

# *Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame*

**CLASS OF 2011  
INDUCTION CEREMONY**

*December 2, 2011*





Lieutenant Governor Nancy Wyman



CONNECTICUT VETERANS HALL OF FAME  
2011 INDUCTION CLASS

December 2, 2011

Dear Veterans, Families and Friends:

I am privileged to represent the great state of Connecticut tonight as we honor the 2011 Induction Class of the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame.

These ten special patriots, like all previous inductees, not only stepped up to defend our nation in uniform, but remained fully committed to improving the lives of others when they returned home. Every one of these men and women is a selfless leader and role model whose service should inspire all of us.

I thank all of tonight's inductees for your dedication to our country, our state, and to your communities. I know I speak for all Connecticut residents when I say you have earned our utmost respect and admiration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Nancy Wyman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "N" and "W".

Nancy Wyman  
Lieutenant Governor

# CONNECTICUT VETERANS HALL OF FAME

## *History*

The Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame was established to increase the awareness of the lifetime contributions of veterans after completion of honorable military service. The Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame is not a military hall of fame. Those selected for the honor of induction are veterans who honorably served their country through military service and who continue to serve and inspire their fellow man with their deeds and accomplishments throughout their lifetime.

Each year the committee will select 10 inductees from applications received from across the state and nation. These veterans will be leaders in a variety of areas, such as arts, education, public service, volunteer activities, and community and business leadership to name a few. Most importantly, they all will have made significant impacts on the lives of others and their communities.

To be eligible for the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame the nominee must have served their country honorably in a branch of military service and continued to serve their communities, state and nation after discharge. Because so many of America's veterans continue to give to their communities, state and nation after honorable military service, the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame seeks to recognize them for their countless contributions to society.

The Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame is administered and sponsored by the Connecticut Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Connecticut Military Department on behalf of the Office of the Governor.

The first class of the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame was inducted in November 2005 and includes the 41st President of the United States, George Herbert Walker Bush.



MADELON BARANOSKI  
*Meriden, CT*  
*U.S. Army Nurse Corps*

## VIETNAM WAR SERVICE

Dr. Madelon Visintainer Baranoski was a member of the Army Nurse Corp and served in as surgical nurse and nurse supervisor at Army Hospitals in Nha Trang and Cu Chi Vietnam. She was awarded the Bronze Star for her service in combat areas and is also a recipient of the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Vietnam Campaign Medal and the Vietnam Gallantry Cross

She has held faculty appointments at Yale University, since 1982, at both the School of Nursing where she served as Chairman of the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Program and the School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry. Presently she is associate Clinical Professor in the Law and Psychiatry Division and Director of the New Haven Jail Diversion Program where she specializes in forensic psychology and law enforcement issues which involve individuals with mental illness. She is also an associate editor of the Journal of the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law Online Editorial Board. As part of her professional duties as a clinical psychologist for the Connecticut Mental Health Center, Dr. Baranoski evaluates approximately 200 defendants in an average year to determine whether they are competent to stand trial. She has frequently said “It was Vietnam that got me into psychology.”

Dr. Baranoski is an accomplished researcher and practitioner in many areas of study and is best known for her work in identifying the effects and interactions of emotional responses to health and recovery. She is considered a pioneer in identifying and treating Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Her research studies and pragmatic approach to this condition has guided the thinking of many practitioners and helped the public understand the consequences of combat and stress. Without question, her findings have and continue to benefit hundreds of veterans, their families and loved ones. Dr. Baranoski also became the first person to demonstrate that a psychological state of helplessness produces a more rapid growth of cancer cells and that a strong positive mindset enhances a person’s ability to reject cancer tumors.

Throughout her lifetime of work, Dr. Baranoski has contributed to our understanding of post traumatic stress and advanced new methods for dealing with the causes and effects of stress in crisis and everyday life. She has been an active consultant in the planning and development of programs which offer appropriate treatment in lieu of jail time including Connecticut’s Alternative to Incarceration for Veterans. From the battlefields of Vietnam to the New Haven Court House, her very pragmatic, intelligent and elegant approach to unraveling the questions of stress, mental illness and its consequences have benefitted and enriched our lives.



