



BRAZOS VALLEY
VETERANS MEMORIAL

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

Friday, Nov. 10, 2017 • 5:30 p.m.

**Louis L. Adam Memorial Plaza, Veterans Park & Athletic Complex
3101 Harvey Road • College Station, Texas**



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Memorial for all Veterans of the Brazos Valley, Inc.

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| Air Force Association | Order of Daedalians |
| American Legion | Veterans of Foreign Wars |
| Brazos Valley Marine Corps League | Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association |
| Disabled American Veterans | Vietnam Veterans of America |
| Military Officers Assoc. of America | |



Veterans Day Program

10 November 2017

5:30 p.m.

Brazos Valley Veterans Memorial
Veterans Park & Athletic Complex
College Station, Texas

Honor Wall Roll Call	Bill Youngkin, Esq. <i>BVVM Board of Directors</i>
Welcome Remarks	LTG Randolph House, USA (Ret.) <i>President, BVVM Board of Directors</i>
Invocation	MAJ Glenn Burnside, USMC (Ret.) <i>Chaplain, BVVM Board of Directors</i>
National Anthem, Texas Our Texas	The Fightin' Texas Aggie Band
Special Recognition of Community Partners	LTG Randolph House, USA (Ret.)
Special Recognition of Brazos Valley Heroes	Bill Youngkin, Esq.
Service Medley	The Fightin' Texas Aggie Band
Keynote Introduction	Bill Youngkin, Esq.
Keynote Address	Bob Foley, USAF (Ret.)
Special Presentation	LTG Randolph House, USA (Ret.)
Rifle Salute	Ross Volunteers <i>Texas A&M University</i>
Taps	The Fightin' Texas Aggie Band



“The willingness with which our young people are likely to serve in any war, no matter how justified, shall be directly proportional to how they perceive veterans of early wars were treated and appreciated by our nation.” – UNKNOWN

Special Recognition



Clarence E. Sasser

Medal of Honor recipient

Born: Sept. 12, 1947 in Chenango, Texas

Rank: Specialist 5th Class (then Private First Class), U.S. Army, Headquarters Company, 3d battalion, 60th Infantry, 9th Infantry Division

War: Vietnam

Location of action: Ding Tuong Province, Republic of Vietnam

Date of action: Jan. 10, 1968

Medal of Honor received from: President Richard Nixon in March 1969

Official Citation:

For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty. Specialist 5th Class Sasser distinguished himself while assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3d Battalion. He was serving as a medical aidman with Company A, 3d Battalion, on a reconnaissance in force operation. His company was making an air assault when suddenly it was taken under heavy small arms, recoilless rifle, machinegun and rocket fire from well fortified enemy positions on three sides of the landing zone.

During the first few minutes, over 30 casualties were sustained. Without hesitation, Specialist 5th Class Sasser ran across an open rice paddy through a hail of fire to assist the wounded. After helping one man to safety, was painfully wounded in the left shoulder by fragments of an exploding rocket. Refusing medical attention, he ran through a barrage of rocket and automatic weapons fire to aid casualties of the initial attack and, after giving them urgently needed treatment, continued to search for other wounded.

Despite two additional wounds immobilizing his legs, he dragged himself through the mud toward another soldier 100 meters away. Although in agonizing pain and faint from loss of blood, Specialist 5th Class Sasser reached the man, treated him, and proceeded on to encourage another group of soldiers to crawl 200 meters to relative safety. There he attended their wounds for five hours until they were evacuated. Specialist 5th Class Sasser's extraordinary heroism is in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service and reflects great credit upon himself, his unit, and the U.S. Army.

