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NOV	3	8:30 am	Albany Cty "Honor-A-Vet" -- Joseph E. Zaloga Am Leg Post
	3	11 am	Belltrone Veterans Lunch
	4		ELECTION DAY -- go VOTE, many died for this freedom!
	4	7 pm	TCCVEV's Gen'l Mtg - Joseph E. Zaloga Am Leg Post 1520
	6	10am	Crossgates for the Living Veterans Awards Ceremony
	6	9 am - 4PM	Organization Tables for the public to view, "Mil Awareness"
	8	5-9 pm	Blue Star Mothers' "Tailgate Night" @ Zaloga Post 1520
	10	250th	Birthday Celebration for the US MARINE Corps - Semper Fi (NOTE = Army's was June 14th & Navy's was October 13th)
	10	8:30 am	Honor-A-Deceased-Vet, 99 Troy Rd., Renss Cty.'s Ofc Bldg
	11	11 am	Albany's Vets Day Parade - Tom Regan is Grand Marshal
	11	1:30 pm	GSFamily's Luncheon in the Klimek Hall
	11	1 - 3 pm	Zaloga's Vets Day celebration in the bar & rooms
	12	7 pm	Capt. Wm. D. O'Brien USMC Det 241's Gen'l Mtg @ Zaloga
	15	9am-4pm	Law School's PRO-Bono event
	15	5 pm	2nd Annual Vets Day Parade in Mechanicville
	16	10 am -3 pm	Rotterdam Elk's Lodge-Organization Tables for public to view
	18	10:30 am	TCCVEV's Board Mtg at Catherine's St. location
	27		Thanksgiving - what are you thankful for?
DEC	1	8:30 am	Albany Cty "Honor-A-Vet" at Colonie's VFW Post 8692
	2	7 pm	TCCVEV's Gen'l Mtg - Joseph E. Zaloga Am Leg Post 1520
	7	9 am	Pearl Harbor Observance-Joseph E. Zaloga Am Leg Post 1520
	8	8:30 am	Honor-A-Deceased-Vet, 99 Troy Rd., Renss Cty.'s Ofc Bldg
	10	7 pm	Capt. Wm. D. O'Brien USMC Det 241's Gen'l Mtg @ Zaloga
	13	PM	Army vs. Navy Game
	16	10:30 am	TCCVEV's Board Mtg at Catherine's St. location
	25		Christmas Day

A Message from President Pollicino: I was very proud to be selected as Albany County's Honoree for the Rev. Francis A. Kelley's "Home Town Heroes of the Capital District, Inc." on October 24th at the Melvin Roads American Legion Post 1231. David Dedrick was Renss. Honoree. Others received awards, at the ceremony, too. It was nice to have many of our members in attendance. a very humble experience. Thanks for your support & to TCCVEV.

Chaplain's Corner

by

Rev. Charlene "Char" Robbins, GSM

Memorial Day has come and gone. Locally, there was a rather lack luster attendance. Veterans Day is less than two weeks away. Let's use this time to renew our awareness of these noble yet humble heroes.

This is the time to especially honor and express gratitude to the men and women who interrupt their lives to serve America. They have a code of honor and dedicated service to God and country, they take a knee to God alone or to aid a wounded or fallen soldier, and they stand to salute the flag or sing our national anthem. For America's finest, to do anything less would be considered unworthy.

This year is the remaining part of the 50 Year Anniversary of the Vietnam War, let us stand proud and strong in honor of our "Nam" Vets. Many were lost, but those that are with us, need our love, support & gratitude. They have worked diligently in their communities to ensure that NO returning veteran would experience the apathy and disrespect shown them. Thank them, buy them a coffee & if permissible, give them a long overdue hug. They put their lives on the line for you & your way of life, now let's do everything we can to pay it forward.

Stand tall and salute the flag, they served and died under, feel gratitude for the blessings America's constitution have ensured for you and find a way to contribute....even the smallest action can make a big difference for a veteran! God bless them, everyone.

For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he' Proverbs 23:7

'Be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind' Romans 12:22

H E L P! Capital Region needs YOU to register Family or VET Friends and to keep active, the "Honor-A-Veteran" programs in Albany, Rensselaer, Saratoga & Schenectady Counties'.

