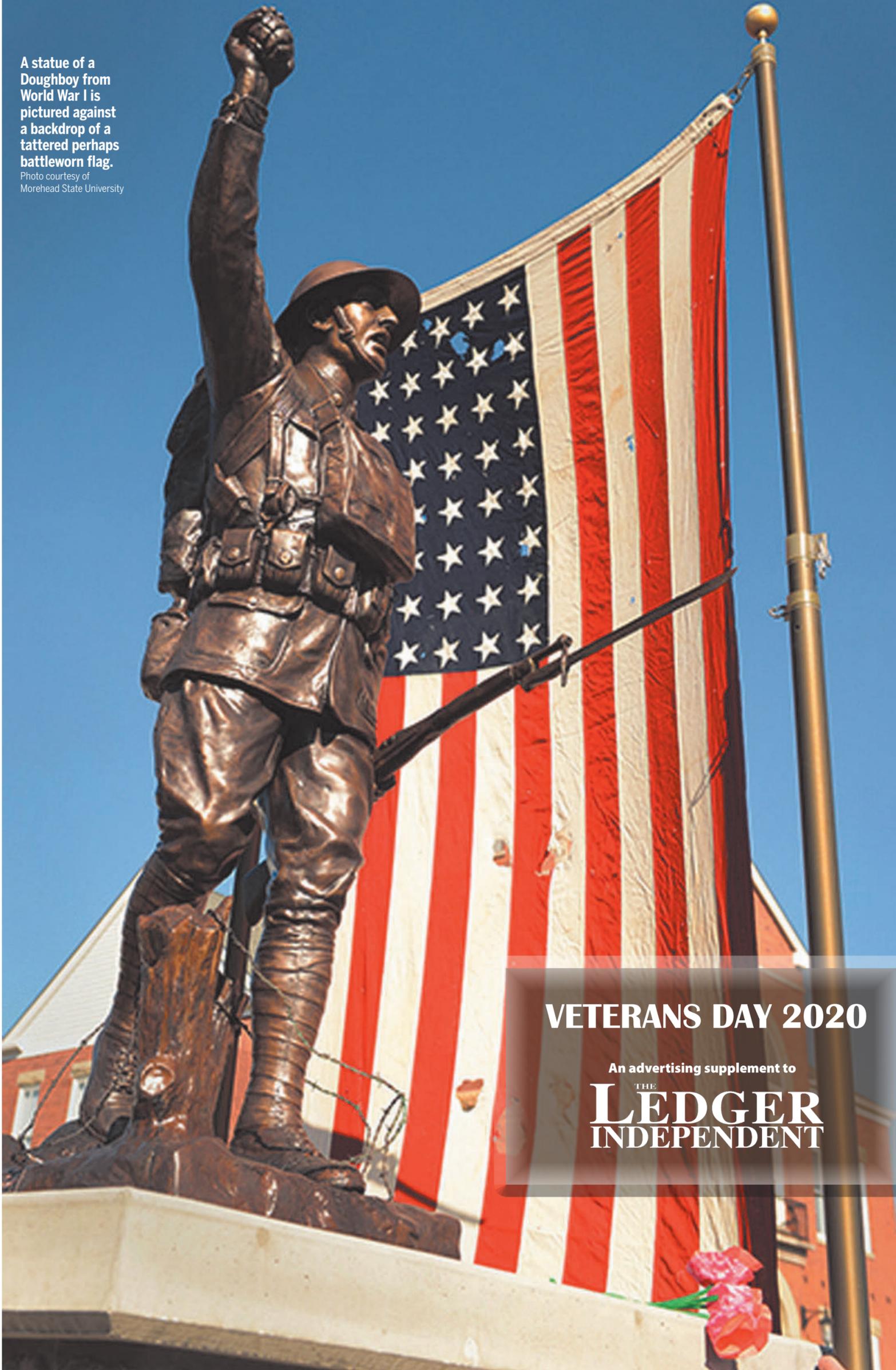


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A statue of a Doughboy from World War I is pictured against a backdrop of a tattered perhaps battleworn flag.
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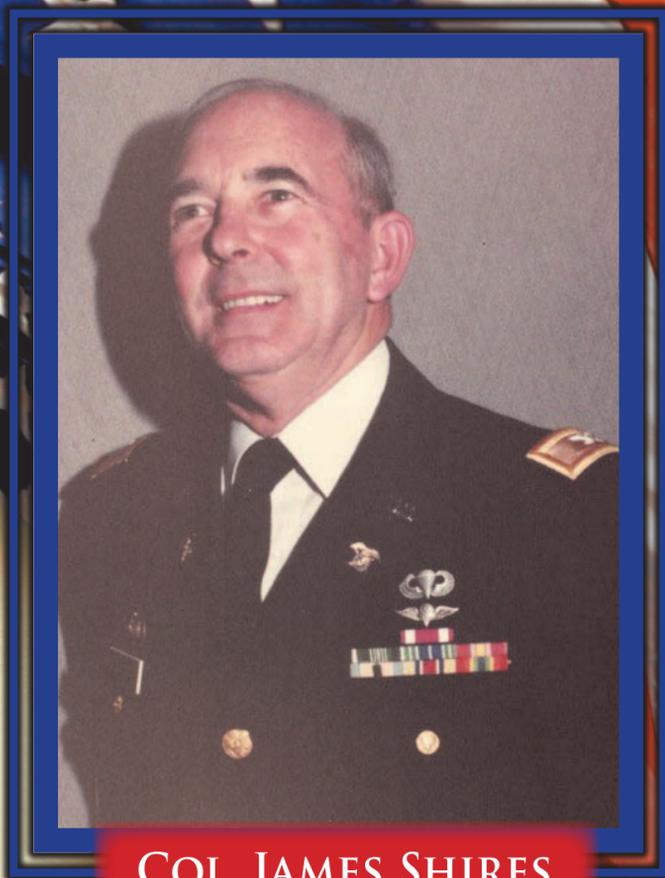
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For Shires, service is a family tradition



COL. JAMES SHIRES

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Before he entered the world of academia, before he took the reins at what was then Maysville Community College, Dr. James Shires was a soldier.

"I place the highest value on and appreciation of my military experience and background as the most enjoyable and valuable in my life," he said.

Col. James Shires didn't come to the military by accident — he was following a generations-old family tradition of service to our nation that began with the War for Independence.

"Beginning at an early age, in my elementary school years, I began to be interested in and to learn about military history — especially our American military history," Shires said.

"My great-great-grandfather, Sgt. Richard Shires served in the Virginia militia in the Revolutionary War. Great-grandfather Pvt. John Shires was with the 22nd Virginia Infantry in the Confederate Army and great-grandfather Andrew Mackewicz was in the Union Army but I don't have a record of his unit," Shires recalled. "They were both from my hometown of Ronceverte, Greenbrier County, Va., (West Virginia) and both survived the Civil War to talk about their experiences, so family oral history goes."

