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Woody Williams Foundation December Outreach Newsletter

Save the Date

With a multitude to select from, plan to join us for one or more Gold Star Families, Outreach or partner events in your area.

View our Event Calendar

Dear families and supporters,

2024 has offered us some remarkable opportunities to connect with you! We began the year by celebrating the service and honoring the sacrifice of all Vietnam War Veterans. It was a truly welcoming event, and we appreciate the time spent getting to know these Veterans and their families through the stories shared.

Spring was in full bloom as we grew new partnerships with some amazing organizations that stand ready to provide care to families with us! We'd like to say a special thanks to Carry the Load, Raymond James Valor Network, Combat Warriors, and Sailing Angels for their continued support of our mission. From family beach retreats and boating excursions to golf outings and sponsorships, we are so excited to have served with you in 2024!

Summertime brought us many meaningful connections at the TAPS National Survivor Seminar in Washington, DC. It was a privilege to be a part of something so much bigger than ourselves as we remembered all who gave the ultimate sacrifice for this country. We also had the chance to cheer on some of our favorite teams with you at our annual Gold Star Family Day at the Ballpark in various locations!

As the fall approached, we welcomed several of you to a special horse show in Raleigh, dedicated three more Gold Star Family Memorial Monuments (for a total of 142!), and hosted our 2nd annual Legacy of Service Celebration in Louisville, KY.

Throughout the year, you've each given us a reason to remember, and reason to smile. As this year comes to a close, we hope that you hold these beautiful memories we've shared together close to your heart and let us know how we can show up for you again in 2025.

Stay connected this season:

Our friends at TAPS have extensive programming this holiday season for all military and veteran survivors. Please see their December events for in-person and online opportunities to connect with families in and around your area. For additional questions, please contact partners@taps.org.

TAPS remains committed to helping you navigate your grief throughout every season. We are grateful to have the support of this incredible team of compassionate care professionals and look forward to more partnership opportunities in 2025!

Below are some more ways to engage with each other this month:

December 1

KY, TN, TX & GA
Registration OPEN for A Soldier's Child Summer 2025 Camps

Puerto Rico
Registration OPEN for Travis Manion Foundation's January Service Expedition

CO, CA & GA
Registration OPEN for American Warrior Association's 2025 Men's and Women's Retreats

National - Multiple locations
Registration OPEN for Never Alone Widows 2025 Faith-based Retreats and National Seminar

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Dec. 1, 11, & 14

In-Person and Online
Various opportunities for connection with Tuesday's Children.

December 2

Online
America's Warrior Partnership Battle Rhythm "Connecting Veterans to Healthcare"

December 6, 7, 14, & 22

Massachusetts
Project New Hope various opportunities for connection & events.

December 3 & 15

Online & California
Sugar Bear Foundation
Online Growth Workshop & Holiday Open House
(RSVP by 12/10)

December 8

Chesapeake VA
Honor & Remember Gold Star Family Banquet

December 14

National - Multiple locations
Honor, Remember & Teach with Wreaths Across America.

December 27

Memphis TN
AutoZone Liberty Bowl

For more information, please contact amy.dozier@woodywilliams.org

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We want to hear from you!

As the holidays are upon us, we would love to hear more of your stories! If you find it healing, please tell us about your favorite memories and traditions, or share how you will be remembering your hero this season. It means so much that you allow us to carry these stories with you. Please know that we are here for you every day of the year and continue to add resources to our network. We understand that this time of year can be especially challenging for many- if you are in crisis, please dial 988 to speak with someone immediately.

With love and gratitude from the WWF Team,
Mark, Amy, Valerie, Ed, Stephen and Kelland

Support Our Efforts

Your generous, tax deductible donation to the Woody Williams Foundation enables us to carry out the goals and objectives of the Foundation.

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Our mission statement

To honor, recognize, and serve Gold Star Families and the legacy of their Loved Ones who have paid the ultimate sacrifice.

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