SAMUEL BEAMON, SR.  
*Waterbury, CT*  
*U.S. Marine Corps*  
*Vietnam 1st Marine Air Wing*

## VIETNAM WAR SERVICE

In 1966 he was deployed to South Vietnam and served as a Helicopter Crew Chief for 18 months and completed 320 combat missions. He was awarded 16 Air Medals, Combat Air Crew Wings, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Good Conduct and US Navy Unit Citation. Upon return from Vietnam he was employed by Pratt and Whitney and later the Waterbury Police Department where he served many years as Commander of the Juvenile Division (Youth Squad) and rose through the ranks ultimately attaining the rank of Lieutenant.

He has given his life to improving and helping his community and has worked extensively with the youth of the community. He is a life member and Past Commandant of the Department of Connecticut Marine Corp League. He has contributed to many community and fraternal organizations and remains active in the Waterbury Department of Children and Families Extended Team and "Project Hometown Support". He is also an active member of the Waterbury Veterans Memorial Committee where he is very active in presenting programs to children in Waterbury Schools about the contributions of Veterans. He has also been active with the Governor's Youth and Juvenile Alternative Sanctions Task Forces, Mayor's Task Force against School Violence and Police Guardians Association. He is a founding member of Waterbury's "Forever Wave Program" which teaches flag etiquette to area school children. Additionally he has served on the NAACP Board of Governors of the International Juvenile Officers Association, Mayors Youth and Juvenile Alternative Sanctions Task Force. He also serves as a mentor and adult advisor to The Young Marines of Waterbury as it reconstituted the organization and outreach to the youth of Waterbury.

He has continued to serve his country and the Marine Corps during this time of war and the multiple deployments of Marines to the combat areas. He has been a very active part of marshalling people and efforts to support the deployed troops and their families. His leadership facilitated contributions of funds and items to support veterans in the State of Connecticut.

Sam is a very quiet man with enormous dedication to his community, especially the children and youth of Waterbury and his beloved Marine Corps. He is the author of "Flying Death". This Vietnam Experience is a gripping recount of his service before, during and after Vietnam. This story, like his life work, is a testament to his deep sense of commitment to others, courage under fire and tireless efforts to help others.



REVEREND  
DR. G KENNETH CARPENTER  
*Mystic, CT*  
*United States Navy*

## VIETNAM WAR SERVICE

Reverend Doctor Kenneth G. Carpenter served in the US Navy in Vietnam and is a recipient of the Bronze Star (Combat V) Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, National Defense Service Medal and Navy Unit Commendation. Following this distinguished military career, he continued to contribute 43 more years of service, leadership and compassionate care to his community.

Reverend Carpenter served as First Minister of the Union Baptist Church of Mystic for 35 years retiring in 2007. He has worked tirelessly to create understanding among people and leaders of different faiths so that they could work together to better serve their communities. He co-founded the Southeastern Connecticut Clergy Association and used his down to earth style, passion and talents to organize many efforts which have served the people most in need. He brought together members of his own congregation with other faith communities to create the “Sunshine Kitchen” in Groton which has served free meals to individuals and families in need every week for some 18 years.

With difficulties in the economy and cut backs in spending, Reverend Carpenter recognized the lack of shelter and service available for the homeless in Southeastern Connecticut. With these incites, he took a proactive position and brought together members of several faith communities, social service agencies and business leaders to address this growing problem which ultimately led to the organization and creation of the Mystic Area Shelter and Hospitality (MASH). In the 11 years of their existence MASH has sheltered over 800 children and parents. However this was only the beginning of extending these efforts to address methods to stem the numbers of families and children facing homelessness. Building on the success and experience of bringing the MASH to life, Reverend Carpenter broadened the scope of the work to include “Homeless Prevention” or working with families at risk of homelessness to keep them in their houses out of shelters already overburdened. This very pragmatic and visionary effort has helped more than 400 families avoid losing their homes.

For over 28 years he has been a positive force for marshalling resources and support for improving the lives of those in need. He has been a successful leader in bringing his community together and tapping into the talents and awakening the “better angels” of many individuals and groups to help their neighbors and made positive and enduring changes in their lives.

A proud Navy veteran, thoughtful religious leader, positive force for the betterment of all.



RONALD CATANIA  
*Rocky Hill, CT*  
*US Air Force*  
VIETNAM WAR SERVICE

Ronald Catania was a member of the United States Air Force and served with a Special Intelligence Communication Unit at DaNang Air Base in Vietnam during the Tet Offensive of 1968. He is a recipient of the Air Force Commendation Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal and National Defense Service Medal. He was disabled in the line of duty and used the opportunity of the VA Vocational Rehabilitation Program to earn several degrees in Law and Retail Security and ultimately earning a MBA from University of New Haven. Mr. Catania has been successfully employed as the Vice President of both Sage Allen and BOB's (clothing) Stores. He is a well known champion of the disabled and challenged workers and the "Return to Work Program for Military Veterans Program".