Reference: Congressional Medal of Honor Society, cmohs.org



2017 Wall of Honor



CLARENCE E. SASSER	USA	COREY M. CAGLE	USMC
CORY L. ALEXANDER	USA	WILLIAM "BILL" CAMPBELL	USA
CHAUNCY JOVAN ANDERSON	USMC	ROSS ANTHONY CARRABBA	USMC
LATOYA CORIN ANDERSON	USN USAF USMC	GEORGE WILLIAM CARROLL	USMC
HAROLD VICTOR ANDERSON	USA	F. BOYD CHERRY	USA
WALTER ANDREWS	USMC	SHERMAN CLICK	USN
HERMAN ANTON	USMC	EUGENE MAYO COFFEE	USA
OTIS KING ASBERRY	USAF	ROBERT L. COLLINS, SR.	USA
AMON BAILEY	USA	JOHN THOMAS COUCH	USAF
DONALD G. BARKER	USA	DAVID O. CRAVEY	USAF
STEVEN "MICHAEL" BARRINGER II	USMC	JAMES WARD DAVLIN	USA
GERRELL WAYNE BARRINGTON	USA	JOHN W. DAY	USA
WILLIAM L. BASHAM	USAF	CHUCK L. DOHERTY	USN
LEE EDWIN BATES	USA	J.T. DOTSON	USA
OTIS LEE BAZY	USA	COLBERT H. DRGAC	USA
DONALD T. BEAVERS II	USA	BERNARD MAX DRYMALLA	USN
AUDRA R. BERRY	USAF	RICHARD E. DWELLE	USA
SEAN P. BERRY	USN	FRED T. EICHHOLTZ, SR.	USA
JAMES G. BETHKE	USA	FRED T. EICHHOLTZ, JR.	USA
DEAN HOWARD BINKLEY	USAF	CHARLES G. EICHHOLTZ	USMC
RICHARD ALLAN BLANEY	USA	CHARLES R. EICHHOLTZ	USMM
GERALD LYNN BLANKENSHIP	USA	RUE JENE FARNUM	USA USAF
BYRON C. BLASCHKE	USA	ROBERT J. FOLEY	USAF
BARRY BLUM	USA	LEO PATRICK "LEE" FOLEY	USA
DAVID S. BORSACK	USMC	EDWIN DELL "BO" FORSON	USAF
DAVID A. BOWLES	USN	WAYNE EDWARD FUCHS	USN
JAY O. BREWER	USA	WILLIAM NORMAN FURMAN	USA
JOSEPH KERR "JOE" BUSH, JR.	USA	KATHLEEN DONOVAN FURMAN	USN



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JOE A. GAINES	USMC	LAWRENCE F. HUET	USN
WILLIAM RANSOM GAMBLE	USN	ALVIN LOMAN JAMES	USA
CLIFTON C. GANDY, SR.	USA	EDWARD "ED" C. JANK	USN
LESLIE C. GAU	USA	YVETTE F. JANSEN	USN
JAMES W. GIPSON	USAF	LIESL JERNIGAN	USA
WILLIE G. GLOVER	USN	DAVID W. JOHNSON	USA
JOHN GLOVER SR.	USA	WILLIAM T. JOHNSTON	USN
AARON R. GNEIDING	USA	TERRY SAM JORDAN	USAF
JAMES GODINE III	USAF	JERRY JOE JORDAN	USN
JAMES GODINE IV	USMC	WILLIAM KENAS	USA
JAMES ARTHUR GODINE	USA	EDWARD E. KIRKHAM	USAF
TOM EVANS GRACE, SR.	USMC	ROSS EVAN KNIPPERS	USMC
KEITH T. GRIMM	USN	MATTHEW TODD KRUEGER	USN
SHERRI K. GRIMM	USN	WILLIAM P. KUVLESKY	USMC
MICHAEL W. HAGEE	USMC	HERMAN J. LANDRY	USN
JOHN N. HARRINGTON	USA	WILLIAM J. LARA	USA
GRACCHUS C. HARRIS, JR.	USA	JOHN M. LAWRENCE III	USA
GRACCHUS C. HARRIS III	USN	HAROLD KEITH LEE	USAF
RONNY "HEATH" HAWKINS	USMC	ADRIAN H. LEON	USA
BENNIE T. HAWKINS	USMC	RALPH FRANKLIN LIESE	USA
ARNOLD A. HAYES	USAF	VERNON D. LISENBEE	USMC
JAMES LAWRENCE HAYGOOD	USA	ROBERT W. LOCKE	USAF
RONALD EDWARD HEINEN	USMC	JOHN D. LOCKETT	USCG
MORRIS H. HIBBS	USMC	J. DYLAN LOCKETT	USAF
ROBERT BENTON HILLE	USN	BILL REEDER LOFGREN	USAF
GARY JAMES HIND	USAF	C.E. LONG III	USA
JESSE HODGES	USA	JUAN A. LOPEZ	USA
JESSE FOLTS HOLMAN	USA	MARVIN A. LOWMAN	USN