This service continued in World War II and beyond, Shires explained.

"Uncle Edward McMann, my uncle Eddie who taught me and my brother Doug to hunt and shoot, tracking game and woods-craft from an early age, was a combat engineer, served in the North Africa Campaign, was wounded, captured by the Germans, and escaped twice," Shires said. "First cousin Bill Shires was an artilleryman in Korea. My dad, First Sergeant Charles Shires was in the West Virginia National Guard for 20 years but didn't go with them when called up for World War II because he was too old."

Shires attended West Virginia University where he was a member of the ROTC.

"I received my commission in the US Army upon graduation from West Virginia University and the ROTC program. My active duty in the army began in 1959 at Fort Lee, Virginia — I hope the name is not changed! Upon completion of my Quartermaster Officer course, I chose to go to "jump school" and to become a parachute rigger and aerial delivery officer. I went to Basic Airborne School with the 82nd Airborne Division at Fort Bragg, N.C. After Jump School back to Fort Lee for 3 months of Rigger School. Then I returned to Fort Bragg."

For two years, Shires served as an Aerial Delivery Officer with the 612th Q M Aerial Delivery Company, he said.

"We supported and worked with the 18th Airborne Corps, including the 82nd, 101st, 5th Special Forces Group and others for airdrops of troops, supplies and equipment, including bulldozers, tanks, and road graders," Shires said.

