

HONORING THE MASSACHUSETTS
GOLD STAR MOTHERS' TRIBUTE
ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023,
AT BLESSED SACRAMENT

HON. JAMES P. McGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the fourth annual Massachusetts Gold Star Mothers' Tribute at Blessed Sacrament Church in Worcester, Massachusetts on Sunday, September 24, 2023.

The celebration will honor the families of servicemembers who lost their lives while serving the United States military. The tribute joins together several families from across the state to cherish the memories of their loved ones.

Mr. Speaker, these veterans paid the ultimate sacrifice and gave their lives in defense of this country. We are each forever indebted to their service to keep us safe at home. However, it's far too easy to forget to cherish the family they left behind.

That's why Cecelia M. Mason will gather these families in Worcester on Sunday. She knows that, through community, we can all feel the legacy of these servicemen and women. We can join them to thank and remember the families these heroes left behind. I am deeply thankful for the tireless work she has done to bring these families together.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in celebrating the lives of our fallen neighbors and cherishing the Gold Star Mothers, Fathers, and Families who never cease celebrating the legacies of their loved ones. I thank the Blessed Sacrament Church in Worcester, Massachusetts in advance for holding such a beautiful event and reception.

TRIBUTE TO THE NEW BUREAU
COUNTY CIVIL WAR MONUMENT
RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBU-
TIONS OF AFRICAN AMERICAN
SOLDIERS

HON. DARIN LaHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the unveiling of a new Bureau County monument dedicated to the contributions of the 45 African American soldiers who served honorably in the Civil War, and whose service, up until now, was not recognized alongside other soldiers from Bureau County who had their names listed on the Bureau County Soldiers and Sailors Monument.

Located in the historic district of Princeton, Illinois, this new monument pays tribute to Civil War Veterans from Bureau County who were members of the 29th U.S. Colored Infantry and 8th and 13th U.S. Colored Artillery units. The contributions made by these units supported military efforts in multiple battles, including but not limited to the Battle of Appomattox. These men include—Jack Allen, Robert Atkins, George Baker, James Blake, Robert Bland, Horan Brown, William Cofield, John Coleman, John Connor, John Cummings, Joseph Davis, John Edwards, Abram Harrison,

Thomas Heckley, James Henry, Thomas Houston, King Howard, Henry Jackson, Thomas Jackson, Dennis Johnson, Jacob Johnson, Samuel Johnson, John Jones, Franklin Lindsay, Andrew Manly, Lewis Masters, Charles Moses, Wesley Patterson, Henry Prosson, Robert Rhodes, Joseph Sanders, Jesse Smith, Richard Smith, Hamilton Stokes, Alexander Thomas, Libby Thompson, Washington Turner, William Washington (Concord Township), William Washington (Westfield Township), Aaron Wellcome, Charles West, John Williams, Thomas Williams, James Wilson, and James Winson.

I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the service and sacrifices of these 45 Civil War soldiers from Bureau County and expressing my thanks to those who made it possible for this monument and long overdue recognition to happen.

RECOGNIZING THE HONOR FLIGHT
OF CENTRAL OREGON

HON. CLIFF BENTZ

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Mr. BENTZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Vietnam and Korean War Veterans from the Honor Flight of Central Oregon who, through the efforts of Honor Flight of Oregon, are visiting their memorials on the National Mall. When I meet these heroes, I am reminded of the enduring words of Richard Watson Gilder who said, "Better than honor and glory, and history's iron pen, was the thought of duty done and the love of his fellow-men." These words, Mr. Speaker, still ring true today. Those who value liberty are indebted to these heroes, for each one of them defended our freedom through acts of service, sacrifice, and bravery all on behalf of our country. It is my privilege to include in the Record their names.

