

the family he took great pride in raising, and the enduring legacy of his service. Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor the life of Captain Thomas Kenney. I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing his many years of dedication to his community and his country.

IN MEMORY OF MR. JAMES A.
“BUD” CODY, SR.

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart and solemn remembrance that I rise today to pay tribute to a dedicated leader and true champion for the law enforcement community, Mr. James A. “Bud” Cody, Sr. Sadly, Bud passed away on Thursday, June 13, 2019. A public memorial celebrating his life and legacy will be held on Saturday, July 13, 2019, at 2 p.m. at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center in Forsyth, Georgia.

James A. “Bud” Cody, Sr. was born on November 27, 1938, in Willacoochee, Georgia to the union of the late Homer and Mellie Cody. At a young age, he was destined to be a part of something greater than himself. While attending Valdosta High School, he was a member of the school’s famed football program and state winning 4x4 track relay team. At the age of 18, he began working full-time at the Boys Club in Valdosta, and it was then that Bud realized his passion for helping underprivileged youth reach their full potential. As a full-time father and husband, Bud attended night classes at Valdosta State College and in 1961, he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Sociology and Social Work. Upon his graduation, the Boys Club relocated him to Texas where he was instrumental in the establishment of several Boys Club facilities across Louisiana, Texas, and New Mexico.

Bud discovered his second passion for serving the Office of Sheriff through improving law enforcement and training in 1966 when the Georgia Sheriffs’ Association (GSA) hired him to serve as their first Executive Director. That same year, he began his tenure as the Director of the Georgia Sheriffs’ Youth Homes’ Boys Ranch in Hahira, Georgia and as the Treasurer for the Sheriffs’ Retirement Fund of Georgia (SRFG). He actively served in all three roles until his retirement in September of 2012. During his 46-year tenure as the Executive Director of the Georgia Sheriffs’ Association, he was sought after by several Georgia governors (ranging from Governor Sanders to Governor Perdue) for his advice and counsel on matters relating to improving law enforcement throughout the state.

Bud’s impact on the law enforcement community expanded in 1978, when he joined his friend and business partner, Claude Grizzard, to form the company, Computer Fund Raising (CFR), which provided financial assistance to millions of officers and youth in over 30 states. In 1980, in an effort to nationally protect and preserve the Office of Sheriff, Bud worked with Bobby Timmons of the Alabama Sheriffs’ Association to form the National Sheriff’s Association Committee of Presidents and Executive Directors. In 1982, Bud used his position as Treasurer of the SRFG to assume control of

the Fund’s \$9 million in assets and helped increase it to its current total of \$97 million, to ensure that those who gave their lives to protect and serve receive retirement funds. Bud took his passion one step further in 1990 when he worked with state leaders, criminal justice practitioners, and Sheriffs to establish the Georgia Public Safety Training Center in Forsyth, Georgia, a world-class public safety training facility that trains more than 2,000 students daily. He also helped create safe havens and educational opportunities for thousands of Georgia’s youth by overseeing the development of youth homes in Cherokee Estate, Pineland, Herrington, Homestead, and Mountain View, Georgia. Additionally, in 1995, he and the GSA created the Georgia Sheriffs’ Youth Homes Foundation, which currently holds \$15 million in assets for their on-going youth homes.

Bud accomplished much in his life; but, none of it would have been possible without the Grace of God and the love and support of his family—including his children, James, Jr., Derek, Camille, Amy, and Celena (deceased); his twelve grandchildren; and his four great-grandchildren. Maya Angelou once said, “A great soul serves everyone all the time. A great soul never dies.” Bud is undoubtedly great because of his selfless service, devotion to his work, and the compassion he showed for his friends and loved ones. Bud’s impression on this earth extends beyond himself to the very well-being of the communities in which he lived and served.

Madam Speaker, my wife, Vivian, and I, along with the almost 730,000 people in Georgia’s Second Congressional District, salute Mr. James A. “Bud” Cody, Sr. for an outstanding career within law enforcement and his lifelong dedication to serving his community. I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join us in extending our deepest sympathies to Bud’s family, friends, and loved ones during this difficult time. We pray that they will be consoled and comforted by an abiding faith and the Holy Spirit in the days, weeks, and months ahead.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION SULLIVAN-WALLEN POST 11’S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. GALLAGHER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor American Legion Sullivan-Wallen Post 11 as its members celebrate the 100th Anniversary of their charter in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Post 11 was founded in July of 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization dedicated to supporting America’s service members and veterans. The Post was named after veterans Francis Sullivan and Earl Wallen. Francis Sullivan, who grew up in Green Bay, died serving in France during WWI. Earl Wallen of Pensaukee, Wisconsin served in WWII on the USS *California*, during the attack on Pearl Harbor. Wallen, a Marine private first class, was killed after he volunteered to climb up to the battleship’s crow’s nest to fire a machine gun at attacking Japanese planes. The legacies of Sullivan and Wallen continue to be taught and honored by Post 11.

