

on November 9, 2021. Greg was an extraordinary son, brother, husband, and father who loved his family and country. Survived by his ever-devoted wife, Leanne, and their four beautiful children—Connor Andrew (11), Declan Sean (9), Owen Patrick (7), and Fiona Jane (4)—his legacy as a dedicated family man is showcased in the loving bond shared among his children.

Born at Fort Knox, Kentucky on September 22, 1980, Greg was the second of four children to LTC (Ret) Dave and Ann McSween. Along with older sister Allison (Erik), younger siblings Katie (John) and Brian (Regan), Greg enjoyed a tight-knit upbringing rooted in his Irish Catholic faith. The family endured eight military relocations prior to sixth grade, as Greg's father was an active duty Army officer, culminating his Army career in the Washington, D.C. area. Family roots were established in Alexandria, VA in 1992 and have remained anchored to the area since.

Upon arriving in Alexandria, Greg discovered his love of soccer. This intense relationship carried him through high school, where he earned his status as a true athlete-student. His love of soccer was second in his devotion to escaping responsibility at home while somehow juxtaposing a solo effort to attain the rank of Eagle Scout, like his father.

Following graduation from Bishop Ireton High School in 1999, Greg's passion for soccer carried him to play at Longwood University, where he met Leanne (nee Kibler), in November 2001. He, a walk-on three year player, and she, a three year starter on the women's lacrosse team, cemented a true and impermeable bond which led to the creation of their own team—Team McSween—in the years ahead. Leanne stood with Greg in support as he attended Officer Candidate School while attending Longwood, where he was commissioned in 2003 as a Ground Intelligence Officer in the United States Marine Corps, following in the footsteps of his maternal grandfather.

Upon marrying in June 2006, Leanne stepped naturally into her role as the ultimate Semper Fi wife—never a task too great to undertake or neighbor to befriend. Greg and Leanne welcomed their four children throughout their military relocations with immense pride as they pursued their shared quest for adventure. Together, their travels led to exploring 24 countries with wonder in their journey as a family. Across five military relocations for assignments at Camp Lejeune NC, Quantico VA, Stuttgart Germany, and the Pentagon with five deployments intermixed along the way, Leanne demonstrated her tremendous strength in keeping all the trains running on time. Greg's last assignment on the Joint Staff at the Pentagon finally afforded him the opportunity to live near family with military retirement on the horizon.

Greg is also survived by his wife's family, Andy and Susan Kibler, sister-in-law Glenna (Geoffrey), and brother-in-law Jackson (Amanda). Beyond immediate family, Uncle Greg will be sorely missed by nieces and nephews: Keegan, Adeline, Eloise, Henry, Madison, MacKenzie, Jack, Palmer, and June. In addition, twenty aunts and uncles and 34 first cousins make up a small portion of the extended family that share fond memories of Greg. So ingrained in Greg was his ability to develop deep, lasting friendships throughout all the chapters of his life, and carry that forward despite distance, time, and the daily grind of life.

We join him in the enduring search of the perfect pitch, beer chilled to the right temperature, a well-stoked fire utilizing wood split and stacked by hand, a perfectly timed one-liner delivered with masterful dry

humor, and the warm comfort of a not-too-long embrace as we yearn to find peace with the Irish Goodbye that was ultimately his last measure. We honor his legacy by carrying forward his spirit within each of us. Cheers to our hero until we may see you on the other side.

CONGRATULATING KOBE HALL

HON. MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Mr. SAN NICOLAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Kobe Hall for winning the very first season of the World Wide Dance Challenge.

The World Wide Dance Challenge is an online dance show competition, and the very first of its kind, that was established amid the COVID-19 pandemic. With a new opportunity to engage with dancers from across the world using his unique, ever-evolving talent, Kobe vied for a winning position in the competition, ultimately to provide sustenance as a father of two in a time when the economic effects precipitated by this global pandemic affected millions of families across the globe.

After first discovering dance at the age of 10, Kobe joined Guam's Stargazers Dance Troupe in 2013 and continued developing his skills over the next four years. In the past year, and along with it the changing world that has called on us to spend most of our time at home, Kobe embraced a possibility to reignite the love for the art of dance he first encountered as a young boy. Facing off against 1,200 other skilled dancers in front of a live online audience around two o'clock in the morning CHST, he advanced through five rounds of competition to take the title. Prior to this particular show, Kobe was also able to secure four other titles as a virtual dance competition winner proudly representing Guam and our people.

