, and The Jewish Federations of North America, and I am proud to stand with them to ensure that the United States continues to play a leading role in combatting Anti-Semitism across the globe.

Those of us who have served on the U.S. Helsinki Commission have taken efforts to combat anti-Semitism at the international level. As Ranking Democratic Member of the United States Helsinki Commission, I have long worked with representatives of governments throughout Europe to highlight the resurgence of Anti-Semitism and elevate efforts to push back against this despicable resurgence through education, outreach, and improved security. Mr. SMITH, Mr. HOYER, Senator CARDIN and I have all chaired the Helsinki Commission, and together, we have worked with several other Members of both the House and Senate, as well as with parliamentarians particularly from Germany and Canada, to have the Parliamentary Assembly of the 57-country OSCE condemn the escalation of anti-Semitic violence in Europe.

We first did this at the Assembly's 2002 annual session in Berlin, Germany, and have kept it on the agenda there ever since, suggesting measures to counter anti-Semitic statements and acts of violence alike. I pushed it strongly while serving as President of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly from 2004 to 2006, and then as chairman of the Commission from 2007 to 2008. We succeeded in getting OSCE institutions, officials and diplomatic representatives to incorporate efforts to combat anti-Semitism and other forms of intolerance into their ongoing work. I know Mr. Smith continues to raise the issue in the Assembly as the current co-chair of the Helsinki Commission, and Senator CARDIN serves as the Assembly's Special Representative on Anti-Semitism, Racism and Intolerance.

Ensuring that our country continues to lead in the fight against Anti-Semitism is a priority

that we should all embrace. I fully support this measure and urge my colleagues to do the same.

**HONORING MR. GEORGE WAYNE
DANIEL, SR.**

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a dear friend, Mr. George Wayne Daniel, Sr.

Mr. Daniel was born in Chicago, Illinois on November 10, 1948, but was raised in Bolton, Mississippi by his grandparents, Melvin and Fannie Moore. He attended Tougaloo College earning a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's degree in guidance and counseling from Jackson State University.

He served as an academic counselor for over twenty years at Jackson State before taking on the roles of Police Chief of the Bolton Police Department and City Manager.

I had the pleasure of knowing Mr. Daniel for many years. We were childhood friends, high school and college classmates, and neighbors.

From Hinds AHS, Tougaloo College, and Jackson State University, we have been with each other every step of the way. He was truly a dear friend who left an everlasting impression on my life. Mr. Daniel passed on September 10, 2018, at the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

He is survived by his son, George Wayne Daniel, Jr., his grandson, George Austin Daniel, and his sister, Diane Daniel.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the life and memory of my dear friend, Mr. George Wayne Daniel, Sr.

**RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF
SHERIFF BUDDY EAST**

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of one of Mississippi's most devoted citizen and public servants, Sheriff Buddy East. Sheriff East, a native of Lafayette County Mississippi, passed away on Saturday, September 8, 2018.

Sheriff East was the longest serving county sheriff in Mississippi history. He faithfully served as Lafayette County Sheriff for 46 years. Under his leadership he saw the growth and development of his department and his community, striving to make it the best it could be every day. Buddy's humble heart and willingness to help anyone in need touched the lives of all he encountered.

Former Oktibbeha County Sheriff Dolph Bryan said, "Buddy East was such a nice easy-going man. If you needed something picked up or if you needed some help you called Buddy, and Buddy would be glad to do it for you."

Sheriff East's leadership and love for his community was recognized in 1991 by being named Oxford Citizen of the Year. For some sheriffs, their leadership stops where their

county line ends but, this was not true for Sheriff East. Buddy served two terms as the president of the Mississippi Sheriff's Association from 1989 to 1990 and 1999 to 2000 helping lead the direction of every county in our great state.

Throughout Sheriff East's long career, he was recognized for many awards, titles, and medals. Among these awards, Buddy was most honored by receiving the Silver Star for Bravery from the American Law Enforcement Association. Most recently, in 2015, Buddy was honored by the Lafayette County Law Enforcement and Officers Association with the Medal of Valor and unselfishness in the Face of Danger.

Buddy's love for his community was surpassed by only one thing, his love for his family. Even during his busiest times, Buddy was ever present in the life of his grandchildren attending all their school and sports events. Buddy was especially proud of his time as a little league baseball coach.

Before passing away, Sheriff East expressed his gratitude to the community of Lafayette County for allowing him to serve the people he loved. Sheriff Buddy East's presence will be missed by all.

Sheriff East is survived by his wife, Mary Hall East of Oxford; five children, Melissa Westbrook and her husband, Billy, Joey East and his wife, Kimberly, Shannon Lomax and her husband, Max, Steve Lewis and his wife, Melanie, all of Oxford and Scott Lewis and his wife, Brandi of Dallas, TX; a sister, Nona Tutor of Oxford and thirteen grandchildren.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LLOYD SMUCKER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. SMUCKER. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent in the House Chamber for roll call votes 394, 395 on September 12, 2018.

Had I been present, I would have voted yea on Roll Call No. 394; yea on Roll Call No. 395; and yea on Roll Call No. 396.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. WILL HURD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. HURD. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to vote last night due to illness.