Post 11 also has close ties to the Green Bay Packers. In the 1920s, Post 11 became a beneficiary of the Packers in the event the team was relocated or sold. Post 11 is also the only permanent color guard in the NFL. The Post presents the colors before every home Packer game, a tradition dating back to the 1940s.

Post 11 is one of the largest American Legion posts in the area with over 600 members. The Post organizes fundraising events to support veteran programs, such as their annual Booyah Bash, a community favorite. The Post hosts youth programs including a marksmanship program to learn rifle safety, a Christmas party, and an Easter egg hunt. The Post also sponsors high school students to attend Badger Boys State.

Madam Speaker, I urge all members of this body to join me in thanking Post 11 for its 100 years of support of service members, veterans, and the Green Bay community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARIO DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Speaker, I rise today to include in RECORD how I would have voted on H.R. 2515, H.R. 3050, and H.R. 2409. I was unable to vote yesterday because my scheduled flight was cancelled. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” for each bill.

HONORING ASSISTANT CHIEF LUIZ CASANOVA ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

HON. ROSA L. DELAUR

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Ms. DELAUR. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding member of our community and a dear friend as he retires after years of dedicated service to the New Haven Police Department—Assistant Chief Luiz Casanova. Assistant Chief Casanova has dedicated a lifetime to public service and his presence at the Department will most certainly be missed.

In a career that has spanned decades, Assistant Chief Casanova has demonstrated a unique commitment to public service and law enforcement. He began his career at the State of Connecticut Department of Corrections and it was there where he says he first learned that the prison system was broken. It was also from his experience with the Department of Corrections that he found his true calling. He wanted to make a difference about the way people in his neighborhood were being treated by law enforcement, so he chose to try to make the change from inside the organization. Upon joining the New Haven Police Department, he rose through the ranks, dedicating himself to the community policing concept and finishing his career as Assistant Chief.

Too often we take for granted the incredible work of our law enforcement officials. I have always held a deep admiration for our community’s police officers—each day facing new

challenges and seemingly overwhelming responsibility. It takes a unique combination of bravery, compassion, and generosity to serve as a police officer and a great dedication to serve in the Department leadership. I want to extend a special note of thanks to Assistant Chief Casanova for his friendship over the years and for all of the help and guidance he has provided to myself and my staff. He has always been only a phone call away and has been a tremendous resource to us as we worked together to address issues within the community.

Assistant Chief Casanova has dedicated his professional career to serving and protecting, our children, our families, and our community. I am proud to have this opportunity to join the New Haven Police Department and the New Haven community in extending my sincere thanks and appreciation to him for his outstanding service to our community. As he begins this new life chapter, I wish him all the best for many more years of health and happiness.

IN MEMORY OF SUE HARLOW

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, the following thoughtful obituary was published on July 3, 2019:

Sue Kolakoski Harlow passed away peacefully surrounded by her husband, children, and sisters on July 2, 2019 in Fairfax, Virginia. She was preceded in death by her mother Jane Kolakoski and her father Charles Kolakoski. Sue passed on the tenth anniversary of her father's death and joins both of her parents in heaven.

Sue is survived by her beloved husband; Bryce (Larry) Harlow, two children, Sandy Harlow and Bryce Harlow II, four grandchildren, Elizabeth Miller, Josh Harlow, Katie Harlow and Nate Harlow, one great grandchild, Lily Chichester and four sisters, Paula Lassiter, Doris Deering-Kjellevold, Mary Lewis and Janet Kolakoski.

Born on September 9, 1949 in Washington, DC, Sue was raised in Arlington, VA. A lifelong teacher, Sue specialized in elementary aged children with learning disabilities at Stenwood Elementary in Dunn Loring before moving on to Freedom Hill Elementary in Vienna. Earlier, she worked at Tuckahoe Elementary in Arlington. A teacher for more than twenty years, her love of children was boundless.

Sue and her husband Larry were married for nearly fifty-two years having been wed on August 28, 1967 at Saint Agnes Catholic Church in Arlington, VA. Sue and Larry met at Yorktown High School. Following their marriage, they moved to Norfolk, VA while Larry attended college, but returned to Arlington in 1969 when Sue went to work for Senator Gurney. In 1971, they moved to Denver, CO before returning to Virginia in 1976. Sue and Larry raised their two children, Sandy and Bryce, in Arlington and Vienna before moving to their current home in McLean.

Sue loved life and all that came along with it. She had a deep appreciation for her garden and loved her multitude of flowers surrounding their home. Sue had an extreme love for Mexican food and a good margarita. She loved animals, particularly the kittens she raised over the years. Virginia Beach was

Sue's second home with her love of the ocean and the sea air. But in particular, she had a lasting love for her family and selflessly sought to enrich their lives on a daily basis. She tolerated her family's obsession with Washington sports and became a fan herself. She immersed herself in every aspect of life and the members of her family are better because of her.