Shires said he was invited to join the Special Forces group and go to Okinawa but instead decided to go back to West Virginia University to graduate school and he left active duty but became a member of the active-duty Army Reserve.

"I maintained Active Army Reserve Duty the remainder of my 30 year Army career with some brief active duty operations and schools with a variety of units and branch changes, eventually moving to the Armor Branch when I came to Kentucky. During those years I served in these interesting types of reserve units," Shires said. Those included QM Mobile Bath-Shower Company in the Company Executive Office; Armored Medical Company where he was Acting Company Commander; Basic Infantry Training Company where he was Company Commander; and 2085th USAR School where he was Commandant.

"I completed the two highest levels of military training and education — The Command and General Staff College — and also taught in that program as the director. I was selected and ordered to active duty to attend the yearlong US Army War College in Carlisle Barracks, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, from which I graduated with classmates and friends, Gen. Jack Keane of Fox News and Gen. Tommy Franks who led our outstanding victory in the First Gulf War in Kuwait and Iraq. We received our diplomas from Senator Barry Goldwater."

Although he was selected by the War College Commandant and his staff to be offered a full-time faculty and administrative staff position at the War College, Shires said Pentagon-level Army Reserve politics entered the process and his appointment was not approved.

His final recall to active duty orders would have made him Assistant Commandant US Army Armor School at Fort Knox.

Shires retired in 1989 after 30 years of service to his country.

"I am proud of my service to our great nation, its flag and for all for which it stands," he said.

And his retirement did not mean an end to his interest in the military or to his service.

"I have maintained my interest in our military and have supported organizations such as the American Legion, VFW and patriotic groups like the DAR," Shires said. "My interest in and study of our military history was strengthened at The War College. I have continued to read and write about our military. After all is said and done I have loved our American military, the U.S. Army, our flag and our National Anthem! I recall my military experiences fondly and many times with a smile or a laugh," Shires said.

And while it is obvious that Shires took his military service seriously, it is equally obvious that he took great joy and pleasure in what he was doing.

"General/President Dwight Eisenhower once said after his 40 plus years in the US Army — even the hard days of World War II — that he always looked for something to laugh at or smile about and hardly a day went by that he didn't find the humor that he felt saved him on occasion — I feel the same way! God bless our country's military and our peace through strength and God bless America," Shires said.

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Clark remembers Pentagon attack

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Though many may remember being at home, in school, or at work when they first heard the news of the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorists attacks on the United States, one man recalls being in the midst of it.

Retired US Marine Lt. Col. Jim Clark, who now lives on a farm in Fleming County with his wife, remembers that day very well as he was serving inside the Pentagon when one of the planes hit the building.

There were four separate attacks on that morning. At 8:46 a.m., American Airlines Flight 11 hit the North World Trade Center. At 9:03 a.m., United Airlines Flight 175 hit the South Tower. American Airlines Flight 77 hit the Pentagon at 9:37 a.m. and United Airlines Flight 93 crashed near Shanksville, Penn. at 10:03 a.m.

Clark said he remembered every moment of his morning.

"I had just started working in the Pentagon in July 2001," he said. "I was 38 and had just been promoted to Lt. colonel in August. I was working as an analyst in Projected Forces Division. I would usually get there around 6:30-6:45 a.m., but the duty day didn't start until 7:30 a.m."

According to Clark, a Navy friend of his told him about the first plane that hit the World Trade Center. At the time, he did not believe it to be more than a mechanical failure that caused it to hit.

"We didn't really know what was going on, because we were working," he said. "A friend told us about it and I remember thinking that it had to be a major malfunction for the plane to hit a building in the middle of a big city like that."

When the second plane hit, work stopped and everyone began watching what was happening. At 9:37 a.m., however, everything changed.

"Our work stopped when that second plane hit," he said. "We were huddled around our boss's computer, watching what was happening. Suddenly, his computer froze and the whole building shook. This building is massive. It's several buildings in a Pentagon shape, so for the whole building to shake, something had to happen. My boss looked up and asked, 'What was that?' People were shouting, 'It's a bomb. Get out of the building.'"

