

back to the community where he lived and worked. Mr. Tageant was also a newly devoted husband to his wife Marcella, having been married just this past April.

Mr. Tageant will be remembered as a dedicated public servant and a deeply valued member of the Lake Stevens community. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring City Councilmember Marcus Tageant and the legacy his work has left behind.

CONGRATULATING TYRONE
MILLER

HON. RICK W. ALLEN

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 23, 2025

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my constituent, Tyrone Miller, upon his acceptance to the United States Military Academy at West Point.

As a future cadet, he will be joining the ranks of the world's most fearsome fighting force—the United States Army—guided by duty, honor, and country.

The service and sacrifice of America's military personnel have safeguarded our Nation since its inception, defending our way of life from Lexington to Normandy.

And throughout our history, American soldiers have demonstrated tremendous courage and strength, beating back tyranny to the ends of the earth.

I was glad to sponsor Tyrone's nomination, and I am confident that his talents will distinguish him among his peers both during his time at West Point and thereafter.

I congratulate Tyrone. I know that he will make this Nation proud.

HONORING THE NATIONAL EMS
MEMORIAL SERVICE

HON. NATHANIEL MORAN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 23, 2025

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the courage and sacrifice of those serving in Emergency Medical Services. We pay tribute to the EMS and air medical professionals who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

Ms. Jeanne Lackey, Mr. Gerald Morgan, Sr., and Ms. Kathryn Lea Ohnheiser each served with TMF Flight for Life, which provides critical care transport services across East Texas—including in Palestine, Longview, Wills Point, and Mount Pleasant. This program focuses on transporting critically ill and injured patients to specialized care centers. Ms. Lackey, Mr. Morgan, and Ms. Ohnheiser gave their lives in the line of duty on February 13, 1989, as a result of an air medical incident.

Mr. James Thomas served with Champion EMS in Tyler, Texas, an organization that provides emergency medical services to 12 counties in Northeast Texas. Mr. Thomas lost his life in the line of duty on May 31, 1988, due to a traumatic injury.

Today, I am proud to recognize these four individuals who selflessly served the communities of East Texas. This year's National EMS

Weekend of Honor reminds us of the sacrifice, perseverance, and integrity with which they lived their lives.

I urge my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Ms. Lackey, Mr. Morgan, Ms. Ohnheiser, and Mr. Thomas, and in extending our deepest gratitude to their families. May their legacies continue to inspire all of us to serve with honor and dedication.

RECOGNIZING DEPUTY CHIEF OF
ARMY RESERVE, MAJOR GENERAL
DEBORAH “DEB”
KOTULICH ON HER RETIREMENT
FROM THE U.S. ARMY RESERVE

HON. SUSIE LEE

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 23, 2025

Ms. LEE of Nevada. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Deputy Chief of Army Reserve, Major General Deborah “Deb” Kotulich on her retirement from the U.S. Army Reserve.

Major General Kotulich's 35-year career has been characterized by exceptionally meritorious service while serving in positions of increasing responsibility and culminating as the Deputy Chief of Army Reserve. A native of New Jersey and West Point graduate, Major General Kotulich's distinguished service has impacted the lives of countless soldiers and their families.

And she has served in several key leadership roles throughout her remarkable career. She served as the Director of the Army Recruiting and Retention Task Force, where she successfully integrated and synchronized efforts across the Army Enterprise to address the recruiting crisis that impacted recruiting for several years. During the pandemic, she diligently served as the Director for Supply, Production, and Distribution for COVID-19 Vaccine and Therapeutics for the Countermeasures Acceleration Group (CAG), formerly known as Operation Warp Speed. There, she led a joint and interagency team that worked “hand-in-glove” with industry partners to deliver millions of life-saving doses and treatments to the American people and globally.

In addition to the CAG, Major General Kotulich has served in several joint positions to include Chief of Staff at the United States Transportation Command and three different assignments at the Defense Logistics Agency.

Her command tours include: The 143rd Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), Orlando, Florida; The 77th Sustainment Brigade, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey; The 655th Regional Support Group, Westover Air Force Base, Massachusetts; The 359th Transportation Battalion (Terminal), Fort Eustis, Virginia; and Headquarters Company, 55th Materiel Management Center (Theater Sustainment Command), Fort Belvoir, Virginia.

While in command of the 143rd Sustainment Command (Expeditionary), Major General Kotulich deployed her headquarters to Kuwait in support of Operations Freedom's Sentinel, Inherent Resolve, and Spartan Shield. During her tour, she was dual hatted as the Deputy Commanding General of the 1st Theater Sustainment Command and Commanding General of the 143rd Sustainment Command (Expeditionary). And was responsible for more

than 10,000 Servicemembers, Civilians, and Contractors deployed throughout the Central Command Theater of Operation.

