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101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Association,  
Michigan Chapter



*THE MICHIGAN SCREAMING EAGLE*

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*No one left behind!"*

Greetings Screaming Eagles,

As we approach our nation's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday this July 4<sup>th</sup>, I would like to write about the history of our "Pledge of Allegiance" and why I believe it's so very important for be aware of . The history of the "Pledge" is a story about teaching the next generation about patriotism, civic responsibility, and the core values of American citizenship. Reciting the "Pledge" whenever and wherever we gather -whether it's at a chapter reunion, at a Tiger's or Lion's game, or in the classroom - serves to unify us and remind us who we are as a nation and a people. It supports our shared-identity as an American citizen and it keeps patriotism alive in the hearts and minds of our children, ourselves, and our communities.

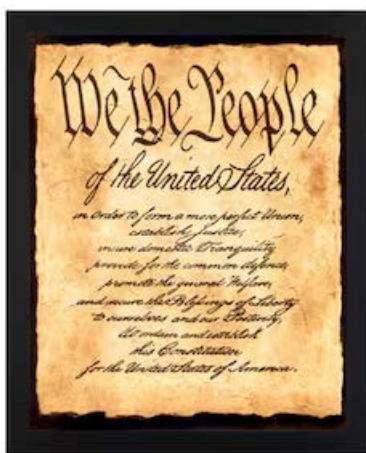
The first version of the "Pledge" was written in 1885 by Captain George Thatcher Balch, a Union army officer in the Civil War who later wrote a book on how to teach patriotism to children in our public schools. After the Civil War, it was time for our nation to heal, unify, and become "one nation indivisible with liberty and justice for all." In 1892, the "Pledge" was revised by the Rev. Francis Bellamy for the young members of his congregation. He hoped it would teach them about patriotism and would also increase their awareness about citizenship, civic duty and responsibility as they pledge their allegiance to our nation.

The Rev. Bellamy, a Baptist minister in Massachusetts, also published his revision in *The Youth's Companion*, a patriotic magazine that supported the schoolhouse flag movement that began in 1888 with the ambitious goal of placing a flag in every school across the country. By 1892, the flag had been placed in approximately 26,000 schools. His revised version of the "Pledge" was a significant contribution to the success of the movement. And, in 1923, the phrase, "The Flag of the United States of America," was added to the "Pledge," to clarify and emphasize that the allegiance pledged was to the United States, not to one's country of origin.

With each revision made over the years, something significant was added to the allegiance we pledge to the flag and to the republic for which it stands. In 1954, then President and Commander-in-Chief Dwight D. Eisenhower urged Congress to add "under God" to the Pledge of Allegiance. It was during the cold war and President Eisenhower believed it was important to emphasize the role religion played in our American history and how our spiritual

values differentiated us from the Soviet Union's "godless Communism." Congress agreed, it was signed it into law, and the revised pledge became:

For some Americans and civil liberties groups, the phrase, "under God," raised some serious questions and concerns like, "What about the First Amendment and the 'Separation of Church and State'?" and "Does the phrase 'under God' inhibit the practice of those with other religious beliefs like those of the Jewish, Muslim, or Mormon faith -or, any other faith-based religious movement, for that matter?" "Does the phrase 'under God' mean that we are a *Christian* nation?" and "Does 'under God' mean we have a state-established, -recognized, or -endorsed religion that excludes others?"



The First Amendment prohibits the establishment of a state religion. In so doing, it guarantees a secular framework and society for our republic and governance.

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances. (ratified effective December 15<sup>th</sup>, 1791)

The United States of America is, has been, and -hopefully, will remain a secular nation. In our constitutional republic, government derives its power from the people. It governs under the authority *of, by, and for* the people and always with the consent of the governed, consistent with constitutional law. Power flows from the people to the government -not vice versa. And so, "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America *and to the republic for which it stands* ..." -not to a Christian God, but to the republic. The addition of the words "under God" does not establish a state-sponsored religion, nor does it prohibit any American from exercising their religious faith and sacred beliefs.

While the phrase, "*under God*," is not found in the Constitution, the Declaration of Independence (1776) does refer to a Creator and that all people are endowed with "certain unalienable Rights," including "Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness," and that these rights are "endowed by their Creator" -not by the government. While acknowledging a Creator, it

neither establishes nor endorses a national religion, nor does it mandate any citizen must follow a national religion. America was founded as a secular nation: It is a democracy *-not* a theocracy. At the same time, the framers of our Constitution were strongly influenced and shaped by the Judeo-Christian tradition -including the Christian Bible.

