

## State of the Nation

# 'The Chickasaw Nation is strong because the Chickasaw people are strong'



Gov. Bill Anoatubby reports the state of the Chickasaw Nation is "strong because the people are strong" during his annual State of the Nation address Oct. 5 at the Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting at Murray State College in Tishomingo. Annual Meeting caps off a week of Chickasaw events and celebrations during the Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival.

TISHOMINGO, Okla. - During his annual State of the Nation address, Governor Bill Anoatubby said advances in economic development, cultural preservation and community services have enhanced the lives of the Chickasaw people.

"The Chickasaw Nation is strong because the Chickasaw people are strong," Gov. Anoatubby said. "Chickasaw people are achieving new levels of personal success that allow them to have a positive impact on the lives of others. We believe it is vital to lift

up our fellow Chickasaws and our neighbors."

Gov. Anoatubby delivered the address Saturday, Oct. 5 to a standing-room-only crowd in Fletcher auditorium, as well as an adjacent overflow tent on the Murray State College campus. A live stream of the address was available online.

## Business development

In 2019, Chickasaw Nation businesses achieved record revenues and profits. This fiscal year, net profits from core business operations have increased by 15 percent, and net assets grew by 11 percent.

"Our commitment to financial stability, accountability and responsible stewardship makes our nation strong," Gov. Anoatubby said. "As our businesses have prospered, we have also been able to invest in new opportunities and diversify our portfolio."

Chickasaw Nation Industries, (CNI) a federally-chartered corporation established in 1996 for \$50,000, now produces revenues of more than \$350 million annually.

"CNI is on track to reach another record for revenue this fiscal year, and even conservative es-

timates indicate that since 2015, CNI has grown 75 percent," Gov. Anoatubby said. "Part of that growth is Filtra-Systems and their SCOUT mobile filtration system, which has the potential to revolutionize the oil and gas industry, and its voyager community water treatment system which will solve challenges of rural communities throughout the United States."

This cost efficient, environmentally friendly system is expanding into new markets. It reduces the demand on streams and aquifers. The CNI manufacturing plant in Marietta, Okla., has operated at record levels to keep up with the demand for its products.

The Chickasaw Nation purchased the facility in 2004, when previous owner Siemens announced it would close the 100,000 square-foot metal fabricating plant. Keeping the facility open saved dozens of local jobs, and employment has increased since.

## Community

"We work to ensure business diversification and economic development includes a focus on local communities," Gov. Anoatubby said. "We have worked hard to be good neighbors. We continue

to partner with communities to provide vital resources and infrastructure that benefit all Oklahomans.

"In the modern world, perhaps the most important infrastructure resource is fast, reliable internet. Trace Fiber Networks is bridging the technology gap affecting small towns and rural communities within Chickasaw Country by building a reliable fiber-optic network."

To date, Chickasaw Nation-owned Trace Fiber Networks has installed nearly 180 miles of buried fiber-optic cable. Once completed, the nearly 500-mile fiber-optic network will connect over 40 communities and schools. This network will provide unsurpassed speed and connectivity to offices, schools, hospitals, clinics, libraries and homes, as well as more than 100 Chickasaw Nation-owned businesses.

"Our commitment to build community and partnerships with our neighbors makes our nation strong," Gov. Anoatubby said. "We have worked hard to be good neighbors. Our roads program continues to partner with local governments to improve

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## State-of-the-art center dedicated to Chickasaw fitness

# New Chickasaw Nation Wellness Center dedicated in Ada

ADA, Okla. - A new era in wellness opportunities for the community was ushered in Oct. 16 as Governor Bill Anoatubby, along with dozens of Chickasaw citizens, community members and dignitaries, dedicated the new Chickasaw Nation Wellness Center in Ada.

The state-of-the-art facility, at 228 Seabrook Road, is designed to meet the needs of Chickasaw families and other community members by providing wellness amenities and programs focused on improved health.

Chickasaw Nation Wellness Center is almost twice as large as its predecessor, the Chickasaw Nation Family Life Center, which is adjacent to the new facility.

Gov. Anoatubby said the new facility was a direct result of the increase in awareness of the link between physical activity and overall well-being.

"Over recent years, more and more Chickasaws and employees have recognized the importance and benefits of exercise, leading to this new wellness center today, he said.

"The building houses the cutting edge in fitness technology and will usher in a new approach to how we exercise. It will help Chickasaws, and others, reach



Governor Bill Anoatubby, center with large scissors, is joined by Chickasaw Nation elected officials, Chickasaw citizens, staff and dignitaries during Oct. 16 ribbon cutting ceremonies for the Chickasaw Nation Wellness Center in Ada.

new heights of physical fitness, as well as overall health and well-being.

"Physical fitness is the foundation for our total wellness. It is fundamental to our mission, to enhance the overall life of the Chickasaw people."

Designed for all generations and with an emphasis on fami-

lies, the Wellness Center offers cutting-edge amenities to encourage healthy habits for young people.

"It is exciting to see the future of fitness for our citizens and employees. A future in which fitness is fun and our exercise is supported by the latest science and cutting-edge technology. A future

that involves the whole family," Gov. Anoatubby said.

The expansive Chickasaw Nation Wellness Center features a free weight area and weight machine area; a large studio for fitness classes; an open cardio room, a children's exercise area, men's and women's locker rooms, an elevated walking track, and a

hydration station.

The 25,350-square-foot facility also features a state-of-the-art interactive PRAMA studio, a circuit-based, group training system that combines three dimensional movements with cardio intervals.

The cutting-edge system combines lights and music to create an immersive and fun experience. Interactive workouts can be programmed for athletes from beginners to elite.

Only three other facilities in the U.S. feature this system and the Ada Wellness Center is the first in Oklahoma.

The Wellness Center exercise areas are fully-equipped with state-of-the-art treadmills and elliptical machines, rowing and targeted muscle group machines, free weights and strength-training equipment.

In addition, the Wellness Center will continue to offer numerous exercise classes, from abdominal training to Zumba.

The new Wellness Center is across the street from the Family Life Center, which will remain open for swimming pool and sauna access.

The Family Life Center was opened in 2004. It marked a ma-

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# Ground broken in Ada for new Chickasaw Nation Honor Guard facility

ADA, Okla. - Governor Bill Anoatubby led Oct. 15 groundbreaking ceremonies for a new Chickasaw Nation Honor Guard base of operations.

Established in 1993 by a group of Chickasaw veterans, the Chickasaw Honor Guard conducts military honors at funeral and memorial services and assists with many tribal and community functions. The first official honor guard ceremony was posting the colors at the 1993 Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and participating in the festival parade, a tradition that still continues.

"Our honored Chickasaw veterans carry on the Chickasaw warrior tradition, Gov. Anoatubby said.

"We are proud of our Honor Guard and grateful to them, and to all of our veterans, for their service."

The new Chickasaw Honor Guard building, Gov. Anoatubby

said, was a way for the Chickasaw Nation to demonstrate appreciation to the group.

"Once completed, the building will provide the Chickasaw Nation Honor Guard with a dedicated area of their own and offer a new level of support for the important work they do," he said.

The 1,848-square-foot Honor Guard building will feature a large meeting room, two offices and a kitchen. The building will also feature a storage area for all Chickasaw Honor Guard equipment, and will provide a place for monthly meetings and fellowship.

The building complements the nearby Chickasaw Nation Veterans Lodge. The Honor Guard facility will be at 1909 Warrior Way on the South Ada campus, near the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center.

For more information about the Chickasaw Honor Guard, please call (580) 310-7930.



Governor Bill Anoatubby sixth from left, is joined by Chickasaw Nation elected officials, Chickasaw veterans, project contractors and members of the Chickasaw Nation Honor Guard during Oct. 15 groundbreaking ceremonies for a new Ada base of operations for the Chickasaw Honor Guard.

Imanoli Creative Writers Conference

## Chickasaw screenwriter, producer uses life experiences to drive storytelling



Screenwriter, producer and Iraq War veteran Graham Roland shares insights during the Imanoli Creative Writers Conference at East Central University in Ada. His tips included "always learn, be an eternal student"; "write every day"; "build community, don't be an island"; "follow your passion, write about what you know"; and "persevere, keep at it."

ADA, Okla. - Graham Roland returned to the Chickasaw Nation - his childhood summer home, where his Chickasaw roots remained - to share his story and spread a message during the Imanoli Creative Writers Conference in Ada.

Mr. Roland is a successful screenwriter and producer. He is also a Marine veteran of the Iraq War.

His work has been featured on both television and cinema with shows like "Lost" and "Tom Clancy's Jack Ryan," and movies like "Mile 22."

His message to Chickasaw writ-

ers, especially young ones, was "Embrace your story, whatever that story is. It is interesting. It is what makes you, you. It doesn't matter where you're born. You're just as talented and probably have more to say than most."

"There's such a unique experience people are having here, and I think that's where great art comes from, communities like this. Having stories inside you with life experience is invaluable. You already have that. Use it. Write about what you know, sing about what you know, paint about what you know, start there."

He speaks from experience. Drawing from his own life's story, he said, played a large role in landing his first Hollywood writing gig on "Lost."

"I went into the Marines to, among other things, pay for college, get stories, meet interesting people, grow up," Mr. Roland said. "All of those things happened. I wrote a screenplay I could not have written had I not gone to Iraq. It was the texture."

After his time in the military, holding onto his enjoyment of storytelling, he set off down the path to making a living as a writer. Making the purposeful decision to do so, he said, was like flipping a switch. It transformed him into a professional, rather than someone who just enjoyed writing.

"I was a nobody, a complete unknown," he said. "And to be plucked out of that and put on 'Lost' was mind blowing. The reason it happened was, out of all the pile of scripts they read

trying to fill this one position in the writers' room, mine stood out because I had lived it."

He lends no credit to the idea his success is owed to being the best writer in the room (something he'd refute right away). Instead, he believes his work stood out because it had the ring of truth. It was not a magical piece of jewelry, he said, but an echo of a life lived. He was looking back to his own experiences instead of trying to run from them, which gave him an extra edge.

### Writing what he knows

A large chunk of Mr. Roland's filmography has tapped into his military experience - a sign he practices what he preaches in regards to good writing.

Considering future endeavors, he is looking to draw from an entirely different part of his background while maybe breaking a few Hollywood tropes along the way.

He recalled the first time he saw Native American representation in a movie in which they were the good guys. It was the 1970 film "Little Big Man," starring Dustin Hoffman. The movie "Dances with Wolves" is similar, he said, but both suffer from the same trope of a non-Native who comes in contact with a Native community, exploring what then happens.

"I've wanted to tell a Native American story for a long time," Mr. Roland said. "I look forward and hope I'm able to tell a story that celebrates a Native American community without the white

character coming into the story. Just having everyone, all of the heroes, be Native American. It's always been on my mind."

He might have the chance, if all goes well.

"This year I've been working with HBO to do a show about Native Americans. I don't know if they'll make it, but they're interested enough to have me write a script," he said.

### Chickasaw roots in Oklahoma soil

Mr. Roland was born and grew up in Ardmore, Okla. He left with his mother to move to California when he was eight years old, but continued to spend summers back east with his father.

"I've always been tied to Oklahoma," he said. "The Oklahoma I remember is summertime, catching fireflies at night. I think of catfish. I think of the people. And I think of green. Where I'm at now everything is so brown."

His Chickasaw ties have been passed down from his great-grandmother through his grandmother and mother.

His great-grandmother, Caroline Milligan, was a full-blood Chickasaw who lived to be 107. She would host big reunions, Mr. Roland said, bring everybody in and cook a big pot of pashofa. Now, he said, he goes out of his way to eat pashofa when he visits Oklahoma.

His grandmother, Geneva Ducote, lives in Madill, Okla., and used to work with Chickasaw

children in the foster care program. She is a big part of what brings Mr. Roland back to Oklahoma as an adult.

"My dad passed recently," he said. "He was Choctaw. It just made me in general want to, you know, I didn't want to lose connection. Geneva just turned 90 in May. She's in good health. I'm trying to get those traditions and stories from her, learn what she went through and what her childhood was like. That became important to me."

Family is one way Mr. Roland stays Chickasaw-connected. Another is giving back.

"I had benefited from the Chickasaw Nation," he said. "They gave me assistance for studies. If I got sick or got hurt, I'd go to the medical center. They took care of me, so I want to give something back."

Sharing his insight during the Imanoli Creative Writers Conference was one way he was able to give back. Summed up, his writing advice included: 1) Always learn, be an eternal student; 2) write every day; 3) build community, don't be an island; 4) follow your passion, write about what you know; and 5) persevere, keep at it.

"If you want to do something, you have a great resource here in the Chickasaw Nation," Mr. Roland said. "All Native Americans, Chickasaws included, have such a rich history in storytelling. There's a lot of really creative talent in this community. They just need something to set them down the right path."

Shackleford work to National Museum of the American Indian

## Chickasaw weaver's shawl headed to Indian Museum



TYRA SHACKLEFORD

TISHOMINGO, Okla. - Tyra Shackleford is at it again.

The Chickasaw master fabric weaver sold a breathtaking, multicolored, lightning-bolt shawl to the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) in Washington, D.C.

It marks the second time Ms. Shackleford's talent has enticed a museum purchase with her intricate and delicate finger-woven creations.

Ms. Shackleford's "The Lady" earned the Harrison Eiteljorg Purchase Award at the Eiteljorg Indian Market and Festival in Indianapolis two years ago. "The Lady" is a specialized "sprang" technique of weaving shown to Ms. Shackleford by Margaret Roach Wheeler, a Chickasaw recognized globally for her textile artistry.

"The Lady" was added to the Eiteljorg permanent museum collection but is on loan to "Visual

Voices: Contemporary Chickasaw Art," currently on exhibit in Santa Fe, N.M., through 2019. It is more than eight feet in length, elegantly displayed to hang as if a woman was wearing it.

"I am very honored NMAI purchased the shawl and pleased it will be a part of a museum celebrating Native culture encompassing all of North America," Ms. Shackleford said.

While "Finger Woven Shawl" doesn't quite have the elegant moniker of "The Lady," Ms. Shackleford said the piece was one of the more difficult she has tackled.

"The Lady' is a looser weave, and it flows. 'Finger Woven Shawl' is a tight weave. Both techniques require different sets of skills and each challenges me as an artist," she said.

Ms. Shackleford burst onto the scene in 2016, claiming a first place and top spot in the textile division at the Southwest Ameri-



"Finger Woven Shawl" was purchased by the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.

can Indian Art and Market, the nation's largest and most prestigious Native American art show conducted annually in Santa Fe. The show is juried and art must be available for purchase during

Indian Market and Festival.

In mid-2017, "The Lady" was purchased by Eiteljorg.

This year, "Finger Woven Shawl" was acquired by NMAI.

## Call for Native American artists for 2020 Artesian Arts Festival

SULPHUR, Okla. - The 7th Annual Artesian Arts Festival is now seeking applications from all Native American artists for the 2020 festival, set Saturday, May 23, 2020 in Sulphur.

Deadline to submit an application is Friday, Nov. 29.

Open to artists from all federally-recognized tribes, artists will compete in a juried competition in as many as 21 categories. Artists will be notified of jury selection by mail and email.

Artists must be at least 18 years old and present documentation of citizenship in a federally-recognized Native American tribe.

Cash awards will be presented for first, second and third place in each category, including Best of 2-D, 3-D, Best of Show and Best of Cultural.

Hosted by the Chickasaw Nation, the Artesian Arts Festival is a community celebration of Native American fine art and artists.

The festival features a variety of visual art including paintings, basketry, jewelry, sculpture, metalworking, beadwork, textiles and pottery.

Other attractions include Native American dance demonstrations, a children's tent, an elders' market area, artist talks and demon-

strations, and more than half a dozen live music performances.

Open to the public at no charge, the Artesian Arts Festival welcomed nearly 11,000 visitors to last year's festival. Esteemed artists from across the nation representing more than 20 Native American tribes from 12 states participated in previous Artesian Arts Festivals.

The Artesian Arts Festival takes place primarily at the Artesian Plaza adjacent to the Artesian Hotel and Spa, 1001 W. First St., Sulphur. It spans W. Muskogee Avenue from Division Street to W. Fourth Street.

Application forms, entry rules and additional information can be found on the Chickasaw Nation website at Chickasaw.net/ArtesianFest.

For more information, please contact Chickasaw Nation Arts & Humanities at (580) 272-5520 or email ArtistInfo@Chickasaw.net.

### About the Artesian Arts Festival

Hosted by the Chickasaw Nation, the Artesian Arts Festival spotlights prominent Native artists from across the country and celebrates Native American fine

art.

A vast selection of visual art including paintings, basketry, jewelry, sculpture, metalworking, beadwork, textiles and pottery are featured at the Artesian Arts Festival.

A wide variety of musical entertainment, tribal dance demonstrations, art talks and food vendors is also planned.

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Deadline for submission is the 15th of each month prior to publication. Submissions can be mailed, faxed, hand-delivered or e-mailed.

# Native American Heritage Month a great time to discover your history

November marks "Native American Heritage Month." This designation recognizes the history of Native people and their unique place in American society.

Native American Heritage Month had its beginnings more than 100 years ago. The Boy Scouts of America set aside a "First Americans Day." In 1915, President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed the second Saturday of each May "American Indian Day."

What is recognized today as Native American Heritage Month came into being in 1990. President George H.W. Bush approved a joint resolution of Congress designating November "National American Indian Heritage Month."

During this month, it is appropriate to recognize the great strides we have made together in establishing building blocks that help lead to happy and successful lives. The Chickasaw Nation continues to build on that successful foundation in so many different ways.

More Chickasaws than ever before today own their own homes. Many Chickasaw home owners have realized their dreams by accessing the excellent home ownership programs available through the Chickasaw Nation. Potential Chickasaw home owners can receive assistance with mortgage selection, financing, credit building, costs and fees, structure and more. Our tribe functions as a helpful partner with Chickasaw families as they select and purchase the homes that work for them. It is always a terrific feeling to experience the joy of a Chickasaw family closing on its first home!

We are all very aware of the depth of the Chickasaw Nation's commitment to education. Our tribe has a long, storied history of supporting education and seeking out the very best education opportunities for our citizens.



GOV. BILL ANOATUBBY

Governor,  
The Chickasaw  
Nation

The Chickasaw Nation now funds more higher education, vocational and specialty training and certification grants and scholarships than at any time in our history. Thousands of Chickasaw students benefit each year. They can access assistance with tuition, books, tutoring, computers, training equipment and so much more.

Our goals as a tribe line up perfectly with the goals of our Chickasaw students. We all want the very best hand up, and the very highest potential for success we can achieve together. Our efforts together - tribe and student - are paying big dividends. We are meeting with significant success. It is always a

great feeling to watch a Chickasaw student walk across the graduation stage to collect his or her diploma!

These programs are just samples of the many things we now have available for citizens. It is awesome to consider where we were in our tribal development just 50 short years ago. We have traveled a long and successful path together! This type of Chickasaw achievement can be put

in perspective by simply doing a bit of study.

There are lots of resources available to you to lead you as you discover more about Indian history, and your place in it.

The Smithsonian Institution, the Museum of the American Indian, the Library of Congress, the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Archives and the National Gallery of Art all offer excellent information and curriculum. These are great places to start and open your mind to the possibilities. And for teachers, this is the perfect opportunity to share Chickasaw and Indian heritage lessons with students.

Of course, the Chickasaw Cultural Center in Sulphur, Okla., is ready to help you. The Holisso Center is the perfect place to learn about your tribe and your Chickasaw heritage. Take a day for discovery at the Cultural Center. You will be glad you did!

