



# Veterans Day

## November 11, 2011

*“As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them”*

— John Fitzgerald Kennedy

**Thank you to all veterans for your service and dedication.**

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**Melvin Heimes**  
U.S. Army  
Korean War

*Grandpa, you're our hero! We love you!*

*Zoey, Beau,  
Trystan & Izzy*



**Harold Spencer**

U.S. Army  
82nd Airborne WWII

*Recipient of Purple Heart and Bronze Star. Fought in the Battle of the Bulge. Served in Africa, Sicily, Anzio and Holland. Was in St. Mer Eglise on D-Day. Uncle of Gary & DeeDee Wood.*



**Edwin Pugh**

U.S. Navy, WWII  
Ship Cook 3rd Class

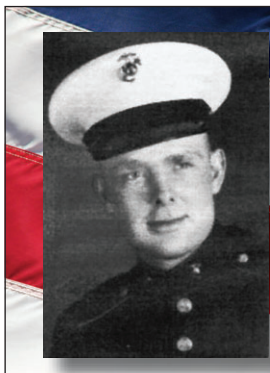
*Served in Guam & Philippines on PT Boat 370 from 1943 to 1946. Father of DeeDee Wood.*



**Gary Wood**

U.S. Army, 1977 to 1985  
Staff Sergeant

*Served in Central America, Alaska, and other locations in the U.S.*



**John R. Kabeiseman**

U.S. Marine Corps

*Korean War, 1951–1954.*



**Dale Dockendorf**

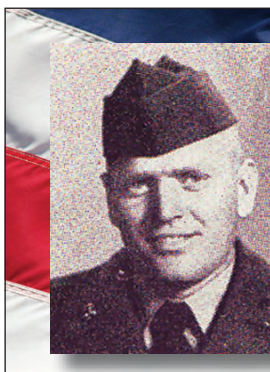
U.S. Army, Korean War  
Corporal

*Thank you for your service. Remembering you always.  
Love,  
Your Family*



**Marnie H. Schieffer**  
SDARNG, Springfield, SD  
SPC 5

*Thank you for your years of service to your country. We are proud of you, and we love you.  
Love,  
Your Family*



**Chuck Steffen**

U.S. Army  
SP3 17th FA BN  
8" HOW HV Towed

*Korean War Veteran  
1956 to 1962.  
In loving memory of Chuck.  
The Steffen Family*



**Randy Steffen**

Btry. C 1st BN 147th FA  
SDARNG  
Sergeant

*Honest and faithful service.  
1981 to 1995.*



**Robert C. Buechler**

Charlie Battery 1-147th  
SDARNG Specialist

*Thank you for your service and protecting our freedom. Thank you for all that you do.  
Your Family,  
Amanda and Morgan*



**Terry L. Kirchner**

U.S. Air Force  
Master Sergeant

*He returned June 18, 2011 after serving 24 years. He served 5 tours overseas in Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and Iraq.*



**Larry V. Thranum**

U.S. Army  
SPC 5

*Thank you for your courage, sacrifice and service, 1970 to 1973.  
Welcome Home,  
LT*



**Linda M. Fox**

U.S. Navy  
Lt.

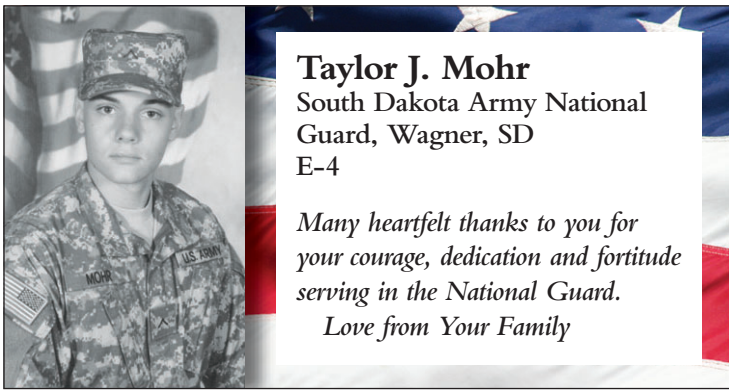
*Thank you for your service to our country. Your career in the U.S. Navy was outstanding.  
Love,  
Dick*



**Nickolas Kirchner**

U.S. Air Force  
Airman First Class

*He enlisted in September 2009 and is stationed at Nellis AFB in Nevada.*



**Taylor J. Mohr**

South Dakota Army National Guard, Wagner, SD  
E-4

*Many heartfelt thanks to you for your courage, dedication and fortitude serving in the National Guard.  
Love from Your Family*



**Carl J. Nelson**

U.S. Army, Iraq/Afghanistan  
Staff Sergeant

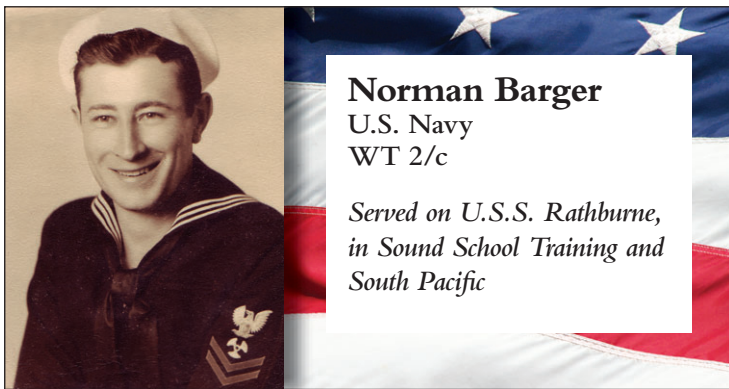
*Very proud of you, Son! Thank you for our freedom, your sacrifice and my beautiful grandchildren.  
Love,  
Mom*



**The Orville Kirchner Family**

U.S. Navy, National Guard, Air Force & Army

*D.K.I. Karen (Kirchner) Williams, D.K.I. Willie Williams, SSG Darrell Kirchner, SSG Les Kirchner, MSG Terry Kirchner, Senior Airman Scott Kirchner, Sgt. Dawn (Mrs. Terry) Kirchner, Tech 5 Orville Kirchner.*



**Norman Barger**

U.S. Navy  
WT 2/c

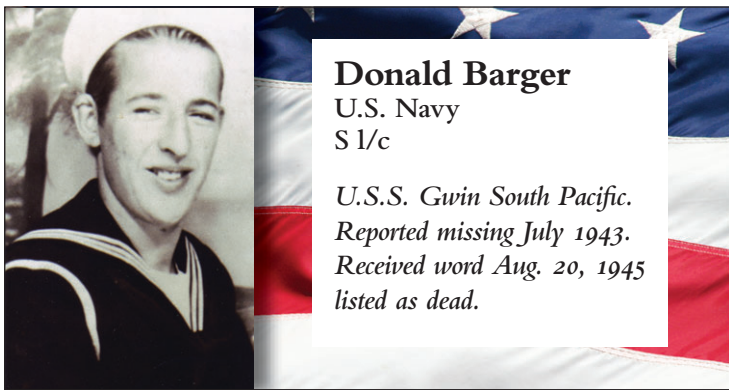
*Served on U.S.S. Rathburne, in Sound School Training and South Pacific*



**Edward "Red" Nelson**

U.S. Army, Korea  
Sergeant

*Thank you for our freedom, but most of all thanks for being such a great Dad!  
Love,  
Linda May*



**Donald Barger**

U.S. Navy  
S 1/c

*U.S.S. Gwin South Pacific. Reported missing July 1943. Received word Aug. 20, 1945 listed as dead.*



**James M. Barger**

U.S. Army  
E-5

*Vietnam 1969–1971.*