The founders recognized the importance for the nation, society, and people to have a shared set of moral principles, system of values, and social practices -that is, a shared ethic and ethos, that would support the development of a common bond between the American people – “the glue” to help unify, connect, and hold us together as an “indivisible nation” and would be part of our core identity as American citizens. This ethic and ethos would provide a shared-sense of what is right and wrong, good and bad, and appropriate and inappropriate in our society and everyday lives. As a nation, a people, and a society, we would have a sense of moral clarity, purpose, and meaning.

As soon as we speak of moral character, moral values and moral purpose -or of an inner moral life, however, we enter the spiritual realm which, of course, raises concerns for some about the separation of Church and State. It is here where -for me, an historical perspective is helpful. In his letter to the Danbury Baptist Association in 1802, Thomas Jefferson wrote of “a wall of separation between church and state” as referenced in the First Amendment:

Believing with you that religion is a matter which lies solely between Man and his God, that he owes account to none other for his faith or his worship, that the legitimate powers of government reach actions only, and not opinions, I contemplate with sovereign reverence that act of the whole American people which declared that their legislature should make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof, thus building *a wall of separation between Church and State*.  
(italics added, for emphasis)

Jefferson wrote that the First Amendment prevented the establishment of a national church or religion and that the Baptists did not have to fear government interference with their First Amendment rights to practice their religious beliefs. The Bill of Rights (1791) was the earliest political statement to guarantee our freedom to freely practice our religious faith and beliefs as we choose, under the First Amendment.

The addition of the words "*under God*" to the Pledge of Allegiance has faced many legal challenges, arguing that it violates the First Amendment. The courts, however, have upheld the phrase as a non-sectarian "patriotic expression" rather than a "religious endorsement." These legal challenges regarding the separation of church and state were considered in the context of Jefferson's metaphor of "a wall of separation between Church and State" and was the basis of the Supreme Court's First Amendment jurisprudence in finding balance between one's religious rights and the interests of society.

Many American colonies were settled by religious groups like the Puritans in New England, the Quakers in Pennsylvania, and the Mormons in Utah to escape religious persecution

and were seeking freedom to practice their religious faith and beliefs which included their practice of polygamy. These leaders and communities were strongly influenced by John Locke's idea of their natural God-given rights to life, liberty, and property, and that their religious faith and moral beliefs should play a large part in their everyday lives.

As to the balance between the Mormon's religious belief of polygamy and the interests of society, Chief Justice Morrison Waite used Jefferson's principle of "a wall of separation between Church and State" in *Reynolds v. United States* (1878) in which the Court delivered a unanimous decision that upheld the anti-bigamy conviction of a Mormon practitioner, ruling that the First Amendment protects the Mormon's religious beliefs, but *not the actions* that violate the legal or moral codes of society.

The question, "Is the United States of America a Christian nation?" remains relevant 250 years after our nation's founding. The answer is, "Yes, absolutely." Christianity is the dominant faith and makes up the largest religious group in our nation with approximately 69% of the American people identifying as Christians. This survey result was obtained before the very recent resurgence of interest in matters of religion, faith, and community by younger Americans.

As we celebrate our nation's 250<sup>th</sup> birthday on July 4<sup>th</sup>, let us give thanks that we live in a free, open and democratic society in which we have the freedom to practice our religious beliefs as we so choose. Let us beseech the Almighty, who -I believe is the beacon of light, truth, and justice for all mankind, to continue to give His blessings upon these United States of America. That is my belief and hope when I say "under God" as I recite the "Pledge."



God bless our Armed Forces, and God bless America,

John C. Sosa, President -Life Member  
Michigan Chapter, 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Association  
Airborne...Air Assault!

## **Keeping the Flame Burning: Increasing Our Chapter's Visibility, Presence, and Relevancy:**

by

Patrick B. Kavanaugh, Ph.D., Past President – Life Member

### **Presidential Citation Certificates**

The Presidential Citation is an award given in appreciation and recognition of services rendered to our chapter and/or chapter members. At our 2023 Fenton reunion, the executive committee expanded the practice to recognizing and appreciating those in our local communities who recognize, acknowledge, remember, or otherwise support our Veterans, Soldiers, Families, or POW/MIAs whether it's on Memorial Day, Veterans Day, or throughout the year!

