

Newsletter: Fall-Winter 2021/22

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Operations Q3 2021

Community Awareness Building Activities

- **Veteran Honor Ceremonies:** Know a dying veteran? We can help you honor that veteran before they pass. Contact us to find out how.
- **“2nd Annual Honor Ride for Veterans in Hospice”:** We had phenomenal success with our Honor Ride & Car Show for Veterans in Hospice. Hundreds of bikers and car enthusiasts turned out to support this great cause. We held 6 Rides around the country this year.
- **“3rd Annual Operation Holiday Salute”:** Cards from Americans around the country are coming in for our 3rd Annual Operation Holiday Salute. Learn more here: <https://www.veteranlastpatrol.org/operation-holiday-salute>

Volunteers Status

- With the Covid crisis declining, more of our volunteers are making face-to-face veteran visits again. Please reengage.
- Volunteers can assist us in many ways: making calls, outreach to local hospices, and recruiting other volunteers.
- Visit www.veteranlastpatrol.org to learn how to volunteer.
- We now have volunteers active in 19 states!

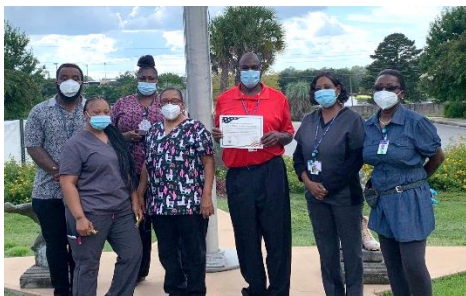


3rd Annual Operation Holiday Salute

Our goal this year is receiving 50,000 personalized cards from Americans all over the country for delivery to veterans around the country in hospice care

Learn more here:
[Operation Holiday Salute | Veterans Last Patrol | USA \(veteranlastpatrol.org\)](https://www.veteranlastpatrol.org/operation-holiday-salute)

HONOR RIDE-COLUMBIA, SC



Our friends at 3MC Car Club Columbia, SC report that their Honor Ride on September 18 supporting our veterans in Hospice went very well. They visited 5 Nursing Homes facilities, including one managed by the VA, to honor the local veteran patients.



HONOR CEREMONY - NOCK

We honored Bill Nock, who captained the Coast Guard Cutter “Point Mast” in Vietnam. He is now in hospice with Providence Care.

Please take a moment to remember...

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

The granddaughter of veteran who passed away recently wrote this to us about his Last Patrol Honor Ceremony: *“Thank you so much for the time and respect you paid to my father... the honor ceremony before he passed was beautiful and moving to everyone that attended.”*



HONOR RIDE – FT. LAUDERDALE, FL

Our Honor Ride Florida team riders battled a brutally hot day to visit 4 Nursing Homes on September 13 to recognize their veterans in hospice care.

More Highlighted Stories



HONOR RIDE-MILFORD, CT

Our friends at the Paradise Classic Cruiser in Milford, CT, also joined us on September 18 for an Honor Ride to honor local Veterans in Hospice. Their team of classic cars visited 3 Nursing Homes and reports a big success and big smiles from the veterans in those facilities. Resident patients served our nation, some as far back as WWII, and it's very rewarding to let them know one more time that America appreciates their service.



HONOR CEREMONY- HASKELL

“You could understand everything in Haskell’s eyes.”

Greenwood, SC, volunteers honored Air Force veteran Haskell Cromer. “He had such gratitude,” said Last Patrol Area Captain Dan Grubbs.

Haskell received a Patriots Quilt and other gifts recognizing his military service. He is in Home Hospice with MSA Healthcare. Haskell is most proud of being selected Airman of the month 3 times.



HONOR CEREMONY- CECIL

World War II veteran Cecil celebrated his 102nd birthday and Last Patrol volunteers were there to help him party!

He shares many stories of military duty and his life experiences. He worked in a Textile Mill at the age of 14, helping support his family during the Depression. After marriage, he and his wife lived in a wooden cabin for several years. Always a very hard worker, Cecil continued a landscaping business into his mid-80s. “I kept at it until all my customers either died out or moved away.”