Mr. Catania has many organizational affiliations and professional accomplishments which include volunteering with the Connecticut National Guard during Hurricane Katrina, service with the American Red Cross with an emphasis on disaster preparedness for People with Disabilities and support of the Kleen Energy Plant. He has also been very involved in developing standards and educational curriculum for Safety and Security Officer training. He is a member of the Board of Directors of both the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association and the Connecticut Veterans Memorial. He also serves on the University of Connecticut Advisory Board, and Chairs the Private Security Committee of the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association. He is also a Certified Fraud Examiner for the American Society for Industrial Security. As a Co-Chair of the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association, Ron has been instrumental in coordinating seminars with the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security on methods of deterring Workplace Violence and Terrorist Threats.

In 2001, he was a Special Volunteer for 911 taking donated footwear and clothing to New York City for Emergency Service personnel, Fire Fighters and Police. He distinguished himself by bringing these items to Ground Zero literally one day after the attacks. Additionally, for the next forty-eight hours he worked continuously to deliver and disperse the donated merchandise to Fire, Police, EMS and Volunteers at the site.

He has been a tireless and dedicated civic volunteer for the American Red Cross, UCONN, and Veterans Affairs. His advocacy for the rights of the disabled and challenged through the Special Olympics and legislative testimony on their behalf is exemplary and admirable. He has given a lifetime of service to his community, taken courageous actions to assist individuals in the aftermath of the tragedy of 911 and Hurricane Irene and invested his time to improve the safety and security of the citizens of Connecticut.





JOHN CHIARELLA  
*Waterbury, CT*  
*US Army*  
KOREA/VIETNAM WAR  
SERVICE

John G. Chiarella (Colonel US Army (Ret.)) is an electrical engineer who served on the front lines in Korea with the 45th Infantry. After the war, he continued to serve both on Active Duty and in the Active Reserve and was called back to duty during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Col. Chiarella was the Commander of the Research and Development Detachment in Connecticut with Offices in the Pentagon. In that capacity, he was Senior Technical Judge for the US Army. He has also served as lecturer and Judge at the US Military Academy at West Point and at UCONN for the High School Science and Humanities Program. He retired from Military Service in 1982 and has the distinction of being one of an elite group of individuals inducted into the Artillery Officers Hall of Fame and the Honorable Order of St. Barbara, a Society of Artillery Officers at Fort Sill Oklahoma. Since his retirement, he has been a tireless advocate for veterans and active volunteer for his community.

He is well known in his home town of Waterbury where he serves as the Chairman of the very active Waterbury Veterans Memorial Committee. He has also served as the Parade Marshal of the city's Annual Memorial Day Parade for more than 20 years. He is very active in a number of patriotic and fraternal organizations including VFW Post 7339, Italian War Veterans, and Connecticut Reserve Officer's Association where he is presently serving as President. He has been a Trustee of the Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs for more than 15 years. He also serves as a Eucharistic Minister at the Immaculate Conception Basilica where he has taught in the religious education classes for many years.

He is credited with initiating and developing a patriotic program that is specifically designed for the school children of Waterbury. Col. Chiarella personally compiled materials and lesson plans with the important mission of teaching young students the proper protocols and customs proscribed for activities associated with the display and respect of the American Flag. The program titled "Forever Wave" has gained notoriety. In 2009 this program was adopted by the National organization of the Young Marines Program. He was selected by the Salvation Army as Veteran of the Year for 2009.

**CONNECTICUT VETERANS HALL OF FAME  
INDUCTION PROGRAM**

**DECEMBER 2, 2011**

**PRELUDE**

1<sup>st</sup> Company Governor's Foot Guard Band Ensemble

**INTRODUCTION OF THE CLASS OF 2011  
AND  
ENTRANCE OF THE OFFICIAL PARTY**

Master of Ceremonies –

Gil Simmons – USMC Veteran 1990-1996  
Morning Meteorologist WTNH/NEWS8

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

1<sup>st</sup> Company Governor's Foot Guard Band Ensemble

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND  
MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Senator Carlo Leone  
Representative John Hennessy

**INVOCATION**

Chaplain Robert Price – Lieutenant  
Naval Submarine Base New London

The seal of the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame is a circular emblem. It features the word "CONNECTICUT" at the top and "VETERANS HALL OF FAME" at the bottom. In the center is a shield with three vertical panels, each containing a stylized tree or plant. The shield is set against a background of a banner with the Latin motto "QUI PRO TRANSTULIT".