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RONALD L. LUECK	USAF	HAROLD J. PADDOCK	USAF
RUSSELL J. MAGGS	USA	CALVIN B. PARNELL, JR.	USA
GORDON G. MARCUM II	USA	RAUL M. PEQUEÑO, SR.	USN
OTTO OSCAR MAROSKO	USA	SAUL PEREZ	USMC
MELVIN ROSSER MASON	USA	RICKY PEREZ	USA
JAMES HENRY MATIS	USAF	ROCK K. PHILLIPS	USA
WOODROE MCMAHON	USA	EDUARDO JOSE PRADO	USA
JERRY P. MCMAHON	USN	RICARDO JOSE PRADO	USA
JACK MCNULTY	USAF	LOREN CONRAD PRATT	USN
AARON S. MEKOLIK	USMC	JACK D. PRICE	USA
JOHN J. MEKOLIK	USA	DAVID J. PRITCHARD	USA
ROGER L. MEZICK	USA	ARIEL QUIÑONES-RIVERA	USA
JOHN EDDIE MILLER	USA	WALTER EALEY RAMBO III	USA
AUGUST J. MILTON, SR.	USA	FELIX TOLEDO RAMIREZ	USAF
GLEN JOSEPH MILTON	USA	GLENDALE BOYD RAND	USA
DIEGO M. MONTOYA	USA	JAMES RICHARD RATLIFF III	USA
DARYLE WHITNEY MORGAN	USAF	ROBERT N. REINHARDT	USA
J.E. MUDD	USA	NETTIE MAE RICHARDSON	USA
JIMMY MUDD	USA	PEDRO CHOVE RIVERA	USA
ALVA RAY MURPHY	USA	MELFRED DOYLE ROBERTSON	USA
JOSEPH PRESTON NALLEY, JR.	USA	ROBERT M. ROBIDEAU	USAF
RAYMOND R. NOVOSAD	USA	ROBERT L. ROBIDEAU	USAF
ALTON A. NOVOSAD	USA	ADAM R. ROBIDEAU	USMC
PATRICK W. NUTT	USAF	EDDIE L. ROBINSON	USA
EUGENE C. OATES, JR.	USA	DENISE H. ROHAN	USA
EUGENE C. OATES III	USA	JIMMY ROSALES	USN
DON D OMMERT, SR.	USN	FRANCES E. SCHMITZ	USN
JOHN C. OTTO	USA	LYLE S. SCHMITZ II	USMC



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MATHEW J. SCHMITZ	USCG	THOMAS JAMES SULLIVAN, JR.	USN
ERICH WATSON SCHROEDER	USAF	J.L. SULLIVAN	USA
ZACHARY DANA SCHROEDER	USA	ROBERT H. SWEAT	USA
BUNKER J. SCHULZ	USA	STEPHEN THOMAS	USN
B.H. "JIM" SCHULZ	USA	FRANK LINCOLN THOMAS, JR.	USN
MICHAEL EDWIN SCIBA	USN	EDWARD F. TORRES	USAF
JARO SCIBA	USA	JUAN TORRES	USA
WILLIAM FRANK SCIBA	USA	BENITO VALLEJO	USMC
VICTOR JOSEPH SCIBA	USMC	PAUL O. VEGA	USA
JOHN ELDRIDGE SESSUMS	USA	DONALD EDWARD WAGNER	USN
LARRY WAYNE SESSUMS	USAF	R.B. WALKER	USA
JOHN S. SHARP	USA	LARIMEN THADDEUS WALLACE	USA
PATRICK SHAW	USA	LARIMEN THADDEUS WALLACE II	USA
TYLER JAMES SHEBLE	USA	JOHNNY REDDEN WARD	USA
DICK B. SIMMONS	USA	ROCKY D. WARE	USN
WILLIAM J. SINGLETON	USA	RONALD WAYNE WEATHERFORD	USAF
JAMES M. SINGLETON III	USA	ROBERT "MAC" WEATHERLY	USN
ANDREW JAMES SMITH, SR.	USA	LARRY R. WHITMAN	USCG
ROBERT LOUIS SMITH, SR.	USA	JEREMY R. WILLIAMS	USMC
DANIEL M. STARR	USAF	KENNETH WOLF	USAF
GEORGE H. STEVENS	USA	RODRICK K. WOLF	USAF
TOMMY HOWARD STIMSON	USA	JASON K. WOLF	USN
HAROLD STOCK	USA	GEORGE S. WOODBURY	USA
JOSHUA RANDALL SULAK	USAF	THOMAS M. WOODBURY	USA
THOMAS JAMES SULLIVAN	USAF	GARY C. WORTHAM	USA
GEORGE MARTIN SULLIVAN	USA USAF	BRANDON DEKE WRIGHT	USA
EDWARD FRANCIS SULLIVAN	USAF	PAUL EDWIN YANDELL	USAF
LEO WILLIAM SULLIVAN	USAF		