On behalf of the people of Guam, I would like to extend a proud congratulations to Kobe Hall for his success in the virtually hosted World Wide Dance Challenge. Dancing is an art form that maintains a rich history and presence in cultures worldwide, and I applaud Kobe for staying true to who he is while using his gift to highlight what our small island in the middle of the Pacific has to offer. I would like to further commend him for using his success as a platform for connecting with others, encouraging dancers from our community to explore similar opportunities, and inspiring many to pursue their passions. Kobe's drive, perseverance, character, and talents will surely take him far, and I wish him the best of luck on his journey pursuing a professional dance career.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. A. DONALD McEACHIN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Mr. McEACHIN. Madam Speaker, on Wednesday December 8, 2021, I was unable to cast my vote on roll call vote 427. Had I been present, I would have voted "Yes" on roll call 427, passage of H.R. 2074.

HONORING THE 95TH BIRTHDAY OF DR. JOHN LONG

HON. CHRIS JACOBS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Mr. JACOBS of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize World War II Veteran John Long for his 95th Birthday and his service to our Nation.

At the end of his senior year in high school in June 1945, John Long was drafted into the United States Army. He was sent to Camp Wheeler in Macon, Georgia for basic infantry training, and it was there that he and his fellow young recruits learned that they were being trained in preparation for the invasion of Japan.

These young infantrymen were being trained with the knowledge and understanding that a major military invasion was being planned that would likely lead to tremendous U.S. sacrifices of more than a million casualties. Ultimately, President Harry S. Truman was unwilling to sacrifice so many American lives and changed the course of history by ordering the first nuclear bomb dropped on Japan.

After the Japanese surrender, Dr. Long's First Infantry Division was sent to Germany to serve in the Army of Occupation, allowing long serving service members to return home. Grateful that his life was spared, Dr. Long returned home after his service with a deep sense of gratitude and pride and earned his Doctor of Chiropractic under the G.I. Bill.

Dr. Long has always held a strong commitment to his fellow veterans and community service. He is a life member of many veterans' organizations and has been recognized on countless occasions for his service to the community.

Turning 95 years old, today, on January 18, 2022, Dr. Long looks back on his dual careers as both a chiropractor and dedicated public servant with great pride and a deep and abiding affection for his country and his community.

Dr. Long is a true American patriot and the 27th Congressional District of New York is deeply grateful for his service and wishes him a happy 95th birthday.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HANFORD KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor one hundred years of distinguished service by Hanford Council No. 2343 of the Knights of Columbus.

The Knights of Columbus is an international fraternal organization that espouses the virtues of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. They were founded in 1882 by Father Michael Joseph McGivney, an American Catholic priest, to help families in need. They have strived to establish Councils of Catholic faith for service of charity and goodwill throughout American communities and abroad.

Hanford Council No. 2343 of the Knights of Columbus was established on February 5, 1922, by parishioners of Saint Brigid's Catholic Church in Hanford, California, to serve and support individuals and organizations in need. Members and families of Hanford Council No. 2343 have carried on the mission of charity and service for 100 years. Their vow to continue the work of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism has led to the betterment of our community.

I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in honoring the Hanford Knights of Columbus Council 2343 on their 100th Anniversary.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE AND
ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF COLONEL
STEPHEN GOURLEY

HON. JASON CROW

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Mr. CROW. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service and accomplishments of Colonel Stephen Gourley and congratulate him on his upcoming retirement. He took the values from his years of service and cultivated a post-service career that made lasting impacts in our community by educating, advocating, and supporting veterans and their families.

Prior to Colonel Gourley's contributions to our community, he served our nation with honor as a 26-year veteran of the United States Air Force. Throughout his service, he worked on projects in space acquisition and operations—commanding teams and space systems of the highest national importance.

Upon retirement from active duty, Colonel Gourley came to Colorado and began working on behalf of veterans and furthering youth STEM education. After years of service as an active member of the Air Force Association—where he led the development and implementation of StellarXplorers—Colonel Gourley was appointed to serve as the Chair of the Aurora Defense Council. Colonel Gourley worked diligently to ensure the Council continued operating throughout the pandemic—conducting virtual meetings focused on strengthening military healthcare, promoting the aerospace industry, establishing the Aurora Armed Forces Treatment Court, recognizing those who served during the pandemic, and supporting the people and missions of the U.S. Military.