**INTRODUCTION OF THE LT. GOVERNOR**

**Dr. Linda S. Schwartz**

Commissioner, Department of Veterans' Affairs

**REMARKS**

**Honorable Nancy Wyman**  
**Lieutenant Governor**

**INDUCTION – CLASS OF 2011**  
**Lieutenant Governor Nancy Wyman**

**CLOSING MUSICAL SELECTION**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Company Governor's Foot Guard Band Ensemble**

*Reception for Inductees and their guests  
immediately following the program at the  
Elks Club, Prospect Street, Hartford, Connecticut  
Thank you and Good Evening*



HAROLD FARRINGTON  
*Old Saybrook, CT*  
*US Army*  
VIETNAM WAR SERVICE

Hal Farrington was a member of the US Army and served in Vietnam. He is a recipient of the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze Stars, Vietnam Civil Action Medal, Good Conduct Medal and Combat Infantry Badge. He was Retired from the Army for injuries he sustained in Combat.

For more than 30 years Hal has served his country both on the battlefields of Vietnam and in the community fighting for the rights of veterans and their families. For 34 years, he has served as a Veterans Benefits Advisor for the US Department of Veterans Affairs and in that capacity, he has assisted thousands of his fellow Connecticut veterans in accessing the State and Federal benefits they earned by their service to the Nation.

His service area has been "East of the River" in New London County where 18% of the population are veterans. More importantly, this high percentage does not include the Active Duty personnel attached to units in the area which means almost 1 in 5 citizens in his area are eligible for his assistance. His dedication and commitment to veterans has been a lifelong mission which led to the establishment of Veteran Service Offices at the New London Submarine Base, US Coast Guard Academy and the Naval Station at Newport, Rhode Island. He has also been very instrumental in assisting Active Duty Military personnel in making a successful return to civilian life by locating both the Transition Assistance Program (TAP) and Disabled Transition Assistance Program (DTAP) in these key areas.

Until his retirement last year with 34 years of service, he had interviewed, reviewed and represented veterans with disability compensation cases, counseled hundreds of veterans and their families and served as the Federal Casualty Assistance Officer for the Veterans Administration. As the Casualty Assistance Officer, Hal was tasked with providing support and assistance to over 148 Active Duty deaths including those associated with Operation Iraq Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation New Dawn.

In addition to these crucial efforts, Hal has made time to contribute his energy and talents of the National Association of Uniformed Services, Wreaths Across America and the planning committee for the Annual Red White and Blue Mass at Saint Patrick's Cathedral in Norwich. A highly revered and respected friend and advocate of the men and women, who are serving and have served in America's Armed Forces, selfless champion of justice and compassionate care for disabled veterans.



PHILLIP KRAFT  
*Darien, CT*  
*United States Army*  
VIETNAM WAR SERVICE

Phil Kraft has contributed his time and skills with regard to veteran advocacy, community and civic issues for over 20 years. His early work in the field of advocacy began with his work as a Family Health Counselor for the Vietnam Veterans Agent Orange Victims Inc. which was a forerunner of the National Veterans Services Fund Inc. (NVSF). In that capacity, Phil served as a member of Admiral Elmo Zumwalt's Agent Orange Commission which convened in Washington, DC. He now serves as the President and Executive Director of the National Veterans Service Fund which focuses on counseling veterans and providing financial assistance to veterans and their families.

In 2008, Phil initiated the Vet Van which travels to cities and towns conducting outreach activities, assists veterans with accessing their benefits and providing emergency clothing and food. NVSM has also provided grants to assist other veteran centered organizations and agencies such as "Vets Who Care", National Gulf War Resource Center and the Connecticut State Veterans Home at Rocky Hill. He has been an active supporter and volunteer for the "Wreaths Across America" effort which offers Holiday Wreaths for Arlington National Cemetery, VA National and State Veteran Cemeteries.

He is the unofficial "Godfather" of the State of Connecticut Veterans Cemetery located in the Spring Grove Cemetery in Darien. Phil has overseen the Memorial Day and Veteran's Day activities at the first Connecticut Cemetery dedicated for veterans. Phil helped to coordinate the restoration and cleaning of over 1,500 veterans headstones which date back to Civil War times. With the help of the people of Darien, he also assisted in the beautification and rehabilitation of the Cemetery's Flagpole Monument which is a striking tribute to the Soldiers and Sailors of previous wars. His efforts have resulted in improvements at Spring Grove that reflects the dignity and environment worthy of the sacrifices of the veterans who have been buried there.

