

**THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE  
FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES**

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

--Francis Bellamy

**THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER**

Oh, say can you see by the dawn's early light  
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last  
gleaming?  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars thru the perilous  
fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly  
streaming?  
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still  
there.  
Oh, say does that Star-Spangled Banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

Francis Scott Key

*Purple Heart Day*

*Ceremony*



*Behind Every Heart is a Hero*

*Commemorating those wounded or killed in  
action while serving in the U.S. military.  
We are forever grateful for your courage,  
sacrifice, commitment, and heart.*

*Redlyn Heights*

*August 16, 2025*

Name	Branch of Service	War/Conflict	*
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Dennis Clifford Wright	U.S. Army	Korean War / Vietnam War	WIA
Vernon Wright	U.S. Marine Corps	Vietnam War	WIA
Sterling William Wyatt	U.S. Army	Iraq War / Afghanistan	KIA
Frank Irving Yawitz	U.S. Army Air Corps	World War II	KIA
Danny Lee Young	U.S. Army	Vietnam War	WIA

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## *Purple Heart Patriots*

The Purple Heart Patriots Project was created to honor those men and women serving in the military who have been injured or killed in action during combat. We also honor the family members of those service members lost while serving our country. Their memories will live on in the stories that we have gathered, preserved, and shared. The following is a list of service members whose stories have been told, with more yet to be discovered.

- 🇺🇸 🇻🇪 WIA designates Wounded in Action
- 🇺🇸 🇻🇪 KIA designates Killed in Action

Name	Branch of Service	War/Conflict	*
Thomas Bernard Adams	U.S. Army	Vietnam War	WIA
Harry J. Bahr	U.S. Army	Vietnam War	WIA
Paul Edward Bailey	U.S. Army	World War I	WIA
Jack Eugene Barber	U.S. Army	Korean War	KIA
Charles William Bland	U.S. Marine Corps	World War II	WIA
Fredrick V. Bohl	U.S. Army	Vietnam War	WIA
Patrick Botbyl	U.S. Army	Vietnam War	WIA
Harry Eugene Bowers	U.S. Army	Vietnam War	WIA
George E. Burks	U.S. Army	World War II	KIA
Stephanie Butler	U.S. Army	Iraq War / Afghanistan	WIA
John Joseph Caine	U.S. Army	World War II	WIA
Eugene Joseph Carly	U.S. Army Reserve Corps	World War II	WIA
	U.S. Navy Reserve		
Frederick Carrino	U.S. Army	Korean War	KIA
Lafayette Monroe Carly	U.S. Army	World War II	WIA
	U.S. Air Force		
Robert George Cole	U.S. Army	World War II	KIA
James Francis Coleman	U.S. Army	Vietnam War	KIA
Warren Scott Coonce	U.S. Army	Vietnam War	WIA
	U.S. Air Force		
Eugene Cornelis	U.S. Navy	World War II	WIA
Edwin Levi Craft	U.S. Marine Corps	Vietnam War	WIA
Leon Calhoun Craghead	U.S. Army	World War II	KIA