There are so many ways today to reconnect with the Chickasaw Nation. Our Chickasaw language program is a great place to not only learn your traditional language, but also make connection with Chickasaws who will help guide your study. The Chickasaw Press offers a terrific selection of titles for you to enjoy. Go online at Chickasaw.tv and view the fantastic Chickasaw stories on "Profiles of a Nation." If you are a Chickasaw youth, you can access any number of great tribal programs that will help lead you on the path of discovery about yourself and your tribe. And remember, your Chickasaw elders serve as "living encyclopedias" to help you discover your history.

This month, Native American Heritage Month, resolve to strengthen your connection to the Chickasaw Nation. You will discover a whole new world waiting for you!

## Pettigrew brothers bring years of music, joy of Chickasaw culture, to flute making



The Pettigrew brothers, Wendell, left, and Jack, watch activity from their booth at the Southeastern Art Show and Market (SEASAM) during the final days of the 2019 Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival.

TISHOMINGO, Okla. - Chickasaw flute and pipe makers Jack and Wendell Pettigrew "pre-viewed" a matching hand-made flute and pipe set to Governor Bill Anoatubby during the Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival. The set will be donated to the tribe in the near future.

Jack said he had worked on the set for three years. The flute is made of cedar and the pipe is poplar with Minnesota pipestone. Both are adorned with green and

white soap stone, porcupine quills and feature carved wolf heads.

Jack, 77, and his brother, Wendell, 79, both learned to make flutes as children and have been showing their work the past seven years at the Southeastern Art Show and Market (SEASAM) during the week of Annual Meeting and Festival.

The Pettigrew brothers have been making music for a living since 1956. They played music

together in several groups that performed locally and across Oklahoma.

"The first place we played (as teenagers) we made \$14 each," Wendell said. "That was more than my father was making. He was earning \$1.50 an hour as a carpenter and bricklayer. We made \$14 for just two hours and we thought 'hey, this is a way to make a living!'"

### California Dreaming

In the 1970s, Wendell relocated to California where he was in demand as a session bassist for recording artists in addition to having his own band. Jack moved to Texas to work for the federal government's civil rights division.

"He left Oklahoma to entertain the world and I left to save the world," a smiling Jack noted.

It was the first time the Pettigrew brothers had been separated.

"We were called 'Heckle and Jeckle' by family and friends," Jack said. "We were never apart. We did everything together."

Wendell was born in July 1940. Jack arrived two years later in August 1942.

Polio - a viral scourge that afflicted millions worldwide - resulted in a healthy Jack watching over a stricken Wendell because

their parents both worked outside the home.

"I was a sickly child," Wendell said. "I was in an iron lung for a little while. I don't think the family thought I was going to make it. So they brought me home and a Chickasaw medicine man came to the house and prayed for me. After a week or so, I started feeling better. Breathing was easier and it wasn't long before I was out of bed and recovering. It would be accurate to say I was the one who got us into the most trouble," Wendell said while flashing a wide smile.

### Flutes and More

Flute-making has been a part of their lives since childhood. A non-Native neighbor taught them how to build a basic flute and "even taught us how to make a boomerang that wouldn't come back," Wendell recalled, laughing out loud.

As modern music took hold in their lives, modern instruments and amplifiers became a part of life as well. It wasn't until the brothers retired and returned to Ada they started making flutes and Native pipes.

"Jack's son purchased a flute for him and it split in half," Wendell said. "It was a flute from a well-known maker that cost

about \$500. The maker would not accept a return, so we said 'we can do that. We know how to make flutes.'

"We make what we call 'fancy flutes.' We do carvings. Jack does sculpture work on them and all kinds of different designs. I do painting on them. We give you something that can become a family heirloom at a reasonable price," Wendell said. "If something goes wrong, we'll either fix it or give you another one free."

Jack said the team was "adding to the culture and not letting it die out. We let people know who we are, what we stand for and we leave something behind so they will know we were here. When you build a flute, there is a lot of yourself that goes into that process. A lot of that is because we played music for so long. It has meaning to us. We feel a total kinship in making flutes because we played music so many years. Treating something that can make music as a piece of art, you have the best of both worlds right there."

"I still get chills when I finish a flute because it came from my head and out of my heart," Wendell said. "Music is about what is inside you. It's a love that you put into it and it's love you get out of it, too."

## Lighthorse Police a key agency across multiple jurisdictions



The Chickasaw Nation Lighthorse Police Department headquarters is located in Ada, Okla. The department is split into three precincts: WinStar, Ada and Newcastle.

ADA, Okla. - The Lighthorse Police Department of the Chickasaw Nation prides itself on its highly trained officers and ability to work with local, state and federal agencies to keep Oklahomans safe. Lighthorse officers provide law enforcement services to the Chickasaw Nation and citizens within its jurisdiction, as well as assist city, county and state police. The contemporary Lighthorse Police Department was re-established in 2004.

The Chickasaw Nation provided direct funding for the recreation of the historic Lighthorse Police Department and its officers, tools and communication systems. Subsequently, cooperation with other law enforcement agencies has increased the quality of safety for all Oklahomans.

Lighthorse has cross-deputization agreements with 48 law enforcement agencies within and surrounding the 13-county jurisdiction of the Chickasaw Nation. Cross-deputization agreements work to eliminate jurisdictional uncertainties and deliver efficient law enforcement services. The Lighthorse Police Department routinely helps other law enforcement agencies with matters involving non-Native Americans within its jurisdiction.

Cross-deputization agreements are important in Oklahoma, where lands under state authority and Native American lands under federal and tribal authority resemble a checkerboard. These agreements authorize law enforcement officers to react immediately to violations of the law

and other emergencies regardless of jurisdiction.

Community outreach and safety is a priority for Lighthorse. In addition to its patrol and investigative responsibilities, the Lighthorse Police Department also oversees a prescription take-back program, a sex offender registry, a confidential hotline an online tip form and a youth police academy.

The summer youth police academy teaches participants about the guiding principles of law enforcement that serve our community. The academy encourages responsible citizenship, provides positive interaction with police officers, and educates participants about the challenges and responsibilities of police work.

The Chickasaw Lighthorse Po-



Community outreach and safety is a priority for the Lighthorse Police Department. Officers teach basic CPR during the youth police academy.

lice Department includes specially trained K-9 teams. These teams are tested and trained regularly to track fugitives, participate in patrol (officer protection) work, and perform narcotics detection. K-9 officers and their dogs are a valuable resource in interacting with residents within the communities they serve. Lighthorse K-9 demonstrations are popular at local schools.

The Lighthorse Police Department offers a telephone and web-based tip hotline that serves southern Oklahoma. Officers staff the lines and answer ques-

tions from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. After business hours, tips are recorded. The confidential hotline number is (866) 928-7384. The online tips can be accessed at Chickasaw.net/LPD.

Lighthorse Police Department has members assigned to special task forces, including the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, U.S. Marshal Service and the District 22 Drug and Violent Crime Task Force. These partnerships help

# Outstanding Chickasaws recognized at Arts & Culture Awards



Merry Monroe receives the 2019 Dynamic Woman of the Year award from Governor Bill Anoatubby, left, and Lt. Governor Chris Anoatubby.



Harold Stick, center, was honored with the prestigious Silver Feather Award. Mr. Stick was presented with the award by Governor Bill Anoatubby, left, and Lt. Governor Chris Anoatubby.



James Wenonah Gunning was honored with a Chickasaw Historical Society Service award. Her son Robin Gunning, center, accepted on her behalf. Governor Bill Anoatubby, left, and Lt. Governor Chris Anoatubby presented the award.



Michael Cornelius, center, was honored with a Chickasaw Historical Society Service award. Governor Bill Anoatubby, left, and Lt. Governor Chris Anoatubby presented the award.



F. Gene Smith's metalwork art earned the 2019 Southeastern Art Show and Market "Best of Show." Mr. Smith, center, was awarded the honor by Governor Bill Anoatubby, left, and Lt. Governor Chris Anoatubby.



Governor Bill Anoatubby, left, and Lt. Governor Chris Anoatubby, right, present Noah Kauffman with an award for the 2019 Southeastern Art Show and Market youth category "Best of Show."

SULPHUR, Okla. – Educators, artists, linguists, public servants and cultural advocates were among those honored during the Chickasaw Nation Arts & Culture Awards ceremony Oct. 3, at the Chickasaw Cultural Center.

"Tonight we recognize the talents and accomplishments of our Chickasaw, Southeastern and Woodland tribal artists, authors and culture bearers," Governor Bill Anoatubby said. "In addition, we honor and celebrate the distinguished recipients of this year's Dynamic Woman of the Year and the Silver Feather awards."

## Dynamic Woman of the Year - Merry Monroe

Merry Monroe was named the 2019 Dynamic Chickasaw Woman of the Year by Gov. Anoatubby.

Mrs. Monroe dedicated nearly 50 years of her life to serving Native American students. More recently, she began learning and sharing the Chickasaw language. "Chickasaw women have played many important roles throughout history," Gov. Anoatubby said. "They have a longstanding reputation as vibrant, fearless, motivated, hardworking and remarkable. We often use the word dynamic, which encapsulates all those and many other characteristics of Chickasaw women."

"Tonight we recognize Merry Monroe for her leadership and commitment to her culture and her people."

"She spent nearly five decades serving Chickasaws and other Na-

tive American students."

After graduating from high school, Mrs. Monroe worked at Byng Public Schools in the Indian Education program as a tutor and teacher's aide. She became Byng's Johnson-O'Malley (JOM) representative and ultimately the Indian education coordinator.

To further her career, she enrolled at East Central University in Ada. As part of her studies, she learned the Chickasaw language. The same year she earned a Native American Studies degree, she took over the Chickasaw language class at Byng.

Wanting to learn more about the language, she entered the Chickasaw Nation's Master Apprentice Language Program and was paired with fluent speaker Pauline Walker. Together, they more fully explored the intricacies of the Chickasaw language.

Mrs. Monroe was recognized by the National JOM Association as the teacher of the year in 2018. She retired from Byng schools the same year and was honored by AARP Oklahoma for her lifetime of service.

She is involved at First Indian Baptist Church in Ada and is a member of the Native Praise Choir.

In addition to teaching Chickasaw language classes for the Chickasaw Nation History and Culture Division, she attends art classes and takes piano lessons. She and her husband of 47 years, Leonard Monroe, have two children, James and Christy.

"I'd like to say, this is some-

thing I never dreamed of," Mrs. Monroe said. "I appreciate being thought of. I'm just glad that God blessed me to be where I am today with the people I am with today," Mrs. Monroe said while accepting the award.

"The biggest blessing was to be able to be in a place where I could speak the language. I've been able to keep learning and I get to spend a lot of time with our elders."

She spoke of her relationship with Chickasaw elder and fluent speaker Pauline Brown, who was a 2018 Silver Feather award recipient.

"When I start to speak and learn new words, the first thing I do is look to Pauline. She's going to tell me how to say it," Mrs. Monroe said with a laugh. "If you've learned how to say something, use it and pass it on. If you pass it on, then our language will be with us always."

Established in 2006, the Dynamic Chickasaw Woman of the Year Award honors Chickasaw women who have made significant contributions to the nation, serve as role models to other Chickasaw women and who have made a difference in the lives of Chickasaws and other citizens, enriching their communities and society at large.

Chickasaw women have historically been an integral part of the warrior society, serving as guards and coming to the aid of warriors in battle. Chickasaw women know how to handle adversity, difficulties and trials with courage and determination. They are able to reach from within and accomplish things which seem beyond ordinary capabilities, as has been their tradition for many generations.

As leaders in education, health care, arts, cultural advocacy, the legal profession, politics, social services and community development, Chickasaw women continue to forge new roads that serve as a force of empowerment for girls, women and men of all ages.

Previous awardees include Dr. Judylee Oliva, Lisa Johnson-Billy, Dr. Tina Marie Cooper, Dr. Teresa M. Shavney, Mildred "Millie" Blackmon, Steffani Cochran, Ellen Brooker, Dr. Shannon Speed, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Mary Ruth Barnes, Shelby Rowe, Brenda Kingery and Dr. Amanda Cobb-Greetham.

## Silver Feather - Harold Stick

Harold Stick received the prestigious 2019 Silver Feather Award.

"The people who preserve our culture are very, very special," Gov. Anoatubby said. "We recognize an individual who is committed to keeping our Chickasaw culture, traditions and language alive and thriving. People with a

passion for preserving our past and presenting it to others are a wellspring for future Chickasaw leaders, entrepreneurs, speakers, storytellers, artists and craftsmen.

"This evening we present the Silver Feather Award to one such individual, a Chickasaw with a passion for speaking our language and sharing it with others. A Chickasaw who has shown his strength and kept the Chickasaw warrior spirit alive through three decades of military service. A Chickasaw who expresses himself and our culture through artistic beadwork. We are speaking of Mr. Harold Stick."

Mr. Stick, a native of Allen, Okla., is the son of the late Martin C. Stick Sr. and Eliza Vene (Walton) Stick.

He is a U.S. Marine Corps veteran and served two tours in Vietnam. He retired after serving 32 combined years of service in the Marines and the U.S. Army National Guard.

He continues with a Chickasaw warrior spirit serving as sergeant-at-arms at the Chickasaw Nation Veterans Lodge.

Mr. Stick is a fluent speaker who is quick to share Chickasaw language and stories with interested veterans. He is welcoming, and his seasoned experience earns respect from the veterans and visitors who visit the lodge. He is also a self-taught and accomplished beadwork artist.

"I'm sitting there listening to all this, and I'm thinking that doesn't sound like me! Who are they talking about?" Mr. Stick joked upon accepting his award.

"But I am honored and humbled by this award. And I said I wasn't going to do that," he said holding back tears.

"I stand in the shadows of those who have come before me. You see the list," he said, pointing to the names of previous Silver Feather recipients. "They are my elders. I still have elders here. Those are the ones who have become my role models."

He said he grew up understanding what it was to be Chickasaw because he had role models in his parents and grandparents as well as his extended family and church family.

"What sustains me today, carries me – and hopefully I may pass it on to my grandchildren – is that set of morals, values and beliefs. For me, that's the way I live. I don't know of any other way to live. To me it was being of service to other people," Mr. Stick said.

"I'm an elder's child. I spent a great deal of time around my elders, my grandparents and especially at church. I hung around some of those old men and learned their stories and what to do and what not to be. I spent a great deal of time sitting around

drinking coffee. I enjoyed morning coffee with my granny. Then later on I'd spent a great deal of time around the kitchen table with my mom. They allowed me to talk about anything. That's why I'd say I was an elder's child, they talked to me as an adult, not as a child. I was grateful for that," he said.

Created in 1999, the Silver Feather Award honors Chickasaws who have committed their lives to the preservation and revitalization of Chickasaw culture, language and life tradition.

Previous Silver Feather awardees include Adam Walker, Pauline Walker, Charlie Carter, Juanita Byars, Sim Greenwood, Geneva Holman, Leerene Frazier, Rose Jefferson, Stanley Smith, Marie Beck, Jerry Underwood, Catherine Pickets Willmond, Weldon Fulson, Emma McLeod, Jerry Imotichey, Virginia Alexander Bolen, Sam Johnson, Sue Fish, Daniel Worcester and Pauline Brown.

## Chickasaw Historical Society Service awards - Michael Cornelius and James Wenonah Gunning

Michael Cornelius and the late James Wenonah Gunning were both honored with a Chickasaw Historical Society Service award.

The Chickasaw Historical Society was established by tribal law April 15, 1994. Since that time, the historical society and society members have worked toward the mission statement of promoting, preserving and protecting Chickasaw culture and family traditions.

"I'm very honored to be here, to be recognized," Mr. Cornelius said. "All along, the Chickasaw Nation has been supportive and very helpful to me. I applaud everything they do, their efforts and continuing support of the education field. I just want to thank everyone here for being my family and friends. Thank you very much."

Mr. Cornelius is the grandson of Silas and Bessie Maytubby. His grandfather, Silas, was an original enrollee.

He graduated from Mill Creek High School and attended several institutions of higher learning across the U.S., completing both undergraduate and graduate programs.

Professionally, he worked for more than 40 years in various educational, tribal and state institutions in Oklahoma, Minnesota and Alaska.

His many accomplishments include receiving the national TRIO Achiever Award for his efforts in providing educational excellence for disadvantaged youth (TRIO

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major milestone in the tribe's efforts to promote healthy lifestyles and preventive health care services.

Chickasaw Nation Wellness Centers are also located in Ardmore, Purcell and Tishomingo. The Centers provide education, mentoring, monitoring, incentives and access to activities to promote exercise, nutrition and overall improved health.

By providing access to equipment and services offered at the

four wellness centers, the Chickasaw Nation helps build healthier communities and reduce the health disparities faced by many Native Americans.

Membership to the facilities is free for tribal citizens and employees and is also open to community members at a reasonable price.

For more information, please visit [chickasaw.net/wellnesscenters](http://chickasaw.net/wellnesscenters).

CHRs in touch with culture, essential needs of the people

# Community Health Representatives have improved Chickasaw lives since 1969



Chickasaw Hall of Fame member Geraldine Greenwood became one of the original Chickasaw Nation Community Health Representatives in 1969.



Eula "Pearl" Scott Carter was one of the original Chickasaw Nation Community Health Representatives (CHR). She would later serve three terms as a Chickasaw legislator, where she helped oversee growth in tribal operations and services.

The Community Health Representative (CHR) program is one of the oldest programs and services offered by the Chickasaw Nation. A prestigious job, two Chickasaw Hall of Fame members, Geraldine Greenwood and Eula "Pearl" Carter Scott, include CHR experience on their resumes. Originally operating with a handful of people, the program has today grown to include 22 CHR's serving the 13 counties of the Chickasaw Nation.

The late Geraldine Greenwood, inducted into the Chickasaw Hall of Fame in 2001, became one of the original Chickasaw Nation CHR's in 1969. According to the Indian Health Service (IHS) webpage, the CHR program was established to provide front-line public health workers who are trusted members of their community.

"She enjoyed being a CHR," Mrs. Greenwood's grandson Brad "Ace" Greenwood said of his grandmother. "She would speak highly of those days. When she saw people who knew her then, she would remind us these were the people she served or worked with her."

CHRs have close understanding of the culture in which they serve, understand Native languages, and are aware of the traditions and norms within the community.

Mrs. Greenwood's knowledge of her traditional language and Chickasaw customs served her well as a CHR. She was able to advocate for the health and well-being of her clients, including

She was so proud she also bought magnetic decals that went on the side of her car saying she was working for the Chickasaw Nation.

"Somebody stole one. She was mad and looked for it for a month. She found it on a teenager's car that was 'dragging Main' in Ada. She called the cops and got it back," Mr. Greenwood said with a laugh.

As part of her determination to preserve Chickasaw culture later in life, Mrs. Greenwood developed a Chickasaw language curriculum used at universities. She served as an interpreter of the Chickasaw language and would later help with preservation efforts by serving on the Chickasaw Language Committee. Because of this work and other accomplishments, she was honored by the tribe by being selected the "Original Dynamic Woman" of the Chickasaw Nation.

Celebrity aviatrix Eula "Pearl" Carter Scott became a CHR in 1972. She trained at the Desert Willow Indian Training Center in Tucson, Arizona.

Mrs. Scott's outgoing personality and commitment to the Chickasaw people made her a perfect fit as a CHR. Her life was primarily spent caring for others in one form or fashion. Born to a blind father in Marlow, Okla., she learned to drive him in a car by the age of 12 and could fly planes by 13. She became the youngest pilot in the United States with her first solo flight in 1929.

Mrs. Scott's life story is the embodiment of independence and equality, both traits evident today in the Chickasaw Nation. She tackled challenges head-on when they presented themselves - a personality trait every CHR must have. Later in her professional life, she would serve three terms as a Chickasaw legislator where she helped oversee incredible growth in tribal operations and services.

According to a 1980 article in the *Chickasaw Times* by Robert M. Cheadle, many tribal health programs grew from the work of the original CHRs.