Clark said there were hard drives that had to be removed and locked away at the end of the day; something that had to be completed before anyone could leave the building. Once that task was finished, he began to evacuate.

"Defense Protection Service was in the hallway with machine guns and were directing people out of the building," he said. "My building was close to the southern parking lot. When we made it outside, the secretary looked up and asked where the odd-looking clouds had come from; but it wasn't clouds. It was smoke. You could smell the jet fuel in the air."

According to Clark, at the time, cell phones were not widely used and many people were trying to find a place to use a telephone to let their loved one know where they were at the time. While evacuating the Pentagon, the first tower fell.

"I was still walking through the Pentagon mall when the first tower collapsed," he said.

Clark said he lived about 40 miles away in Virginia and was unsure of how he would get home.

"Sometime later, we wound up in a hotel lobby. There were probably 100 of us in there trying to make calls and watching the news. That was when the second tower collapsed," he said.

According to Clark, he was able to reach his wife by phone,

whom he asked to call his parents in Tollesboro before leaving the hotel with a friend.

"We all left the Marriott and I ran into my boss," he said. "His father-in-law picked us up and took us to the boss' house. He let us borrow his car so we could get home. There were no cars on the interstate, which was very weird for the area. Neither of us really talked on the drive. We knew a lot of people had been killed that day and we knew Osama Bin Laden had been behind it. It was a somber drive for both of us."

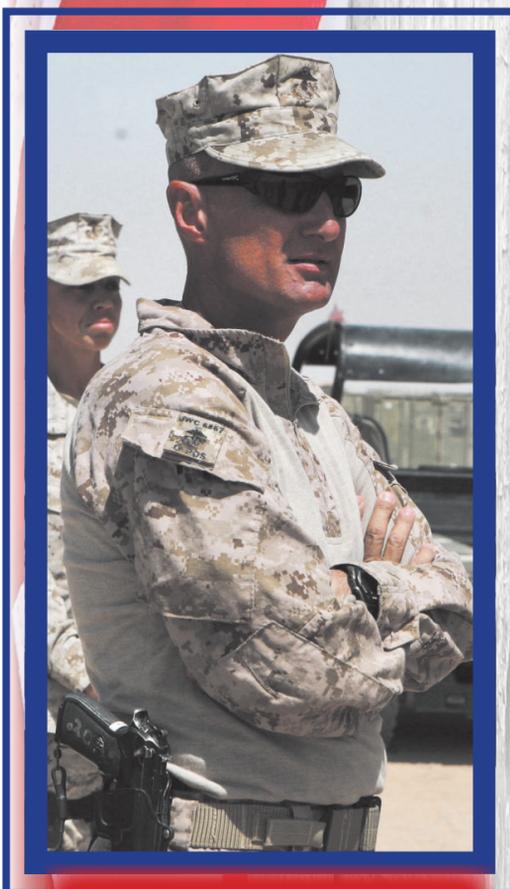
Clark said it was several days before he returned to work at the Pentagon, due to the amount of noxious fumes inside. After returning, he found out more devastating news.

"A guy I worked with and had talked to had been killed," he said. "He was taking a flight and was on the plane that hit one of the towers. If he had been at work, he probably would have been safe."

According to Clark, there was a mix of anger and sadness in the air on the day of the attacks.

"I remember thinking the United States is the most benevolent nation on the planet and this was a planned attack," he said. "There was a mix of anger and sadness inside me and I knew this was planned by a man who hated America. It was just perplexing that anyone would do such a horrible thing. There were a lot of civilians who worked at the Pentagon with me. There is a daycare there. It's like being in a small city. It was hard to believe that someone would do that."

Clark said he served at the Pentagon until July 2003 when he was selected to command a battalion. He then served in Kuwait from 2006-2007, Iraq from 2009-2010 and Afghanistan from 2011-2013. He retired from the military in March 2015 and taught JROTC at Ripley Union Lewis Huntington High School.



Lt. Col. Jim Clark while he was stationed in Afghanistan.
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Flags return to Veterans Memorial Park

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Though the park has not yet reopened, a familiar sight of flags blowing in the wind has returned to the Veterans Memorial Park in Maysville.

The park is now under the control of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2734. However, the future plans for the park will be discussed later.