This Certificate expresses our chapter's deep appreciation as it increases our presence, visibility, and relevance in local communities. Do you know, for example:

- a local Priest, Minister, Rabbi, Imam or church synagogue, or mosque in your community that offers prayers -or otherwise supports, our Soldiers and Families, those serving “in harm’s way,” or remembers our POWs and MIAs?
- a local restaurant owner who provides military discounts on Veterans Day or at other times throughout the year?
- a local gas station, oil change facility, or print shop that recognizes the sacrifices made by our Veterans, Soldiers, and their Families?
- a local hotel, Air BNB, or other place of lodging that does likewise?
- a local VAMC or healthcare provider? your local VFW or AL Post? -or,
- any other person, group, or small business owner that you believe respects and recognizes the sacrifices of our Veterans, Soldiers, and Families?

If so, fill in the form below, send it to John C. Sosa, and a “Presidential Citation” will be printed and mailed directly back to you to present to your religious/community leader, small business owner, healthcare provider, or local Veterans group. If you take a picture of the presentation and forward it to me ([camsufism@aol.com](mailto:camsufism@aol.com)), it will be published in the next *MSE*.



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John C. Sosa  
President

John C. Malejan  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President

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## Markers & Milestones:



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Received from (Ms.) Marty Eddy, Michigan Coordinator, National League of POW/MIA Families, Secretary/Treasurer, POW Committee of Michigan  
(email: [eddypowmia@aol.com](mailto:eddypowmia@aol.com))

To date, 1,566 Americans remain unaccounted for from the Vietnam War; 48 of them are from Michigan, and 5 of those 48 went missing on dates in April.



Lieutenant Junior Grade (LTJG) William Leslie Tromp, who joined the U.S. Navy from Fennville, Michigan, was a member of Attack Squadron 115. On April 17, 1966, he piloted a single-seat A-1H Skyraider (bureau number 135398, call sign "Arab 511") that launched from the USS Kitty Hawk (CVA 63) as the second of two aircraft on a night coastal armed reconnaissance mission over enemy targets in North Vietnam. After delivering their ordnance to the target, located at the mouth of a river southeast of Ha Tinh, the flight leader received a warning that there had been a surface-to-air missile (SAM) launch in the area. The flight leader then radioed LTJG Tromp to advise him to lose altitude and turn on his lights, and LTJG Tromp responded but his transmission was cut short. He made no further contact and was not seen again, and searches of the area found no sign of LTJG Tromp or his aircraft. Subsequent to the incident, and while carried in the status of missing in action, the U.S. Navy promoted LTJG Tromp to the rank of Lieutenant Commander (LCDR). Today, LCDR Tromp is memorialized on the Courts of the Missing at the National Memorial Cemetery of the

Pacific. His name is also inscribed along with all his fallen comrades on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, DC. ... **R.I.P.**



On April 19, 1968, a CH-47 Chinook (tail number 66-19063) on a resupply mission in the A Shau Valley area, South Vietnam, was approaching its landing zone when it was struck by enemy machine gun and anti-aircraft artillery fire. The helicopter caught fire, lost control, and crashed to the ground. However, before it crashed, while it was still slightly above the jungle canopy, two crew members jumped out of the burning aircraft. Three other crew men, who survived the crash and were subsequently rescued, said they did not see these two men again after the crash, and search personnel could not locate them.

Specialist 5 Michael John Wallace, who entered the U.S. Army from Ann Arbor, Michigan, served with Company B of the 228th Aviation Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, and was one of the two crew men who jumped out of this helicopter before it crashed. He remains unaccounted for. Following the incident, the Army promoted Specialist 5 Wallace to the rank of Sergeant First Class. Today, Sergeant First Class Wallace is memorialized on the Courts of the Missing at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. His name is also inscribed along with all his fallen comrades on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, DC. ... **R.I.P.**



On April 21, 1966, an A-6A Intruder (bureau number 151798) with two crew members took part in a two-plane night attack mission against an enemy supply and barracks area on the coast of North Vietnam. During the mission, the wingman observed a bright flash from the direction of this Intruder. The wingman then lost contact

with this aircraft and it disappeared from friendly radar tracking. A surface-to-air missile (SAM) warning had been sounded earlier, but the wingman had no basis to believe a SAM had been launched. Search and rescue efforts were unable to locate this Intruder or either of its crew members.