"The CHR program, which is the basis of all the health programs, expanded to include specialized services so each individual CHR did not need to perform all the services of the depart-

ment," Mr. Cheadle wrote.

Examples of the services that stem from the original CHR program include early community meetings, nutrition education and an initial version of the current rabies vaccination clinics.

To stay in touch with the needs of Native Americans within the Chickasaw Nation, CHRs would host community meetings. Meals were often provided. Many times, preparation time and expenses were taken care of by individual CHRs.

Lillian Fowler, a contemporary of Mrs. Greenwood and Mrs. Scott, explained her job as a CHR was often "do-it-yourself" in the 1980 *Chickasaw Times* article. Mrs. Fowler took it upon herself to become a nutrition specialist. Recognizing the need that Native Americans have for nutrition education, she prepared, demonstrated and trained people to cook diabetic friendly meals.

"I am doing exactly what I want to do," Mrs. Fowler said in the article. "I like to work in the field."

She also recalled how the CHRs would host rabies vaccinations.

"People would bring their dogs and cats and we would vaccinate them (ourselves)," she said. "There is a world of difference between then and now."



Geraldine Greenwood printed magnetic decals for her car identifying her as a Chickasaw Nation Community Health Representative (CHR). CHRs continue to work as liaisons between the Chickasaw Nation's programs and services, and its citizens.

## About the Community Health Representative Program

Today, the Community Health Representative program promotes the highest possible health care for Native Americans. Services offered by the CHR program include patient advocacy, communication between tribal and

community resources, patient education and health promotion/disease prevention.

Medical professionals from the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center now refer patients to CHRs, who then visit patients' homes to educate them about their diagnoses and the best treatments available. Advocates for patients, CHRs act as intermediaries with medical professionals. They also arrange transportation for medical appointments.

CHRs provide more than just medical care. They wear many hats during the course of their careers. They are health providers, counselors, social workers, mentors and tribal ambassadors. They become close friends to the clients they serve.

Chickasaw Nation CHR Resenda Lopez said, "We make sure our clients are keeping up with their utilities. We also check our clients' homes to make sure they are safe. This includes us checking for any items that may cause a tripping hazard. We also keep up with all the applications for housing grants and anything else they are eligible for through the Chickasaw Nation."

"We make sure those who are homebound receive proper nutrition. We deliver winter fruits and vegetables for homebound clients. We also take Christmas and Thanksgiving holiday baskets out to our clients. They really do feel like family. We enjoy visiting and making sure they have all the things that they need."

The Community Health Representative program began in 1968. According to the IHS website, the CHR initiative was the first tribally-contracted program.

Services are administered by the tribes and available to Native Americans living within tribal boundaries. CHRs are charged with delivering health education and practices set by the IHS, Native American and Alaska Native tribes.

Since its inception, the CHR program has evolved to become one of the largest programs contracted to the tribes, not only in dollars and number of people served, but also in the number of tribes having contracts with the government.

For more information, visit [Chickasaw.net/AreaOffices](http://Chickasaw.net/AreaOffices).

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local streets, highways, county roads and bridges."

This year alone, the Chickasaw Nation committed more than \$6 million to joint projects to re-surface or construct 22 miles of roadway.

In Tishomingo, the Chickasaw Nation is working closely with the city to improve the municipal water infrastructure.

Since it was re-established 15 years ago, the Chickasaw Lighthorse Police Department has worked closely with local, state and federal agencies. To date, Lighthorse has 48 cross-deputization agreements with city,

county, state and federal law enforcement agencies, allowing them to work together to protect and serve our communities.

Recently, the Chickasaw Nation WIC program launched a mobile unit to travel to remote rural sites, making WIC services accessible to residents in those areas.

### Education

Growth in business revenues benefits education services in several areas, including increases in the amount of scholarships and text book grants.

"This past year, we invested more than \$25 million in schol-

arships, grants and other forms of financial support to more than 5,400 Chickasaw students," Gov. Anoatubby said.

The tribe increased the amount of scholarships for tuition, the number of credit hours funded per semester and the amount of the text book grant. This fall, a higher education grant was introduced to help with tuition and enrollment fees.

Earlier this year, the Chickasaw Nation completed a new Head Start facility in Sulphur, Okla., with increased enrollment capacity. The new facility has four classrooms, a safe room and an

expanded playground and cafeteria.

This past year, the Chickasaw Honor Club awarded incentives to more than 2,700 Chickasaw students and distributed nearly 6,700 awards to encourage excellent academic performance.

Training has begun on the Chickasaw Heritage Series Curriculum, which brings Chickasaw history into the classroom.

"The curriculum was developed cooperatively with state educators to meet state academic standards and to share the story of who we are with the next generation of Oklahomans," Gov. Anoatubby said. "This will be the first time that many Oklahoma students will learn about the influential role the Chickasaw Nation played in U.S. and world history."

### Health Care

Health care has long been a high priority for the Chickasaw Nation. The tribe operates a hospital, four clinics, eight pharmacies, a diabetes care center, emergency medical services, four nutrition centers, eight WIC offices and five wellness centers.

This year alone, the tribe served more than 970,000 patient encounters, delivered more than 785 babies, filled more than 1.9 million prescriptions, served more than 88,000 meals to children, saw more than 154,000 visits to its wellness centers, served more than 5,300 Chickasaws with eyeglass assistance and served more than 7,000 citizens with financial assistance to help with medical and dental costs.

Through a partnership with Oklahoma State University, the Chickasaw Nation Family Medicine Residency Program Clinic

opened on the third floor of the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center in Ada, Okla., this year.

"The Family Residency Program has both economic and social benefits for our community," Gov. Anoatubby said. "Graduates of medical residency programs tend to settle and establish a practice or become an active provider where they have trained."

### Culture

Revitalizing Chickasaw culture and language is also a high priority. The Chickasaw Nation takes a comprehensive approach, which includes the Chickasaw Press, fitness applications, online language lessons, stomp dance and traditional games.

Dozens of young Chickasaws are learning stomp dances through the Chickasaw Young Dancers program. This year, a Chickasaw Nation women's stickball team was formed and has about 50 members.

Rosetta Stone Chickasaw level 3 was released this year. This new installment of 40 immersive lessons builds on the previous two levels, and bringing language learners one step closer to fluency.

Since opening in 2010, the Chickasaw Cultural Center has shared Chickasaw culture with more than 820,000 visitors from around the world. The center has also won 13 awards this past fiscal year, including two conservation awards for our monarch butterfly repopulation initiative.

"Our nation is strong because we know who we are and continue to keep our culture, language and traditions alive," Gov. Anoatubby said.

## Upcoming Events

Native American Heritage Day Nov. 2 Chickasaw Cultural Center Sulphur, Okla. (580) 622-7130	Ada Community Center Ada, Okla. (580) 272-5520	Wallace Nov. 16, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. ARTesian Gallery & Studios Sulphur, Okla. (580) 622-8040	(580) 272-5520
Basic Leather Tooling Nov. 5, 6-8:30 p.m. Goddard Center Ardmore, Okla. (580) 272-5520	Education Sessions: Chickasaw Cooking: Pashofa Nov. 8, 1-3 p.m. Veterans Lodge Ada, Okla. (580) 272-2550	Basic Leather Tooling Nov. 19, 6-8:30 p.m. Goddard Center Ardmore, Okla. (580) 272-5520	Fine Gourd Art Class with Donna Welch- Leather Laced Gourd Bowls Dec. 12, 1-5 p.m. ARTesian Gallery & Studios Sulphur, Okla. (580) 622-8040
Fine Gourd Art Class with Donna Welch- Leather Laced Gourd Bowls Nov. 7, 1-5 p.m. ARTesian Gallery & Studios Sulphur, Okla. (580) 622-8040	Veterans Celebration Nov. 8 Chickasaw Cultural Center Sulphur, Okla. (580) 622-7130	Fine Gourd Art Class with Donna Welch- Leather Laced Gourd Bowls Nov. 21, 1-5 p.m. ARTesian Gallery & Studios Sulphur, Okla. (580) 622-8040	Education Sessions: Lifesaving Skills: CPR Dec. 13, 1-3 p.m. Veterans Lodge Ada, Okla. (580) 272-2550
Lowak Sho'li Native Humanities Forum Nov. 7, 6-8 p.m.	Basic Leather Tooling Nov. 12, 6-8:30 p.m. Goddard Center Ardmore, Okla. (580) 272-5520	Basic Leather Tooling Nov. 26, 6-8:30 p.m. Goddard Center Ardmore, Okla.	Skunk Run 5K Dec. 14, 7:30 a.m. Wintersmith Park Ada, Okla.
	Pucker Toe Moccasin Workshop with Ashley		

## Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival was tremendous for 2019!

**C**hokma, chinchokma, Hello, how are you? November is the month of Thanksgiving, a time when we can pause from our busy lives to give thanks to our Creator for His blessings upon our tribe, our families, and our individual lives. I think you would agree with me that the Chickasaw Nation has been truly blessed.

I so enjoyed this year's Annual Meeting and Festival! Except for the scorching weather on Saturday, the Festival week couldn't have been better. I love seeing new and old friends from all over the U.S. I am amazed every year at the talent displayed at the Southeastern Art Show and Market. Congratulations to all of this year's winners! You are all truly great artists!



**NANCY ELLIOTT**

Chickasaw Tribal Legislature

Congratulations goes out also to Harold Stick for being honored with the Silver Feather Award. Harold has served as the Sergeant-At-Arms for our Legislature for many years and continues to serve at the Veterans' Lodge. We are so proud of him! Congratulations also to Merry Monroe for being chosen as the 2019 Dynamic Woman of the Year!

This year, the Historical Society chose to honor two individuals for their service and help in preserving Chickasaw history. Ms. Wenonah Gunning, who served on the Chickasaw Historical Society Board of Directors from 1995 until her passing in 2010, was honored for her service. Michael Cornelius also served many years for the Chickasaw Historical Society and was honored for his many awards and service. Congratulations!

The Capitol Campus looked especially beautiful this year, due to our many rains over the year and the brand new Pavilions that were built to house all of the artists, demonstrators, and provide a comfortable place for our community meal.

A big thank you to all of our employees who worked so hard to get the campus ready for the Annual Meeting and Festival and those who worked hard during the week in various places to make sure it was a success. We have the best employees! They all work hard and go above and beyond to make sure the citizens have what they need and are having a good time.

At the State of the Nation Address, Governor Anotubby stated that the state of our nation is strong! Our businesses finance over 200 programs and services for our citizens to enhance the quality of their lives. We are investing in the preservation of our history, culture, and language. We are providing more and more opportunities for our citizens to live better lives and to reach their goals. We are truly a blessed people!

I also want to say a big thank you to our veterans. Thank you to all veterans for being willing to serve our great country!

I hope you all have a very Happy Thanksgiving! Please let me know if I can help you in any way!

Chipisala' cho anowa, (Until I see you again)

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## Wrapped Basketry class with Margaret Wheeler set for Nov. 30

SULPHUR, Okla. - A Wrapped Basketry class with Margaret Wheeler is set for 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 30 at the ARTesian Gallery & Studios in Sulphur.

Students will create a rug using a wrapped basketry technique with yarn, twine, raffia and pine needles.

A fee of \$50 includes class instruction and materials. Scholarships are available to Chickasaw citizens.

For more information, or to enroll, call (580) 622-8040.

## Pucker Toe Moccasin Workshop set for Nov. 16 at ARTesian Gallery

SULPHUR, Okla. - A Pucker Toe Moccasin Workshop with Chickasaw artist Ashley Wallace is set for 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 16 at the ARTesian Gallery & Studios in Sulphur.

Enrollment fee for the class of \$25 includes all materials and instruction.

For more information, call (580) 622-8040.

## Leather Tooling class in Ardmore

ARDMORE, Okla. - A Basic Leather Tooling class is set for 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., each Thursday evening in November. Classes are Nov. 5, 12, 19 and 26 at the Goddard Center in Ardmore.

Students will learn about standard tools used in leather crafting and techniques to create a tooled belt or billfold as a final project.

Class cost is \$75 for materials. Materials fee is waived for Chickasaw citizens.

For more information, call (580) 272-5520.

## If you are an At-Large citizen, please take advantage of your Citizen Connection!

**C**hokma! Greetings from the Pickens District! We had another successful Annual Meeting and Festival! The number of people who turn out each year continues to amaze me. It's always great to see our citizens and our community support our tribe and all that we have to celebrate. I get really excited when our at-large citizens travel to attend all the festivities.



**SHANA HAMMOND**

Chickasaw Tribal Legislature

We try to attend as many Chickasaw Citizen Connection (CCC) meetings as we can. Did you know we have them all over the country? And new ones keep popping up! Our tribe is growing leaps and bounds. I am always so pleased to see the turnout at our CCC meetings. It really makes me proud that our citizens, near and far, are interested in learning more about what the tribe can offer them through programs and services, as well as learning more about our history and culture.

A few months ago, I attended the Pacific Northwest Chickasaw Community Connection meeting in Vancouver, Washington. What a great reprieve from our hot and humid climate! We received such a warm welcome and really enjoyed ourselves.

I would like to encourage all of our citizens to attend the next CCC meeting that is closest to you. It's such a great way to stay connected and expand your historical and cultural knowledge of our tribe.

"He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?" ~Micah 6:8

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Shana Tate Hammond with Pacific Northwest Chickasaw Citizen Connection member Kim Factor.

## Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee seeks increased funding for Indian Country

**H**ello Chickasaw Citizens, Well, the Holiday Season is upon us once again and as always, we have much to be thankful for.

This time of year brings back memories of large family dinners, visiting aunts, uncles and cousins, maybe some you have not seen in a while. As I look back over the year 2019, I am most thankful that I can serve the Chickasaw people. As for that I want to say "Thank You" for giving me that opportunity.

I am also thankful for the wonderful support of my family, especially my husband Richard. He encourages me in all I do, whether it is serving as a Tribal Legislator, a community leader, a healthcare worker or a mom and grandmother. As Tribal Legislators we enjoy serving citizens inside the Chickasaw Nation and outside the boundaries and sometimes that means traveling to those citizens. It's nice to have the support at home.

In October I attended the quarterly Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee in Santa Barbara, California. As Tribal Co-Chair of this committee, it is my responsibility to make sure each of the tribes I represent in the Oklahoma Area are supported in the continuation of their diabetes programs.

The funding for these programs is distributed through a grants process for any tribes who apply. Sorry to say, unless we have an increase in funding from Congress new tribes will not be allowed into the Special Diabetes Program for Indians. As tribal leaders, this does not sit well with us.

The Tribal Leaders Diabetes Committee is committed to diabetes prevention and treatment for all Indian Country and rendering the best advice possible to the Indian Health Service's Acting Deputy Director, Rear Admiral Michael Weahkee. We will continue to advocate for more funding for all tribes and defend the Special Diabetes Program for Indians as a successful program in the fight against diabetes.

At this time I want to thank you again for allowing me to serve as your Pickens District Legislator and look forward to many more years of service. I wish each of you a very Happy Thanksgiving and pray for peace and joy in your homes.

God bless you,  
Connie Barker



## Annual Meeting & Festival 5k



And they're off! Runners take off at the start of the Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival 5K. Over 300 participated in the Sept. 28 5K and fun walk at the Tishomingo Wildlife Refuge.

## 2018-2019 Tribal Legislature

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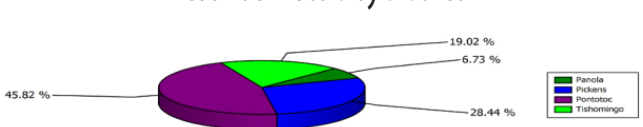
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## Count of Voters by District

Panola	2,477	Pontotoc	16,873
Pickens	10,471	Tishomingo	7,002
		<b>36,823</b>	

Count of Voters by District



## Community Council meeting offers opportunity to learn something new

October was an extremely busy month! Official swearing in of the Chickasaw Tribal Officials happened on the first of October followed the next day by Elder Olympics and a Traditional Church tour. Cultural Evening/ Art Awards were on Thursday and Saturday was the Governor's State of the Nation address, downtown parade and Festival Day in Tishomingo, OK.

On October 17, 2019 the Bryan County Chickasaw Community Council met for their quarterly meeting. The guest speaker was Ms. Gwen Factor Postoak. She shared about her family and job, then demonstrated how to make a corn husk doll.

Next, it was our turn. While guiding us through the process, she told us the story of the corn husk doll. Gwen was an excellent story teller and teacher. We came away from the meeting with knowledge on: how to make corn husk dolls, their background and some family history of growing up in a native home and having elders who conversed in their native language on a daily basis.

My corn husk dolls are prominently placed at home and serve as a reminder of the benefits of attending a community meeting!

The postcards are nice to receive in the mail, but in no way can they reveal just how much fun, entertainment and fellowship may happen at one of these gatherings.....did I mention there was food involved also?

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones. Proverbs 17:22

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## Skunk Run 5k set for Dec. 14 in Ada; open to runners of all ability levels

ADA, Okla. - Runners of all ages and skill levels are invited to participate in the annual Skunk Run Saturday, Dec. 14 at Wintersmith Park in Ada. The 1-mile fun run begins at 8 a.m., and the 5K starts at 8:30 a.m.

The 5K is a USA Track & Field (USATF) sanctioned, certified event. Individual 5K awards will be given to the top three male and female finishers in standard USATF age groups and the top overall male and female finishers.

The event is open to the public at no cost. Online registration is available through Dec. 7 at SkunkRun5K.ItsYourRace.com. On-site registration opens at 7:15 a.m. on race day.

## 'Great American Smokeout' set for Nov. 21 at the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center

ADA, Okla. - The Chickasaw Nation Department of Health and Department of Family Services will host a "Great American Smokeout" event Thursday, Nov. 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center in Ada. Booths will be set up offering a variety of information on the dangers of tobacco use and secondhand smoke. There will also be support tools to quit smoking as well as information promoting healthy choices for prenatal patients, mothers and more.

According to the American Cancer Society, smoking is the single largest preventable cause of death and illness in the world. Smoking impacts not just the health of those who smoke, but it also impacts those around them through secondhand smoke, which also causes cancer and other diseases.

"The Great American Smokeout" is an opportunity for people who smoke to commit to healthy, smoke-free lives through access to support tools and information they can use to stop smoking.

For more information on this event, contact Prevention-Services@Chickasaw.net.

## Flu shots now available from primary care providers at Medical Center, satellite clinics

In the United States, flu viruses are most common during the fall and winter, often increasing in October and November, peaking between December and February, and can last through May.

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends the best way to prevent flu is by getting a flu shot each year.

Eligible Chickasaw Nation patients can now get flu shots through their primary care providers at the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center as well as the Ardmore, Tishomingo and Purcell clinics. Contact information for the Medical Center and satellite clinics is available on Chickasaw.net.

## Judicial System Court Advocates here to assist you with the legal process

CHOKMA, CHINCHOKMA means "Hello, How are you?" The Judicial Department is going strong. We all had a wonderful time at the Annual Meeting on October 5 at Tishomingo, Oklahoma. We were so glad to see our families, friends and new friends at the annual gathering. A big thank you to all who attended the parade festivities in the extreme heat. We hope you enjoyed receiving the gavels and candy the judicial staff passed out. This month is November so remember to be thankful for your family and friends during the time we celebrate Thanksgiving.



CHERI BELLEFEUILLE-GORDON

Chief Justice  
Supreme Court

The Judicial Department is comprised of a District Court, Peacemaking Court and the Supreme Court. The District Court hears cases involving adoption, guardianship, civil, divorce, and protective orders, name change, juvenile, foreign service, criminal, paternity and child support.