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Bob Foley

USAF, Ret.



Bob Foley is an Assistant Director at the Texas A&M University Career Center, a position he has held for the past eight years. His focus is advising engineering students; students interested in federal government; and veterans. He is a 1969 graduate of Texas A&M with a focus in economics and mathematics, and was a member of the Corps of Cadets serving as the Commander of Squadron 10 and the Ross Volunteer Company his senior year.

Upon graduation, Bob served five years in the U.S. Air Force primarily in the Strategic Air Command (SAC) as a B52 pilot. His time in the Air Force included two plus years in Southeast Asia during and immediately after the Vietnam War. He participated in Arc Light, Linebacker I and II, including the December 1972 Christmas bombing missions against Hanoi and Haiphong. In all, he flew 125 combat missions, including 50 over North Vietnam, and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with six oak leaf clusters.

After fulfilling his military commitment, he earned his MBA and went to work for Conoco Inc., now ConocoPhillips, for thirty years primarily in the mid-stream sector of the business. Bob served in multiple managerial roles including project management, operations, commercial activities, business development, regulatory affairs, and administration. His most enjoyable assignment was managing DuPont's natural gas supply for the ten years DuPont owned Conoco in the 1990's. At the time, DuPont was the second largest end user of natural gas in the United States, consuming over 600,000 MMBTUD. This assignment transitioned the 60+ US DuPont plants that consumed natural gas as a feedstock or fuel from a price regulated environment to a deregulated market complete with NYMEX futures trading.

Seeking an opportunity to give back to the community, Bob accepted an early retirement offer, completed his alternate teaching certificate, and taught public school math for six years in the Houston metropolitan area. He and his wife of 48 years decided to return to Aggieland, where he began his current advising role at the Career Center.

The photo featured was taken by the Fort Worth Star-Telegram and shows Bob holding his son before his B52 Bomber Squadron headed to Vietnam on the Linebacker Operation that effectively ended the war in Vietnam.

Special Veterans Day Presentations



Bryan Rotary Field of Valor * Nov. 4-12

During the week of Veterans Day, Bryan Rotary displays 1,000 American flags at Veterans Park. Rotary members also lead tours of the American Mile and Lynn Stuart Pathway history trails for fifth-grade students.

To dedicate a flag or become a Veterans Week docent at next year's event, go to bryan-rotary.org.

Advocate Award

This award recognizes businesses which have shown a commitment to the support of veterans by donating goods or services to the Brazos Valley Veterans Memorial, thus honoring veterans who have served in the uniformed services of the United States.



Patriot Award

Established in 2010, the Patriot Award is presented to individuals, groups or businesses that show outstanding support to the Memorial for all Veterans of the Brazos Valley, Inc. and its mission.

Brazos Valley Veterans Memorial History

The mission of the Memorial for all Veterans of the Brazos Valley, Inc., is two fold:

(1) To take a proactive role in honoring veterans who have served in the uniformed services of the United States, and

(2) To serve as an educational venue for future generations to learn that freedom is purchased with a heavy price and sacrifice.

Chartered in 2000 as a non-profit corporation by the State of Texas, BVVM is generously supported by numerous community residents, organizations and partners including the municipalities of Bryan, College Station and Brazos County.

In May 2002, Don Adam, chairman of The Adam Corporation and veteran of the U.S. Army, provided the first major gift to the memorial. In gratitude, BVVM named its main plaza “Louis L. Adam Memorial Plaza” in honor of his father, who also was a U.S. Army veteran.