The Veterans on this Honor Flight from Oregon are: Thomas Adams, USAF; Lloyd Albright, Army; Donald Beckett, USMC; James Carmean, Army; Robert Carter, USCG; LeRoy Chu, USAF; David Cupp, Army; Harold Darcey, Navy; Kenneth Delzer, USAF; Thomas Doughtie, Army; Ralph Dow, Navy; David Gentry, Navy; Kenneth Hauge, Navy; John Heriza, Navy; Lee Houston, Army; LeRoy Johnson, Navy; Arland Kunz, USAF; Kenneth Lawler, Navy; Thomas McCall, Navy; Richard McDonnell, Army; Roger McGrady, USMC; James Mills, Navy; Gerald Newcomb, Navy; David Pete, Army; Robert Seidenberg, USAF; Murray Turnbow, Army; Herb Waits III, Army; and Jerry Wilken, Army. These heroes join over 260,000 Veterans, who since 2005, have been honored through the nationwide Honor Flight Network of volunteers. I would also like to recognize the volunteer's, guardians, and those who have also served our country: Randy Albright; James Anderson; John Baldwin; Kaylie Boschma; Matthew Carter, Navy; Kylie Cross; Don Deland; Georgia Edwards; Rodney Edwards; Tiffany Grimsley; Samuel Houston; Joshua Kimzey; Samantha Kimzey; Judith L'Homme; Jose Lopez III, Army; Jennifer Mays; Megan Marino; Clint McAuliffe; Rosalie McGaugh; Krista McKnitt; Jessica Meyer; Zachary Mills; Dane Prevatt; Craig Reed; Cody Rheault; Kevin Scoggin, USAF; Megan

Silvey; Colby Keith Sime Jr., USMC; Wendi Schmid, Army; Wendy Stauffer; and Michael Woll, Army.

Mr. Speaker, in his 1988 Veterans Day address President Ronald Reagan said, "We remember those who were called upon to give all a person can give, and we remember those who were prepared to make that sacrifice if it were demanded of them in the line of duty, though it never was. Most of all, we remember the devotion and gallantry with which all of them ennobled their nation as they became champions of a noble cause." As a Nation, we must never take for granted the liberties we enjoy today, recognizing that these freedoms have been hard-won by the honor, commitment, and sacrifice of our Veterans. Each Member in this chamber and citizen in these United States should be humbled by the courage of these brave Veterans who voluntarily underwent the dangers necessary to preserve our country. I ask my colleagues to please join me in thanking these Veterans and the volunteers of Honor Flight of Oregon for their remarkable service and devotion to our great country.

HONORING SUSAN GLAWE

HON. GREG STANTON

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Mr. STANTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Susan Glawe, who we lost at the age of 80 on August 14, 2023.

Sue moved to Phoenix in 1962, where she began her career at the Arizona State Legislature and the Chamber of Commerce before finding her true calling at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona, where she remained until her retirement. It was through her work at BCBS that many of us came to know her—as Vice President of Community Relations, she redefined effective, compassionate corporate giving. The causes she championed were deeply impactful in Arizona, touching all corners of the state.

Sue was never one to do anything halfway. In addition to her deep professional involvement, she managed to chair, sit on the board, and hold membership in dozens of nonprofit organizations in her personal capacity. She was a deeply respected and trusted advisor and mentor to a generation of non-profit leaders—and quite a few political leaders as well. Sue understood government and civic space better than anyone. She held elected leaders to the same standard she held herself: to deliver results, but always to do so with integrity.

Sue lived by a motto to wake up every morning and do something good for someone else. But despite her remarkable accomplishments, she was always humble when it came to accepting praise. In fact, the most you would ever hear her talk about herself would be when she was talking about her family. She's survived by her beloved sons, Mike and Chris, and grandchildren Phoebe, John, and Thomas.

I thank Sue for her years of counsel and friendship. Godspeed.

HONORING ROBERT M. "MIKE"
DUNCAN

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an exemplary Kentuckian, Robert M. "Mike" Duncan. Mike was born in Oneida, Tennessee but came to Kentucky as a boy, where his father was a storekeeper in McCreary County. He is a graduate of the University of the Cumberlands and, in 1974, earned a degree from the University of Kentucky College of Law.