- A > Albany County's Monthly "Honor-A-Veteran" (Posthumous) Program: Director, Scott Leslie; Albany County Veterans Service Bureau - 420 Western Ave; Albany, NY 12203
<1st Monday of the Month > (518) 447-7710 veteransbureau@albanycountyny.gov
- B > Rensselaer County's Monthly "Honor-A-Deceased-Veteran" (Posthumous) Program:
<2nd Monday of the Month> 99 Troy Rd, East Greenbush, NY 12061 DIR, Christopher Albert
(518) 270-2760 <https://www.rensco.com/374/Honor-A-Deceased-Veteran-Ceremony>
- C > Saratoga County Vets Service Agency's Monthly "Honor-A-Veteran" (Deceased or Living) Program: 2144 Doubleday Ave, Suite 15; Ballston Spa, NY 12020 (518) 884-4115
< 3rd Tuesday of the month at 2 PM > Director, Frank McClement
<https://www.saratogacountyny.gov/departments/veterans-service-agency/>
- D > Schenectady County Vets Service Agency's "Honor-A-Veteran" Quarterly (Deceased or Living) Program: 797 Broadway, Schenectady, NY 12305-2704 (518) 377-2423
<https://www.schenectadycountyny.gov/veterans> Director, Stephen McCutcheon
- E > East Greenbush (Town) - "Honor-A-Veteran" (Deceased or Living) <Periodic> Program: 225 Columbia Tnpk; Rensselaer, NY 12144 John Conway, Town Supvsr; (518) 477-4775

Questions, contact Bobbie Reno, East Greenbush's Town Historian at (518) 477-4869

NOTES: 1) Every Veteran is eligible to be honored with a HAV Ceremony, at these locations. Family members would need to file the paperwork. They must have the needed documents: (i.e. = Application, DD-214, discharged under conditions other than Dishonorable from the U. S. Armed Forces, Birth or Residence Proof and the veteran's Obituary).

Spooky (N-D '25 Pg 4) "Many have died for the Red, White, Blue-be proud, Fly "Old Glory"

ALBANY's VETERANS DAY PARADE: will honor as Grand Marshal for 2025, Tom Regan, a member and Founder of "Operation: Please Remember Me". He founded this project with member, Gene Loparco, on 9/11/2012. Since 2013, there are 170 American made Flags, displayed on Route 9, in Loudonville & Latham, from May to after Labor Day. These flags honor 1,900 men and women, since WWI, who made the supreme sacrifice for our freedom, each flag represents 10 Service men and women that never returned home.

NOTE: we are honoring Tom by trying to carry every flag that we have = 170. So, if you would like to carry a flag, it kicks off at 11 = be near Lexington & Central Aves. at 10am, to get a flag.

MEMBERSHIP

Questions, call Jerry D'Amelia, at (518) 281-3885 or E-mail = dameliamarilyn@gmail.com

2025 REG. Dues are \$15 Annually - Join or RE-Up now! OEF & OIF Vets are welcomed!

Membership is opened to Vietnam Era Veterans (from 1 May 1957 to 7 May 1975)

Anyone who served SINCE, 7 May 1975 or is still serving on Active Duty in the US Military

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS are NOT Requested to have Served in the Military

CIRCLE ONE: NEW RENEWAL ASSOCIATE LIFE MEMBERSHIP \$150

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ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ State _____ ZIP _____

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MILITARY UNIT Served With _____

MOS (Military Occupational Specialty) _____

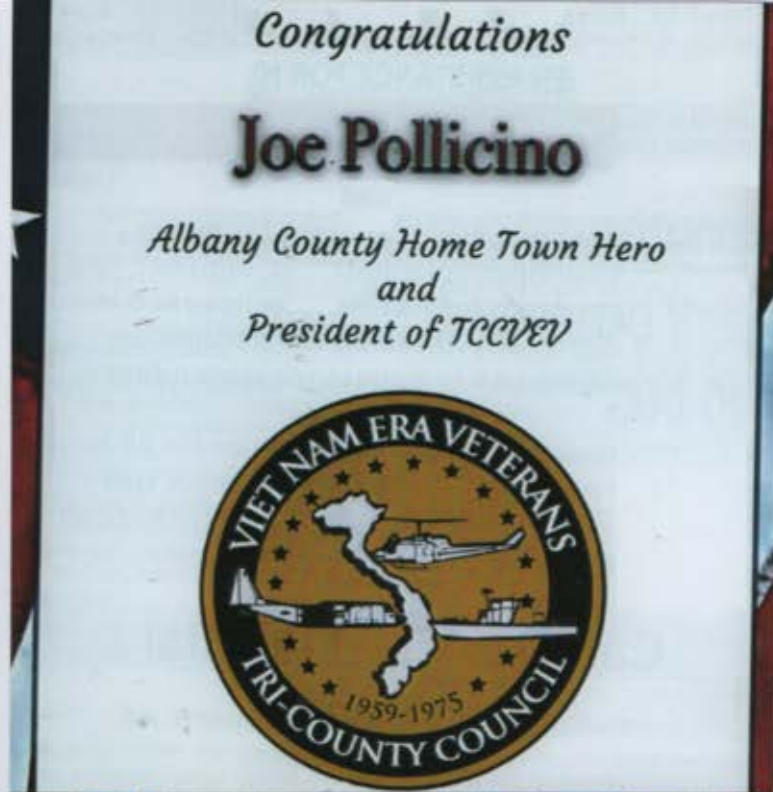
Date & Type of Discharge (Include DD214) _____

Referred By _____

Email Address _____



Tom
Regan
2025
Grand
Marshal!



OCT. 24, 2025