According to Col. Thomas Cordingly, who was in charge of overseeing the park, it was closed due to issues with people trashing the area on several occasions.

"I had to make the tough decision to close the park," he said in September. "People were trashing it. They were leaving pizza boxes, cigarette butts, fast food wrappers. I couldn't just let people go in and destroy an area that's meant to honor those who served our country."

Cordingly said the park was built by the AMVETS about 10 years ago as a way to remember the veterans who fought for the country. In the park, there is a Civil War cannon to honor ground troops, a steering mechanism from a World War II Navy ship to honor the Navy veterans and a replica of a World

War I fighter jet propeller to honor those who served in the Air Force.

"This is an area for serenity and reflection," he said. "It's about honoring our veterans."

Cordingly said after closing the park, he discussed the future of it with Eddie Brierly, commander of the VFW Post 2734 and Matt Wallingford, city manager of Maysville, about a joint effort to oversee it.

The park is located along Kentucky 9 AA Highway near Meadowview Regional Medical Center in Maysville.

Veterans TODAY

The military men and women who serve and protect the U.S. come from all walks of life; they are parents, children, grandparents, friends, neighbors and coworkers, and are an important part of their communities. Here are some facts about the veteran population of the United States:

- 18.2 million living veterans served during at least one war as of 2018.
 - 9 percent of veterans are women.
 - 7 million veterans served during the Vietnam War.
 - 3 million veterans have served in support of the War on Terrorism.
 - Of the 16 million Americans who served during World War II, about 496,777 were still alive as of 2018.
 - Connecticut was home to the highest percentage of World War II veterans as of 2018 at 7.1 percent.
 - 2 million veterans served during the Korean War.
 - As of 2017, the top three states with the highest percentage of Veterans were Alaska, Maine and Montana, respectively.
- Information courtesy of The History Channel at history.com