Mike Duncan has a distinguished list of professional, political, and personal accomplishments. People that know Mike Duncan will agree that he is an honorable man with a genuine love for his fellow Kentuckians and for this great Nation.

Mike has served as Chair, President, and CEO of the Inez Deposit Bank. He has served as president of the Kentucky Bankers Association and as a Director of the Cleveland Federal Reserve Bank's Cincinnati Branch. He is chair of the Board of Trustees of Alice Lloyd College. Always passionate about education, Mike has been a mentor to numerous students over the years. He has served as chair of the Center for Rural Development in Somerset, KY and as a trustee of the Christian Appalachian Project. In 2012, he became the President and CEO of the American Coalition for Clean Coal Electricity, a non-profit advocacy group.

At the federal level, Mike served our country as Assistant Director of Public Liaison under President George H. W. Bush. In 2001, President George W. Bush appointed him to the President's Commission of White House Fellows. Bush also nominated Mike to the Tennessee Valley Authority Board where he served as chair in 2009 and 2010. He also served as a member and former chair of the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service beginning in 2018.

Mike began his political career as a driver for Bob Gable. He has gone on to serve in numerous political campaigns and has been a delegate to 10 Republican National Conventions. He served the Republican National Committee as treasurer and general counsel from 2002 until 2007, when he was elected as Chairman. He was first elected as Kentucky's National Committeeman to the RNC in 1992, a position that he has held since that time.

Mike Duncan has been a leader in banking, in education, in federal service, and in the political arena. He is a man who leads with dignity, character, and selflessness. Mike Duncan is a true servant leader and I am humbled to honor his contributions to Kentucky and to the Nation before the United States Congress.

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR.
DONALD WOODFIELD

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Donald Woodfield.

Sadly, Mr. Woodfield passed away on September 3, 2023, at the age of 81.

Donald Woodfield was born in Buffalo, New York on November 24, 1941. A lifelong patriot, Mr. Woodfield joined the U.S. Air Force, where he proudly served for 8 years, including during the Vietnam War. Among his many awards were the Vietnam Service Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

Shortly after leaving the military, he was called again to a life of serving others and he pursued his passion of being a teacher. He served as an educator for over 30 years, both teaching and coaching at B'Nai Shalom, Ballinger Academy, Greensboro Day School in Greensboro, and finally The O'Neal School in Southern Pines.

Mr. Woodfield had a profound love of teaching and mentoring young people, a notion that carried into nearly every aspect of his life. He was an avid golfer, pickle baller and active member of the local Southern Pines Veteran of Foreign Wars Post No. 7318, serving as quartermaster and holding numerous roles in the Military Order of the Cooties. Perhaps most importantly, Mr. Woodfield was a man of faith, who loved God and his family above all else.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in honoring the life of Donald Woodfield and to offer our deepest condolences to his family and loved ones.

HONORING THE VIETNAM AND KO-
REAN WAR VETERANS OF ILLI-
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HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the Vietnam and Korean War veterans who traveled to Washington, D.C. on September 20, 2023, with Honor Flight Chicago, a program that provides WWII, Vietnam, and Korean War veterans the opportunity to visit their memorials on The National Mall in Washington, D.C. These memorials were built to honor their courage and service to their country.

The American Veteran is one of our greatest treasures. The Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen who traveled here on September 20th answered our nation's call to service during one of its greatest times of need. From the Pacific Asian Theatre to the Korean Theater, these brave Americans risked life and limb, gave service, and sacrificed much, all while embodying what it is to be a hero. We owe them more gratitude than can ever be expressed.

I welcome these brave veterans to Washington and their memorials. I am proud to include in the RECORD the names of these men and women for all to see, hear, and recognize, and I call on my colleagues to rise and join me in expressing gratitude.

Ronald P. Aleo; Terry J. Baldwin; Henry J. Balkema; Robert W. Becker, Sr.; Robert A. Bernacchi; Robert G. Blackwell; Peter I. Boer; Dennis M. Bolsega; Daniel L. Bridy; Kenneth W. Bruzek; William Bruzek; Carl J. Capolillo; Henry P. Castillo; Donald A. Chivas;

Robert Ciesiel; Thomas J. Cogozzo; Lidio S. Cordero; Leon K. Dahlberg; Terry L.