The Chickasaw Nation Judicial System is very unique in that we are a pro se court but we also have court advocates available to assist you in filing your paperwork, provide directions on service of the papers, provide information on presenting evidence to state your case to the Court, prepare orders or final decrees necessary to finalize the matter and the legal process in the Chickasaw Nation. Pro se means advocating on one's own behalf before a court, rather than being represented by a lawyer. The Court Advocate does not represent you, go to Court with any party or provide legal advice, but will advise you how to proceed with your legal question. It is important to provide truthful and complete information to the advocates so your documents will be correct and you can present your case to the Judge. The Court Advocates are available Monday through Friday for appointments.

If you are interested in filing an action in our court system, please contact the District Court Clerk's Office at (580) 235-0279. You can always access the Chickasaw Nation Code at Chickasaw.net and then go to the Judicial Department webpage; the link to the Code is there for you to view the current laws of the Chickasaw Nation.

District News: September 2019 Court Statistics

- 47 New court cases filed
- 174 cases heard in court
- 74 citizens were assisted by the court advocates

The District Court is currently looking for licensed attorneys in good standing admitted to the Chickasaw Nation Bar Association interested in court appointed work to assist our citizens. Please contact Wayne Joplin, District Court Clerk, (580) 235-0279, if interested.

The Chickasaw Nation Bar Association will host its annual Winter CLE on December 4, 2019 at the fabulous Riverwind Casino Showplace Theater. This year our current Chairperson Gordon Harness has put together a group of speakers that you will not want to miss. There will be presentations on Overview of Oklahoma Water Law and Case Study of Current Litigation, Criminal Jurisdiction Updates, ICW Updates, Appellant Procedures, Tips on Delivering limited Scope Services and Ethics.

This seminar is pending approval from the Oklahoma Bar Association for 6 credit hours, including one hour of legal ethics. Breakfast, lunch and a snack will be included in your registration. For information on this CLE or any additional questions about the Chickasaw Nation Bar Association, please call Ginger Sanders at (580) 235-0279 or by email at Ginger.Sanders@chickasaw.net.

It is my pleasure to report on a successful month of the Judicial Department.

CHIPISALA` CHO ANOWA means "Until I see you again."



From left, Ginger Sanders, Kim Brashears, Kyra Epperly and Edward Stilwell. Not pictured, Wayne Joplin and Connie Tillery.

## Care packages distributed to Chickasaw servicemen and women

The Chickasaw Nation distributes care packages to service members stationed away from their permanent residence. The military care package distribution list includes Chickasaw citizens, spouses of Chickasaw citizens, Chickasaw Nation employees, spouses of employees and children of employees on active duty stationed away.

If you know men and women who fit the criteria and would like to add them to the military care package list, please email Chickasaw.Veterans@Chickasaw.net, or call (580) 272-2550.

Thank you for supporting our troops!

## ARTS AND CULTURE | CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4

represents three programs, including Upward Bound, Talent Search and Student Support Services). Mr. Cornelius has served on numerous educational and tribal committees and boards, including the Chickasaw Historical Society Board of Directors.

Mr. Cornelius is known for making and playing Native American flutes. His artwork has garnered 39 awards and been featured during SEASAM and the Te Ata Fisher Chickasaw Nation Employee Art Show.

He retired as manager of the Chickasaw Nation Ada Area Office in 2017. He and his wife, Patti, are the proud grandparents of 20 grandchildren.

Mrs. Gunning was named after her maternal grandfather, James T. Rosser, though she preferred to go by her middle name, Wenonah. Her paternal great-grandparents were removed to Indian Territory and her great-grandfather, Smith Paul, settled the Washita Valley, present-day Pauls Valley, Oklahoma.

After graduating from college, Mrs. Gunning worked to provide commodities and farm equipment for low-income families near Tahlequah, Oklahoma. She married in 1941 and was a devoted wife and mother.

She was a member of the Indian-Oklahoma Club and a leader in church and civic organizations.

She worked for the Oklahoma County welfare office and later became a consultant in the state office. After retiring from the state in 1984, Mrs. Gunning began organizing her historical information into scrapbooks and donated many items to the Chickasaw Archives, the Five Civilized Tribes Museum and the Santa Fe Depot Museum in Pauls Valley. She also set up the Paul Room in the Eskridge Hotel Museum in Wynnewood, Okla.

She was appointed to the Chickasaw Historical Society Board of Directors in 1994, where she served until her passing in 2010. In 2015, "Wenonah's Story: A Memoir of a Chickasaw Family" was released by the Chickasaw Press.

"My mother, Wenonah Paul Gunning, has been gone for almost 10 years now. I miss her very much. For many years I took my mother for granted. I didn't realize what a remarkable person she was," Robin Gunning said. "Wenonah had a strong personality. At one point she was offered a position as coordinator of our church's mission program among Indian tribes. She turned it down. She probably would have turned this award down, too. It would have made her self-conscious. That's the way she was. She didn't like to draw attention to herself. Her concern was always for others."

Another quality that characterized his mother was a pride in their Chickasaw heritage, he said.

"Wenonah was a collector. She saved pictures, documents, newspaper articles and significant objects, donating many things to museums and the Chickasaw Archives," he said. "She was excited to be able to take part in preserving our heritage. She was particularly interested in preserving Chickasaw legends and beliefs. If she were here today, I know she'd be proud of our tribe's continued historical research and education. Thanks again on behalf of my mother. I'm honored and gratified to see her recognized for her contributions."

## SEASAM winners

Awards were also presented to winners of the Southeastern Art Show and Market, a juried event where artists enter up to four pieces of artwork in the categories of 2-D, 3-D, cultural and miniature art.

Submitted artworks included paintings, drawings, photographs, sculptures, jewelry, pottery, textiles, baskets, regalia and more.

The winners in each category were:

- Best in Show - F. Gene Smith, Choctaw
- Best in Division, Cultural - J. Eric Smith, Chickasaw
- Best in Division, 3-D art - Billy Hensley, Chickasaw
- Best in Division, 2-D art - Ron Mitchell, Cherokee
- Best of Show, Youth - Noah Kauffman

The show is open to all artists of Southeastern and Woodlands tribes. The winning artworks, as well as works from all other participating artists, were showcased Oct. 4-5 at the Chickasaw National Capitol grounds in Tishomingo during the 2019 Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival.

## New Chickasaw Press and White Dog Press publications

Chickasaw Press and White Dog Press publications were also released during the awards ceremony.

New from the Chickasaw Press include, "Protecting Our People: Chickasaw Law Enforcement in Indian Territory" authored by Michelle Cooke; "Exploring the Depths of History: A Selection of Nineteenth-Century Water Wells in Indian Territory," by Towana Spivey; and a paperback version of "Chickasaw Removal" created by Daniel F. Littlefield Jr., Amanda L. Paige and Fuller Bumpers.

White Dog Press, an imprint of the Chickasaw Press, released a few publications which will interest young readers.

"Koni" follows a whimsical skunk through a variety of day-to-day situations designed to help children sniff out opposites such as big and little, or wet and dry. The book is written exclusively in the Chickasaw language by Chickasaw citizens Sherrie Begay, Kari A.B. Chew, Steffani Cochran and Donna Courtney-Welch.

Also, a compendium graphic novel called "Chickasaw Adventures: The Complete Collection" combines all released issues of the Chickasaw comic book with five new unreleased issues.

"Chikasha Holisso Holba: Chickasaw Picture and Coloring Book," by Vinnie Humes is an old favorite remade to bring history and language together. Vinnie May, known to all as "Sadie," and her husband, Jesse Humes, co-authored "A Chickasaw Dictionary," the first book published by the Chickasaw Nation in 1973.

A few years later, Mrs. Humes compiled and illustrated the first edition of Chikasha Holisso Holba, a new work that paired her original illustrations with their Chickasaw names and English translations.

Now, White Dog Press partners with the Chickasaw Historical Society to republish Chikasha Holisso Holba as a language and coloring book. The revival of Mrs. Humes' work also reemphasizes the vitality of her contribution to the history of Chickasaw and Native American literature.

For more information on the books and other Chickasaw Press publications, please visit www.ChickasawPress.com.

**Chickasaw youth takes top spots in local, state art fair**



After School Art Program student Shae Bittle with her art piece titled "Basketball" and art instructor Vicki Cowger.

Shae Bittle's art piece titled "Basketball" recently placed first in her age division at the Pontotoc

County Free Fair. The same piece of art placed third at the Oklahoma State Fair. The piece will be sent to the Natchez Trace Park's Visitors' Center Youth Art Show in honor on Native American Month in November.

Shae is a student at the After School Art Program (ASAP) at the Chickasaw Nation Arts & Humanities under the instruction of Vicki Cowger. She is a seventh grader at Byng Junior High.

She is the daughter of James and Nicole Poulin and Chris and Lisa Bittle. She is the granddaughter of Claude Jr. and Sherry Miller, Roger and Reejeana Reeves, Gene Bittle and George and Virginia Poulin. She is the great-granddaughter of Claude Sr. and JoAnn Miller and Louise Rankin and the late Jerry Rankin.



CHAIO CHRISTIAN

**Chaio Christian celebrates his fifth birthday Oct. 15**

Chaio Christian celebrated his fifth birthday October 15.

He is the son of Chasity and Benjamin Jackson. His grandparents are Cynthia Ott and Leonard Brokesoulder. He is the great-grandson of Artie Cooper. Watching over him from heaven is his "Papa" Dwayne Ott and great-grandparents Albert Cooper, Francis Greenwood-Ott and Francis Brokesoulder.

Chaio enjoys eating cheese pizza, completing puzzles, reading, writing, singing and "Good Behavior Fridays." He participates in sports during the spring and fall including playing t-ball with OK Drillers and stickball with Chikasha Bak Bak.

He is active at Faith Baptist Church and is an upcoming graduate of the Chickasaw Nation Headstart Pre-K 2020 class, where he received a "Good Behavior" award for the month of September. He is a Chickasaw citizen and a descendant of the Choctaw, Mississippi Choctaw, Creek and Seminole Tribes.

Join our family as we wish our little handsome, Chaio, a huge "Happy 5th Birthday!" - Chimaaf-ammii Nittak!

Numbers 6:24-25  
"May the Lord send His blessing on you and keep you: May the light of the Lord's face be shining on you in grace."

**Chickasaw boy earns Taekwondo black belt**



WALKER LEWIS

Walker Lewis, 10, of Corinth, Texas, received his black belt in Taekwondo Sept. 7, 2019. With a lot of hard work, confidence and dedication, he mastered his forms and board breaking to earn his black belt. He attended class at the TMA Martial Arts at Denton, Texas.

Walker is the son of Michael and Ashley Lewis, of Corinth. Crystal Lewis, of Corinth, and George and Faye Walker, of Coldwater, Miss., are his proud grandparents. Charles and Rose Blankenship, of Fittstown, Okla., are his proud great-grandparents.

**Curtis Frazier to celebrate 71st birthday Nov. 16**

Curtis Frazier was born at Tahina, Okla., Nov. 16, 1948 to Juanita Albertson and Thomas Frazier. His grandparents and Dave Par-nacher and his wife raised him. He attended Homer Elementary and Byng High School. He played both baseball and basketball and graduated in 1967. He attended East Central State College, until he was drafted in 1969 and became a Marine. He was wounded in Vietnam and received a Purple Heart. He and Frieda Byers married in 1975. He has six children,

15 grandkids and six great-grand kids. He was a machinist by trade and retired in 2012. He and his wife have resided in Houston, Texas since 1975. He has been a high school baseball umpire for the last 25 years at Houston. He is a diehard boomer Sooner fan and spends much of his time playing golf, doing errands for everyone and catering to the grand and great-grandkids

*I want to wish you Happy Birthday! Love you, always. - LaTona Shico Williams*

BIRTHS



HAMPTON CAROLANN HOLLAND

Hampton CarolAnn Holland was born January 21, 2019 at 10:16 a.m. at Oklahoma City. She weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz. and measured 21.5 inches.

She is the daughter of Caleb and Madison Holland, of Moore, Okla. She is the granddaughter of Jeff and Christie Holland, and Wes and Melinda Tollison, all of Midwest City, Okla. She is the great-granddaughter of David Holland and the late Betty Holland, Gary and Billie Bozarth, Gloria Tollison and the late Corky Tollison, the late Carol Fountain, and the late Wayne Pearson.



MALAKHI NOVARRO BANKS

Malakhi Novarro Banks was born Sept. 16, 2019 at OU Children's Hospital. He weighed 4 lbs., 2 oz. and measured 17 inches at birth. He is the son of Melissa Banks and the grandson of Irene Banks.

Joy beyond anything expected. Loved beyond anything dreamed.



ROSE-LYNN ISAIAH WRIGHT

Rose-Lynn Isaiiah Wright was born Sept. 5, 2019. She weighed 9 lbs., 6 oz. and measured 20 inches at birth.

Her mother is Ceira K. Wright of Ada, Okla. She has one big brother, Royce Walker, who loves her dearly.

Her maternal grandparents are Karen Carpenter and David Wright, both of Ada.

Her aunts and uncles are Hilary Lewis and Luke Wright, of Ada, Amber Wright, of Madill, Okla., and Patrick Haislip, of Coleman, Okla. She has numerous other relatives that welcome her to our family with love and joy.

A tiny bit of heaven sent from above, a sweet little miracle to treasure and love.

Twinkle, twinkle tiny light, little eyes that shine so bright. A precious baby from heaven above, fill our hearts with so much love.



ADAM REED FRAZIER

Adam Reed Frazier was born July 31, 2019 at the Chickasaw Nation Medical Center, Ada, Okla. He weighed 9 lbs., 3 oz. and measured 20 and 1/4 inches at birth.

He is the son of Lacey Cook and Tyrone Frazier. He has two older brothers, Darion and Noah Cook, and two older sisters, Shyeleigh and Auriana Cook.

His maternal grandparents are Anita Miller and Carl Cook. His maternal great-grandfather was Joseph Sim Miller, full blood Chickasaw original enrollee. His paternal grandparents and Barbara Frazier and the late Fred Keller.

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VETERANS CELEBRATION

NOV. 8 • 10 A.M. - 5 P.M.

All veterans and active military are invited to spend the day with us enjoying a variety of activities including the Presentation of Colors, honorary stomp dance demonstrations, horseshoes, corn hole, dominos and more.

Enjoy free admission to the Exhibit Center and a free screening of the film *Meagan Levy*. Also, enjoy discounts in the cafe and gift shops. All veterans receive a **free gift** while supplies last.



**THRIVE**  
TRADITIONS

Native American Heritage Month is a time to honor the spirit and traditions of the Chickasaw people, as well as those who are preserving Chickasaw culture for future generations, like stickball stick maker Clovis Hamilton. See his story on [www.Chickasaw.tv](http://www.Chickasaw.tv).

Interactive walking app engages Chickasaw culture

## Chickasaw mother employs AYA fitness app on journey to healthy living



Nannola and Oktani Wallace have been the driving force behind their mother Ashley Wallace's journey to better health. Mrs. Wallace said it was important to stay healthy and be there for her children. AYA has helped her along the way.

ADA, Okla. - A Chickasaw artist, mother and employee is topping the charts in the AYA - Your Fitness Journey app despite any hurdles life throws her way.

Ashley Wallace maintains a "Blackbear" rank (one of the highest), with more than two million steps behind her. She is living up to the name of the app, which means "to go" or "to journey" in the Chickasaw language.

AYA is an interactive mobile walking app that keeps users moving while learning about Chickasaw history and culture. It was released the same day it was announced by Governor Bill Anoatubby during his 2018 State of the Nation Address. October

will mark the app's one-year anniversary.

"I found out about the app when it was launched during the Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival," Mrs. Wallace said. "As soon as I saw it, I downloaded it. I've had it for almost a year now. It's very informative. The more you walk, the more stories you get."

Using step-tracking technology, AYA rewards users as they move throughout their day.

The app tells a historical story through voice-acted walking partners, fictional Chickasaw characters living at important periods in Chickasaw history. Their stories unfold as users unlock new chap-

ters with their steps.

Motivation to maintain momentum also appears as educational unlockable content, which consists of items like traditional prayers, hymns, locations and Chickasaw words.

Mrs. Wallace has unlocked nearly everything the app has to offer, as she has completed every character's journey twice over.

"It's refreshing, looking at the material, reading it again," she said. "I can relay the information to my kids. It's just good information to pass on."

She, her seven-year-old daughter Nannola and eight-month-old son, Oktani particularly enjoy listening to the hymns. Real-world travels are linked to the app's journey.

Within the app, users take an active role in traveling to the Chickasaw Homeland. Their journey is mapped along the same route Chickasaw ancestors walked during Removal from the Chickasaw Homeland to Indian Territory. The path is reversed for the app from current-day Oklahoma to Mississippi. Along the way, users get acquainted with historical sites and landmarks.

On their yearly trip to the World Series Stickball competition in Mississippi, Mrs. Wallace shares the app's insight and points of interest with her children as they drive close to the same path.

### Rising to the challenge

Until recently, Mrs. Wallace's lifestyle kept her spry. Weekly stickball practice? No problem. Running to the courtroom for work? Easy. Heading out to a stomp dance? No sweat. She and her family lived active lives, heavily involved in the Chickasaw

community and various sports.

But in December 2017, Mrs. Wallace lost her husband, Jeremy. Not long after, she found out she was pregnant.

"That left me with two kids, single, by myself," she said. "It was even more important for me to be healthy, to be there for my kids. I'm the only parent left, and so I try to make sure I do what I can to be here longer for them."

After the birth of her son, an unexpected bout with gallbladder problems landed Mrs. Wallace in the hospital. One required surgery later and she was under doctor's orders to not lift more than five pounds. At that point, her son weighed more than the lifting limit.

"I was down for a year and a half. It took a toll," she said. "Trying to get back to where I was before, it's tough, but I have to be sure to keep the mindset that it's not only for me. It's also for the kids."

AYA helped bolster Mrs. Wallace's physical well-being, one step at a time. She made laps down the hallways of her office, or she stepped outside for a stroll around the grounds.

Co-workers caught wind of her new walking habits. She told them about the app and soon they formed a group competition to keep each other in motion.

"We thought it would be im-

portant to get up from our desks and do a little lap," she said. "It's important, both physically and emotionally."

Work laps were just one tactic among many on Mrs. Wallace's road to better health. She got back into stickball, joined the Chickasaw Nation's Unconquered Life program and started heading to the gym during lunch breaks.

Mrs. Wallace said there was no finish line when it comes to her healthy lifestyle. Her step counter would agree.

### About AYA

AYA syncs to step counters in Fitbit devices or directly to phones with Apple Health kit.

It received gold-level recognition for accomplishments in marketing and communication from the 2019 MARCOM Awards, one of the largest and most respected creative competitions in the world.

The app is now available for download in the Apple App Store and with Google Play, with more than 21,000 app downloads made so far. Thousands of users are currently unlocking cultural and historical insight in the app. For more information and updates, visit AYAWalk.com, Facebook.com/AYAWalkApp, Twitter.com/AYAWalkApp or Instagram.com/AYAWalkApp.

### On Chickasaw Capitol grounds

## Gov. Johnston monument established



Artist James Blackburn works on his model of the Gov. Douglas H. Johnston monument. The monument is on the grounds of the historic Chickasaw National Capitol in Tishomingo.



The monument of Chickasaw Nation Gov. Douglas H. Johnston was recently unveiled at the Chickasaw National Capitol in Tishomingo, Oklahoma.

### Original play at the McSwain Theatre

## 'A Tuna Christmas' opens Nov. 23



Ada residents Corey King, left, and James Wallace will portray more than 20 characters in the Chickasaw Nation production of "A Tuna Christmas." The comedic play will be performed Nov. 29-Dec. 1 at the Black Box Theatre within the Chickasaw Nations Arts & Humanities building. For more information, contact (580) 272-5520.

ADA, Okla. - The original play "A Tuna Christmas," by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears and Ed Howard, will be presented at the McSwain Theatre in Ada Nov. 23.