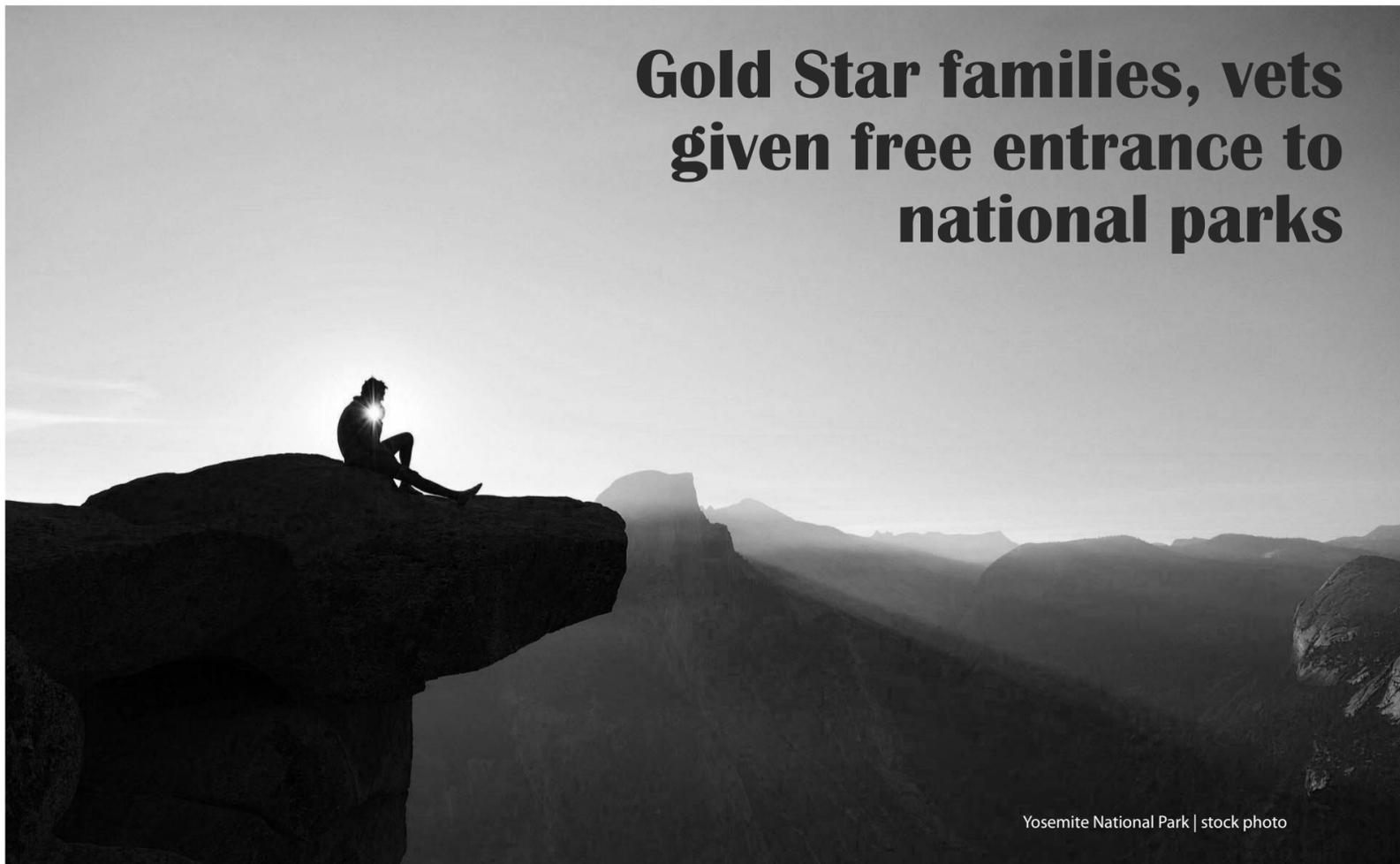


Flags have returned to the Veterans Memorial Park in Maysville.
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Gold Star families, vets given free entrance to national parks

Recently, on behalf of the Trump Administration and in support of America's military members and families, U.S. Secretary of the Interior David L. Bernhardt announced that Gold Star Families and U.S. military veterans will be granted free access to national parks, wildlife refuges and other Federal lands managed by the Department of the Interior starting on Veterans Day (Nov. 11) this year and every day onward.

"The Trump Administration is committed to honoring American patriots – the men and women who have served in our armed forces," said Bernhardt. "With the utmost respect and gratitude, we are granting veterans and Gold Star Families free access to the iconic and treasured lands they fought to protect starting this Veteran's Day and every single day thereafter."

Entrance fees for the National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and standard amenity recreation fees for the Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Reclamation sites will be waived for veterans and Gold Star Families. They will have free access to approximately 2,000 public locations spread out across more than 400 million acres of public lands, which host activities to fit any lifestyle, from serene to high octane, including hiking, fishing, paddling, biking, hunting, stargazing and climbing.

"Our veterans, fallen servicemembers, and their loved ones have made tremendous sacrifices to protect our freedoms, and we are forever grateful for their selfless service to our nation," said U.S. Senator Joni Ernst, a combat veteran. "I applaud the Trump Administration for giving back to our veterans and Gold Star Families by granting them free access to America's beautiful national parks and federal lands that our brave men and women in uniform fought to protect."

"This initiative will provide American Veterans the opportunity to find peace and healing in the outdoors in addition to discovering the beautiful lands that we sacrificed so much to protect," said Executive Director Warrior Expeditions Sean Gobin.

"I would like to express my great appreciation to the Department of the Interior for building on the success of the America the Beautiful - National Parks & Federal Recreational Lands Annual Pass for military families and extending the benefit to Gold Star Families and to those who have served in support of our nation, in part, to secure these treasured lands," said Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America CEO Jeremy Butler. "Exposure to outdoor recreation can provide a wide range of mental health benefits, and given our nation's ongoing veteran suicide crisis, this is a welcome step forward using a whole of government approach to improve the lives of veterans."

"Wounded and Disabled veterans, indeed all veterans and their families, find peace and personal renewal in nature. The opportunity to enjoy the American jewels of nature-our National Park System - with free entry into these parks will speak volumes regarding our nation's desire to honor American citizens who sign a "blank check made payable to the United States of America for an amount up to and including their life," said Team River Runner.

