

Our Mission:

Befriend, Honor, and Support
Veterans in Hospice Care

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Operations Q4 2022


Community Awareness Building Activities

- **NEW “Adopt a Care Facility Program”:** Do you have a Care or Assisting Living Facility near you? Would you like to help us support their veterans by being a liaison with Veteran’s Last Patrol? Contact us to find out how.
- **“2nd Annual Veteran’s Last Patrol Dinner”:** Please join us April 13th for a dinner & silent auction in Greer, SC, honoring America’s Veteran. Please visit our website to learn more, buy tickets, or sponsor (see flyer to the right.)
- **Frontliners TV:** Michael VanZetta did an excellent job presenting our story with a video showing how we help veterans on their Last Patrol by bringing them Friendships, Honors, and Support. [Veteran's Last Patrol - YouTube](#)
- **Our OPERATION HOLIDAY SALUTE** was a huge success this 4th year!!! See story on the back page.

Volunteers Status

- Hospices around the country seek veteran volunteers. Dying veterans need companionship. Help us reach these very special veterans.
- Regardless of where you live in America, there are needs. Veterans receive hospice care in both private homes and care facilities.
- Help us and our nation’s veterans by joining us as hospice volunteer or Adopting a Care Facility.
- Visit www.veteranlastpatrol.org to learn how to volunteer.

**2ND ANNUAL
VETERAN'S LAST PATROL DINNER**
THURSDAY - APRIL 13, 2023 6-8PM



CANNON CENTER - CITY HALL | GREER, SC
Please join us for a Dinner & Silent Auction Honoring America's Veterans.

Our mission is providing Friendship, Honor, and Support for veterans on their Last Patrol. You can help us support these special veterans and celebrate their service by attending our 2nd Annual Veteran's Last Patrol Dinner. Sponsorships are available and the dinner will include a Silent Auction.

*Special Guest Speaker: MG (ret.) James Livingston, USMC,
Medal of Honor recipient*

This Last Patrol event is co-hosted by Miss Liberty Belle.
Buy Tickets: www.veteranlastpatrol.org/annual-dinner
Phone: (864) 580-8005
Website: www.veteranlastpatrol.org
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Volunteers making one-on-one visits to veterans in hospice is the core of what we do. It's a final opportunity to express gratitude and share in the spirit of brotherhood. Thank you, SSG Don Tombleson (ret.), for being a volunteer.

Please take a moment to remember...

The veterans that completed their Last Patrol since our last Newsletter & now reside at Post Everlasting.

The spouse of a veteran who recently completed his Last Patrol and for whom we did an Honor Ceremony, wrote a kind note:

"I will never forget what you did. That honor ceremony was unforgettable. Your volunteers made me realize how special the bond between veterans really is. Our family is so grateful."

More Highlighted Stories



HONOR CEREMONY-BILL

Last Patrol volunteers honored Bill. He served his country during WWII as an Army Air Corp B24 bomber pilot. He served in New Guinea & the East Indies (Morotai Island), and flew bombing missions against Japanese positions on Pacific Islands.



4th OPERATION HOLIDAY SALUTE

Our OPERATION HOLIDAY SALUTE impacted so many people. It reminds us that LOVE always WINS. We've received many kind notes from families who have a loved one on their Last Patrol and who received a Last Patrol Christmas & Holiday card packet. With the help of 1000s of supporters around the country, we achieved our goal of raising 60,000 personalized Christmas & Holiday Cards! Thank to everyone who supported this annual mission!



HONOR CEREMONY- BO WEEKS

Bo, a Navy veteran, has moved on to Post Everlasting. Last Patrol volunteers rallied on a short notice – just days before his death -- to honor him a final time at home. He served in both Korea and Vietnam. He received 2 Bronze Stars for Valor.

Bo joined the Navy at 18, becoming a Gunners Mate and specialist in small and large caliber Navy weapons. In Vietnam, he served as a PBR river boat captain and scoured the country's waterways looking for the enemy.



LAST PATROL HONOR RIDE-SOUTH FLORIDA

A recent Last Patrol Honor Ride, conducted by the Widow's Sons Masonic Riders in South Florida, visited 4 Nursing Homes to honor the resident veterans. At one stop they met Phil, a World War II veteran.

Phil followed several siblings into military service. "I had to be part of it, too," he said. He came home "without a scratch," but both of his brothers were wounded. "I've always been lucky and I've lived a wonderful life."