

# 2021 Veterans Day Commemoration Ceremony



Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame  
Veterans Park, Atlanta History Center  
Thursday, November 11, 2021

ATLANTA **HISTORY** CENTER



Rear Admiral (Ret.) Wendi Carpenter,  
Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame  
Inductee 102, greeting a Korean War veteran



Members of the Atlanta Vietnam Veterans Business Association  
with Medal of Honor recipient Major General James E. Livingston,  
Georgia Military Veterans Hall of Fame Inductee 29

Following the ceremony, guests are invited to learn more about the Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame, the Atlanta Vietnam Veterans Business Association, the AHC Veterans History Project, and AHC Membership by visiting the information table located inside the Allen Atrium.

\* The Veterans Day program is free and open to all. Active and retired military, veterans, and up to five members of their families will receive free admission to the entire Atlanta History Center on Thursday, November 11, 2021.

**Patriotic Selections**

116th Army National Guard Band

**Bagpiper Presentation**

Wayne Coleman

**Ceremony Opening**

Bryan Tate

Vietnam Veteran, United States Army

Past President/Chairman, Atlanta Vietnam Veterans Business Association

Chairman, AVVBA Foundation Veterans Scholarship Program

**Presentation of the Colors**

Joint Force Headquarters Color Guard

Georgia Army National Guard

**National Anthem**

Timothy Miller

Tenor Soloist

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Senator Ed Harbison

Vietnam Veteran, United States Marine Corps

Georgia State Senate, District 15

Georgia Military Veterans Hall of Fame Inductee # 27

**Retiring of the Colors**

Joint Force Headquarters Color Guard

Georgia Army National Guard

**Invocation**

Chaplain (CPT) Jeffrey Herron

Georgia Army National Guard

**Atlanta History Center Welcome**

Sheffield Hale

President & CEO, Atlanta History Center

**Veterans Day Message**

Colonel Richard H. White

United States Army, Retired

Director & Chairman of the Board, Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame

**Service Song Medley**

116th Army National Guard Band

**God Bless America**

Timothy Miller

Tenor Soloist

**Benediction**

Chaplain Jeffrey Herron

Georgia Army National Guard

**Closing Bagpiper Presentation**

Wayne Coleman



# Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame Inductees

2013

1. **Johnny Curtis Calhoun**  
VALOR (Killed-in-Action)
2. **Johnny Thomas Clack**  
SERVICE
3. **William Arthur Connelly**  
ACHIEVEMENT
4. **Raymond Gilbert Davis**  
MEDAL OF HONOR
5. **Rodney Maxwell Davis**  
MEDAL OF HONOR (Killed-in-Action)
6. **Henry Talmage Elrod**  
MEDAL OF HONOR (Killed-in-Action)
7. **David Lawrence Grange**  
VALOR
8. **Allen Brown Imes**  
SERVICE
9. **Joe Madison Jackson**  
MEDAL OF HONOR
10. **Wendall Leon Jones**  
VALOR
11. **George W. Leland**  
MEDAL OF HONOR
12. **Vincent Melillo**  
VALOR
13. **Stephen Wesley Pless**  
MEDAL OF HONOR
14. **Ralph Puckett, Jr.**  
VALOR
15. **Benjamin Harrison Purcell**  
VALOR (Prisoner-of-War)
16. **Peter Wheeler**  
SERVICE
17. **Hilliard Almond Wilbanks**  
MEDAL OF HONOR (Killed-in-Action)
18. **John Philip Yates**  
SERVICE

2014

19. **Robert Glenn Certain**  
VALOR (Prisoner-of-War)
20. **Jeffrey Curtis Cole, II**  
VALOR
21. **Timothy Cole, Jr.**  
VALOR (Killed-in-Action)
22. **Wilbur Gene Corbitt**  
VALOR
23. **Douglas Clark Dillard**  
VALOR
24. **Charles Warren Doubleday, III**  
VALOR
25. **Leon Francis Ellis, Jr.**  
VALOR (Prisoner-of-War)
26. **Vincent Jerome Farrell**  
VALOR
27. **Ed Harbison**  
SERVICE
28. **Grady Holman, Jr.**  
VALOR
29. **James Everette Livingston**  
MEDAL OF HONOR
30. **Milton Lockett, Jr.**  
SERVICE
31. **Ben Studdard Malcom**  
VALOR
32. **William Tracey Mixon**  
ACHIEVEMENT
33. **Robert Stephen Poydasheff**  
SERVICE
34. **Sammy Lewis Robinson**  
SERVICE