Many Department managed lands have direct connections to the American military, such as frontier forts, Cold War sites, battlefields, national cemeteries, and memorials. These special places pay tribute to our veterans and serve as reminders of their courage and sacrifice throughout the history of our nation, from Minuteman National Historic Park where colonists stood in defense of their rights,

to Yellowstone National Park, which was protected from vandalism and poaching by the 1st U.S. Cavalry before the National Park Service was established, to Mount Rushmore where modern warriors attend reenlistment ceremonies.

For purposes of this program, a veteran is identified as an individual who has served in the United States Armed Forces, including the National Guard and Reserves, and is able to present one of the following forms of identification:

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- Veteran ID Card
- Veterans designation on a state-issued U.S. driver's license or identification card

Gold Star Families are next of kin of a member of the United States Armed Forces who lost his or her life in a "qualifying situation," such as a war, an international terrorist attack, or a military operation outside of the United States while serving with the United States Armed Forces.

The Interagency America the Beautiful National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Pass Program already includes a free annual pass for active duty members of the U.S. Military and their dependents. Other free or discounted passes are available for persons with permanent disabilities, fourth grade students, volunteers, and senior citizens age 62 years or older.

The Department also offers free entrance days for everyone throughout the year to mark days of celebration and commemoration including the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr., National Public Lands Day, Veterans Day, and the signing of the Great American Outdoors Act.



The history of Veterans Day

Veterans Day, formerly known as Armistice Day, was originally set as a U.S. legal holiday to honor the end of World War I, which officially took place on Nov. 11, 1918.

In legislation that was passed in 1938, Nov. 11 was "dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be hereafter celebrated and known as 'Armistice Day.'" As such, this new legal holiday honored World War I veterans.

In 1954, after having been through both World War II and the Korean War, the 83rd U.S. Congress — at the urging of the veterans service organizations — amended the Act of 1938 by striking out the word "Armistice" and inserting the word "Veterans." With the approval of this legislation on June 1, 1954, Nov. 11 became a day to honor American veterans of all wars.

In 1968, the Uniforms Holiday Bill ensured three-day weekends for federal employees by celebrating four national holidays on Mondays: Washington's Birthday, Memorial Day, Veterans

Day, and Columbus Day. Under this bill, Veterans Day was moved to the fourth Monday of October. Many states did not agree with this decision and continued to celebrate the holiday on its original date. The first Veterans Day under the new law was observed with much confusion on Oct. 25, 1971.

Finally on Sept. 20, 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed a law which returned the annual observance of Veterans Day to its original date of Nov. 11, beginning in 1978. Since then, the Veterans Day holiday has been observed on Nov. 11.

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The war had started in 1914, and the killing continued without letup until Nov. 11, 1918, when the Allies and the Central Powers signed an armistice that ended the slaughter.

Just about every city, town and village felt the pain of the war. France alone lost nearly 1.7 million people on the battlefield or by disease. The United Kingdom lost between 860,000 and 1 million. The United States, which entered the conflict on April 6, 1917, lost 116,708 service members.

The Allies had broken through on the Western Front. German forces had been decisively beaten, and American, British and French forces were advancing on Germany. The other Central Powers — Austria-Hungary and the Ottoman Empire — had already stopped fighting. Germany signed the armistice in a

At 11 a.m. Nov. 11, Americans will have a chance to remember the sacrifices of those killed in World War I by participating in the Bells of Peace program. The United States World War One Centennial Commission is offering an app with a built-in countdown timer. When the timer reaches 11 a.m. local time, bells of peace will toll from your mobile device. To download the app go to: <http://www.ww1CC.org>,



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In Paris, people took to the streets with joy and relief. The bells of Paris rang out and people in the city from around the world cheered the end of the fighting that claimed so many.

In New York City, the Armistice was at 6 a.m., but New Yorkers still took to the streets. Again

the bells of the city's great houses of worship rang out and people flocked into the streets.

The same thing occurred across the United States.

Armistice Day was supposed to mark the end of the "War to End All Wars." It is now called Veterans Day as Americans honor the veterans of all wars and conflicts. In the 100 years since 1918, U.S. service members have fought in World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War and operations from Desert Storm to Lebanon to Grenada and Panama. American service members are serving right now in Afghanistan, Iraq and Syria.