Phil also serves on the National "Veterans Care Committee" of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He has served as Adjutant of the VFW Post 6933 and is credited with rejuvenating interest and activities for the membership. He has been very instrumental in planning patriotic observances for the town of Darien including the Memorial Day Parade. He is also known for raising funds to purchase flags for every classroom in the new High School. His efforts also ensured that a ten foot long Flag would be proudly flown from the schools new flagpole. Patriotic leader and teacher, compassionate service provider, unwavering supporter and community advocate.



RONALD PERRY

*Meriden, CT*

*US Marine Corps*

VIETNAM WAR SERVICE

Ronald R. Perry USMC Vietnam - Served in Vietnam and is a recipient of the Vietnam Service Medal with 2 stars, Vietnam Campaign Medal and Combat Action Medal. He is a disabled combat veteran, who has been actively involved in community and veteran activities for more than 20 years.

He is the past Commander and Adjutant of the Silver City Marine Corps League. He is considered by many to be the embodiment of the best qualities and essence of the spirit and values of the Corps. He is a Marine.

He is a highly regarded member of the veteran community and described by his nominators as “self-effacing, tireless, unceasing and devoted self sacrifice on behalf of veterans and their families, members of the Marine family and families of the Fallen.”

He has devoted his waking hours to helping veterans who are down and on the verge of loosing their homes, families, jobs and peace of mind.

For more than eight years he has been the manager and mostly full time volunteer of the Marine Corps League Thrift Store in Meriden. He has dedicated 20-30 hours a week to operating this very important source of income that helps fund the Detachments charitable giving and scholarship programs which provide grants, loans, gifts and direct aid to homeless and needy veterans in Connecticut. He is also well known for his excellent organization and consistent attention to detail in creating the successful and much appreciated annual observance of the Marine Corps Birthday which also provides funding for the many philanthropic activities of the Silver City Detachment. Ron is considered to be the heart and soul of this work which last year provided over \$32,000 in aid and scholarships.

Ron Perry is a straight from the shoulder guy who has combined his deep commitment to Marine Corps principles with action and lessons learned on the battlefields of Vietnam to address the day to day struggles of the citizens in the towns and cities of our State.



RICHARD RAMPONE

*Kensington, CT*

*US Marine Corps*

VIETNAM WAR SERVICE

After his release from Active Duty in the Marine Corps, Richard joined the Berlin, Connecticut Police Department as a Patrolman and later with the K-9 Unit and ultimately as Police Commissioner for Town of Berlin. He served on the Force for 35 years and retired in 2000. His involvement with veteran and community organizations has been a lifelong endeavor. As a member of the all Police “Blue Knights” Motorcycle Club, he helped plan and host many activities which helped hospitalized children and is active with the Marine Corps Reserve “Toys for Tots” program.

He has volunteered a great deal of his time to the Connecticut Veterans Home in Rocky Hill where he is a favorite with the veteran patients and staff for his very positive and caring help with Stand Down and recreational activities for the vets. He is active in the Marine Corps League in our State and is a Past Commander of the Hardware City Detachment and Past State Commander of the Connecticut Marine Corps League. He is currently the Adjutant Paymaster of the Silver City Marine Corp Detachment. He is a member of many fraternal and patriotic organizations including the Military Order of the Devil Dogs, Moose Lodge Veteran Service Advisor and supporter of the Spartans Veterans Athletic Club. He is also very active in the American Legion where he serves as Chaplain for several Posts and provides assistance and counseling to veterans and their families as a Veteran Service Officer and Soldier Sailor and Marine Fund Representative.

He has been recognized for his contributions and multiple services to the communities and veterans on both the local and State levels. He was named Veteran of the Year in 2002 by the City of New Britain and has received several commendations from the Connecticut General Assembly. He was also honored by the Chapel of the Four Chaplains with the Legion of Honor Award presented to him in recognition of service to all people regardless of race or faith.

In recognition of his steadfast and faithful service to others, action the veteran community and commitment to improving the lives of the people of Connecticut.



BURKE ROSS  
*Shelton, CT*  
*US Marine Corps*  
WORLD WAR II SERVICE

Burke Ross has a long and remarkable history of serving veterans and his community. His dedication and sense of duty to others has enriched the lives of generations of Connecticut veterans and their families. He has been involved with the major veteran organizations for more than 30 years and his leadership has resulted not only in assistance to individual veterans, but to projects and programs that sustain veterans, raise their esteem and preserve their legacy.