Ada residents James Wallace and Corey King will take on the difficult task of portraying more than 20 characters in this fast-

paced, side-splitting comedy set during Christmas in the fictional town of Tuna, Texas.

"This show is interesting because of the number of characters that have to be developed in such a short time," Mr. King said. "Each has to be interesting and fun to watch. Part of the excitement for

the audience will be watching us scramble as we put on each of the characters' individual costumes."

The plot of the production centers on the small Texas town's annual Christmas yard display contest. The competition has been won 14 times in a row by wealthy resident Vera Carp. A mysterious "Christmas Phantom," known for vandalizing yard displays, has contestants on edge. Throughout the show the audience will meet many of the town's residents.

According to Mr. Wallace, the work he and Mr. King put into the production will translate into a great experience.

"This play is a challenge unlike any other I've experienced in quite some time," he said. "It's going to be enjoyable for audiences."

"A Tuna Christmas" will be presented at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 23 at the McSwain Theatre, 130 W. Main Street, Ada. Tickets are \$5. For more information, contact Chickasaw Nation Arts & Humanities at (580) 272-5520 or email Performance@Chickasaw.net.

## LIGHTHORSE POLICE | CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

Chickasaw citizens inside the jurisdictional boundaries, and also provide resources to other law enforcement agencies and residents throughout the state of Oklahoma.

### About the Chickasaw Nation Lighthorse Police Department

"Lighthorse" is a historic name given by the Chickasaw, Choctaw, Cherokee, Muscogee (Creek) and Seminole Nations, often referred to collectively as the Five Civilized Tribes, to their mounted police force. Once removed to Indian Territory, the Five Civilized Tribes created the elite Lighthorse police to serve and protect their citizens.

Re-established in 2004, the Chickasaw Nation Lighthorse Police Department protects the lives and property of the people served, reduces the occurrence

and fear of crime, preserves peace and provide a safe environment while working in partnership with local communities to enhance their quality of life.

Jurisdictional territory includes 7,648 square miles and encompasses 13 counties: Bryan, Carter, Coal, Garvin, Grady, Jefferson, Johnston, Love, Marshall, McClain, Murray, Pontotoc and Stephens. The Lighthorse Police Department is divided into three precincts: WinStar, Ada and Newcastle, where 66 full-time sworn officers provide law enforcement services 24/7.

Five divisions and two specialized teams were created to better serve citizens of the Chickasaw Nation and provide support to surrounding law enforcement communities. Divisions include patrol, K-9, criminal investigations, communications and professional standards. Special weapons and tactics (SWAT) and the dive team make up the spe-

cial teams.

Rural Oklahoma law enforcement faces many challenges, due to geographical location and vast bodies of water. The SWAT and dive teams provide a vital asset to Oklahomans by providing resources during times of crisis. The teams assist the Chickasaw Nation as well as other agencies within and surrounding the Chickasaw Nation.

The SWAT team provides a ready response to tactical situations such as hostage situations, suicide interventions and other high-risk incidents. The dive team provides assistance in recovery of victims, vehicles and/or evidence as well as water rescues. Both teams assist neighboring law enforcement agencies upon request.

For more information about the Chickasaw Nation Lighthorse Police Department, visit Chickasaw.net/LPD.

TISHOMINGO, Okla. - A monument honoring former Chickasaw Nation Governor Douglas Johnston was recently unveiled at the Chickasaw National Capitol in Tishomingo.

The monument, commissioned by the Chickasaw Nation, is established on a pedestal near the north entrance to the historic capitol building. The work was completed by noted local artist James Blackburn. The work required 18 months to reach final completion.

"This monument is a fitting tribute to a man who loved the Chickasaw Nation deeply and led our tribe through a challenging period in our history," Gov. Bill Anoatubby said. "Douglas Johnston was a man who cared about the people and worked tirelessly on their behalf. We are proud to honor him in this way."

Douglas Henry Johnston was born Oct. 13, 1856 in the Choctaw Nation in Indian Territory. He was educated at the Chickasaw Academy and Bloomfield Academy.

He served as 22nd, 24th and 26th Governor of the Chickasaw Nation during his career. He was elected to the office in 1898, 1900 and 1904.

He was the first Chickasaw Governor to be appointed by the President of the United States in 1906. He served as the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation for more than 30 years, until his death in 1939.

Governor Johnston worked to maintain tribal control of Chickasaw schools, to uphold the sovereign history of the Chickasaw

government, and ensure the continued practice of Chickasaw cultural traditions.

Governor Johnston was inducted into the Oklahoma Hall of Fame in 1931. Johnston County, Oklahoma is named after him. His house, the Chickasaw White House, now serves as a museum in Emet, Oklahoma.

The monument created by Mr. Blackburn is heroic, standing approximately seven and one-half feet tall.

### Chickasaw National Capitol

Construction of the granite Romanesque style capitol began in 1898 under Governor Robert M. Harris.

In November 1898, after seven months of construction, the new capitol was completed. Although Governor Harris was responsible for the planning and development, Governor Douglas H. Johnston was the first Chickasaw Governor to hold office in the capitol.

A model of Governor Johnston's office and the national vault are part of the capitol's new exhibit areas.

Today, the Chickasaw National Capitol serves as a museum and a reminder that the Chickasaw people fought to preserve their tribal identity and independence. Admission is free. Large groups are required to make reservations in advance. Guided tours are available.

For more information about the Chickasaw National Capitol, call (580) 371-9835.

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# Chickasaw military veterans list 2019

This list of Chickasaw veterans is published as part of the Veterans Day observance honoring those who have served in the armed forces of the United States. To update or add a Chickasaw veteran to this list, please call (580) 310-6451 or email chickasaw.veterans@chickasaw.net

Abbott, James  
Abbott Jr, Barney - Navy, DECEASED  
Abbott, Monroe  
Abernathy, Charles - Marines  
Abshier, Joshua, T - Army, SPC 2009-2012  
South Korea  
Acox, Keith, Ray - Air Force  
Adair, Randolph  
Adams, Alfred, James - Army, Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Adams, David - Navy  
Adams, Harley - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Adams, Jr, David - Navy  
Adcock, Alverta, June - Air Force, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Adcock, David  
Adcock, Kenneth, B - Navy Reserve Chief Petty Officer, DECEASED  
Adkins, Bobby  
Adkins, William - Navy  
Agnew, Phillip, C, United States Coast Guard, 1958-1966  
Ahtone, Mary - Army  
Aiken, Floyd  
Akins, Doyle Jr - Air Force  
Akins, Lonnie  
Allison, Steven  
Aldridge, Gene  
Aldridge, Lyn  
Aldridge, Lyn W  
Aldridge, Phillip  
Alexander, Harvey - Army  
Alexander, J D - Army  
Alexander, Jeff - Army, WWI  
Alexander, Jim - Army, 101st Calvary, WWII, DECEASED  
Alexander, John - Marines  
Alexander, William - Army  
Allen, Alvin - Army  
Allen, Barry - Navy  
Allen, Edward - Army  
Allen, Franklin, Dee - Army, Sgt, DECEASED  
Allen, Franklin D  
Allen, Gerald - Army  
Allen, Gordon - Army  
Allen, Jacob, Dale - National Guard  
Allen, John, Rayburn - Navy, 1975-1982  
Allen, Johnny - Marines  
Allen, Kenneth - Navy  
Allen, Nathaniel, Drew - Navy  
Allen, Perry  
Allison, Chad - Army, National Guard  
Allison, Charles - Army  
Allison, Heath  
Allison, Leslie Vernon - Army Air Corp, WWII, Master Sergeant, DECEASED  
Allison, Matthew - Navy  
Allison, Perry, Wade - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Allison, Robert  
Allison, Ronald - Army  
Allison, Wade Hampton - Army, DECEASED  
Amerson, James, E - Army, Korea  
Amerson, John Robert - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Amerson, Sammie  
Amerson, Wesley, Henry - Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Ames, Dustin - Army Sargent E5 Iraq Afghanistan  
Ammones, Joesph, W - Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Amos, Henry - Navy  
Amos, Tommy - Army  
Anderson, Billy - Marines  
Anderson, Brian - Army  
Anderson, Donald - Army / Coast Guard  
Anderson, James - Army  
Anderson, John - Army  
Anderson, Lynn - Army  
Anderson, Martin  
Anderson, Ron  
Anderson, Samuel - Air Force  
Anderson, Tim - Navy, Aviation, Electronics, TechE5  
Andrews, Earl, L - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Andrews, Robert - Army  
Andrews, Vernon  
Angaran, Kathi - Army  
Anglin, Franklin - Army  
Anoatubby, Bill  
Anoatubby, Gene - Air Force  
Anoatubby, Rickey - Navy  
Anoatubby, Russel - Air Force  
Anthony, James - Air Force  
Apala, Darwin - Army  
Apala, Gilbert, V - Army, PFC, WWII, DECEASED  
Apala, Horace, H - Army, Tech 5, WWII, DECEASED  
Apala, Jackie  
Apala, Kenneth  
Apala, LW  
Apala, Lemuel, W Jr - Army, WWII, 1945  
Apala, Mike, Jonas - Army  
Apala, Mulbert, J - Army, PFC, WWII, DECEASED  
Apala, Robert  
Archer, Brian  
Archer, Fred - Coast Guard  
Archer, Russell - Army  
Archie, Charles - Coast Guard  
Arms, Harold  
Arms, Amos  
Armstrong, Kerry - Army  
Arnold, Kaitlin - Army  
Arnold, Loyd - Army  
Arnold, Mark - Army  
Arpealer, Billy - Army  
Arpelar, Eugene - Navy  
Arterburn, Christopher, Martin - Marine  
Arterburn, Robert - Navy  
Artherholt, Frederick, Charles - Navy, Vietnam  
Asbery, Billy - Army  
Asbury, Ed - Army, WWII  
Ashley, Hoyt, Clay - Army, Korean War, DECEASED  
Ashley, John, Remel - Army, Korean War, DECEASED  
Ashton, George, Victor - Navy Merchant - Marine, WWII  
Ashton, Mark - Air Force  
Atkins, David - Marines  
Attebury, Robert - Marines  
Ayes, Bill - Navy, Korean War  
Ayes, Overton - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Bailey, Brad - Navy, Ash2, E5  
Bailey, Bradley - Air Force  
Bailey, Gary - Navy  
Bailey, Larry - Air Force, WWII, 1st Lieutenant, DECEASED  
Baken, Nelson - Army  
Baken, Paul - Army  
Baker, Bradford - Army  
Baker, III, Colbert - Marine, E5  
Baker, John  
Baker, Nathan - Army  
Ball, Wayne B  
Ballard, Christopher  
Ballard, Joe, R - Navy, Korea  
Ballard, Richard, E - Army, 1983-1987  
Baptiste, Arch  
Barber, Terry  
Barlow, Howard  
Barnes, Shelly - Army  
Barnoski, Matthew - Air Force  
Barnoski, Max  
Barr, Larissa - Army  
Barrick, Brad - ARNG, Spl  
Bartholomew, Michael - Navy  
Bartmess, Levi - Air Force  
Bass, Joseph, K - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Bateman Jr, Carl, Grayden - Army, OAR-ING, Capt, Unit 2B 180 Inf  
Bates, Ernest, K - Navy  
Bates, Matthew - Marines  
Bates, Stephen - Marines  
Bates, William - Navy  
Bauernschmitt, Kathryn - Navy  
Beach, Mike - Army  
Bearden, Albert - Army  
Beaver, Danny - Navy  
Beavers, Gary - Air Force  
Beck, Eddie, G  
Beck, Jimmy - Army, Vietnam  
Beck, Melissa, Marie - Navy, E3  
Beck, Tommy - Army, Vietnam  
Bee, Newsham, B - Air Force SSGT, WWII, DECEASED  
Bee, William, O - Air Force PFC, WWII, DECEASED  
Beggs, Howard  
Bell, Ben - Marines  
Bell, Charles, Alvin, Chuck - Army, DECEASED  
Bell, Jason - Marines  
Bell, Josh - Navy  
Bell, Richard - Army  
Bell, Ricky  
Bell, Zachary Ryan - Army Mos 14 Echo  
Belvin, Jimmy - Army, 45th, Retired  
Belvin, Ronald - Navy

Belvin, Wendell - Navy, Coastguard, 45th, DECEASED  
Belvin, William - Army  
Bennett, Bruce - Army  
Bennett Jr, Delton - Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Bennett, Logan - Air Force  
Bennett, Sheila - Army  
Benson, Billy  
Benson, Edward  
Benson, Lucas - Army  
Benton, Sammy - Marines  
Bergen, Marcie  
Berna, Amber  
Berna, Randy  
Berry, Aburn  
Beshirs, Joe  
Beshirs Jr, Samuel, D - Navy, Aviation, Electronic, 2nd Class, Petty Officer, OEOFOIF  
Beshirs, Larry - Army  
Beshirs, RA - Army  
Beshirs, Samuel - Navy  
Beshirs Jr, RA - Army  
Beshirs, Stephen A  
Bess, Larry  
Bhet Carson - Army, National Guard  
Bigbie, Kim - Army  
Biggs, Boyd - Army  
Billy, Masheli - Army  
Billy, Nahinli - Army  
Billy, Walter - Navy  
Billy, William - Navy  
Birdsong, Glen  
Bishop, Dennis, Longbrake - Navy  
Bizzell, Micah - Army  
Black, Thomas  
Blackburn, Danny - Marines  
Blackwood, Bill - Army  
Blackwood, Jon - Army  
Blanchard, Elmer  
Blankenship, Charles - Army  
Blanton, John - Navy  
Bledsow, George Dale - Army  
Blevin, Jimmy  
Blevins, Bobby - Marines  
Blevins, Don-Navy  
Blevins, Geary - Army  
Blevins, Kenneth  
Blevins, Loman-DECEASED  
Blevins, Ronald, Clyde - Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Blevins, Steven - Army  
Blocker, Bruce - Navy Air Force WWII  
Blocker, Edward - Air Force  
Blocker, Ronald - Air Force  
Blount, Donald - United States Air Force, DECEASED  
Blue, Michael - Army  
Bob, Dillon - Marines  
Boelen, George  
Boelen, Joseph - Army, WWI  
Boelen, Monte - Air Force  
Boelen, Morgan, Wesley - Army, Private, WWI, DECEASED  
Boelen, Norman - Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Bomboy, Jim - Air Force, First Bomboy, John - Army  
Bond, Curtis - Army, DECEASED  
Bond, George - Army, WWII  
Bond, Jay - Army  
Bond, Larry - Army  
Bond, Loyd - Air Force DECEASED  
Bonham, John M  
Borough, Derek R  
Boudreau, David  
Boudreau, Dixie - Air Force  
Boudreau, Edward  
Boudreau, Ben - Air Force 1991-1996  
Bourland, Don - Marine, Medic, Vietnam  
Bourland, Donald - Marines - Army  
Bourland, Howard, Lynn - Army, Air Force, WWII  
Bourland, Joe, R - Army, 1957-1959  
Bourland, Joseph  
Bourland, Robert  
Bowland, William - Army  
Bowlegs, William - Marines  
Bowles, Richard - Navy  
Boyce, Richard  
Boyd, Dexter - Navy  
Boyd, James - Navy  
Boyd, Nicola - Navy  
Boyd, Patricia - Navy  
Bradley, Alvin - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Bradley, Donald - Air Force  
Bradley, Layne - Army  
Bralley, Glen - Air Force  
Brame, James - Army  
Brandon, Miko - Navy  
Branscum, Donald - Marines  
Brasfield, Earl  
Brazzile, Earl R  
Brazzile, Emmitt - Marines  
Brewer, Del - Army  
Bridges, Felter, V - Army, DECEASED  
Bridges, Sidney - Air Force  
Brisco, Billy  
Brisco, Floyd - Air Force  
Brisco, Gale - Air Force  
Brisco, Michael - Army  
Brisco, William  
Britt, Charley - Army, Quartermaster, WWI  
Brittenham, Jennifer - Army  
Bromley, Alicia M - Air Force  
Brooksler, Larry  
Brouwer, Stanley  
Brower, Kelly - Navy  
Brower, Stanley F - Navy  
Brown, Aaron - Army  
Brown, Bill - Navy  
Brown, Cameron - Marines  
Brown, Charles H  
Brown, Clelie  
Brown, Clyde  
Brown, Danny - Navy  
Brown, George - Army, Air Force  
Brown, Guy  
Brown, Harley, Leroy - Navy, DECEASED  
Brown, Henry  
Brown, Houston - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Brown, James - Marines  
Brown, Jeraldine - Army  
Brown, Jerry - Navy  
Brown, Jess, F - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Brown, Jimmie, Ray - Army  
Brown, Jimmy  
Brown, Johnny, Mack - Air Force DECEASED  
Brown Jr, Charles, H - Army, Vietnam  
Brown, Kennedy - Army  
Brown, Larry - Navy  
Brown, Leon - Army  
Brown, Lester - Air Force  
Brown, Lewis - Air Force  
Brown, Lorton, L - Army, Korea, DECEASED  
Brown, Loxie  
Brown, Milton - Air Force  
Brown, Monroe, C - Navy, S2, WWII, DECEASED  
Brown, Nathan, A - Army, National Guard  
Brown, Paul J  
Brown, Phillip  
Brown, Ray  
Brown, Raymond - Navy  
Brown, Rhett - Air Force  
Brown, Richard - Army  
Brown, Robert - Army  
Brown, Roy, Anthony - Army  
Brown Jr, Charles, H - Army  
Brown, Tiffany - Navy  
Brown, Virginia, WWII, WAC  
Brown, Virgle - Marines  
Brown, Wade  
Brown, Waymon  
Brown, Wilson, James - Army, Air Force Reserve, WWII, DECEASED  
Brown Jr, Charles  
Browning, Bennie, J - Army, DECEASED  
Browning, George, W, Sgt, US - Army, DECEASED  
Browning, Joseph  
Browning, Kenneth, D, PFC, US - Army, DECEASED  
Browning, Samuel  
Browning, Winston, M, Lance, Cpt, US, MC, DECEASED  
Browning, Zane - Army  
Broyles, Philip  
Brumley, Leland - Army, 1968-1988  
Brumley, Robert, M - USMC, WWII, DECEASED  
Brumley, Russell - Army, Vietnam, E4  
Bruton, Scott, Alan - Marines  
Brutsche, Robert - Army  
Bryant, Billy, F - Army, Navy, Air Force  
Bryant, James  
Bryant, Steve - Army, 1959-1966  
Bryant, Tommy, Lee - Air Force Vietnam  
Bryant, Walter - Army  
Buchanan, Larry - Army  
Bunker, Jason - Army, MSG, E8  
Burch, Jimmy - Army  
Burch, Lee, R - Air Force DECEASED  
Burch, Mark