BVVM was dedicated Nov. 10, 2002. President George H.W. Bush attended the dedication, saying:

“The Brazos Valley community can stand proud. The names that mark the memorial showcase the sons and daughters who gave dedicated service to our nation so that future generations can share the freedoms we enjoy. Their task was great and their sacrifice even greater, but their legacy stands firm and their memories burn bright.”

The red granite Wall of Honor serves as the memorial’s primary feature, highlighting the etched names of more than 5,500 military service members from all periods of U.S. history who are family and friends to those residing in the Brazos Valley.

Notable names on the wall include 24 U.S. Presidents with military service and seven former Texas A&M University students who received the Congressional Medal of Honor, the nation’s highest military award.

The bronze sculpture mounted atop the wall’s 250-ton granite base is the work of artist Robert Eccleston from Schuyler Falls, New York. Eccleston served as a U.S. Army Ranger in the 10th Mountain Division before his beginning his career as an artist.

BVVM Sites & Statues

The first of many memorial sites to highlight U.S. military engagements was the War on Terror Memorial, dedicated May 30, 2005. This site features a steel relic from one of the World Trade Center Towers in New York City struck by U.S. enemies on Sept. 11, 2001.

The Lynn Stuart Pathway, a half-mile trail connecting all of the BVVM war memorials, was dedicated Sept. 22, 2006. This trail honors Brigadier General Louis Lynn Stuart (U.S. Army), whose support and leadership were critical to the initial development of BVVM.



Photo of the Mexican War Memorial statue at Veterans Park and Athletic Complex, dedicated Sept. 13, 2017.



The American Revolution site, titled Liberty or Death, was dedicated July 1, 2010. A bronze Continental soldier is shown standing in dramatic pose.

The War for Texas Independence site, titled Come and Take It, was dedicated Oct. 2, 2010, the 175th anniversary of the Battle of Gonzales. The bronze statue depicts a rugged frontiersman.

The Korean War site, titled Katchi Kapshida or “We Go Together,” was dedicated Nov. 11, 2010, around the 60th anniversary of the start of the Korean War. The site features two bronze statues, one Korean soldier and one American soldier, standing together against a common enemy.

The first World War II site statue, titled Day of Infamy, was dedicated Dec. 7, 2011, the 70th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor. The site features a bronze statue in the likeness of President George H.W. Bush as a young U.S. Navy airman.

The War of 1812 Memorial site, titled Don’t Give Up the Ship, was dedicated June 1, 2012, the 200th anniversary of the start of the war.

The second World War II site statue, titled Letters from Home, was dedicated Nov. 11, 2013. Sculpted in the likeness of C.J. Allen of Bryan, Texas, the statue features a U.S.

Army infantryman resting on a stone wall while reading a letter from home. The memorial pays tribute to those who served in Europe as well as those who supported the war effort back home.

The Vietnam War Memorial site, titled HOT LZ, was dedicated May 31, 2014. The site monument features a bronze UH-1D Huey helicopter with soldiers preparing to drop onto a dangerous (or “hot”) landing zone.

The Civil War Memorial site, titled Going Home, was dedicated April 9, 2015. The site monument features two bronze statues in the likeness of soldiers from opposing sides, each looking back at his former enemy.

The Indian Wars Memorial site was dedicated Sept. 21, 2016. The site monument features two bronze statues in the likeness of unlikely allies: a U.S. Army Buffalo Soldier and a scout of the Tonkawa Tribe.

The Mexican War Memorial statue, titled Halls of Montezuma, was dedicated on Sept. 13, 2017, the 170th anniversary of the Battle of Chapultepec.

The statues designed and sculpted by local artist J. Payne Lara are the focal point of each war site. His work offers a vivid portrayal of the many military veterans of our past.

ROSIE THE RIVETER

World War II Homefront Memorial Dedication

Thursday, Dec. 7 at Noon in Veterans Park

Throughout history women have sent their fathers, husbands, sons and loved ones off to fight in war while they took care of everything back home. Never was this as important as it was in World War II when the entire globe was at war and women managed everything back home and produced tanks, airplanes and ships for the war.