He is well known for his quiet but effective efforts to obtain wheelchair vans for transport of disabled veterans, computers to connect veterans to vital information and communication sources, gift cards, cameras and other much needed items to improve the quality of life for disabled, frail and/or elderly veterans at the Veterans Home in Rocky Hill and the West Haven VA. He has been involved with planning parades and other patriotic events, leading services at funerals and wakes and providing food and shelter for the homeless and needy veterans in Connecticut.

His efforts to establish a US Postal Service Stamp bearing a reproduction of the Purple Heart Medal in honor of America's combat wounded veterans are a testament to his unrelenting determination to serve and honor our Nation's heroes. Not only did he advocate for the issue of the Purple Heart Postage Stamp, he was undeterred when he learned that the process was long and protracted. He set to work learning and mastering the Postal Services protocols and requirements and succeeded in achieving the first issue of this stamp. However the stamp was so popular that the supply was quickly exhausted and circulation discontinued. Burke was far from satisfied with this development and mounted another successful campaign to have the Purple Heart Stamp become one of only two designated declared "forever" stamps by the US Postal Service.

Burke is a living example of how one generation of veteran can be a leader and elder statesman for those who will follow after. His years of service as State adjutant of the Military Order of the Purple Heart, keen interest in the emerging and unmet needs of veterans on the State and National levels and his unyielding devotion to duty are outstanding qualities that have endeared this gentleman to generations of Connecticut veterans.





*Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame  
Past Inductees*

*CLASS of 2005*

*Nathan George Agostinelli  
George Herbert Walker Bush  
William Thomas Coffey, Sr.  
Dr. Randall Howard Collins  
Bruce Hults Ey  
Joseph G. Lombardo  
Giacomo "Jack" Mordente II  
Lt. James Sedalia Peters II  
Ernest Virgil Plantz  
Norman Warren VanCor*

*CLASS of 2006*

*Douglas A. Bora  
Robert A. Janicki  
Franklin E. Johnson, Sr.  
William J. Johnston  
Evans Edward Kerrigan  
Peter Robert Pardo  
Anthony Vito Savino  
James S. Tierney  
Carl Roderick Venditto  
Edward Washburn Whitaker*

*CLASS of 2007*

*Michael J. Daly  
Alfred Faticoni  
Dr. George G. Gentile  
Elwood A.D. Lechausse  
Anthony Mammola  
Alfred A. Meadows  
Robert J. Nearine  
Col. Robert B. Nett  
Tony Paul Pia  
Darrell D. Stark*

*CLASS of 2008*

*Evans H. Daniels, Jr  
Valentine David Galasyn  
John L. Levitow  
Howard Louis Luppi  
Barbara Ellen Miller  
H. Richard Newell, Jr.  
William Atchinson O'Neill  
Roger Gene Paulmeno  
Frederick Gates Reincke  
Robert Rudolph Ritz*

***CLASS of 2009***

*Richard O. Belden  
John "Jack" Dougherty  
Robert L. Genovese  
Dr. Harvey James Grinsell, Jr.  
Brig. Gen. John J. King  
Rev. William David McGee  
Brig. Gen. Daniel J. McHale  
Theodore J. Plamondon, Jr.  
Alphonse N. Sabetta  
Daniel A. Vece, Jr.  
Homer L. Wise*

***CLASS of 2010***

*Edmund J. Burke  
Thomas J. Burke  
John J. Carcioppolo  
Robert C. Hunt, Jr.  
Doris Troth Lippman  
William J. McGurk  
Robert C. Moeller  
Abner Oakes III  
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Robert R. Simmons  
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MADOLON VISINTAINER BARANOSKI

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GEORGE KENNETH CARPENTER

RONALD CATANIA

JOHN GREGORY CHIARELLA

HAROLD B. FARRINGTON, JR.

PHILLIP R. KRAFT

RONALD ROLAND PERRY

RICHARD ALAN RAMPONE

BURKE T. ROSS

CONNECTICUT VETERANS HALL OF FAME

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Nomination packets for the Class of 2012 are available and must be  
submitted by 4 p.m. September 30, 2012.

*Grateful appreciation is extended to all those agencies, organizations and  
individuals who help support the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame  
throughout the year and who have made today's  
induction ceremony possible.*