Colonel Gourley's contributions to our country and community epitomize what it means to practice servant leadership. I congratulate Colonel Gourley on his retirement and thank him for his service to our community and Nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DAVID ROUZER

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Mr. ROUZER. Madam Speaker, I was unavoidably detained en route to vote.

Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 7.

RECOGNIZING MS. VERONICA
TAYLOR

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Pontiac resident and Precinct Delegate Ms. Veronica Taylor. Ms. Taylor is an exuberant figure within our community and one of the most tireless advocates for economic justice, voting and women's rights, and progress for all. On December 20, 2021, Ms. Taylor experienced a major car accident on Perry Street. With a wrecked vehicle and lucky to be alive, Ms. Taylor's fortitude and optimism have seen her through this difficult period. Her light continues to shine on the City of Pontiac and her political work within Oakland County. She continues to bring people together and rise above any challenge. Madam Speaker, Veronica Taylor survived her auto accident through the grace of God; she has more to give to this world, and every one of us will be better off as a result. Please join me from the United States Capitol in saluting Veronica Taylor.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF
STEVE PENLAND

HON. RALPH NORMAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Mr. NORMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding service of Steve Penland. Steve has spent most of his life as a Christmas tree farmer in York, South Carolina and is a dedicated and compassionate member of our community.

Steve is a true friend of the public, having served his community and our state for over fifty years. In his career as a preeminent Christmas tree farmer in South Carolina and a leader of the South Carolina Christmas Tree Association (SCCTA), Steve has exceeded expectations in service to our state, which is highlighted by his organizing of the annual placement of Christmas trees in the Governor's mansion. Additionally, Steve has served as President of the SCCTA numerous times, is a regular participant in the South Carolina State Fair, and was a pioneer in enhancing Virginia Pine seedlings. Steve remains involved in his community today.

While Steve has officially retired, his legacy continues to be felt throughout our state with the success of South Carolina's Christmas tree industry and his children's commitment to the family tradition that Steve started. On behalf of the 5th District of South Carolina, it is my most sincere pleasure to recognize Steve for his lifelong service to our great state and congratulate him on his receipt of the Order of the Palmetto.

RECOGNIZING SENIOR CAPTAIN
MIKE GREEN FOR 46 YEARS OF
SERVICE WITH THE BEAVER IS-
LAND BOAT COMPANY

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Mr. BERGMAN. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Senior Captain Mike Green for 46 years of service to his community with his work with the Beaver Island Boat Company. Through his steadfast commitment to transporting the public safely and consistently across Lake Michigan, he has become an indispensable part of Northern Michigan.

Mike began his career with the Beaver Island Boat Company (BIBC) as a deckhand in 1975 when he was only 18 years old. He started out alongside his father before eventually taking over the helm himself—a role he has held for 46 years since. Mike's work has been critical for Northern Michigan over the years in facilitating travel to and from Beaver Island for goods, services, and visitors. BIBC operates nine months out of the year, and Mike himself runs over 150 trips annually to ensure customers and cargo make it safely to their destination.

For nearly half a century, Mike has served the public and our community with kindness, professionalism, and compassion. We will miss him at the helm, but we are excited about what his next voyage will be. The example he set as Senior Captain of the Beaver Island Boat Company inspires us all and will continue to do so for future successors of the position.

Madam Speaker, it's my honor to congratulate Senior Captain Mike Green on his career. Michiganders can take great pride in knowing the First District is home to such a driven leader. On behalf of my constituents, I wish Mike all the best in his future endeavors.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF ADOLFO PETER "SGAMBY"
SGAMBELLURI

HON. MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022

Mr. SAN NICOLAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Adolfo Peter "Sgamby" Sgambelluri. "Sgamby," as he was widely known, was a retired U.S. Marine Corps Colonel and dedicated public servant. Our community will fondly remember him as a civic leader unconditionally devoted to the people of Guam and our Nation.

As a young son of Guam, Colonel Sgambelluri survived the atrocities of World War II and endured through the Japanese occupation of our island. Emboldened by the heroic deeds of his father, who courageously worked as a secret intelligence operative during the war, and the role of American forces in Guam's liberation, Colonel Sgambelluri rose as a resolute defender of the Chamoru people.

After earning his undergraduate degree from Washington State University in 1960, Colonel Sgambelluri was commissioned in the U.S.