During World War II Americans adopted a new social icon: “Rosie the Riveter.” This fictional character represented thousands of women working in hundreds of different highly skilled and physically demanding jobs in U.S. defense industries. Before the war men had held many of those jobs. The character gained attention first in a 1942 song: “She’s making history, Working for Victory—Rosie the Riveter.”



Two notable illustrators, Norman Rockwell and J. Howard Miller, created versions of the character. Rockwell’s “Rosie” became widely known on the cover of a popular magazine, *Saturday Evening Post*, in May 1943. Americans saw a muscular, confident woman riveter eating a sandwich on her lunch break. Her name was printed on her lunchbox. Miller’s version appeared on a poster printed exclusively for the Westinghouse Electric Company. Wearing a red bandana to cover her hair, she confidently rolled up her shirtsleeves and encouraged Westinghouse employees by exclaiming, “We Can Do It!”

After the war Miller’s “Rosie” became famous and eclipsed Rockwell’s character. Available on posters, coffee mugs, buttons, tote bags, and other products, Miller’s “Rosie the Riveter” is how Americans remembered women factory and industrial workers of World War II.

Rosie the Riveter has been chosen to represent all the women who helped America win the war by managing the homefront and working at jobs usually held by men so they could go off to fight.

* FUTURE MEMORIAL STATUES *

World War I

To be dedicated on Nov. 11, 2018

Spanish-American War

To be dedicated on Dec. 10, 2019

Philippine Insurrection

To be dedicated on Dec. 10, 2019

China Relief Expedition

To be completed in 2020

Mexican Border Service

To be completed in 2020

Southwest Asia (Gulf War)

To be dedicated on Feb. 28, 2021

Expeditionary Operations (Granada, Panama, Dominican Republic)

To be completed in 2022

Kosovo War

To be completed in 2023

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We still need your support!

Our statues help recognize a significant number of veterans and family members for their sacrifices and the sacrifices of their ancestors on behalf of Texas and the United States. Your donations help us maintain the Brazos Valley Veterans Memorial, and add to the unique and one of a kind Lynn Stuart Pathway military history trail. Donations are welcome for specific war memorials or for the 12-acre memorial in general.



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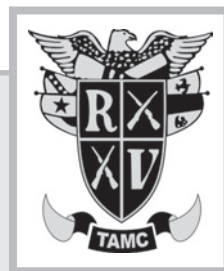
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION: WILLIAM SCOTT
CHAPTER, LA VILLITA CHAPTER, COME AND TAKE IT CHAPTER

THE AMERICAN LEGION: EARL GRAHAM POST 159, VFW POST 4692

J. Payne Lara | City of College Station Parks & Recreation | RDM Pros |
Lin Cahill and volunteers | LTC Jay Brewer and The Fightin' Texas Aggie Band

THE ROSS VOLUNTEERS

The Ross Volunteer Company, the oldest special unit of the Texas A&M University Corps of Cadets, serves as Honor Guard for the Governor of Texas. Ross Volunteers attend all Texas governor inauguration ceremonies and perform the three-volley salute at Texas A&M's Silver Taps and Muster events each year.



The group first organized as the Scott Volunteers on Texas A&M campus in 1887 (then known as Texas A.M.C.) for drill precision. It was named for Thomas Scott, agent of the board of regents and business manager from 1883 to 1891. When Gov. Lawrence Sullivan Ross was appointed college president in 1891, the company was renamed the Ross Volunteers. Lawrence Sullivan "Sul" Ross was the 19th Governor of Texas and a Confederate States Army general during the American Civil War.

Ross came to be known as a "Soldier, Statesman and Knightly Gentleman," and all Ross Volunteers are expected to reflect his traits and values. The company is composed of junior and senior Corps of Cadets members chosen from among their peers on the basis of honor, humility, and character.

Reference: Heathman, C. (2013, July 2). Special units within the Corps of Cadets. The Bryan-College Station Eagle. Retrieved from myagqienation.com.

WALL OF HONOR



Now accepting 2018 applications

We are now accepting applications for placement of military veteran names on our Wall of Honor. Names added by Aug. 15, 2018 will be recognized during the Veterans Day Ceremony on Sunday, Nov. 11, 2018.

The Wall of Honor is the centerpiece of the Brazos Valley Veterans Memorial and a patriotic and reverent tribute to all veterans (living, deceased, or currently serving) of our United States Armed Forces.

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