Burch, Mel - Army  
Burch, Melvin - Army  
Burger, James - Navy  
Burkart, Bernard - Army, Sgt, E5  
Burke, Jeanmarie, D - Navy, E6  
Burkett, Bill - Army  
Burkett, Gerald - Air Force  
Burkett, Gordon, Willis - Air Force CWO2  
Burkett, Richard - Navy  
Burkett, Robert, O - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Burkett, William - Army  
Burris, Brandon - Army  
Burris, Calvin, Dewayne - Army, PFC  
Burris, Christopher - Army  
Burris, Claude, O - Army, 1946-1982  
Burris, David - Army  
Burris, Elton - Army  
Burris, Eson - Army, WWI, POW, DECEASED  
Burris, Gabriel  
Burris, Max  
Burris, Melvin - Army  
Burris, Monroe  
Burris, Ronald - Army  
Burris, Russell - Army  
Burris, Scott - Army, 1987-1991  
Burris, William - Army, 1985-1988  
Burrows, Arthur  
Burrows, Ryan - Navy  
Burson, Scott - Army  
Burton, Charles  
Burton, Richard - Army  
Burton, Scott - Army  
Buzzard, Debra  
Byars, Coy, Van - Air Force Sgt  
Byars, Donald, Ray - Marine, Vietnam  
Byars, Harrison  
Byars, Mary - Army  
Byers, Bruce - Marines  
Byers, Jack - Army  
Byers, Jerry - Army  
Byers, John - Army  
Byers, Richard, Lee - Marines  
Byers, Sylvester  
Byles, Arnold - Army  
Byles, Jackie - Air Force  
Bynum, Art - Army, Korean War  
Bynum, Charles, B - Army, National Guard, DECEASED  
Bynum, Charles W - Navy 1941-1945, DECEASED  
Bynum, Joseph, R - Army, Cpl, WWII  
Bynum, Lola - Air Force WWII  
Bynum, Marvin - Army  
Bynum, Meredith, T - Navy, WWII  
Bynum, Murle, C - Navy, Korean War  
Bynum, Ray, C - Navy, WWI  
Byrd, Roy, Neal Jr - Army  
CAir Force ns, David, Bryan - Marines  
Caldwell, Al - Army  
Caldwell, Ireneo - Army  
Callen, Billy - Army  
Cameron, Eugene  
Campbell, Richard, N - Army, 1938-1945, DECEASED  
Campbell, Roy - Army  
Campbell, Thomas - Army  
Capes, Bennie, G - Navy Boatsman, WWII, Jan 1941-April 1945, Pacific, DECEASED  
Capes, David - Army, Korean War, DECEASED  
Capes, Robison - Army, Korean War, DECEASED  
Capes, Walter  
Caraway, Marlyn  
Caraway, Ricky - Navy  
Caraway, Wayne - Army, WWII, Korean Conflict  
Cardinal, Chris - Marines  
Cardinal, Leo Jr - Air Force 1st Class  
Carmichael, Eric - Marines  
Carney, Bernie - Navy, WWII, Pearl Harbor, DECEASED  
Carney, Glen - Marines, DECEASED  
Carney, Johnny - Marines  
Carney, Martin - Marines, DECEASED  
Carney, Von - Army  
Carpenter, George - Navy  
Carpenter, Gerald  
Carrel (Pack), Natchelle - Air Force  
Carroll, Nanchelle - Air Force  
Carroll, Frank - Navy  
Carroll, Jeffery  
Carter, Charles - Army  
Carter, Donald - Army  
Carter, Franklin  
Carter, George, W - Army, WWII, Korean Conflict  
Carter, Henry, Edward - Army, WWI, Medical, DECEASED  
Carter, Joe - Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Carter, Stephen - Air Force  
Carter, Steve - Air Force Vietnam  
Carter, Steven - Air Force  
Carter, VC - Marines, Cpl  
Carter, Virgil, Eugene - Marines, Corporal, DECEASED  
Carter, Woodrow  
Carvel, Alma - Navy  
Cathcart, Billy, W - Air Force  
Catoe, Rusty  
Cavener, David - Army  
Cease, Henry - Marines  
Centner, Teri - Air Force MAJ, Retired  
Chadwick, Jason - Army  
Chambers, Donald - Army  
Chambers, John - Army  
Chambers, Marcus - Army  
Chandler, Larry Dale - Navy  
Chandler, Robert - Air Force  
Chaney III, John F  
Chapman, Lawrence - Air Force  
Chase, Daniel, Lee - Air Force  
Chase, Grove, Engleman - Navy, WWII  
Chase, Kennen - Marines, Vietnam  
Chase, Kinnon  
Chase, Richard - Marines, Vietnam  
Chase, William  
Cheadle, Overton  
Cheadle, Robert - Marines  
Cheadle, Tammie  
Cheadle, Tommy  
Cheves, Casey - Navy  
Childres, Leland - Army  
Christie, Aaron  
Christie, Elmer T - Army, DECEASED  
Christie, Franklin  
Christie, Joseph B - Army  
Christie, Thomas  
Christer, James  
Chrysler, Michael  
Church, Gerald - Army  
Clapp, Elmer, Ancher - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Clapp, Jack, B - Air Force DECEASED  
Clark, Alex  
Clark, Clive, C - Marine, Army, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Clark, David - Army  
Clark, Donald, C  
Clark, Donald Ray  
Clark, Harlan - Coast Guard  
Clark, Harlon, US - Coast Guard  
Clark, James - Air Force  
Clark, Jerry - Army  
Clark, John - Air Force  
Clark Jr, Alex - Air Force  
Clark, Justin - National Guard, SP4  
Clark, Leslie  
Clark, Mark - Navy  
Clark, Milton  
Clark, Robert - Air Force  
Clark, Samuel J  
Clay, Donald - Army  
Clay, Kenneth  
Clay, Robert - Army  
Clay, William J  
Clayton, David - Air Force  
Clayton, Leon - Army  
Clemons, Ben - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Clemons, Eastmon - Air Force, Korean War, DECEASED  
Clemons, Hampton - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Clifton, Richard - Army  
Clinton, Brian - Air Force  
Clow, Angeliene - Army  
Clow, Dwan, Ellsworth - Army, Air Force, WWII, Korean War, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Clubb, David

Cobb, Andrew - Air Force  
Cobb, Gary R - Air Force Master Sergeant  
Cobb, John  
Cobb, Paul R - Army  
Cobb, Robert - Navy  
Cobler, Randall - Army  
Coffey, William - Army  
Cohee, Carson  
Cohee, Larry - Army  
Cohee, RC - Army E7  
Colbert, Bruce  
Colbert, Charles  
Colbert, Columbus, Leon, "Lee" - Army  
Colbert, David - Army, DECEASED  
Colbert, Dolphus, "Doc" - Army, Air Force  
Colbert, G, Dixie, US - Coast Guard, WWII  
Colbert, Gary  
Colbert, James - Marines, E4  
Colbert, Jessie - Navy  
Colbert, Joshua - Army  
Colbert Jr, Walter, John - Army  
Colbert, Mark - Army  
Colbert, Martin  
Colbert, Mary  
Colbert, Murray  
Colbert, Richard E - Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Colbert, Richard R - Navy, Vietnam  
Colbert, Robin - Navy  
Colbert Jr, Walter, John - Army  
Colbert, Thomas, A, "Jack" - Army  
Colbert, Victor - Air Force  
Colbert, Walter - Army  
Colbert, William - Army  
Cole, Derle  
Cole, Don - Air Force 6 years  
Cole, Donald - Air Force  
Cole, George - Army, WWII, Purple Heart  
Cole, John - Air Force  
Cole, Paul - Navy  
Cole, Robert, William - Navy, 2 years  
Cole, Sharon - Navy  
Cole, Stanley - Army  
Cole, Wendel - Army, Vietnam  
Cole, Larry, E - Army  
Collins, Bill, Max - Army  
Collins, Cecil - Army  
Collins, James - Army  
Collins, LaVerne - Army, Air Force Lieutenant, DECEASED  
Collins, Leroy - Army  
Collins, Ronald - Army  
Collins, Virgil, Cornelius - Navy  
Colon, David  
Colson, Thomas, Miller Jr - Navy, Marines  
Colvin, Ollie - Army  
Combes, Mark - Army  
Conley, Jessica - Army  
Conley, Robert - Army  
Connelly, John, W - Army, Cpl, WWII  
Connelly, RE  
Connelly, William, Ambrose - Army, WWII  
Conner, Joe, Paul - Army, MAJ, retired, WWII, Korea, Cold War, Aviator, DECEASED  
Cook, Lemuel - Army  
Cook, Stanley  
Cooper, Adrienne - Army  
Cooper, Andy - Marines  
Cooper, Doyle  
Cooper, Gary - Navy  
Cooper, Jess - Air Force  
Cooper, Thomas - Army  
Cooper, Tom - Army, Sgt, 1st Class, Vietnam  
Cooper, Warren G  
Copeland, Kenneth  
Corder, Mercedes - Air Force  
Couchman, Charles, E - Army  
Couchman, G  
Couchman, Gene - Army  
Courtney, Bennie - Army  
Courtney, Bernard  
Courtney, Howard - Air Force  
Courtney Jr, Bennie - Army  
Courtney, Stanley - Air Force  
Courtney, William, Brooks - Navy, DECEASED  
Cox, Christopher - Navy  
Cox, David  
Cox, Lowell - Navy  
Cox, Lyle - Navy  
Coyle, Cecil, Carl - Army, Operation Enduring Freedom, Iraq  
Coyle, Dennis - Navy  
Coyle, Geronia - Army  
Coyle, Leslie - Army  
Coyle, RC - Marines, Cpl  
Coyle, Shannon - Navy  
Cozad, Brandy  
Cozy, Dan - Air Force  
Crabb, Jacob - Navy  
Crabb, Justin - Navy  
Crabb, Richard - Navy  
Crabbe, William  
Crabtree, Roger - Air Force  
Craddock, Halley, Harden 1st Lieutenant, tank commander, DECEASED, WWII  
Cravatt, Clifford - Marines, DECEASED  
Cravatt, Irvin - Navy  
Cravatt, Larry - Army  
Carter, George, W - Army, WWII, Korean Conflict  
Carter, Henry, Edward - Army, WWI, Medical, DECEASED  
Carter, Joe - Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Carter, Stephen - Air Force  
Carter, Steve - Air Force Vietnam  
Carter, Steven - Air Force  
Carter, VC - Marines, Cpl  
Carter, Virgil, Eugene - Marines, Corporal, DECEASED  
Carter, Woodrow  
Carvel, Alma - Navy  
Cathcart, Billy, W - Air Force  
Catoe, Rusty  
Cavener, David - Army  
Cease, Henry - Marines  
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Chase, Grove, Engleman - Navy, WWII  
Chase, Kennen - Marines, Vietnam  
Chase, Kinnon  
Chase, Richard - Marines, Vietnam  
Chase, William  
Cheadle, Overton  
Cheadle, Robert - Marines  
Cheadle, Tammie  
Cheadle, Tommy  
Cheves, Casey - Navy  
Childres, Leland - Army  
Christie, Aaron  
Christie, Elmer T - Army, DECEASED  
Christie, Franklin  
Christie, Joseph B - Army  
Christie, Thomas  
Christer, James  
Chrysler, Michael  
Church, Gerald - Army  
Clapp, Elmer, Ancher - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Clapp, Jack, B - Air Force DECEASED  
Clark, Alex  
Clark, Clive, C - Marine, Army, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Clark, David - Army  
Clark, Donald, C  
Clark, Donald Ray  
Clark, Harlan - Coast Guard  
Clark, Harlon, US - Coast Guard  
Clark, James - Air Force  
Clark, Jerry - Army  
Clark, John - Air Force  
Clark Jr, Alex - Air Force  
Clark, Justin - National Guard, SP4  
Clark, Leslie  
Clark, Mark - Navy  
Clark, Milton  
Clark, Robert - Air Force  
Clark, Samuel J  
Clay, Donald - Army  
Clay, Kenneth  
Clay, Robert - Army  
Clay, William J  
Clayton, David - Air Force  
Clayton, Leon - Army  
Clemons, Ben - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Clemons, Eastmon - Air Force, Korean War, DECEASED  
Clemons, Hampton - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Clifton, Richard - Army  
Clinton, Brian - Air Force  
Clow, Angeliene - Army  
Clow, Dwan, Ellsworth - Army, Air Force, WWII, Korean War, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Clubb, David

Dickinson, Stanley, O - Marine Raiders, WWII, DECEASED  
Dillard, Gary - Navy  
Dillingham, Dylan - Army  
Dillingham, Melvin  
Dillingham, Olen  
Dillingham, Oscar - Army  
Dobbs, Ricky - Marines  
Dodgion, John - Army  
Donaho, Scott - Army  
Dooley, William, Kingston - Navy  
Dooey, Pansy - Air Force  
Dowdy, David - Army / Navy  
Dowdy, John F  
Dowell, James  
Drake, George  
Drannon, Stanley - Army  
Driver, David - Air Force  
Duckworth, Bill, US - Army, 10th Mountain Division  
Duckworth, Billy - Army  
Duckworth, Bobby - Army, Air Force, Civil Engineering, Retired, Fire and Rescue Chief, Europe  
Duckworth, Boby - Army  
Duckworth, FA - Air Force  
Duckworth, Frankie - Air Force  
Duckworth, Fritz - Army, Artillery, Europe, DECEASED  
Duckworth, K, K - Army Merchant, Marine, South Pacific, DECEASED  
Duckworth, Lonnie, Chuck - Army, Air Force borne, DECEASED  
Duckworth, Ronald - Army  
Duckworth, Thomas, W - Army, PFC, WWII Europe, DECEASED  
Duckworth, Wiley Jay - Army, WWI, DECEASED  
Duckworth, Wiley Joe - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Duckworth, William, Lamont - Army, SP5, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Ducote, Steven, C - Army, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Duerson, John - Army  
Dulin, James, W - Army, 101st Air Force borne, DECEASED  
Dulin, Lee, M - Army, 101st Air Force borne, DECEASED  
Duncan, James - Air Force 1966-1970  
Duncan, Kris - Navy  
Duncan, Stephen - Air Force  
Dunn, Mike  
Duncan, Billy Jeff - Army  
Dunn, Billy, Joe - Navy, Vietnam  
Dunn, Douglas - Coast Guard  
Dunn, Mike - Army  
Dunn, Ray  
Dunn, Raymond, G, "Ray" - Army, E5  
Dunning, Christy  
Dupart, Kervin - Air Force  
Durant, Albert - Army, WWII, Germany, DECEASED  
Durant, Burney - Navy, Vietnam  
Durant, Calvin, E Buck - Army, WWII, Italy, DECEASED  
Durant, Don - Navy, Vietnam  
Durant, Ethan - Army, Air Force WWII, DECEASED  
Durant, James - Navy  
Durant, Jerry - Navy, Desert Storm  
Durant, Johnny C - Air Force  
Durant, Preman John - Army, WWI, DECEASED  
Durham, David - Air Force Captain  
Duston, Guy - USMC, Cpl  
Dutton, Charla  
Duty, Clinton - Navy  
Dy, David - Marine  
Dyer, Buck - Army, DECEASED  
Ebisch, Raymond R  
Ebisch, James - Army  
Ebisch, Lawrence, Paul - Army, Pvt  
Ebisch, Raymond, R - Army, Korean Conflict  
Ebisch, William, R - Army, WWII  
Eddleman, Rickce - Navy  
Eddlemon, Dewey, Lee - Army, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Eddlemon, Jim - Air Force 1954-1975 DECEASED  
Eddlemon, Jimmy D  
Edgar, Leslie  
Edwards, Kenny - Navy  
Edwards, Leon - Army  
Edwards Jr, James M - Navy  
Egge, Valla - Marines  
Egge, Walter - Navy  
Ehn, Morgan - Marines  
Elam, James, H - Army, Staff Sgt, WWII  
Elder, Leslie - Army  
Elder, Richard - Army  
Eldhardt, Tommy - Navy  
Eldred, Jakey - Air Force  
Elkins, Dan  
Elkins, James  
Elerbe, Wilbur - Navy  
Elliot, Charles - Navy  
Elliot, James - Air Force  
Elliot, John, Cyrus  
Elliot, Charles - Navy  
Elliot, James - Air Force  
Elliot, John Cyrus  
Ellis, John  
Ellis, Richard - Army  
Elmore, Monty - Air Force  
Elmore, Ronald  
Elrod, Randall - Navy  
Emberson, Doyle - Army  
Engle, Bobby - Army  
Engle, David - Army  
Engle, William - Air Force  
Engles, Lynn  
Esguerra, Joyce - Air Force  
Espinosa, Benjamin - Navy  
Essary, Tommy - Navy  
Etschison, John - Army  
Etschison, Shelane - Army  
Evans, Carl  
Evans, Charles - Army  
Evans, Delbert Deland  
Factor, Marc - Army / Navy  
Fain, Lisa - Army  
Farrand, Kent - Army  
Farrand, Dolph - Army  
Farris, Amos  
Farris, David, Thomas  
Farris, George, Perrin  
Farris, Joe, Weldon  
Farris, Stanley - Army  
Farve, Emil - Army  
Farve Jr, Emil - Army  
Farny, Kern - Army  
Fear, Rebecca - Navy  
Fenner, Eugene - Army  
Fenner, Gene  
Ferguson, Layton - Army  
Fillmore, Adam Jr - Army, 1967-1969 E4  
Fillmore, Cecil - Army  
Fillmore, Gregory - Air Force  
Fillmore, John - Army  
Fillmore, Richmond, Robert - Army, 1943 WWII  
Finnerty, Brett - Air Force  
Finnie, Carl - Navy  
Fisher, Edward - Air Force  
Fisher, JP - Marines  
Fisher, Jean - Marines  
Fisher, Robert - Air Force  
Flammigan, Timothy - Army  
Flatt, Ronny - Army  
Fleetwood, Floyd, Thomas - Army, WWII  
Fleetwood, Ira, Thomas - Air Force Vietnam  
Fleetwood, Jarrod, Brent - Army  
Fleetwood, Silas - Army, 1975-1981  
Fleetwood Sr, Silas - Navy, WWII  
Fleetwood, William, Clarence - Army, WWII  
Fleming, Carl - Coast Guard  
Fletcher, Lawrence - Navy  
Fletcher, Ronald - Army, National Guard, 1970-1976 Vietnam  
Flowers, Doug - Army  
Flowers, William  
Floyd, Rush - Army  
Floyd, James - Army  
Flud, Clifford - Army  
Folsom, Charles - Army  
Foots, Jack - Army  
Foraker, Bob  
Foraker, Douglas - Air Force  
Ford, Billy - Marines  
Ford, Martin - Air Force  
Ford, Wm, Doug - Navy, WWII  
Forguson, Tommie, Lee - Army, PFCE, 3, P  
Forguson, Tommy  
Forsythe, Benny, C - Army, 1st Infantry, Purple Heart, Retired  
Fortenberry, Daniel - Army as of 1118-13 citizenship shows as inactive will check next year  
Fortner, Clinton - Army  
Foster, Charles