2015

35. **Theodore Carroll DeVore**  
VALOR
36. **Robert Irwin Gibbs, Jr.**  
SERVICE
37. **Fred Orr Jackson**  
VALOR
38. **Gerald Lord**  
SERVICE
39. **Donald Mathis McKay, Jr.**  
VALOR
40. **Birch George McVay**  
VALOR (Prisoner-of-War)
41. **John Day Mooneyham**  
VALOR
42. **George Alan Nelson**  
SERVICE
43. **Melvin Pender, Jr.**  
ACHIEVEMENT
44. **Robert Lee Washington Powell**  
VALOR
45. **Carlton Gerald Savory**  
SERVICE
46. **Edison Earl Scholes**  
VALOR
47. **Charles Gates Shepherd, Jr.**  
VALOR
48. **S. O. Swygert**  
VALOR
49. **Francis Ted Wolfe**  
VALOR

2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
50. John David Blair VALOR	67. Bobbie Evan Brown, Jr. MEDAL OF HONOR	84. Charles Alvin Beckwith ACHIEVEMENT	101. Gregory Clark Camp SERVICE	116. John Daniel Allen VALOR	132. Sparkle Kornegay Adams SERVICE
51. Earl Frederick Burke VALOR (Killed-in-Action)	68. John Henry Burson, III ACHIEVEMENT	85. William Maud Bryant MEDAL OF HONOR (Killed-in-Action)	102. Wendi Lea Bryan Carpenter ACHIEVEMENT	117. Alexander Bonnyman, Jr. MEDAL OF HONOR (Killed-in-Action)	133. Ormond Craig Fowler, Jr. VALOR
52. Carmen James Cavezza VALOR	69. Philip Curtis Corbin VALOR	86. Richard Bernard Dix ACHIEVEMENT	103. Richard Francis Dundon VALOR	118. Peter James Boylan, Jr. VALOR	134. James McLennon Grimshaw VALOR
53. Paul Randy Cheatwood VALOR	70. Eric Roy England ACHIEVEMENT	87. Harold Bascom Durham, Jr. MEDAL OF HONOR (Killed-in-Action)	104. Bertley Vanzant Englade, Jr. VALOR	119. Earnest Wayne Dill VALOR	135. Michael Thomas Hall ACHIEVEMENT
54. Joseph Maxwell Cleland SERVICE	71. Thomas Lloyd Foster VALOR	88. Rondall Howard Glaze VALOR (Killed-in-Action)	105. Ray Ralph Fairman SERVICE	120. Vincent Joseph Dooley SERVICE	136. Samuel David Hernandez VALOR
55. Donnie Lee Cochran ACHIEVEMENT	72. Vance Snelson Gammons VALOR	89. Marshall Cicero Huckaby VALOR	106. James Adrian Guest VALOR	121. James Rylance Greene VALOR (Prisoner-of-War)	137. Dallas Scott Hudgens, Jr. SERVICE
56. Michael Patrick Dover SERVICE	73. Justin Craig Honaman VALOR	90. Guy Thomas McDonald VALOR	107. Jason Robert Harkins VALOR (Killed-in-Action)	122. Mayo Addison Hadden, III VALOR	138. George Marvin Johnson, Jr. VALOR
57. Ray McKibben MEDAL OF HONOR (Killed-in-Action)	74. Fred Orr Jackson, Jr. VALOR (Killed-in-Action)	91. Wiley McGarity VALOR	108. James Charles King VALOR	123. Edward Holman Hightower VALOR	139. Alfred J. Landgraaf VALOR
58. Burton DeWayne Patrick SERVICE	75. Patricia Elaine Liddell SERVICE	92. Benjamin Randalph Mixon SERVICE	109. Edmund Nichalous Marx, Jr. VALOR	124. Charles Livingston Kelly VALOR (Killed-in-Action)	140. John Patrick Newport SERVICE
59. Horace Richard Pearl VALOR	76. Zell Bryan Miller SERVICE	93. Richard Andrew Palmer, Jr. VALOR	110. Charles Henry Monroe, Jr. VALOR	125. Robert Shane Kimbrough ACHIEVEMENT	141. Thaddeus Raymond Sobieski VALOR
60. Donna Curtis Rowe SERVICE	77. Henry Franklin Mount, Jr. VALOR	94. George Robert Partridge VALOR	111. Clyde Vernon Moore VALOR (Killed-in-Action)	126. Irve Charles LeMoyne ACHIEVEMENT	142. James Michael Sprayberry MEDAL OF HONOR
61. Philip Leslie Spackman VALOR	78. Alexander Ramsey Nininger, Jr. MEDAL OF HONOR (Killed-in-Action)	95. Martin Reyna VALOR	112. James Armitt Scott, III VALOR	127. John Nicolas McLaughlin VALOR (Prisoner-of-War)	143. Myron Edward Squires VALOR
62. Shelton Beverly Sutton, Jr. VALOR (Killed-in-Action)	79. Samuel Augustus Nunn, Jr. SERVICE	96. David Forest Richards, Jr. SERVICE	113. Philip Baldwin Smith VALOR	128. Robert Edward Pennington VALOR	144. Clark Jackson Thompson VALOR
63. Clyde A. Thomason MEDAL OF HONOR (Killed-in-Action)	80. Rembert Gary Rollison VALOR	97. Lamar Clarence Smith VALOR	114. Jack Cox Wheeler SERVICE	129. John William Phillips SERVICE	145. John William Thompson ACHIEVEMENT
64. Dewey Wayne Waddell VALOR (Prisoner-of-War)	81. James Duncan Shi, Jr. VALOR	98. Orson George Swindle, III VALOR (Prisoner-of-War)	115. Roger William Wise, Jr. SERVICE	130. Michael Earl Roby SERVICE	146. Robert Acquinn Thompson VALOR (Killed-in-Action)
65. Curtis Clay Williamson VALOR	82. Thomas Peter Talley VALOR	99. John Edwin Taylor, III VALOR		131. James Llewellyn Story, Jr. VALOR	147. Larry Dean Wright VALOR
66. Charles Douglas Windham, Jr. VALOR	83. Ernest William Walls VALOR (Prisoner-of-War)	100. Jerry Allen White SERVICE			

## Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame, Inc.

Why, Who, What, When, Where How & Additional Information

### Why

#### Mission Statement

"The Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame (GMVHOF) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation that exists solely for the purposes of:

**Honoring** Georgia Veterans;

**Educating** the youth and citizens of Georgia about real Heroes;

**Preparing** future Leaders for America through the GMVHOF Military Scholarship Program."

### Who

The GMVHOF is an organization that is

- Georgia Military Veteran Focused
- Not in receipt of any government financial support: No tax money from any source is sought or accepted.
- Non-Profit: IRS approved 501(c)(3) (GMVHOF IRS ID Number: 46-2025738)
- State of Georgia Recognized, Authorized, and Approved:

Georgia Secretary of State - Approved - 20 February 2013

(GMVHOF Corporate ID Number: 13400168)

Georgia Senate - Resolution - 22 March 2013

Georgia House of Representatives - Resolution - 18 February 2015

### What

- A "Veteran" is one that possesses an Honorable Discharge and a DD Form 214 from the active or reserve component of the US Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, or Coast Guard.
- A "Georgia Veteran" is one that was either born in Georgia, or entered the military in Georgia, or lived in Georgia for at least ten years.
- A Georgia Veteran, alive, Killed-In-Action or deceased, may be nominated in one of the following three categories:

**VALOR** Heroic action or actions in combat for which an award or awards for heroism was awarded.

**ACHIEVEMENT** Significant contribution to the well-being of the military while in service.

**SERVICE** Significant contribution to the local community, state, or nation after leaving the military.



### How

#### Nomination Packets

The GMVHOF can accept Nomination Packets through COB of the last Friday in August for the Induction Ceremony to be held in November of that year. Once it has been determined that the Nomination Packets are complete, only the Cover Letters are electronically forwarded to an Independent Selection Committee (ISC). The ISC members do not know each other, never meet as group, never communicate with each other in any manner, and must not reveal the fact that they serve on the ISC. This insures a totally un-biased, un-influenced, "blind", and fair process. All packets are automatically considered for up to three consecutive years with no additional effort required after initial submission.