Her other deployments were in 2007 to the CENTCOM Deployment Distribution Operations Center (CDDOC) at Camp Arifjan and Kuwait in support of Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. And in 2004 to Balad, Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom II, where she served as an operational plans officer at the 13th Corps Support Command.

I want to thank Major General Kotulich for her distinguished service, and her professionalism and passion for service in every role she has filled throughout her prestigious career. Part of what makes the U.S. military the greatest in the world is that servicemembers, like Major General Kotulich, voluntarily dedicate their lives to serve and sacrifice for this country.

I also want to thank her wife, Penelope Smith, and two daughters, Rachel and Devan, for their unwavering support. I wish Major General Kotulich and her family all the best in what I hope to be a restful and enjoyable future.

HONORING THE LIFE OF FRED
BRUNER LUNSFORD

HON. CHUCK EDWARDS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 23, 2025

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Staff Sergeant Fred Bruner Lunsford of the United States Army, who passed away on March 1, 2025.

Fred was born on March 7, 1925, and was enrolled as a member of the eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Fred graduated from Andrews High School in Andrews, North Carolina in the spring of 1943 and he and his wife, Gladys, were married on March 17, 1944, before Fred enlisted in the United States Army.

Fred served as a Staff Sergeant during World War II and was deployed to the European Theater, with service at the Normandy Invasion, Battle of the Bulge and the Liberation of France. Fred was highly decorated for his bravery, leadership, and courage he displayed during those years of service. These decorations include the Europe-Africa-Middle East Medal, the American Defense Service Medal, the Victory Medal, the Army Occupation Medal, and the Army Good Conduct Medal.

Fred was honorably discharged from active duty following the war and returned home to Cherokee County, North Carolina where he would go on to be licensed to preach the Gospel on October 23, 1949, by Pleasant Valley Baptist Church in Murphy, North Carolina and was ordained in 1950.

On behalf of all of Western North Carolina, I would like to take a moment to honor the life of Fred Bruner Lunsford.

CONGRATULATING MR. TRAVIS TREJO ON 8 YEARS OF SERVICE TO MARYLAND'S FIRST CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

HON. ANDY HARRIS

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 23, 2025

Mr. HARRIS of Maryland. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my Legislative Director, Travis Trejo, on celebrating his eighth anniversary of employment with my office. Travis is a dedicated staff member who has repeatedly demonstrated his commitment to my legislative goals. With loyalty as rare as Travis' on Capitol Hill, I am truly grateful to have him as the leader of my legislative team.

Mr. Trejo has risen through the ranks of my office, beginning as Staff Assistant to currently serving as my Legislative Director. He has always taken on a supporting role, working tirelessly to ensure my legislative agenda is met. He is a mentor to not only the legislative team, but also to other members of my staff.

It is important that Representatives recognize outstanding staff such as Mr. Trejo. Oftentimes, the work of these staffers goes unnoticed but is nonetheless critical in maintaining the functions of our government. Travis is a true patriot, and Maryland's First Congressional District undoubtedly owes him a great debt of gratitude.

I thank Travis.

CONGRATULATING JACK GODBEE

HON. RICK W. ALLEN

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 23, 2025

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my constituent, Jack Godbee, upon his acceptance to the United States Naval Academy.

As a future midshipman, he will be joining the ranks of the world's most elite naval force, guided by the motto: "Semper Paratus."

The service and sacrifice of America's military personnel have safeguarded our Nation since its inception, defending our way of life from Lexington to Normandy.

And throughout our history, American servicemembers have demonstrated tremendous courage and strength, beating back tyranny to the ends of the earth.

I was glad to sponsor Jack's nomination, and I am confident that his talents will distinguish him among his peers during his time at the Academy and thereafter.

I congratulate Jack. I know that he will make this Nation proud.

THANKING ROGER SARRAULT FOR HIS SERVICE WITH THE U.S. ARMY AS A MEMBER OF THE DUSTOFF CREWS DURING THE VIETNAM WAR

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 23, 2025

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Roger Sarrault for his valiant

service with the U.S. Army as a member of the Dustoff crews during the Vietnam War. This recognition is presented in correspondence with the Dustoff Crews of the Vietnam War Congressional Gold Medal Act, honoring the individuals who served in these selfless and heroic missions. Mr. Sarrault's service exemplifies the unwavering dedication shown by members of these Dustoff Crews to both their fellow servicemembers and their country. Dustoff crews—which include a pilot, crew chief, and medic—served courageously aboard helicopter air ambulances and are credited with saving over 900,000 lives throughout the Vietnam War.

