Honoring the Men and Women of the United States Armed Forces
The Roll of Honor Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit charity with the mission of honoring the military service of the men and women of America’s Armed Forces, educating the public about their legacy and encouraging public service among future generations.

The Foundation provides a free comprehensive online registry of U.S. service men and women (www.rollofhonor.org), which allows current and former military members and their families to display their military experience, records of achievement and photos in a digital visual biography, connected to the most popular social media platforms.

Its goal is to document the entire U.S. military service history – from Lexington and Concord to today’s deployments – through the individual histories of America’s military. Almost 3 million service members are currently in the Roll of Honor and new profiles are being added daily.

The Roll of Honor website displays profiles of men and women of the U.S. Armed Services.

Our highly interactive site allows for families and others to learn more about their Veteran’s military service through individual pages that depict awards, units, training, engagements and other elements in a vivid graphic profile.
The Roll of Honor provides an educational experience for students and families. As visitors navigate through the Roll of Honor, they will become more familiar with the military history of their country. Individual service men and women can see their service in the context of a larger story of America’s defense of her freedoms.

Families can feel pride in knowing that their relatives who served had important parts to play in America’s history. Young men and women considering national service could see the military as a viable option to contribute to their country in a meaningful way.

Military occupation specialties are detailed so children and other family members can understand their relatives’ and ancestors’ responsibilities, as well as suggest possible career opportunities for young people considering military careers.

Our extensive research over the last ten years has built a library of listings and graphics that detail the entire historical U.S. military experience, so that individual profiles can be created to accurately portray a Veteran’s personal history.

The Roll of Honor Foundation has been licensed by the U.S. Department of Defense for use of registered military images (unit, insignia and other military symbols).

In addition, because of the important concerns of many Veterans regarding “stolen valor,” there are a number of safeguards built into the system that monitor award and badge selections, making sure registrants accurately display their records, protecting the integrity of the Roll of Honor and reducing misrepresentation of awards or badges.

The Roll of Honor connects members to their social media networks (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.), and enables them to link to their Roll of Honor profile directly from within their own social media pages. Members can also reach out to fellow unit members through the Roll of Honor’s permission-based message forwarding system. The Foundation also encourages members to upload photographs, letters and videos from their service or those of their military relatives.

This project is constantly evolving, expanding more broadly and digging deeper into the vast U.S. military experience. Through member contributions and extensive research, the Roll of Honor continues to include more elements of the American military service – all five uniformed services, from the Revolutionary War to current engagements, reflective of all the historic changes and modifications throughout our military history.

The Roll of Honor Foundation does not charge Veterans or their families any fees to participate, register or view profiles, and it provides continual customer service to support registrants in locating their family members’ or ancestors’ military records to accurately display their military service. The public are invited to view public profiles at no charge.

By clicking on many interactive elements of a Member’s web page (awards, badges, military occupation specialties, units, combat engagements, etc.), they can get a more complete picture of a member’s military service.

The Roll of Honor Foundation is building a comprehensive history of America’s military through the individual profiles of its military service men and women.

By researching genealogy sources, military cemetery lists, online archive searches, and other records, the Roll of Honor aims to eventually recognize as many as possible of the 42 million American men and women who served in our history from 1776 to today.

This is a huge undertaking, but with the support of the right partners, new technology tools, and the dedication of a committed staff, this is an achievable goal.

Honoring the men and women of the U.S. Armed Services throughout our history.
Veterans or relatives can create individual profile pages on the Roll of Honor website through an extensive wizard tool that provides selections of awards, badges, units, ranks, training and battle engagements for all five Services, across the entire history of the U.S. military.

Military occupation specialties are described for the relevant eras (e.g., World War II, Vietnam).

Awards are described in popups by clicking on their service ribbons.

Clicking on unit insignia displays histories and links to profiles of others in the unit serving at the same time.

By clicking on the service ribbons of valor awards, visitors can view the language of the actual citation that describes the individual’s heroic action for which the decoration was awarded.
MARINE CORPS

Master Sergeant John P Williams, USMC

Rank:

- 1536 Expeditionary Fighting Vehicle FV142 Driver
- 5th Marine Regiment

Awards:

- 2 RMM
- 12 RME
- 26 MEU

Units:

- 3 MARTEM
- 12 MAR
- 13 MEU

Military Occupation Specialties:

- 1536 Expeditionary Fighting Vehicle FV142 Driver
- 5th Marine Regiment

Training:

- Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, SC, 1989
- School of Infantry (SOI) Basic, Camp Lejeune, NC, 1990
- School of Infantry (SOI) Advanced, Camp Pendleton, CA, 1996
- Sergeant Major's Course, Camp Pendleton, CA, 1996
- Advanced Gunnery Specialty Sergeant's Course, Camp Pendleton, CA, 1998

Military Service:

- 2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade (2nd MEB)
- Marine Forces Reserve
- Marine Corps Forces Reserve

Service:

- Operation Desert Shield
- Operation Desert Storm
- Operation Iraqi Freedom

MARINE CORPS

General Alexander Archer Vandegrift, USMC

Rank:

- 1 MAR
- USMC EMBASSY
- COMUS

Awards:

- Marine Corps Officer Candidate School, Quantico, VA, 1920

Military Service:

- World War II (Pacific Theater)
- Battle of Saipan
- Battle of Guam
- Battle of Okinawa
- Battle of Iwo Jima
- Battle of Tarawa
- Battle of Peleliu
- Battle of Guadalcanal
- Battle of Midway
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In partnership with the U.S. World War One Centennial Commission, we have developed a special edition of the Roll of Honor, commemorating the 100th anniversary of World War One. More than 350,000 profiles have already been created and we will include up to 4 million U.S. military personnel who participated in the “Forgotten War.” This virtual memorial is hosted on the official Centennial website and will be an essential part of the new National World War One Memorial that is being built in the Nation’s Capital.

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THE WAR THAT
CHANGED THE WORLD

First U.S. troops arrive in France
The Roll of Honor Foundation is beginning to solicit foundation and corporate funding to support the extensive research, data management, graphics and customer service necessary to make the Roll of Honor a success. Various branding opportunities can be provided to sponsors throughout the website and the various initiatives we are developing to increase positive awareness about America’s Veterans and the challenges they faced in defending America.

The Foundation will identify ways that all Americans can show their appreciation for the service of these men and women who have served the nation. We will also create initiatives that challenge young Americans to serve their country, either in the military or other public service.

1. Within the next year, we intend to create a series of grade-based lesson plans that include having students interact with the Roll of Honor to understand America's history and their own personal connection with their ancestors and neighbors who served in the U.S. military.

2. We also plan to recruit, train, equip and mentor military spouses to fill most of our required new positions of data and graphic assistance, allowing them the flexibility to work at home while caring for their families. This will provide extra income for their households, and assist them in building professional skills and work experience for future job opportunities.

3. Our next projects will be special Roll of Honor websites to honor Veterans of the Vietnam War, World War II, Korean War, Persian Gulf Wars and Iraq/Afghanistan. We are seeking national sponsors to assist us in deepening our capabilities to accomplish these goals.

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OUR DEBT TO THE HEROIC MEN AND VALIANT WOMEN IN THE SERVICE OF OUR COUNTRY CAN NEVER BE REPaid. THEY HAVE EARNED OUR UNDYING GRATITUDE, AMERICA WILL NEVER FORGET THEIR SACRIFICES.

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