Lieutenant Commander Ellis Ernest Austin, who entered the U.S. Navy from Vermontville, Michigan, served with Attack Squadron 85. He was the bombardier/navigator aboard this Intruder at the time of its loss on April 21, 1966, and he was lost in the incident and remains unaccounted-for. While carried in the status of missing in action (MIA), the U.S. Navy promoted LCDR Austin to the rank of Commander (CDR). Today, CDR Austin is memorialized on the Courts of the Missing at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. His name is also inscribed along with his fallen comrades on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, DC. ... **R.I.P.**



On April 25, 1968, an F-4D Phantom II (tail number 66-8736) with two crew members took off as the number two aircraft in a two-plane night armed reconnaissance mission over North Vietnam. While proceeding to targets in the Xuan Son Ferry area, the aircraft commander aboard the Phantom radioed to the flight leader on the mission that he would attack a truck convoy that he had spotted south of the Song Troc River. The flight leader then lost sight of the Phantom, and did not see the aircraft again. A short time later, witnesses aboard the other aircraft saw a fireball near the Phantom's intended position in the vicinity of (GC) 48Q XE 371 435. The Phantom's crew could not be contacted by radio, and no parachutes were seen in the area. Search efforts could not be conducted due to strong enemy presence, and both crew members remain unaccounted for.

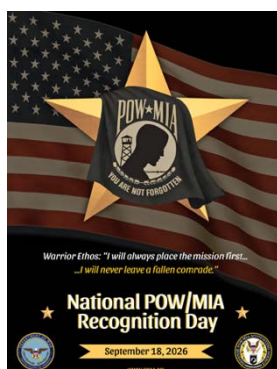
First Lieutenant Gregory John Crossman, who joined the U.S. Air Force from Sturgis, Michigan, was a member of the 497th Tactical Fighter Squadron. He was the pilot systems officer aboard the Phantom when it went missing on April 25, 1968, and he was lost with the aircraft and his remains have not been recovered. After the incident, the Air Force promoted 1st Lt Crossman to the rank of Major (Maj). Today, Major Crossman is memorialized on the Courts of the Missing at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. His name is also inscribed along with all his fallen comrades on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, DC. ... **R.I.P.**



On April 26, 1966, an RF-4C Phantom II (tail number 64-1045) carrying two crew members took off on a photographic reconnaissance mission over North Vietnam. As expected, radar contact with the Phantom was lost as it moved toward its target; however, contact was not reestablished with the crew, and the aircraft failed to return from its mission. Search teams found no sign of the missing Phantom or its crew members.

Captain Warren Leroy Anderson, who entered the U.S. Air Force from Camden, Michigan, was a member of the 16th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron. He was the aircraft commander aboard the Phantom when it went missing on April 26, 1966, and he was lost along with the aircraft. His remains have not been recovered. Following the incident, the Air Force promoted Capt Anderson to Colonel (Col). Today, Colonel Anderson is memorialized on the Courts of the Missing at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. His name is also inscribed along with all his fallen comrades on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, DC. ... **R.I.P.**

- The 2026 Congressional Medal of Honor Society Convention is slated for September 30<sup>th</sup> - October 3<sup>rd</sup> in Detroit, Michigan. It will be the first time these heroes will gather in Detroit, The Arsenal of Democracy. For those interested, here's a link to find out more about the program: [Home - Congressional Medal of Honor Society](#)
- The 2026 National POW/MIA Recognition Day Poster was unveiled during the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA) Family Update Meeting (FMU) held on February 21st in Charleston, SC. Here is a link on how to order posters: [DPAA Posters](#).



Freedom is not free. It never has been ...

REST EASY, SLEEP WELL MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS.  
KNOW THE LINE HAS HELD. YOUR JOB IS DONE.  
.... REST EASY. SLEEP WELL.  
OTHERS HAVE TAKEN UP WHERE YOU FELL,  
.... THE LINE HAS HELD.  
PEACE, PEACE, AND FAREWELL.

INSCRIBED ON THE WALL OF  
THE VIETNAM WAR MEMORIAL

Received from Curtis Cheeseman- Chapter Member



Charles Lester Day, known as ‘Charlie’ to those who knew him, passed away peacefully on December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025, in Northport, Michigan, at the age of 88. Charlie was born on July 30<sup>th</sup>, 1937, in Wilmington, Ohio, to Harley W. and Charlotte A. Day. He graduated from Wilmington High School in 1955 and then attended Ohio State University where he earned his bachelor's degree. It was during college that he met Joyce Leota Heyne from Toledo, Ohio, and they married in 1961.

Beyond his professional life, Charlie was a man of great curiosity, especially about anything and everything related to World War II gliders. He became the foremost expert in the science of WWII gliders, having extensive knowledge in both the manufacturing process as well as practical use of the cargo (combat) gliders. As a young boy in Wilmington, Ohio, Charlie watched gliders and tugs from Clinton County Army Air Field, home of the Glider Branch Engineering Test and Experiment Base from 1942 to November 1945. His passion led to the self-publication of his book, *Silent Ones: Invasion Glider Test and Experiment* (2001).

In 2009, Charlie received the Bickett Ellington Memorial Award for outstanding service in the interest of the National World War II Glider Pilots Association, Inc., and in 2018, the 25th Mission Award from Fans of the C-47 Skytrain for knowledge and dedication to getting the history right and honoring the Skytrain's legacy.

Charlie was preceded in death by his wife Joyce and his parents, his sister Mary Eleanor (Harris), and his brother Richard. He leaves behind his devoted son Chuck, dedicated daughter-in-law Merri Lee, adoring grandson Jack, sister Sara Burnett, brother L. Steven Day, and many loving nieces and nephews. The family will hold a private ceremony in

the spring at Toledo Memorial Gardens, where Charlie will be laid to rest next to Joyce. (Charlie's full obituary with more information about his life can be found at <https://www.tributearchive.com/obituaries/46745936/charles-l.-day>)

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Remembering all Michigan's Eagles who Soared during the past year!



... *No one left behind!*

Received from John C. Malejan, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Life Member



Good morning Mr. Malejan. Hope you're doing well, Sir! Richie here from Houston, Texas. we met on the carnival jubilee. Just reaching out. Hopefully, when you have a moment, we would love to hear back from you. Wanted to share with you a few things about the World War II Museum in New Orleans. My lady Claudette's sister Desiree is a big fan & supporter of the World War II veterans, in particular the ones that helped save our country the Philippines 🇵🇭. Thank you, sir, for all you and your 11th Airborne Division 511 team did for our country! ... May god bless you! We love you ...

- From the *Voice of the Angels*, newsletter of the 11<sup>th</sup> Airborne Div. Assn. (vol. 230, March, 2026) -The President's Report, by Mike Oesch- 16 Feb 2026:

"I am reminded that during WW11, on this date, the 503<sup>rd</sup> Parachute Infantry Regiment conducted a daylight parachute assault on the island fortress of Corregidor in the Philippines. There was also a beach landing conducted at the same time in an effort to keep the Japanese defenders occupied. The description of the Drop Zone was not very great. The Drop Zone size was rather small and there was very little cover or concealment. It was a real challenge for those troopers, who occasionally were involved with 11<sup>th</sup> Airborne Division operations.

Congratulations to those WW11 503<sup>rd</sup> Paratroopers who accomplished their mission.”

-From the Livingston County Veterans Services (LCVS) Monthly Newsletter  
(April. 2026; ISSUE #25)

Happy Spring, everyone! ... As the weather warms up outside, things are warming up around the office as well. We'll continue sharing what's happening in the community and remain committed to full transparency within our organization. You may have seen our office come up in recent discussions as we approach voting season; we address these concerns on page 2 of this newsletter. **Important Notice:** April 21–24: Our Veteran Service Officers and Director will be out of the office attending the annual Michigan Association of County Veterans Counselors Spring Conference. This conference provides critical education, training, and advocacy support for County Veteran Service Officers across Michigan. Our office will remain open during this time for scheduling appointments and answering basic questions. Veterans@livgov.com

- Learn more about upcoming event @ <https://milivcounty.gov/veterans/events/>
  - Learn more about the dedication ceremony for the new Hartland Veterans Memorial. All community members are welcome as we come together to pay tribute to those who have served and are currently serving our country. Additional information and photos of the memorial may be found on the Hartland Township website at:  
<https://www.hartlandtwp.com/communications/page/hartland-veterans-memorial-settlers-park>
  - Ann Arbor VA Newsletter: If you're interested in keeping up with the latest updates and events, you can subscribe to the Ann Arbor VA Newsletter here:  
<https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USVHA/subscriber/new>
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**101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Association**

**2026 Annual Reunion**

**Location:** Fort Campbell, Kentucky

**Dates:** May 18th – 23rd, 2026

**Occasion:** Annual Reunion during *Week of the Eagles*

**Hotel Accommodations:**

**Holiday Inn & Suites** – 100 Tilley Way  
Hopkinsville, KY

**PHONE:** (270) 887-8600

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The reunion is right around the corner. We are still working on some details as the Division Staff plans and resources events for the Week of the Eagles while we are at Fort Campbell. The e-Letter for February and Reunion Registration and Draft Schedule of Events are attached. Look for further communications from us as we further refine events that Division puts out. Our congratulations to CSM Charles Walker, who completed his responsibility this morning as Eagle 7. We wish he and his family nothing but the best as he retires and enters the next chapter of his life. We welcome CSM Christopher Goodart and his family as the incoming Eagle 7. CSM Goodart served in First Strike, 1<sup>st</sup> Bn, 502<sup>nd</sup> Infantry on his first assignment in the U.S. Army and returns to the Screaming Eagle Division as its Senior Enlisted Leader. Thank you all for your membership and we look forward to seeing many of you in May as we join to celebrate our division and its soldiers.

**From the Editor, *MSE*  
Submission of Articles:**



DON'T UNDERESTIMATE ME  
I KNOW MORE THAN I SAY,  
THINK MORE THAN I SPEAK, AND  
NOTICE MORE THAN YOU REALIZE

Please send anything you know, think, or notice that might be of interest to other chapter members ... Send all articles for publication in the *MSE* or any news item for the *Markers & Milestone* Section, to:

The Editor, *MSE*: (email) [camsufism@aol.com](mailto:camsufism@aol.com).

All articles and contributions should be in a text file like Microsoft Word and be “copy ready” so they can be edited, if necessary. ... Thank you!

**Print Schedule:**

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2025

January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 -Submission Date

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2025

April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 -Submission Date

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2023

July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 -Submission Date

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2025

October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 -Submission Date

Patrick B. Kavanaugh, Ph.D., Editor,  
*Michigan Screaming Eagle (MSE)*  
-Life Member

*"No one left behind!"*

-Donation Form-

Our mission is to establish and maintain our chapter's presence in Michigan's local communities; develop satellite groups and community-based outreach programs for those who have been left behind -our "Lone Eagles;" and, tell the story of the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division Association to the next generation of young Americans. In so doing, we -at once, contribute to interweaving our core values of *patriotism, equality, liberty, and justice for all* into the social fabric of our local communities, and promote a deep and abiding respect for all who serve our great nation, and for our Flag and all it represents.

Your generous participation in our appeal for donations can help make a significant difference in the lives of those in Michigan's Airborne/Air Assault community who gave and sacrificed so much to protect our individual freedoms, cherished liberties, and preserve our national and individual sovereignty! Life-altering opportunities that might not otherwise exist for them and their families can take place through your compassionate giving and caring.

We are duty-bound to uphold our Oath to the Constitution; we are honor-bound to help and support each other: "I Am My Brothers and Sisters Keeper." Your gift can make a difference in the lives of those who have been left behind! For even greater impact, make your contribution a pledge or recurring gift.

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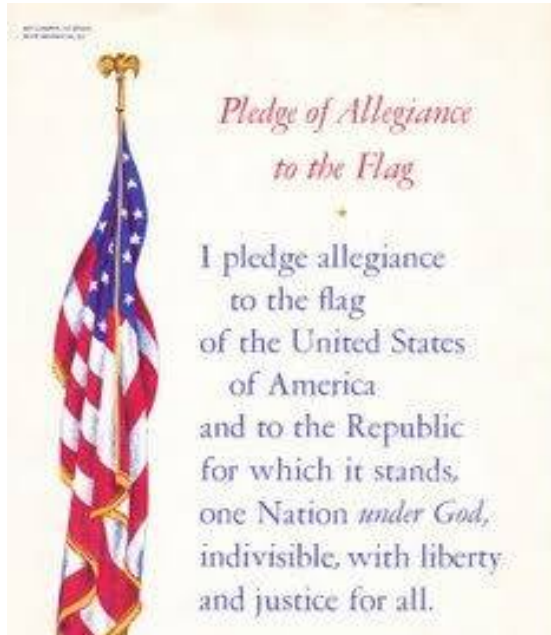
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John C. Sosa, Treasurer  
1569 Mill Street  
Lincoln Park, MI 48146-2358

...Thank You!



*Pledge of Allegiance  
to the Flag*

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.