# Veterans List (Continued)

- Foster, John - Army  
Foster Jr, Milford, Wayne - Navy, 1977-1981  
Foster, Randall, C - Army, SPC4, 1978-1981  
Foster, Stephen - Army  
Fowler, Corinea  
Fowler, Edward - Air Force  
Fowler, Kenneth - Air Force  
Fowler, Roger - Army  
Fowler, Shawn - Marines  
Fox, Larry  
Fox, Lyndal - Army  
Franks, Chris  
Franks, Christopher  
Frazier, Leonard R  
Frazier, Belvin D - Air Force, Vietnam Era, DECEASED  
Frazier, Bill  
Frazier, Curtis - Marines  
Frazier, Dennis - Navy  
Frazier, Harold - Army  
Frazier, Joe B - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Frazier, Joe E - Air Force, Vietnam Era  
Frazier, Leonard, Ray  
Frazier, Nick D - Air Force, Vietnam Era, DECEASED  
Frazier, Nikki - Air Force  
Frazier, Sherman R - Army  
Frazier, Tobiah D - Navy, Army  
Frazier, Truman  
Freeman, Charles  
Freeman, Dennis - Navy  
Freeman, John - Navy, DECEASED  
Freeny, Arlington - Army  
Freeny, Benjamin, Clay - Army, WWII, DECEASED, KIA Anzio, Italy  
Freeny, Bennett, Lane - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Freeny, Bob - Marines  
Freeny, John, Ellis - Army, Korean War, DECEASED  
Freeny, Keota - Navy  
Fryrear, Robert - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Fryrear, Terry - Army  
Fryrear, William - Army, WWI, DECEASED  
Fulsom, Charles  
Fuson, Virgil, C - Army, WWII, 1st Sargent, DECEASED  
Futtscha, Roy Eugene - Air Force, DECEASED  
Gabaldon, Sam - Air Force  
Gabaldon, Samel - Air Force  
Gabehart, Gary J  
Gabehart, Gary Joseph  
Gabehart, Joe  
Gabehart, Joseph - Army, WWII  
Gabehart, Richard - Army  
Galbreath Jr, Gerald - Army, Major, WWII, 2 purple hearts, silver star, DECEASED  
Galyean, Michael, D - Army, DECEASED  
Galyean, Samuel, N - Army, DECEASED  
Garcia, Dulcey  
Gardner, Fitzhugh, Lee - Army, WWI  
Gardner, HD  
Gardner, Rogers - Navy  
Garnand, Roy - Air Force  
Garner, Kendall - Navy  
Garrison, Marvin - Navy  
Garside, Ronald - Army  
Gaskell, Mary - Air Force  
Gaskell, MaryAlice - Air Force  
Gause, Jim - Navy  
George, Brian  
George, Cody - Navy  
George, Kevin - Navy  
George, Ronald - Navy  
Gerard, Linda - Navy  
Gibbons, Casey - Army  
Gibbs, Manuel - Air Force  
Gibney, Rebecca - Navy  
Giboney, Junior Ray  
Gibson, Don - Army  
Gibson, Donny - Army  
Gibson, Herbert  
Gibson, Lenard  
Gienapp, Gordon - Army  
Gilbert, Brad  
Gilbert, Stephen - Navy  
Gilmore, Owen - Coast Guard, Boatsman, 2nd Class  
Gipson, Glenn - Army, Korea, DECEASED  
Gipson, Jessie  
Gipson, Jonathan - Marines  
Gissel Jr, Lewis, Henry - Army, Captain, 1961-1963  
Givens, Tim  
Gizoni, Ernest - Army  
Glase, Danna - Army  
Glasgow, Harry - Army/AF - Navy  
Glasgow, Robert - Air Force  
Glasgow Jr, Harry  
Glenn, Scott, Holland  
Glidden, Jeffrey  
Glover, James - Navy  
Glover, Robert - Army  
Goddard, Lyle - Marines  
Godfrey, James  
Godfrey, Roy, Nickless Merchant - Marines, 1942-1945 DECEASED  
Goebel, Caleb - Air Force  
Goforth, Alfred - Army, Korean War, DECEASED  
Goforth, Andrew - Army, WWII  
Goforth, Bill  
Goforth, Garth, S - Marines, DECEASED  
Goforth, Murray  
Goforth, Paul, C - Navy, DECEASED  
Goforth, Shena - Marines  
Goforth, Thomas - Air Force  
Goldsby, Don W  
Goldsby, Jon  
Good Jr, Elmer, Nay, Apprentice, Seamen, 1st Class  
Gooding, Norman, Gene - Army, DECEASED  
Goodman, Charles  
Goodman, Gene - Army  
Goodman, Harvey  
Goodman, Oscar  
Goodman, Robert - Army  
Goodman, Roger - Army  
Goodwin, Billie, J - Air Force  
Gore, Dennis - Army  
Gorman, Martin  
Gorman, Michael - Navy  
Gorrell, Dick  
Gorrell, Dixon - Marines, Cpl  
Grace, Jackie  
Graff, David  
Graff, Michael  
Graff, Thomas - Navy  
Graham, Jack  
Graham, John  
Green, Bill, USAF, 1965-1968  
Green, Carlen - Army  
Green, James - Army  
Green, Johnny  
Green, Michael - Army  
Green, Nicholas - Army  
Green, R - Army  
Green, Richard, C - USNR, Aviation, Electronics Technician, E4, 1961-1967  
Green, Roston - Army  
Green, Roy - Navy  
Green, William - Air Force  
Greenwood, Amaziah - Army, DECEASED  
Greenwood, Anthony - Navy  
Greenwood, Earl - Marines  
Greenwood, Harvey  
Greenwood, Jack  
Greenwood, Leon - Army  
Greenwood, Marion - Army  
Greenwood, Robert - Marines  
Greenwood, Ronnie - Army  
Greenwood, Sim  
Greenwood, Virgil, J  
Greer, Douglas  
Greer, II, Todd, D - Navy, OIE  
Greer, James - Navy  
Greer, Todd - Marines  
Grellner, Ian - Army  
Grellner, Thomas - Navy  
Griffin, Angela - Air Force  
Griffin, Angela - Air Force  
Griffin, Clyde, F - Army, WWII  
Griffin, John - Army  
Griffin, Ruben - Army  
Griffin, Wendy  
Griffith, Charles, B - Marine Corp, Vietnam, Cpl  
Griffith, James  
Grimes, Billy - Army / Navy  
Grinslade, Albert Milton - Army WWI, Original enrollee #3395 DECEASED  
Grinslade, John  
Grinslade, Robert Arthur - Army air corp, air force, WWII Korea Vietnam, DECEASED  
Grisham, Philip - Army  
Grizzle, II, John, Dale - Army, 1977-1980  
Grizzle, Robbie  
Gross, Taylor - Navy  
Grubbs, Jasper - Air Force  
Guardalibene, Charles - Army  
Guess, Ernest  
Guiles, Clayton - Air Force, Army  
Guile, Donald - Air Force  
Guiles, Richard - Air Force  
Guiou, Russell - Army  
Gunning, Robin  
Gunter, Bobby  
Gustafson, Alford, V Jr - Army, 1945-1947  
Guy, Douglas  
Gyger, Noweta - Navy  
Haddock, Nicky  
Haddock, Russell - Navy  
Hagan, James - Army  
Haggard, James - Army  
Haggard, Darius - Army  
Haggard, David W  
Haggard, James - Army  
Halford, III, Joseph, Clyde - Navy, 1973-1976  
Halford, Joseph - Navy  
Hall, Alan, Ray - Army, DECEASED  
Hall, Thomas - Army  
Hallmark, Jared - Army  
Hallmark, Kolby - Army  
Halphen, Christine - Army  
Halsell, Thomas  
Hamil, Cindy - Air Force  
Hamilton, Andris  
Hamilton, Billy - Army  
Hamilton, Joseph  
Hamilton, Tommie  
Hammon, Randy - Army  
Hammond, Leighton, Edward - Army, Sgt, 2nd Class  
Hammond, Mark - Army, SPC 5, Med, Specialist  
Hampton, Donald - Army  
Hancock, Cleo R  
Hankey, Don - Army  
Hann, Jeffrey E - Air Force, SSGT, 2009-2017  
Hansard, Robert - Air Force  
Harden, Larry - Air Force  
Hardin, Thomas - Army  
Hardwicke, David H  
Harkins, Gregory - Navy  
Harlin, JD - Navy  
Harlin Jr, James, Belton - Air Force Cpt, DECEASED  
Harp, Arlen - Army  
Harp, Thomas, Luke - Coast Guard  
Harper, James - Army  
Harper, Jonathan - Army  
Harriman-Williams, Jacline - Army  
Harrington, Dalton - Marines  
Harrington, Michael - Marines  
Harris, Benjamin - Army  
Harris, Delos - Army, WWI, DECEASED  
Harris, Donald - Marines  
Harris, James - Air Force  
Harris Jr, Robert, L - Marine  
Harris, Pauline, Hicks - Army, WAC, Sgt  
Harris, Richard - Air Force  
Harris, Ronald - Navy  
Harris, Thurl, Eugene - Army, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Harris, Thurl Eugene  
Harris Jr, Robert L  
Harrison, Jed - Navy  
Harrison, Leonard, Ray - Navy  
Harrison, LeRoy - Army, DECEASED  
Harrison, Marion, Parnell - Army, Navy  
Harrison, Shad - Army  
Harrison, William  
Hartin, Ronald - Army  
Hartline, Frank, L - Marine, DECEASED  
Hartline, James - Army  
Hartwell, Edward  
Hartwell, Joe - Army  
Hartwell, Porter - Army  
Hartzog, Robert - Army  
Harvey, Raymond - Army, DECEASED  
Hatcher, Charles - Army  
Hatcher, Earl G - Army  
Hatton, Alexander - Army  
Hatton, Bobby  
Hatton, JB  
Hawkins, WO  
Hawkins, Jimmy - Air Force  
Hawkins, John, R - Air Force WWII  
Hawkins, Joseph, C - Army, Pvt  
Hawkins, Kenneth, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Hawkins, Larry  
Hawkins, Ranny - Marines  
Hawkins, Ronny - Marines  
Hawkins, WO  
Hawley, R, Michael - Navy  
Hawley, Ronald, W - Army, Vietnam  
Hayes, Clifton - Navy  
Hayes, Donald - Army  
Hayes, Joseph, W - Navy, Army, DECEASED  
Hayes, Michael - Marines / Navy  
Hayes, Ronald - Marines  
Hays, Amos, "Buster" - Army, DECEASED  
Hays, Ronny - Army  
Hays, William  
Heald, Charles, F, M - USAF, Sgt, 1916-1998  
HEALD, Charles, F, M - USAF, Sgt, 1916-1998  
Heald, Kenneth - Air Force, Vietnam  
Heath, Sandra K  
Heath, J - Army  
Heath, Jeremy - Army  
Heath, Sandra  
Hedinger, Ralph - Air Force, 1976-1981  
Hefley, Earl William  
Hefner, Carlos  
Hefner, Joe, Paul - Army, National Guard, 1963-1969  
Helm, CC - Army  
Helms, Michael - Coast Guard  
Henderson, Chanel - Navy  
Henderson, James, L - Marine, DECEASED  
Henderson Jr, Richard, S - Army, Air Force  
Henderson, Michael, L - Army, Sgt, Vietnam  
Henderson, Richard  
Hendricks, Al - Air Force  
Hendricks, Cadian - Army, DECEASED  
Hendricks Jr, Cadian - Army, Vietnam  
Hendrix, George Rolan  
Hendrix, Ronald - Navy  
Henry, Charles, Earl - Marines, Cpl  
Henry, Earl - Army  
Henry, John - Army  
Henry, Michael - Army  
Henry, Terry, F - Army, Retired Sergeant  
Major  
Hensley, Harold  
Hensley, Jackie  
Hensley, Kenneth - Army  
Hensley, Ray - Army  
Hensley, Raymond - Army  
Henson, Ivy  
Henson, Terry - Army  
Henson, Timothy  
Herd, Bernie - Army  
Herlihy, Kim - Army  
Herlihy, Kimberly - Army  
Herman, Carolyn - Army  
Herman, Justin - Army  
Hermann, B  
Herrington, John - Navy  
Hess, Ralph Ivan  
Hester, Cloise Dean  
Hester, Billy - Army  
Hester, Louis  
Hester, Melton - Army  
Hester, Billy, D - Army  
Hestor, Cloise, "Dean" - Army, E4  
Hestor, Louis, Joe, Dean - Army  
Hestor, Melton, G - Army, PFC  
Hewett, Justin  
Hewett, Kyle - Army  
Hibbert, Joshua, C - Air Force  
Hickman, James  
Hickman, Kendall Eugene - US Navy MS3, DECEASED  
Hickman, Thomas Wayne Faltyssek - US Marine, I-CPL  
Hickman, William Kendall Sr - Airforce A3C, DECEASED  
Hicks, Ale, F - Army, Spec, 4th Class  
Hicks, Dale F  
Hicks, Deloyd - Navy  
Hicks, Jack Walton - Army, WWII  
Hilburn, Beverly - Army  
Hill, Andy - Army  
Hill, Danny - Air Force  
Hill, Gene - Army  
Hill, Gunner, Boyce - Army  
Hilbrunner, Boyd - Army  
Hilton, William - Navy  
Hisaw, Charles - Marines  
Hitchcock, Chester  
Hitchox, Chester - Marine  
Hiten, Kenneth - Air Force, Retired  
Hobbs, Charles - Army  
Hobbs, John - Army  
Hodge, Britt - National Guard  
Hodge, Treylan - Marines  
Hodges, Gary, Dale, Vietnam  
Hodges, James - Army  
Hodges, Stanley - Army  
Hogan, Kenneth - Navy  
Hogland, Gordon, L, "Buck" - Army  
Hogland, Larry - Air Force  
Hogland, Thomas - Army  
Hogue, John - Army / Navy  
Holcomb, James - Navy  
Holcomb Jr, Santana, Beaver - Army, 1975-1978  
Holcomb, Satanta Beaver  
Holcomb Jr, Satana, Beaver - Marine  
Holden, Kenneth  
Holder, Johnson  
Holland, D - Navy  
Holland, David - Navy  
Holland, Gerald  
Holland, Robert  
Holliday, Daniel - Navy  
Hollolpeter, Wile - Navy  
Hollolpeter, Wolf - Army, Vietnam  
Holman, Jerry - Air Force  
Holmes, Charles - Navy  
Holmes, John - Army  
Holmes Jr, Charles, P - Navy, Korea  
Holt, David  
Holt, Gale, B Merchant - Marines, WWII  
Holt, Jimmy, E Jr - Army  
Holt, Wallace G  
Homer, Edgar - Army  
Homer, Homer - Army  
Homer Jr, Homer, G - Army  
Hooper, Daniel - Army  
Hoover, Amber - Army  
Hopkins, Lloyd, George - Army, WWII, DE-

