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Twenty-One Ohio Veterans to be Inducted into *In Memory* Program in 2021

Ceremony in Washington, D.C. honors Vietnam Veterans who died after returning home

Washington, D.C. – Nearly 400 Vietnam veterans, including twenty-one from Ohio, will be inducted into the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund's (VVMF) *In Memory* Program in 2021. The program honors Vietnam veterans whose lives were cut short as a result of their service after they returned home from Vietnam.

On October 16, 2021, VVMF will host the 2021 *In Memory* ceremony on the East Knoll of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, where each 2021 honoree's name will be read aloud. This year, 361 service members will be honored during the ceremony.

"For many Vietnam veterans, coming home from Vietnam was just the beginning of a whole new fight. Many never fully recovered, either physically or emotionally, from their experiences. As these veterans pass, it is our duty and solemn promise to welcome them home to the place that our nation has set aside to remember our Vietnam veterans," said Jim Knotts, president and CEO of VVMF.

The plaque that honors these veterans was dedicated as a part of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial site in 2004. It reads: *In Memory of the men and women who served in the Vietnam War and later died as a result of their service. We honor and remember their sacrifice.*

2021 In Memory Inductees from Ohio:

Ernest R. Adkins, U.S. Army

Kettering, Ohio

January 5, 1947 – March 7, 1999

Walter Louis Barber, U.S. Army

Mansfield, Ohio

September 20, 1949 – November 17, 2010

George Edward Bobb III, U.S. Navy

Westerville, Ohio

October 30, 1946 – January 1, 2020

Larry Albert Bowers, U.S. Marine Corps

Bellville, Ohio

August 25, 1947 – September 6, 2019

Darrell William Bowman, U.S. Marine Corps

Sidney, Ohio

May 20, 1946 – October 16, 2020

Charles Ray Bradfield, U.S. Army

Kingsville, Ohio

June 16, 1949 – April 3, 2019

Herman David Burris, U.S. Navy

Clarksville, Ohio

December 26, 1943 – August 25, 2019

Carl D. Crabbs, U.S. Army

Norwalk, Ohio

August 20, 1947 – January 9, 2020

George H.S. Edwards, U.S. Army

Chardon, Ohio

May 6, 1947 – March 14, 2016

Dennis R. Gasser, U.S. Army

Delphos, Ohio

February 17, 1947 – August 8, 2020

John Daniel Guilford, U.S. Army

Sherwood, Ohio

September 16, 1948 – July 9, 2014

Gerald Clayton Huhn Jr., U.S. Navy

Uniontown, Ohio

March 8, 1947 – March 3, 2020

Ronald Lainhart, U.S. Army

Hamilton, Ohio

November 15, 1947 – May 7, 1987

Cecil Dwain Lewis, U.S. Army

Dayton, Ohio

June 30, 1929 – August 30, 2006

Sylvester McGlothan Jr., U.S. Air Force

Massillon, Ohio

May 22, 1946 – June 17, 2006

Patrick C. Monahan, U.S. Army

Columbus, Ohio

July 24, 1948 – February 7, 2021

James Robert Pinter, U.S. Air Force

Middlefield, Ohio

October 17, 1944 – July 14, 2013

Harley Lee Rayburn, U.S. Marine Corps

Washington Court House, Ohio

September 8, 1952 – September 14, 2018

Craig Stanley Sawmiller, U.S. Army

Lima, Ohio

March 25, 1950 – May 3, 2017

Arthur D. Thomas, U.S. Army

Brunswick, Ohio

May 25, 1945 – December 10, 2020

Wayne Deloss Wines Jr., U.S. Marine Corps

Toledo, Ohio

July 26, 1947 – November 25, 2010

VVMF has created a personal remembrance page for each honoree online in the *In Memory* Honor Roll at www.vvmf.org/honor-roll. Their photos will also be displayed around the country when VVMF's mobile exhibit, *The Wall That Heals*, is on display in an honoree's home state.

The 2021 *In Memory* ceremony will be shown live on VVMF's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/VietnamVeteransMemorialFund>) beginning at 10 a.m. ET on October 16, 2021. The *In Memory* program was created in 1993 and has since honored more than 5,100 veterans. For more information on the *In Memory* program or to apply to have your loved one honored in 2022, please visit: www.vvmf.org/inmemory.

About the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund (VVMF) is the nonprofit organization that founded the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (The Wall) in Washington, D.C. in 1982. VVMF continues to lead the way in paying tribute to our nation's Vietnam veterans and their families. VVMF's mission is to honor and preserve the legacy of service in America and educate all generations about the impact of the Vietnam War and era. To learn more about VVMF, visit www.vvmf.org or call 202-393-0090.

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