Davis; Leavy Deal, Jr.; Harry W. DeBruin; John H. DeGroot; Richard A. DeHeer; Roger A. Dexter; Frank P. Disler; Charles M. Doane; Arnold W. Domin; Richard Dublin;

Mark R. Dykstra; Donald J. Ferrone; Ralph E. Fisher; John F. Fitzpatrick; Joseph J. Gallagher; Don J. Garrett; Larry G. Garza; Dennis J. Gawczynski; Albert Giuliano; Kenneth M. Gray; Eric A. Greene; David E. Grote; Frederick P. Guerrero; Vince Gugliuzza; Robert J. Hahn; Robert A. Hudik; Charles E. Hughes, Sr.; Gerald E. Ilc; James M. Inendino; James M. Jacob; Richard E. Jensen; Donald L. Johnson;

Raymond Jubera; James G. Karones; Jesse Kimp; George N. Koch; James L. Koeling; Henry F. Kohut; Richard W. Kostecki; Larry A. Krog; Donald J. Kucera; Charles A. Lazzara; Joseph V. Lombardi; Frank S. LoPresti; Joseph Lubovich; Tommie T. Lymon; John L. Maisura; Michael S. Malinowski; James P. Mammoser; Leonard F. Marak; Glenn D. Marrs; Richard J. Martin; Edward R. McCabe;

Walter T. McCarthy; Robert W. McKee; Richard A. Meister; Frank H. Michalek; Edward S. Moy; Dennis C. Northrop; Patrick G. O'Connell; John E. Painter, Jr.; Howard M. Parker; Joseph A. Pesch, Jr.; David W. Piekarczyk; Richard S. Pincuspy; Dennis C. Polakowski; Charles E. Pryor; Joseph R. Racine; Carl A. Razor; Gerald L. Reese; James L. Riforgiato; Leo J. Roberts; Ignacio Rodriguez;

Robbie L. Rollins, Jr.; Laurence D. Rolph; Herbert R. Rosen; James L. Rossbach; Angelo Sanchez; Glenn D. Sanders; Leroy C. Schmitz; James J. Slacanin; Patrick E. Small; Dennis L. Soszynski; Milan Stojkovic; David E. Strein; Michael J. Stumpf; Anthony J. Sutylo; John E. Thompson; Edward J. Trznadel; Ralph W. Tummond, Jr.; Richard H. Van Verst; Joseph S. Varanauski; John W. Watkins; Geary L. Weaver; Maynard O. Welch; Fontaine Winston, Jr.; Terry L. Xavierius; John T. Zick, Jr.; and Thomas B. Zimnawoda.

RECOGNIZING LAVINIA PERKINS
MATHIS ON HER 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. AARON BEAN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Mr. BEAN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Lavinia Perkins Mathis on the occasion of her 100th birthday.

Born on September 24, 1923, in Jacksonville, Florida, Ms. Mathis is the proud daughter of Camilla Bolton Perkins, a Jacksonville elementary school teacher, and Daniel W. Perkins, a prominent lawyer in Jacksonville. Ms. Mathis and her 2 sisters grew up in the Lavilla neighborhood of Jacksonville where she attended a wooden 2-story schoolhouse. She graduated from Old Stanton High School in 1942.

Ms. Mathis attended Florida A&M College (now Florida A&M University) and graduated in 1946 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Home Economics. For 30 years, she taught science in Duval County Public Schools including at James Weldon Johnson Jr. High, Stilwell Jr. High, and Northwestern Jr. High until 1977.

On June 15, 1948, she married Clarence F. Mathis, and they had 2 children Cecelia Mathis and Marcia Mathis. Ms. Mathis is also a proud grandmother of 3 and great-grandmother. A devoted Catholic, Ms. Mathis loves her family and the Lord.