Had I been present, I would have voted yea on Roll Call No. 394; yea on Roll Call No. 395; and yea on Roll Call No. 396.

HONOR FLIGHT OF SOUTHERN OREGON

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the eight World War II veterans and sev-

enteen Korean War veterans from Oregon who are visiting their memorials on the National Mall on Saturday, September 15th, 2018, through Honor Flight of Southern Oregon. Every time I have the chance to meet one of these heroes, I am reminded of the poignant words of General Dwight D. Eisenhower. In a message to Allied troops just before D-Day, he said, "The eyes of the world are upon you. The hopes and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere march with you."

He was right then, of course, Mr. Speaker. But over seventy years later, liberty-loving people everywhere continue to owe these heroes for their extraordinary service and their incredible stories of sacrifice and bravery on behalf of our country. That's why it is my privilege to include their names in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD today.

The veterans on this Honor Flight from Oregon are as follows: Robert Ashmead, Navy; Al Axtell, Army Air Force; Joseph Bieber, Marine Corps; Dean Bosche, Air Force; Kenneth Brookhart, Navy; Joseph Browell, Navy; Al Carter, Army; Jack Cox, Navy and Army National Guard; Dale Dexter, Air Force and Marine Corps; Ron Duke, Army; William Evans Jr., Marine Corps; John Garbini, Army Air Force; Neil Haga, Army; Dale Heath, Navy; Charles Hewitt, Navy; Leonard Leach, Navy; Edwin McCurry, Army Air Force; Edward Parkes, Navy; Ruth Parks, Navy; Jack Rentz, Navy; William Staunton, Navy; Gerhard Tank, Navy; Dale Templeman, Navy; Fred Warren, Marine Corps; and Whitney Woodburn Jr., Navy.

These twenty-five heroes join over 200,000 veterans who have been honored through the Honor Flight Network of volunteers nationwide since 2005.

I would also like to recognize the twelve guardians traveling on this trip who have also served our country: Michael Boehme, Navy; Melissa Candy, Army National Guard; Mark Collier, Navy and Coast Guard; Robert Fleischman, Navy; David Haines, Navy and Air Force; Terry Haines, Navy; Charles Hanger, Army; Evan Hanson, Air Force; Ron Kohl, Army Air Force; Pete Pringle, Navy; Charles Sharpes, Army; and Tanya Wilson, Navy.

Mr. Speaker, at the height of the Civil War in 1863, President Abraham Lincoln wrote, "Honor to the Soldier, and Sailor everywhere, who bravely bears his country's cause." Each of us in this chamber and in this nation should be humbled by the courage of these brave veterans who put themselves in harm's way for our country and way of life. As a nation, we can never fully repay the debt of gratitude owed to them for their honor, commitment, and sacrifice in defense of the freedoms we have today.

My colleagues, please join me in thanking these veterans and the volunteers of Honor Flight of Southern Oregon for their exemplary dedication and service to this great country.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SCOTT TAYLOR

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. TAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, due to the anticipated impact of Hurricane Florence I will miss the votes.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 394; YEA on Roll Call No. 395; and YEA on Roll Call No. 396.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF DOCTOR JOHN ALEXANDER

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 13, 2018

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Doctor John Gilbert Alexander. Doctor Alexander, a native of Union, Mississippi, passed away on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at the age of 90.

John Gilbert Alexander graduated from Union High School in 1946. He continued his education at Millsaps College where received his Bachelor of Science Degree. In 1954, he went to Tulane University where he received his Doctor of Medicine. This was the start of Dr. Alexander's great life of service.

Shortly after graduating from Tulane, Dr. Alexander joined the United States Air Force where he was stationed at Shaw Air Force Base in South Carolina as a Captain. After completing his three years of service from 1955–1958, Dr. Alexander returned to Union where he began his long partnership with Laird Hospital/Family Medical Group. Of his 60 years of practicing medicine, one date that stands out in particular is March 1st, 1966, at Laird Hospital in Union where Dr. Alexander was helping my mother, Barbara Kelly, deliver me.

Dr. Alexander not only served his patients but also served as a member of the Mississippi Academy of Family Practice, Mississippi Medical Association, and Southern Medical Association. He was also selected as "Physician of the Year" in 1997 by the Mississippi Chapter of the American Family Practice Association.

In 2006, Dr. Alexander helped establish the J.G. Alexander Nursing Home. The nursing home, located in Union, has 60 beds and accepts Medicare and Medicaid patients. In 2008, Dr. Alexander retired from his clinic duties but, remained active on the Laird Hospital staff as Senior Medical Advisor.

His career as a doctor is not the only factor that defined him. Dr. Alexander loved his community and was extremely active in it. He was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Union where he served as an Elder and a Clerk. He also served as a member of the Union Lion's Club, Union Chamber of Commerce, and the Union School Board. In 2005, the Union Chamber of Commerce named Dr. Alexander as "Citizen of the Year." The Union Chamber of commerce went on to present him with the "Lifetime Achievement Recipient Award" in 2014.

Dr. Alexander's life was one of service, gratitude, love for his family, and community. He will be dearly missed by all he encountered.

Dr. Alexander is survived by his four children Karen, David, Ross and Mike, his seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren.