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101st Airborne Division Association,
Michigan Chapter



THE MICHIGAN SCREAMING EAGLE

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No one left behind!"

Greetings Screaming Eagles,

The American Civil War was coming to an end, the thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution had passed, and slavery had been abolished in the United States. ... What next? President Lincoln had been re-elected to his second term in office as our nation's sixteenth president and he was preparing to give his 2nd inaugural address. ... Would he push the nation towards reconstruction? ... Would he excoriate the Southern States for fighting to justify, legitimize, and keep slavery alive? ... Was a victory speech awaiting those from the North? ... How would the former slaves assimilate with suffrage thrust suddenly upon them?

In general, the country knew that slavery was the primary cause of the Civil War which was being waged between the Northern and Southern states. The southern insurgents understood that the Union could only restrict the territorial expansion of slave ownership states; the Northerners fought to restore the Union and abolish slavery. In reality, neither the North or the South had wanted or expected the civil war with its unbelievable terror and destruction of life and property. And there they all stood in the pouring rain on March, 4th, 1865 waiting for President Lincoln to deliver his second inaugural address. ... What would he say?



The Capitol streets were filled with spectators from around the country. Carpet baggers came from the North, scalawags from the South, and reporters and journalists from all the major American cities and from across the European continent; they filled the city streets and the surrounding communities. Lobbyists gathered at familiar hotels and rooming houses, speculating

and wagering about which direction the President would take in his address. The “common man” anxiously awaited while carrying-out his everyday tasks and chores. ... The nation and the world awaited President Lincoln’s second inaugural address. He finally appeared before his fellow countrymen and he stunned the nation and all those gathered with what would become known as one of his greatest and shortest speeches -only 703 words.

President Lincoln began speaking in his usual solemn tone, recounting what had happened to the nation during the previous four years and reflecting on why the war between the states had been inevitable: slavery and states’ rights. Given that one-eighth of the entire U.S. population were Negro slaves in the southern states, he also addressed the moral issues involved with slavery and the plantation owners’ economic interests. As he spoke to the moral aspects of war and slavery, he sought to respectfully reconcile and heal the deep divide between the North and South and “to bind up the nation’s wounds.”

Both read the same Bible and pray to the same God and each invokes His aid against the other. It may seem strange that any men should dare to ask a just God's assistance in wringing their bread from the sweat of other men's faces but let us judge not that we be not judged. The prayers of both could not be answered ~ that of neither has been answered fully. The Almighty has His own purposes. ‘Woe unto the world because of offenses for it must needs be that offenses come but woe to that man by whom the offense cometh.’ If we shall suppose that American slavery is one of those offenses which in the providence of God must needs come but which having continued through His appointed time He now wills to remove and that He gives to both North and South this terrible war as the woe due to those by whom the offense came shall we discern therein any departure from those divine attributes which the believers in a living God always ascribe to Him. Fondly do we hope ~ fervently do we pray ~ that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away.

President Lincoln rebuked the world at large for the sin of slavery and admonished those that made their living off the backs, blood, sweat and tears of those enslaved in these United States of America. Lincoln had been against slavery all his life. He beseeched the nation to pray that this destructive chapter of our nation’s history would come to a rapid end. And he emphasized, “The judgements of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.” In concluding his address, President Lincoln spoke his most prolific thoughts from deep within his heart and mind. The last paragraph of his address is a testament to his hope to unify and keep the nation together. He seized this opportunity to ask the American people to come together as a thankful nation for the blessings of the Almighty, to forgive and make contrition with each other, and to begin anew with the faith of our Founding Fathers who chartered our great republic for “life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.” It is well-worth noting the closing paragraph of his address:

With malice towards none with charity for all with firmness in the right
as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are
in to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne
the battle, and for his widow and his orphan – to do all which may achieve
and cherish a just and lasting peace, among ourselves and with all nations.

President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth forty days after his
second inaugural address. He did not live to see the formal surrender of the Confederacy in
November 1865. Nevertheless, his legacy will live on through the ages as long as we remain a
God-fearing, democratic republic. “Happy 250th Anniversary, America!” and “Thank You!” to
every Patriot who has served our great nation since 1776. ... We are truly the Land of the Free,
because of the Brave!

God bless our Commander-in-Chief,
God bless our Armed Forces, and
God bless America!

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

Dear Folks: Discovering the Story of My Great-Uncle, a 101st Airborne Paratrooper

By Nicole Stanley

(Editor's Note: In this edition of the MSE, we are honored and privileged to feature something about the life-story of Nicholas “Nick” Kranovich, a young paratrooper who served in the 101st Airborne Division in Europe during WW11. Nick's story is told in his own words in letters he sent home to his family in which he proudly shares his experiences as a young Screaming Eagle. Like so many others and their families, Nick made the ultimate sacrifice to defeat the racialized ideology and global ambitions of Nazi Germany ... We remember!)

For most of my life, Nicholas “Nick” Krainovich was a name from my family's past. I knew he was my great-uncle. My grandmother would talk about her wonderful big brother. I could see the pain in her eyes when she spoke of him. But I did not truly know Nick until I found his letters. After my mother passed away in July 2010, my brother and I were going through her belongings when we came across an old brown box. Inside was a small gold ring, and a collection of letters that had been carefully saved for decades. I picked up one of the letters and began to read. It started simply: “Dear Folks,” Those two words eventually became the title of

my book. The letters had been written by my great-uncle Nicholas Krainovich while he was serving overseas during World War II. Nick was born in Cicero, Illinois, on February 3, 1925, to Serbian immigrant parents Mane and Darinka Krainovich. He grew up in a close Serbian-American family on Chicago's Southeast Side.



When Nick entered the Army, he eventually became a paratrooper with Company H, 502nd Parachute Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division. To history, the men of the 101st Airborne are remembered for extraordinary battles and some of the most important campaigns of World War II. To our family, Nick wasn't simply one of the boys who left home. What struck me most as I read his letters? They were not written by someone who knew he would someday become part of history. They were written by a young man talking to his parents, brothers, sisters, relatives, and friends. He asked about people back home. He shared pieces of Army life. He reassured his family. He joked. He worried about them. Again and again, he reminded them that he was thinking about home. Reading those letters more than sixty years after they were written made Nick real to me in a way that no military record ever could.

One letter in particular made Nick come alive for me. Writing from England on July 29, 1944, he could hardly contain his pride: "You are now hearing from one of the proudest guys in the U.S. Army. I want you to be as proud of me as I am of myself. I am now a qualified paratrooper." He then spent several pages describing a jump in remarkable detail, admitting that he was scared as the plane climbed, describing the moment the jumpmaster called "Ready, go," and even the shock of the parachute opening. But by the end of the letter, the proud young paratrooper was simply Nick again, thinking about the people he loved. He told his family not to worry because he would take "damned good care" of himself, then added, "I dreamt about the family last night. We were all having a pretty merry time. I do miss you all." He signed it simply, "Lovingly, Nick."

I wanted to know where he had been. I wanted to understand what he experienced. Most of all, I wanted to know what happened to him. That question began years of research. Military records, newspaper archives, family stories, cemetery records and historical accounts slowly began filling in the spaces between Nick's letters. His service led me to the history of the 502nd Parachute Infantry Regiment and the 101st Airborne Division, and eventually to Operation Market Garden. Nick entered Holland with the 101st Airborne on September 17, 1944. On September 18, 1944, Nicholas Krainovich was killed in action near the Woods of Best in the Netherlands during Operation Market Garden. He was only 19 years old. Nick is buried at the

Netherlands American Cemetery in Margraten, where his grave continues to be cared for and remembered more than eight decades later. Learning the circumstances surrounding his final days changed the way I looked at the letters. I knew how the story ended. Nick did not.

In his letters, the future was still ahead of him. He wrote as a son and brother who expected there would be another letter, another conversation and eventually a trip home. That realization became one of the reasons I felt so strongly that his letters needed to be preserved. I did not want Nick to exist only as a name on a headstone or a line in a military record. I wanted people to meet the young man our family knew. That became “Dear Folks.” The book brings Nick’s original letters together with the story of his family, his Serbian-American roots, his military service, the 101st Airborne Division and the history unfolding around him. It also follows my own search to understand the young man behind the handwriting. Writing the book became much more than a family project. It became a reminder of how easily individual stories can disappear.

Thousands of young men served in the 101st Airborne Division. Their names appear on rosters, casualty lists and monuments. But behind every name was a family waiting for a letter. A mother watching the mailbox. A father wondering where his son was. Brothers and sisters hoping he would be home soon. Nick's family was one of those families. Today, more than 80 years later, his letters still allow him to speak. That is what I hope readers take away from *Dear Folks*. The history of World War II is enormous, but sometimes the best way to understand it is through something very small: a piece of paper, a handwritten letter, and a young paratrooper beginning with two simple words: “*Dear Folks*.”

About the Author

Nicole Stanley is the great-niece of Nicholas “Nick” Krainovich and the author of *Dear Folks*. Her research began after discovering Nick’s wartime letters among her mother’s belongings. The book preserves Nick’s correspondence, family history and service with Company H, 502nd Parachute Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division. *Dear Folks* is currently available in the United States through Amazon.



The Michigan Chapter of the 101st Airborne Division Association
proudly Remembers and Salutes
PVT Nicholas “Nick” Krainovich and his Family.

... All Gave Some; Some Gave All!... **R.I.P**

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 recognition and appreciation 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), it will be published in the next *MSE*.



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(Name of Person & Place of Worship/Establishment/Business)

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Just fill out the T-shirt order form below.



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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) To date, 1,566 Americans remain missing and unaccounted for from the Vietnam War; 48 of them are from Michigan; 1 of those 48 went missing on a date in August, 1 in September, and 8 went missing on a date in October:



On August 24, 1967, a UH-1H Iroquois (tail number 66-12526) with four crew members and carrying five passengers took off from Polei Kleng, in Kontum Province, South Vietnam, on a combat support liaison mission to Plei Krong,

South Vietnam. The pilot elected to fly at low level along the Krong Bo Lah River. While conducting a 180-degree turn, the aircraft failed to recover and crashed into approximately 10 feet of water in the river. The rainy season caused the river to swell to 100 to 200 meters wide with an approximate current of 20 knots. The river was muddy and debris-filled. Search and rescue helicopters arrived on the scene soon afterward and were able to rescue two of the crew members and two passengers. The other five people aboard the helicopter could not be found by rescuers at the time, although a follow-on search the next month recovered the remains of another passenger. Survivors stated that at least four of the men were swept away by the swift moving current. The remaining two crew members and two passengers were never recovered.

Specialist Richard Michael Allard, who entered the U.S. Army from Chesaning, Michigan, served with the 119th Aviation Company, 52nd Aviation Battalion, and was the crew chief aboard this Iroquois at the time of its loss. He was not recovered by search and rescue teams, and remains unaccounted for. Following the incident, the Army posthumously promoted SPC Allard to the rank of Sergeant First Class (SFC). Today, Sergeant First Class Allard 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.**



Private First-Class Curtis Roy Cline entered the U.S. Army from Burlington, Michigan and served in Company D, 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division. On September 18, 1969, he was serving as a rifleman in his unit attempting to make a river-crossing in South Vietnam. He was the second man to cross and when he was roughly halfway across, he got water in his mouth and accidentally let go of the vine being used as a hand hold. The swift current swept him downstream and he was not seen again. Attempts to locate or identify his remains following his loss were unsuccessful. After his disappearance, the Army promoted PFC Cline to the rank of Staff Sergeant (SSG). Today, Staff Sergeant Cline 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 October 1, 1965, an F-4 Phantom II (tail number: 63-7712, call sign "Gator 3") with two crew members participated in a flight of three aircraft on a strike and armed road reconnaissance mission against the Ban Tang staging area on Route 155 in North Vietnam. Near the target, the flight encountered anti-aircraft fire, and one of the other air crews noticed that "Gator 3" was on fire and warned the crew to bail out. The other two aircraft in the flight saw one parachute leave "Gator 3" and land near (GC) 48Q VJ 635 388 before the aircraft crashed into the side of Suong Mountain, in the vicinity of (GC) 48Q VJ 730 340. The flight circled the crash site for ten minutes but could not establish radio communication with either of the crew members of "Gator 3." Subsequent search and rescue teams saw no signs that any crew members survived.

First Lieutenant (1st Lt) Martin John Massucci, who joined the U.S. Air Force from Royal Oak, Michigan, served with the 43rd Tactical Fighter Wing. He was the pilot of the Phantom when it crashed, and his remains have not been recovered. Following the incident, the U.S. Air Force promoted 1st Lt Massucci to the rank of Major (Maj). Today, Major Massucci 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.**



Capt. Kenneth Earl Walker entered the U.S. Air Force from Lansing, Michigan and served in the 1st Air Commando Squadron. On October 2, 1964, he was piloting an A-1E Skyraider (tail number 52-132654) along with a student pilot from the South Vietnam Air Force (VNAF) as the number three aircraft in a flight of four on a combat support mission over targets near (GC) 48P XR 725 718. On his fourth pass over the target, other pilots on the mission noticed Walker's aircraft in a dive that would

have been too steep for napalm delivery. His Skyraider was then witnessed to crash into the water and flip over, sinking immediately. No parachutes were seen, and aerial and naval searches of the crash area found no evidence of survivors. Strong currents and hostile presence on shore prevented further searches for Walker's remains and attempts to recover them after the war were unsuccessful. Today, he 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 October 6, 1972, an OV-10 Bronco (tail number 67-014673, call sign "Covey 2") with two crew members embarked on a forward air control mission over South Vietnam. As the aircraft was returning from its mission, it disappeared from friendly radar tracking. The next day, a U.S. Navy vessel located the Bronco's wreckage in the water in the vicinity of (GC) 48Q AT 971 966. The bodies of the crew members were not found.

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Bruce Edward Boltze, who joined the U.S. Marine Corps from Flint, Michigan served with Sub Unit 1, 1st Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company. He was the observer aboard the Bronco when it disappeared, and his remains were not recovered. Today, Chief Warrant Officer 2 Boltze 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 October 18, 1966, an HU-16B Albatross (tail number 51-7145, call sign "Crown Bravo") carrying seven crew members took off from Da Nang Air Base,

South Vietnam, on a search and rescue mission. Upon completing its mission, the Albatross radioed that it was returning to Da Nang from its position in the Gulf of Tonkin. This was the last contact made with the Albatross, and it failed to return to Da Nang. Search teams investigated the aircraft's flight path but found no sign of it or its crew. All seven of the Albatross's crew members remain unaccounted for.

Technical Sergeant Robert La Verne Hill, who joined the U.S. Air Force from Detroit, Michigan, was a member of the 37th Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron. He was the flight mechanic aboard the Albatross when it went missing, and was lost with the aircraft. His remains were not recovered. Subsequent to the incident, and while carried in the status of missing in action (MIA), the U.S. Air Force promoted TSgt Hill to the rank of Chief Master Sergeant (CMSgt). Today, Chief Master Sergeant Hill 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.**



Lieutenant Junior Grade John Bowers Worcester, who joined the U.S. Navy from Big Rapids, Michigan, was a member of Attack Squadron 195. On October 19, 1965, he piloted a single-seat A-4C Skyhawk (bureau number 148584, call sign "Chippie 512") on a two-plane night armed reconnaissance mission over North Vietnam. During the mission, LTJG Worcester attacked a bridge and then checked in with his flight leader while in the vicinity of (GC) 48Q WG 437 357. Afterward, all contact with LTJG Worcester was lost, and he failed to appear for the next scheduled check-in. A search along his flight route found no sign of LTJG Worcester or a crash site, and he remains unaccounted-for. After the incident, the Navy Promoted LTJG Worcester to the rank of Lieutenant Commander (LCDR). Today, Lieutenant Commander Worcester 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 October 24, 1968, an F-4D Phantom II (tail number 66-0264) with a crew of two took part in a three-plane nighttime armed reconnaissance mission over North Vietnam. Enemy ground fire struck the plane as it passed over the target area, causing it to crash. The Phantom's rear-seat pilot parachuted from the aircraft before it went down and was retrieved by search and rescue units. The aircraft commander was not seen to bail out of the plane and is thought to have died in the crash.

Major George Edward Tyler, who joined the U.S. Air Force from Royal Oak, Michigan, was a member of the 390th Tactical Fighter Squadron, 366th Tactical Fighter Wing. He was the aircraft commander aboard the F-4D when it went down. He was unable to bail out and was lost with the aircraft. He was not seen or heard from again following the incident, and attempts to locate his remains were unsuccessful. He was promoted to Colonel after his disappearance. Today, Colonel Tyler 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 the night of October 28, 1968, an RF-4C Phantom II (tail number 65-0846, call sign "Diode") with two men aboard embarked on a single aircraft reconnaissance mission over enemy targets in North Vietnam. The Phantom made radio contact when it was over (GC) 48Q XE 540 261, Quang Binh Province, but was not heard from again. The Phantom failed to return to base and search and rescue efforts were initiated but were unsuccessful. Both members of the crew remain unaccounted for.

Captain William Harry Stroven, who joined the U.S. Air Force from Fremont, Michigan, served with the 11th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, 432nd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing. He was the aircraft commander of the Phantom when it

disappeared, and his remains have not been recovered. Today, Captain Stroven 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.**



Private First Class (PFC) Dennis Lee Gauthier, who joined the U.S. Army from Rochester, Michigan, was a member of Company C of the 3rd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division. On October 31, 1969, his company was ambushed by enemy forces near Pleiku, South Vietnam. Private First-Class Gauthier's platoon was ordered to the top of a hill in the vicinity of grid coordinates YA 944 622 to provide covering fire for withdrawing men. While moving into position, the platoon encountered enemy forces, and PFC Gauthier was hit during the ensuing firefight. He could not be evacuated at the time due to the heavy hostile presence in the area, and once the area was secured, search teams were unable to locate him or his remains. He is still unaccounted for. Following the incident, the Army promoted PFC Gauthier to the rank of staff sergeant. Today, Staff Sergeant Gauthier 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.**

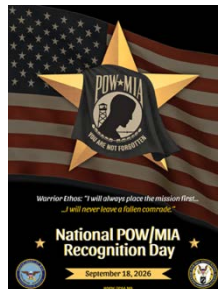


On October 22, 1965, an RB-66 Destroyer (tail number 53-0452, call sign "Sabre 55") with a crew of three took off on a night reconnaissance mission over Pleiku, South Vietnam. The aircraft failed to return from the mission for unknown reasons, and search teams were launched. The aircraft's crash site was located near Sa

Thay District, South Vietnam, but later investigations of the site found no evidence of the aircraft's crew and all three remain unaccounted-for.

The brother of a POW Committee of Michigan member, First Lieutenant James Arthur McEwen, who joined the U.S. Air Force from Washington, Pennsylvania, was a member of the 9th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron. He was a crew member aboard "Sabre 55" when it went down on October 22, 1965, and was lost with the aircraft. Today, First Lieutenant McEwen 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.**

- Reporter Charty Meier's article about the POW Committee of Michigan ceremony at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens on Friday, September 18th appears in the NOVI NOTE weekly. Here is a link to the article: *Until Everyone Comes Home - C & G Newspapers*
- Here is a link to the 2026 Presidential Proclamation for National POW/MIA Recognition Day: *National POW/MIA Recognition Day, 2026 – The White House*
- 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.

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Remembering our Michigan Eagles who Soared during the past year!



... No one left behind!

Received from the Holly Area Veterans Resource Center (HAVRC):

Please keep our service members in your thoughts and prayers. We help all veterans and their families. We are located at 1006 N. Saginaw St, Holly MI, 48442, Stop in and visit us. We have a new website www.hollyvetcenter.org. We are a place you can come and chat with us. We have refreshments and treats. We love to talk with veterans and their families.

- THE VETERANS CRISIS LINE IS 1-800-273-8255 (PRESS 1). If you know of any veteran families in need, please let us know. **Suicide:** We are here to help other veterans. There are resources out there that can help those experiencing extreme difficulties. This project is part of our Hometown Heroes Project.
- Veterans and families in need. If you know of someone in our area in need, please contact our office. Things are financially tight for a lot of veterans and their families. Information will be held confidential, but we will help them.
- A reminder: We hold our Vet-to-Vet Dinners at the American Legion at 408 S. Saginaw St. They are always on the 3rd Monday of the month and start at 5:30pm. The next Vet to Vet dinners are on October 19 and November 16. The dinner is free and open to veterans and their families and loved ones. You can bring a dish to pass if you like. I urge all of you to invite your veteran friends and their families to the Vet-to-Vet dinner.
- Moose Lodge 1168 will hold its Fall Valued Veteran Breakfast on 11/14/2026. We will honor 3 Valued Veterans, Patriot of the Year, and The Winglemire Leadership Award. Breakfast starts after the Color Guard post colors at 8:30am. Breakfast is free for Veterans and \$10 for everyone else. Please spread the word and join us for the special event.

Received from Randal Underhill

Executive Director, 101st Airborne Division Association

Hope you are doing well. We hope you enjoy this Screaming Eagle e-letter. Click on the following link to access the Screaming Eagle Newsletter:

<https://online.flippingbook.com/view/763066701/>

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.

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:

1st Quarter 2025

January 1st, 2025 -Submission Date

2nd Quarter 2025

April 1st, 2025 -Submission Date

3rd Quarter 2023

July 1st, 2025 -Submission Date

4th Quarter 2025

October 1st, 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 101st 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.

Please fill out the following information and earmark where you want to direct your gift:

Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip _____

Phone: _____ Cell) _____ (Home) _____

Email: _____

*****Please update my information: _____**

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