At 11 a.m. Nov. 11, retired Navy Adm. Michael G. Mullen, who served as the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 2007 to 2011, will oversee the bells tolling 21 times at Washington's National Cathedral in honor of those lost during World War I, said Betsy Anderson, a spokesperson for the World War One Centennial Committee. More than 1,000 communities nationwide will also participate in the program.

Individuals also can participate, Anderson said, by going to the commission's website and downloading the Bells of Peace app. "As the built-in countdown timer reaches 11 a.m. local time, the Bells of Peace will toll" from all devices, she said.

British Officer, Poet

Bells draw attention to those lost in the war. Wilfred Owen was a British officer and poet who was killed on Nov. 4, 1918. One of his most famous poems, Anthem for Doomed Youth, mentioned bells:

*What passing-bells for these who die as cattle?
 Only the monstrous anger of the guns.
 Only the stuttering rifles' rapid rattle
 Can patter out their hasty orisons.
 No mockeries now for them; no prayers nor bells,
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Wreaths Across America is the non-profit organization best known for placing veterans' wreaths on the headstones of our nation's fallen at Arlington National Cemetery.

However, today the organization, in total, places more than 2 million sponsored veterans' wreaths at over 2,200 participating locations nationwide. In order to achieve this mission, in this challenging year, the organization had to be open to new approaches and partnered with generous organizations willing to share new technologies while helping achieve our ultimate goal of fulfilling the mission to Remember, Honor, and Teach in part by placing veterans' wreaths at the headstones of all fallen U.S. service members.

Wreaths Across America's existing website capabilities allow for customized fundraising pages for participating locations and sponsorship groups, providing real-time information to donors and volunteers across the country. In addition, the nonprofit has focused efforts on other owned-media channels, including Wreaths Across America Radio, an internet radio station bringing you a unique mix of music, interviews and entertainment designed to uplift the American spirit during these challenging times and to promote our mission to remember, honor and teach about America's veterans.

Expanding on the teach aspect of the mission, WAA's Mobile Education Exhibit hit the road early this summer. This traveling learning experience helps live the mission



to remember, honor, and teach. The expanding internal movie theater and interactive learning displays help remember the sacrifices of our nation's heroes, honor living veterans and teach future generations about the price of freedom.

In the last two years, by partnering with AT&T veterans, WAA has been able to offer a pilot "Text to Donate" program that is allowing donors in several states to sponsor a veteran's wreath for a family member or loved one from the comfort and safety of their own home. By texting 20222 and a corresponding text code specific to an area cemetery, a contribution can be made over the donor's phone no matter who is their primary service carrier. All mobile users can obtain a tax receipt for donations made via text message by visiting: <http://mobilegiving.org/tax-receipt/>.

Although the use of social media has been around for some time and become a business mainstay of building a community of supporters, virtual events have also become the norm this year as many live events

have had to be transformed from their original live format. These virtual events have allowed us to share a once regional concert, with our entire supporter base, removed 5k races from the bounds of a set course, offered mothers homeschooling their children the chance to share in a pledge of allegiance with their children, and expanded a local flag-waving effort to the entire nation.

Some of these efforts have even spawned the need for their own new technology approaches. For example, WAA's race partner CompetitorME began utilizing an App, called RaceJoy, to help track runners and share vital information while participating in a virtual race. And while most theater chains

were trying to figure out the business of survival amidst a pandemic Showcase Cinemas made community service a priority by lifting the virtual concert from the pages of Facebook to add it to their newly launched streaming service called Showcase NOW.

As you can see, no one change is helping make it through rough times. However, utilizing technology to make many small changes is helping WAA continue toward its goal of honoring and remembering as many United States service members as possible nationwide this National Wreaths Across America Day—Saturday, December 19, 2020.

However, there's still more ways to help and it doesn't have a touch screen or hi-def display.... It's you!

You can sponsor a wreath for \$15 at <https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/>. Each sponsorship goes toward a fresh balsam veteran's wreath that will be placed on the headstone of an American hero as we endeavor to honor all veterans laid to rest on Saturday, December 19, 2020, as part of National Wreaths Across America Day. You can text WREATH22 to 20222 to sponsor a wreath for Arlington National Cemetery right from your phone.

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