Services will be held on Thursday, July 11 at 10:30 AM at Saint Agnes Church, 2024 North Randolph St. Arlington, VA 22207. In lieu of flowers the family would like you to donate on your pets, hug your family, and raise a glass to Sue.

IN MEMORY OF MR. HILTON R. SEGLER

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a dedicated public servant and dear friend of longstanding, Mr. Hilton R. Segler. Sadly, Hilton passed away on July 4, 2019, at the age of 82. His passing marks the close of a long and prolific life, and his departure leaves a void in the hearts of many Georgians. He leaves behind an impeccable legacy of service that will never be forgotten. A funeral service was held on Saturday, July 6, 2019, at 11 a.m. at Kimbrell-Stern Funeral Directors in Albany, Georgia.

Mr. Hilton Ray Segler was born in Ozark, Alabama, on April 26, 1937, to the union of the late Mr. William Foy and Mrs. Willie Clyde (Dunn) Segler. In 1948, his family moved to Albany, Georgia, where he went on to graduate from Albany High School and pursue several correspondence degrees in Law and Business.

In 1957, Hilton started working for Southeastern Liquid Fertilizer in Albany, Georgia, before serving as the Assistant to the President of Planters Chemical Company in Virginia. He then moved back to Albany in 1964 to work for the Thompson/Hayward Chemical Company and was appointed Regional Manager for the company in 1981. Hilton also has served as a salesman for the TIDA Farm Service Center where his sales exceeded \$1.5 million in his first year and \$3 million in his second year, thus proving his acuity as a salesman. In the early 1990s, he purchased a pecan farm and farmed over 1,900 acres of pecan trees for almost six years. He later started a nickel nutrient supplement company, Nipan, LLC, in 2003. Products from his company have gained tremendous popularity in the last few years and are shipped all over the United States.

In 2002, Hilton, along with Bucky Geer and James Lee Adams, testified before the Risk Management Agency on behalf of pecan growers. His undying efforts helped pecan growers across the United States attain crop insurance. Hilton also testified before the House and Senate Committees on Agriculture in an effort to obtain larger provisions for the pecan industry in the 2008 Farm bill. Consequently, pecans were included in the Country of Origin labeling requirements and also in the crop insurance program.

Hilton continued to work on expanding pecan exports to China and other agricultural economies, by partnering with the United

States Department of Agriculture and Georgia Department of Agriculture, and pushing for pecan farmers' participation in the Market Access program, a program that helps finance promotional activities for U.S. agricultural products.

In 2004, Hilton championed efforts to obtain "clean up" assistance for pecan farmers who were hurt by hurricanes that devastated parts of Georgia and Alabama. In 2010, he testified before the House Agriculture Committee on the future of the pecan industry and the importance of nutrition and trade to this industry, for the 2010 Farm bill.

Hilton accomplished much throughout his life, but none of this would have been possible without his enduring faith in God and the love and support of his wife, Faye; his children, Rhonda, Scott, and Jamie; and a host of family and friends who will miss him deeply.

On a personal note, Hilton was my friend. I will miss his sage advice and wise counsel. He never told me what I wanted to hear; he always told me what I needed to hear. The state of Georgia and our Nation have been truly blessed to benefit from Hilton's leadership and advocacy.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join my wife, Vivian, and me, along with the almost 730,000 people in Georgia's Second Congressional District and countless others across America in paying tribute to Mr. Hilton R. Segler for a life well lived and in extending our deepest sympathies to his family, friends, and loved ones during this difficult time of bereavement. Moreover, we pray that they will be consoled and comforted by an abiding faith and the Holy Spirit in the days, weeks, and months ahead.

HONORING ALEXANDER V. MITRENKO

HON. FRED KELLER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. KELLER. Madam Speaker, it is my great honor to recognize and congratulate Alexander V. Mitrenko of Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania, who will take his oath of citizenship today in Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

Nearly 19 years ago, Alex arrived in Selinsgrove for the first time as a 16-year-old high school exchange student from the Ukraine. Upon his arrival, Alexander knew no one, had no family to accompany him but in spirit, and spoke very little English. But as Alex stood at the beginning of a journey that would eventually bring him to raising his right hand today in allegiance to our nation, he held with him what our nation's earliest settlers had established and would take him toward a brighter and better future: the promise of America.

Alexander readily adapted to American life by forging new friendships in Central Pennsylvania and joining several groups in his school: the soccer and baseball teams, chess club, and the school band, to name a few. He worked tirelessly to improve his English, studied hard, frequently offered a unique perspective on world events to his classmates, and was always willing to offer a helping hand to a friend in need. To this day, he continues his close friendship with his host father in the United States, George Kinney.