Serving with the 68th Medical Detachment (Dustoff), Mr. Sarrault participated in numerous recovery missions, often under enemy fire. His role in rescuing wounded soldiers from active combat zones demonstrated extraordinary courage and was vital to saving countless lives. His service reflects the bravery and sacrifice of so many Dustoff crew members who risked everything to bring others to safety.

Following his military service, Mr. Sarrault has remained a steadfast advocate for veterans and his community. He is an active member of the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter No. 274 in Cheboygan, Michigan, where he serves on the Honor Guard and regularly participates in events that honor fellow service members. In addition to supporting community celebrations and veteran fundraisers, Mr. Sarrault volunteers his time at Bishop Baraga School, teaching students about patriotism and proper flag etiquette. His community commitment is further reflected in his charitable efforts, including distributing toys at Christmas and making pasties to support his local VVA chapter.

Mr. Speaker, let us all join in recognizing Roger Sarrault for his extraordinary courage as a member of the Dustoff crews during the Vietnam War and thank him for his unwavering commitment to his fellow servicemembers, community, and country.

IN MEMORY OF OVERSEER
ROOSEVELT CARTER, I

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 23, 2025

Mr. BISHOP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor the memory of a loving husband, dedicated father, outstanding Man of God, devoted spiritual leader, gifted musician, astute entrepreneur, and dear friend of long-standing, Overseer Roosevelt Carter, I, who passed from labor to reward on June 15, 2025. A funeral service to celebrate his remarkable and committed life was held on Sunday, June 22, 2025, at First Monumental Faith Ministries in Albany, Georgia.

The journey of the resilient life of Overseer Roosevelt Carter began with his birth on June 16, 1944, to the union of Deacon Enoch and Deaconess Mary Magdalene Carter in Leesburg, Georgia. Always spurred by a love of learning, he attended Lee County Training School in Leesburg, Georgia, before pursuing Announcing and Broadcasting at the Broadcast Schools of New York. Overseer Carter pursued theological studies at Bethany Bible

School and Theological Seminary, earning both a Bachelor's in Ministry and a Master's in Theology.

Overseer Carter began his ministry through the power of music. He launched his career as a DJ in Brooklyn, New York, gaining recognition as one of the best in the United States. His musical journey included working at WJIZ, where he earned the title "No. 1 Soul Wax Man," famously known as "The Love Man—6 Foot 2." He also collaborated with prominent organizations such as Atlantic Recording Company in New York, WDAS Radio Broadcasting Station in Pittsburgh, PA, and WOAK in Atlanta, Georgia.

As an astute entrepreneur, he founded and served as President of Flint River Construction, a respected general contracting firm known for projects of regional and national significance, including the construction of Concourse E at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport. He worked alongside influential figures such as former Atlanta Mayors Maynard Jackson and Bill Campbell, and specialized in building church structures.

Additionally, Overseer Carter was a trailblazer in agriculture, producing livestock and various crops, and he created Carter's Farm Peanut Butter, which proudly sold in Walmart and Kroger stores—a historic accomplishment for an African-American-owned agribusiness.

Patriotically committed to public service, he became the first African-American man to run for County Commissioner in Lee County, Georgia. Although he won the district of Chokee, changes in the rules requiring county-wide wins prevented him from taking his seat. No stranger to adversity, during his campaign, his car was shot at in a crude attempt to derail his progress, yet Overseer Carter stood firm in his commitment to bring about positive change.

Overseer Carter answered the most important call of his life—the call to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. This journey began at Mount Zion Baptist Church in Camilla, Georgia, and expanded to include service at Ephesians Baptist Church in Albany and New Mt. Pleasant Church in Waycross, Georgia.

In 1984, he co-founded First Monumental Faith Ministries alongside his loving wife, First Lady and Co-Overseer, LaVerne Shinauld Carter. For 35 remarkable years, he shepherded his congregation through blessings, baptisms, weddings, and offered comfort to grieving families. Under their dynamic leadership, First Monumental became a beacon of hope and salvation.

As the great Agriculture Chemist George Washington Carver once said, "How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and the strong because someday in life you will have been all of these." Overseer Carter's legacy extended beyond church walls, serving people from all walks of life. He founded First Monumental Community Outreach, Inc. (FMCO), providing critical support services. Notably, he spearheaded initiatives like Job's Place, the first assistance program for individuals diagnosed with HIV/AIDS in Dougherty County, and collaborated with the City of Albany to combat homelessness, successfully transitioning over 15 families to sustainable living.

Overseer Carter also enhanced economic empowerment through projects like the Monumental Development Center and Fluff-n-Fold