Please mail Nomination Packets to:

Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame, Inc.  
5805 State Bridge Road, Ste G 379  
Johns Creek, GA 30097

### Additional Information

#### GMVHOF Induction Ceremony & Banquet

For 2021, the Ninth Annual GMVHOF Induction Ceremony & Banquet will be held in Columbus, GA on Saturday, 5 November 2022 beginning at 12 Noon in the Saint Luke Ministry Center (301 11th St.). This annual event is open to the public. Banquet Prices: Individual - \$55; Table of Eight (8) - \$400; Table of Ten (10) - \$500. For reservations, please call or email the GMVHOF Induction Ceremony & Banquet Attendee Coordinator, Ms. Debbie Freeman at 706-575-9173 (After 5 PM) or [Debbie.Freeman77@Gmail.com](mailto:Debbie.Freeman77@Gmail.com).

Banquet Payments may be made through PayPal at: [www.GMVHOF.org](http://www.GMVHOF.org) or by mailing a check to:

Chief Financial Officer  
Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame, Inc.  
P.O. Box 55  
Whitesburg, GA 30185.

#### GMVHOF Certificate of Honor (CoH)

All Veterans that are nominated to the GMVHOF are eligible to receive the Georgia Military Veterans' Hall of Fame Certificate of Honor. Presentation of the CoH is by request only. Requests may be made to GMVHOF Director & Chairman of the Board, U.S. Army Colonel (Ret) Rick White at 678-427-0915 or [RickWhite4750@Gmail.com](mailto:RickWhite4750@Gmail.com).



### GMVHOF JROTC Programs

The GMVHOF has forged a tremendous partnership with and support for the Georgia High School JROTC units throughout our state and as such, the following two programs are offered:

1. GMVHOF JROTC Selfless Service Medal Program

The GMVHOF JROTC Selfless Service Medal is awarded annually to one JROTC cadet per high school with a JROTC program. This Cadet, above all others, demonstrates a high degree of selfless service and sacrifice, placing the welfare of others before himself/herself.

2. GMVHOF Military Scholarship Program

At the end of each school year, the GMVHOF provides \$3,000.00 scholarships to Georgia high school seniors that have been in a JROTC program. The purpose of the GMVHOF Military Scholarship Program is to inspire and prepare future Leaders for America. In order to be considered, and in addition to competitive GPA and SAT scores, applicants must also meet the following four basic requirements:

- Must be enrolled in high school JROTC.
- Must be accepted into a Georgia accredited four-year college or university.
- Must be accepted into that college or university's ROTC Program.
- Must have the intent of serving in the U.S. Military upon graduation.

Applications for both of these JROTC programs may be found at: [www.GMVHOF.org](http://www.GMVHOF.org).

#### Donations:

All donations that are received by the GMVHOF are used only to honor veterans or to support the GMVHOF Military Scholarship Program. Donations of any amount will generate a receipt to the Donor as long as their contact information is provided. All donations are tax deductible (GMVHOF IRS ID Number: 46-2025738). Please designate if your donation is for the GMVHOF General Fund or the GMVHOF Military Scholarship Program.

Donations may be mailed to:

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5805 State Bridge Road, Ste G-379  
Johns Creek, GA 30097

OR

One-time donations and/or monthly allocations may be made through PayPal at:  
[www.GMVHOF.org](http://www.GMVHOF.org).

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For additional information and / or questions go to the GMVHOF website ([www.GMVHOF.org](http://www.GMVHOF.org)) or contact the GMVHOF Director & Chairman of the Board, U.S. Army Colonel (Ret) Rick White at 678-427-0915 or [RickWhite4750@Gmail.com](mailto:RickWhite4750@Gmail.com).

*"Immortalizing Great Americans, One At A Time!"*  
Isaiah 6:8 / John 15:13



Color Guard from the Atlanta  
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Training Command





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