# Veterans List (continued)

- McKellop, Cody - Army  
McKellon, Louie, W. DECEASED  
McKinney, Ralph, Doak - Army, WWII, Korean Conflict, Col, West Point Graduate  
McKinney, Thomas - Army  
McKoy, George, Colbert - Fighter Pilot, WWII, DECEASED  
McKoy, III, John, H - Army  
McKoy, John - Army  
McLaughlin, Clinton D - Navy Seabees, Marines, WWII  
McLaughlin, Dorman  
McLaughlin, Joe, C - Army  
McLean, H  
McLean, Homer, D - Army, 1957-1960  
McLellan, Carolyn - Army  
McMillan, Diann - Navy  
McMillan, Donovan - Army, WWII  
McMillan, Louis - Navy, WWII  
McMillan, Zachery - Marines  
McNally, Charles - Navy  
McNally, Mark - Navy  
McNally, Robert - Army  
McNeely, William - Army  
McReynolds, Joel - Army  
Mead, Billy - Army  
Meador, Brandon - Army  
Mease, Nancy - Army / Marines  
Medrano, Tiffany  
Meeks, Billy N  
Meeks, Kevin  
Meeks, Wallace - Army  
Meely, Johnny - Marines  
Meister, Brett, A - Marines, Helibourne Assault, Cpl, OEFOIF  
Mellor, William, Bruce - Army, Korea, 40th Infantry Division, DECEASED  
Melville, Newton - Navy  
Melville, Parker  
Merrill, Byron - Navy  
Messinger, Christopher - Navy  
Metzger, Steven - Army  
Milks, Keith - Marines  
Milks, Kevin - Air Force  
Miller, Alex - Army  
Miller, Bob - Army  
Miller, Bobby - Navy  
Miller, Cain, B - Army, DECEASED  
Miller, Colson - Navy  
Miller, David - Army  
Miller, James, Lewis - Army, Pvt, 1st Class  
Miller, Janis  
Miller, John - Army  
Miller, Michael  
Miller, Mike, T - Army, National Guard, E5  
Miller, Patrick, Henry - Army  
Miller, Paul, Hugh - Army, DECEASED  
Miller, Robert  
Miller, Ronnie - Army  
Miller, Tom - Navy, Marine  
Milligan, Raymond  
Milligan, Dale - Army  
Milligan, David - Army  
Milligan, Jack, W - Navy, WWII  
Milligan, John - Army  
Milligan, Kindra - Air Force  
Milligan, Lon Joe  
Milligan, Lonnie - Marine Corp, Lance Corporal, Vietnam  
Milligan, Raymond, D - Army, WWII  
Milligan, Ted  
Milligan, Trent - Navy  
Miller, Charles - Army  
Millner, Eugene  
Millner, Herman - Army  
Milner, Charles - Army, Vietnam  
Mims, Nathaniel - Marines  
Minnett, John, B - Air Force Korean Conflict, 1st Lt  
Mitchell, Billie, Louise - Army  
Mitchell, Clayton - Army  
Mitchell, Hershel  
Mitchell, Hershell - Marines  
Mitchell, James - Air Force  
Mitchell, Jay - Army  
Mitchell, Jerry - Army  
Mitchell, Marvin - Army  
Mitchell, Michael - Army  
Mitchell, VD  
Mobley, Gordon - Army  
Mobley, Warner P  
Mole, Gaylord  
Mondragon, Delores - Navy  
Monetathchi, Jara - Army  
Monroe, Leonard - Air Force  
Moody, Austin - Air Force / Navy  
Moody, Donald  
Moody, Steven - Army  
Moore, Alexander, K - Air Force Reserve, Marine  
Moore, Alexandra  
Moore, Benny, Atwood - Army, Spc4, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Moore, Bill - Marines  
Moore, Billy  
Moore, Bonnie - Army, Vietnam  
Moore, Denver - Navy  
Moore, Eddy  
Moore, Flying - Navy  
Moore, James - Air Force  
Moore, Jimmy - Air Force  
Moore, Joel - Navy  
Moore, Joseph - Navy  
Moore, Kenneth - Army  
Moore, Louie - Army  
Moore, Merle - Air Force  
Moore, Robe - Army  
Moore, Jr Louis - Navy, 1943-1945 WWII  
Moore, Steven - Army, Navy  
Moore, Tom - Navy  
Moore, Tommy - Army  
Moore, Victor  
MOORE Little, Steven - Army / Navy  
Morgan, Doyle - Army  
Morgan, Tommy - Army  
Morin, Lavern  
Morin, Laverne, P - Army, 4 years, WWII  
Morr, Howell - Army  
Morris, Aubrey, Ned - Air Force  
Morris, II, Rodney - Navy, Army  
Morris, Louie - Navy  
Morris, Rodney - Army / Navy  
Morris, Steven, E - Army, Vietnam  
Morris, William  
Morrow, Windell - Air Force  
Morse, Thomas C. - Navy, Vietnam  
Mose, Dorsey - Army, WWII  
Moss, Arthur - Navy  
Moss, Authur - Navy, Korean  
Mowdy, James - Army  
Mulligan, Lura  
Mullins, Bradley - Air Force  
Mullins, James  
Mullins, Linda, Marie - Air Force  
Mundy, James B  
Munoz, Eric - Navy  
Murphy, Eric - Navy  
Murray, Arber - Army  
Murray, Jennifer - Navy  
Murray, Massena, B - National Guard, Colonel, WWII, Korea, DECEASED  
Murray, Richard - Air Force  
Murray, William, L - Air Force  
Murrell, Ronald - Army  
Mutz, David - Air Force  
Mutz, Louis  
Mutz, Louis L  
Myrick, Aaron - Marines  
Nail, Aaron, Monroe - Army, Air Force  
Nail, DECEASED  
Nail, Alton - Air Force / Navy  
Nail, Qnanah - Air Force, Vietnam Era  
Nance, Rex, G - Navy, WWII  
Nave, Jack, R - Air Force MSgt  
Nave, Jacky - Air Force  
Neal, III, Oliver, B  
Neal, Mouzon, E - Army, WWII  
Neal, Oliver - Army  
Neasblitt, John, Talley - Army, DECEASED  
Ned, David - Army  
Ned, Morris  
Ned, William  
Neesmith, James - Army  
Nelson, Cecil - Air Force  
Nelson, Cleburn, Floyd - Navy, WWII  
Nelson, Floyd Jr - Army  
Nelson, Franklin - Army  
Nelson, Franklin D Jr  
Nelson, Jack - Army, 4 years, Korea  
Nelson, James - Navy, DECEASED  
Nelson, Kenneth - Marines, DECEASED  
Nelson, Lloyd, B - Army, DECEASED  
Nelson, Marvin, E, Jack - Army  
Nelson, Matthew, Stephen - Marines, Sgt, 2008-2013 Afghanistan  
Nelson, Sammy - Army  
Nelson, William E - WWII and Korea, DECEASED  
Neumeister, Don  
Neumeyster, Matthew, P - Army, Cmdr  
Newberry, James D  
Newberry, Lewis, D - Marine, 1950-1970  
Newton, Brooke - Navy  
Newton, Joe Ray - US Air Force 1960-1964  
Nicholas, Dwayne - Army  
Nichols, Billy - Navy  
Nichols, Carrol - Army  
Nichols, Chester  
Nichols, James - Army  
Nichols, Jerald - Army  
Nichols, Jim - Navy, 1962-1966  
Nichols, Jimmy - Navy  
Nichols, Joseph, Lyle - Marine, 2001-2011  
Nichols Jr, Louis Carroll - Army  
Nichols, Michael - Navy, Vietnam  
Nichols, Oregon  
Nichols, Richard, L - Navy, Army Reserve  
Nichols, Robert - Navy, 1962-1968  
Nichols, Robert E - Coast Guard  
Nichols, Ronald - Army  
Nickels, Robert - Army  
Nickols, Robert  
Nix, Leon  
Noble, Jo - Army  
Noletubby, Jackson - Army, WWI, DECEASED  
Noletubby, Tandy - Army, DECEASED  
Norman, Harley - Navy  
Norman, ID - Army / Navy  
Norman, Jerry - Army  
Norman, Weldon  
Norris, Ethan  
Norris Jr, Harvey  
North, Elmo - Navy  
Northcutt, Billy, Harrell - Air Force, 1st Class  
Northcutt, Billy Harrell  
Northcutt, Darrell  
Norton, Fred - Navy  
Norton, Joe - Army  
Norton, Mikel - Army  
Norton, Phinny Paul  
Norton, Walter - Air Force  
Norwell, Glynn  
Norwell, John  
Norwell, Perry  
Nowlin, Gary - Army  
Nowlin, Mary, E - Navy, 1967-1969  
Nowlin, Phillip - Army, 1977-1982  
Nowlin, Raymond - Marines, 1973-2003, Sergeant  
Nowlin, Raymond - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Nowlin, Steve - Army, Retired  
O'Dell, Charles D  
Oliver, Kenneth, Ray - Marine  
Orphan, Levi - Army  
Orphan, Ray - Marines, OEFOIF  
Orphan, Rita  
Orphan, Ruebin - Marines  
Orr, Charles, Edward - Army  
Orr, Gilbert, Clyde - Army  
Orr, Howell  
Orr, Joe - Army  
Orr, Steven - Navy  
Ortega, Timothy  
Ortiz, Jeremy  
Ott, Johnson D - Marine  
Ott, Manuel - Navy  
Owens (Fear), Rebecca - Navy  
Owens, Benny  
Owens, Billy, Gene - Army, 1977-1979  
Owens, Chub - Army  
Owens, Chubby - Army  
Owens, Frank  
Owens, John, Lewis - Army, DECEASED  
Owens, Johnny  
Owens, Olen - Navy  
Owens, Rebecca - Navy  
Owens, Richard - Army  
Ozment, Kevin - Navy  
Pack, Kevin - Army  
Pack, Nachele - Air Force  
Page, James - Navy  
Paire, Jane - Air Force Lt, 1956-1960  
Palmer, Christopher E  
Palmer, Edward  
Palmer, Frank  
Parker, Loyd - Army / Marines  
Pannell, Ted - Army  
Parker, Joe - Navy, DECEASED  
Parker, John  
Parker Jr, John, Westley - Navy  
Parker, Louis - Army  
Parker, Luis - Army, Korea  
Parker, Ron - USMC, Sgt  
Parker, Ronald - Marines  
Parkey, Nathan - Navy  
Parks, Haskall  
Parks, Haskall G  
Parks, Ignacio - Navy  
Parks, KC - Marines  
Parks, Leo - Army, Vietnam  
Parks, Raymond - Army  
Parks, William - Air Force  
Parnacher, Floyd - Navy  
Parnell, Ewing - Air Force  
Parnell Jr, Ewing R  
Parra, Shelia, Taylor - Air Force 1989-2009  
Afghanistan  
Parrott, Dennis - Army  
Paschal, James - Army  
Paschall, Perry  
Pate, Charles - Army  
Pate, Homer - Air Force E6, 1950-1964  
Pate Jr, Charles, D - Army Vietnam  
Pate, Romme - Army  
Pate, Victor - Air Force  
Patrick, Carl, Hugh - Navy, Desert Storm  
Patrick, Kyle - Army, Iraqi Conflict  
Patterson, Joe - Army  
Patton, Johnny  
Patton, Leroy - Navy  
Paul, Homer  
Paul, Jacob - Army  
Paul, Joe - Navy  
Paul, Joseph - Navy  
Paul, Larry - Marines  
Paul, Matias - Army  
Paul, Stephen - Marines  
Paul, Tommy  
Paul, William - Marines  
Payne, Jerry - Navy  
Peary, Steven - Army  
Peay, Edward - Army  
Peay, Thomas - Army  
Pemberton, Bradley - Army  
Pence, Douglas - Navy  
Percival, Harold - Army  
Percival, Howard - Army  
Perkins, David  
Perkins, James  
Perkins, Morris E  
Perriman, Laurence, Ralph  
Perry, Lee Roy  
Perry, Sequoyah  
Perry, Albert Jr - DECEASED  
Perry, Bobby - Air Force  
Perry, Brian  
Perry, Charles - Army, AF  
Perry, David - Air Force  
Perry, Jim  
Perry, Kirkland - Army  
Perry, Lee - Army  
Perry, Norman, F  
Perry, Rebecca - Navy  
Perry, Robert - Army  
Perry, Sequoyah  
Perry, Wayne - Army, Navy TO Navy, Air National Guard  
Perschica, Carl - Army  
Perschica, Jerry - Army  
Perschica, Harrison  
Perschica, Haskell F  
Perschica, Jerry - Army  
Perschica, MF  
Peters, Cheryl - Air Force  
Peters, Gregory - Army  
Petterridge, Charlie, Watson - Army, 1966-1968  
Pettigrew, Brian  
Pettigrew, Robert - Army  
Pettigrew, Thomas, Allen, Caston - Marine, Pvt  
Pettigrew, William  
Phillips, Kirk - Air Force  
Phillips, Raymond  
Phillips, Sean - Marines  
Pich, Charles - Army  
Pich, Clyde - Army  
Pich, David - Army  
Pich, Jackie - Army  
Pich, Michael - Army  
Pich, Randall - Army, DECEASED  
Pich, Roger - Army  
Pich, Russell - Army  
Pich, David - Army  
Piche Jr, Clyde, J - Army, 1962-1965  
PichJackie - Army  
Pickens, Arti, Lee - Army, Vietnam  
Pickens, Dave, WWI, DECEASED  
Pickens, Dexter  
Pickens, Eric - Army  
Pickens, Griffin, Angelia, B - Air Force 1976-1996  
Pickens, John, Thomas - Marine, Korea, DECEASED  
Pickens, Lawrence - Air Force  
Pickens, Monica  
Pickens, Patrick, S - Army, OEFOIF  
Pickens, Philip - Army  
Pickens, Robert, F - Army, DECEASED  
Pickens, Samuel, Thomas - Army, Korea  
Pickens, Sherman - Navy  
Pickens Jr, Phillip - Army, Vietnam  
Pickens, Vernell - Army, Vietnam  
Piearcy, Bud - Air Force  
Piearcy, Buddy - Air Force  
Piearcy, Samuel - Army  
Pierce, Tiffany - Army  
Pike, Bentie  
Pinz, Joseph, Vann - Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Pipins, Butch - Army  
Pipins, Donald - Army  
Pipins, Marvin - Army  
Pitclhlynn, John - Air Force  
Pitclhlynn, Peter - Army, Captain, WWII, DECEASED  
Pitclhlynn, Robert - Marines, WWII, DECEASED  
Pittman, Kenneth - Army  
Pittman, Robert  
Plunkett, Christopher, S - Army  
Poe, Alan - Army  
Poe, David  
Poe, Gerry - Army  
Poe, JC  
Poe, Mark - Army  
Polk, Tom - Navy  
Polk, Tommy - Navy  
Ponder, Anthony  
Ponder, David - Army  
Pope, Michael - Air Force  
Porter, Hamp - Army, DECEASED  
Porter, James - Army  
Porter, Olen, Ray - Army, Staff Sgt, WWII  
Porter, Richard  
Porter, William, E - Army, DECEASED  
Postoak, Berry Douglas  
Postoak, Eddie - Army  
Postoak, Stephen, D - Air Force DECEASED  
Poteat, James - Army  
Potts, Bill  
Potts, Joel - Army  
Potts, Joseph - Marines  
Potts, Justin  
Powell, Cecil  
Powell, Charles - Marines  
Powell, Clifford, Alan - Army, SPC 4  
Powell, Darren - Air Force  
Powell, Donnie - Marines  
Powell, George - Navy, Vietnam War  
Powell, George Edward - Army, WWII, Sergeant  
Powell, Jeffery  
Powell, Joel, Preston Jr - Army, Air Force  
Powell, John  
Powell, Johnny  
Powell, Kenneth  
Powell, Leo - Army, WWII, Sergeant, DECEASED  
Powell, Floyd James - Navy, DECEASED  
Powell, Melvin - Army  
Powell, Robert  
Powell, Roy, Bert  
Powell, Scott - Marines  
Powell, Vance - Marines  
Powell, Vernon, Ellis - Air Force  
Powell Jr, Preston  
Price, Ben - Air Force  
Price, Bob  
Price, Charles  
Price, Guy, Wayne - Navy, WWII, DECEASED  
Price Jr, Theron - Navy, Army, Major, WWII, Korea  
Price, Larry - Navy  
Price Jr, Theron  
Priddy, Mel, W - Army, Vietnam, 1970-1972  
Priest, James - Navy  
Puller, Jackson  
Puller, John - Army, Tech, 5th, 2nd Division  
Puller, John  
Puller, Jonah - Marines  
Puller Jr, Jackson - Army, Sgt  
Pulliam, Elliott  
Pulliam, Brandon - Army  
Pulliam, Marvyn - Army  
Pursville, Franklin - Army  
Pursville Jr, Franklin - Army  
Pursville, Michael - Navy  
Quack, David - US Air Force, RET  
Quincy, Bill  
Quincy, Will, Bill Jr, WWII  
Radtke, Patrick - Army  
Ragland, Ewing - Army  
Ragland, Jimmie - Army  
Ragland, Walter, A - Army, 1966-1968 E5  
Rainner, Charles  
Ramsey, Tecumseh  
Randall, Frank - Marines  
Randolph, III, Thomas, M - Army, 1959-1961  
Randolph, Paul - Army  
Randolph, Robert - Navy  
Randolph, Robt - Navy  
Ranks, Raymond - Army  
Rankin, Hugh - Air Force  
Rankin, III, Hugh, Bennett - Air Force  
Rasberry, Jonathon - Navy  
Ratliff, John, DECEASED  
Ray, R Scott  
Ray, Brian  
Ray, Casey, A - Air Force, National Guard, Tech, Sgt  
Ray, Ernest - Air Force  
Ray, Jerry, Max - Army, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Ray, Jerry Max  
Ray, Joseph  
Ray, R  
Ray, Scott  
Ray, Todd  
Raymer, Jeanie - Air Force  
Raymond, Rogelio - Army  
Ream, IV, Robert, L - Navy  
Ream, Robert - Navy  
Ream, Vinnie - Air Force Master Sergeant, DECEASED  
Reams, Teresa - Air Force  
Reams, Terri - Air Force ANG  
Reed, Hiawatha  
Reed, Jim  
Reed, Michael - Army  
Reed, Paul - Army  
Reed, Warren  
Reed, Charles, A - Army, 88th Infantry, COF, 351st Regiment, WWII, POW, DECEASED  
Reich, Dana - Army  
Reid, Michael - Navy  
Reirdon, Joseph - Army  
Reisman, Tyler - Air Force  
Renfro, David - Army  
Renfro, Gary - Army  
Reynolds, James Weldon  
Reynolds, Walter  
Rhodes, Stephen - Coast Guard  
Rice, Bill - Marine, Korea  
Rice, Jeffrey - Army  
Rich, Perry - Marines  
Richards, Charles, R - Army, VetCorp, Sgt  
Richardson, Johnny - Army, Private  
Riddle, Ernest - Army  
Rider, Arnold L "Dusty"  
Rider, Anthony - Marines  
Rider, Arnold  
Rider, DB  
Rider, Lance - Marines  
Rider, Larry, D - Air Force A3C  
Rider, Ollie, Austin Jr, Us - Air Force  
Ridgeway, John, C - Army  
Ridley, Jerry - Army  
Riegel, Icey, Rose, Lee - Marine  
Riggs, D - Navy  
Riggs, Darral - Navy  
Rigney, Michael - Army  
Rigney, Thomas - Army  
Ring, Ronald - Marines  
Ringer, Charles - Navy  
Risdon, Raygon, L - Navy, WWII  
Risdon, Ronald  
Ritter, Zachary - Air Force  
Rivas, Charles - Army  
Rivas, Franklin - Air Force A1C, Korea  
Roane, Lewis - Navy  
Roark, Dale - Army  
Roark, Donald  
Roark, Kevin - Army, 1982-1986  
Roark, Wayne - Air Force  
Roberts, William - Army  
Roberts, Brenda  
Roberts, Charles, Allen - Navy, E8  
Roberts, Greg - Air Force  
Roberts, HD - Air Force 1968-1969  
Roberts, Hubert - Air Force  
Roberts, Roger  
Roberts, Wilson - Army  
Robertson, Olivia - Navy  
Robinson, Eric - Army  
Robinson, Joseph - Army  
Robinson, Robert - Army Special Forces, DECEASED  
Rochelle, Mishontaumby - Army  
Rochelle, Teata  
Rochelle, Wendell, K - National Guard  
Rochelle, Wendell K  
Kodden, Jimmy - Navy  
Rodgers, Beverly L  
Rodke, David - Army / Marines  
Rodke, Larry, Russel - Navy, DECEASED  
Rodke, Perry, Colbert - Army, Air Force DECEASED  
Rodke, Phillip, Michael - Air Force DECEASED  
Rodke, RB  
Rodke, Robert  
Rodke, Scott, Patrick - Army  
Rogelio, Raymond - National Guard  
Rogers, Beverly - Navy  
Rogers, Roger  
Roiland, Graham, R - Marines, Iraq  
Roiland, Roy - WWII, Korean  
Roller, Gerald - Army  
Roller, Greg  
Rose, Billy J - US Navy, AE1  
Ross, Jimmy L - Marines  
Ross, Bob  
Ross, Bobby - Army, AF  
Ross, David - Army  
Ross, Herman, Wilson, WWI, Pacific, DECEASED  
Ross, John  
Ross, Timothy - Army  
Rosson, Jirrod - Army  
Rowe, James, B - Army, PFC, DECEASED  
Rowe, Robert - Air Force  
Rowles, Joe F  
Rowles, John - Navy  
Rowles, Joseph, Francis - Navy, WWII  
Rowles Jr, John, Stephen - Marines, WWII, DECEASED  
Rowles, Richard, Stephen - Navy, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Rucker, Jimmy - Army  
Runnels Jr, Thurman, Thomas - Army, Air Force, WWII  
Rushforth, Durward - Army  
Rushing, Charles - Navy  
Russell, Cecil  
Russell, Leonard - Air Force  
Russell, Michael  
Ryle, Ray - Navy  
Saiser, Richard, R - Air Force, EAC interpreter, Vietnam  
Saiser, Richard W  
Sanders, Michael E  
Sanders, James - Army  
Sanders, John - Army  
Sanders, Larry, Ray - Army, Command Sergeant Major, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Sanders, Michael, Edward - Marine, DECEASED  
Sanders, Mitchell - Air Force 1963-1966  
Sanders, Steven  
Sandersfield, Brian - Navy  
Sands, Donovan - Navy  
Sands, Johnny - Army / Marines  
Sawvel, Roger - Army  
Saxon, Alice - Air Force  
Schaff, Eric  
Schaff, Mark  
Schwab, David - Marines  
Schwartz, Justin, C - USMC, Sgt, Afghanistan  
Scoggin, Henry, B - Staff Sgt, WWII, DECEASED  
Scoggins, Joe, E  
Scoggins, Joe E  
Scott, Bill - Army, Korean War  
Scott, Billy - Army  
Scott, Bradley - Army  
Scott, Carter - Army, Korean War  
Scott, Charles - Army  
Scott, II, Jimmie - Army  
Scott, Jamie  
Scott, Jimmie - Army  
Scott, Kallima - Army  
Scribner, James  
Scribner, Theodore - Army  
Sealey, Gerald  
Sealey, Leonard - Army  
Seawright, Doyle - Army  
Seawright Jr, Robert - Navy  
Seawright Sr, Robert - Navy  
Seay, Howard, L Jr - Navy, DECEASED  
Seely, Alonzo - Army, WWI, DECEASED  
Seely, Ben - Army, DECEASED  
Seely, Bernie  
Seely, Emmett  
Seely, Emmitt - Army, WWII, PFC  
Seely, Jimmy - Navy  
Seely, Joseph, Booth - Army, Sgt, WWII, DECEASED  
Seely, Leon - Army, WWII  
Seely, Leslie  
Seely, Ottwell - Navy  
Seely, Walton - Army  
Seely, Wylie - Navy  
Seely, Dwight  
Sellers, Thea, Julaine - Air Force  
Sessions, Wayne  
Settle, Kimberly  
Shannon, Melvin - Army  
Shannon, Wayne - Army  
Sharpe, Mack - Marines  
Shaver, Robert - Coast Guard  
Shavney, Beulah  
Shaw, Bobby  
Shearer, Phillip R  
Shearer, Phillip, Rannel - Army, NG  
Sheffield, Richard - Army  
Sheppard, James  
Shico, Charles, James Jr - National Guard, DECEASED  
Shico, Donald, Vietnam, DECEASED  
Shields, Charles  
Shields, Brandon - Army  
Shields, Charles  
Shields, Homer - Army  
Shields, Michael, J - Marines, Corporal, 1989-1993  
Shilling, Carol - Army  
Shilling, SueUSAR, E7, 1976-1996 Retired  
Shiosee, Seddie - Army, National Guard  
Shiosee, Stevie - Army  
Shipman, DC  
Shipman, Gail Scott  
Shipman, DC - Army, WWII  
Shipman, Floyd  
Shipman, Gail, Scott - Air Force WWII  
Shipman, James - Army / Marines  
Shipman, Thad - Air Force DECEASED  
Short, Robert, P - Army, Sgt, WWI, DECEASED  
Short, Thomas, J - Army, Sgt, WWII, DECEASED  
Shrock, Herbert - Air Force  
Sills, Larry - Air Force  
Silvers, Valerie - Army  
Simco, Derek - Marines  
Simms, Barry  
Simms, Thomas, S - Marines, Major, Korean Conflict  
Simon, Danny - Air Force  
Simonsen, Stephen - Navy  
Sisson, Robert  
Skaggs, Boyd - Navy  
Skaggs, Kenneth  
Skaggs, Michael - Marines  
Skinner, James - Navy  
Slater, Michael  
Smaistrila, John - Marines  
Small, Shante - Air Force  
Small, Shante' - Air Force  
Smith, Brian - Air Force  
Smith, Calvin, C - Navy, Merchant Marines, DECEASED  
Smith, Dennis - Air Force  
Smith, Donald - Marines  
Smith, Donny  
Smith, ER Jr - Army, WWII, Korean War, DECEASED  
Smith, Floyd - Army  
Smith, Francis, Talmage - Army, 1945-1946 DECEASED  
Smith, Frank - Marines, DECEASED  
Smith, Gerald - Navy  
Smith, Harris, Stephen, II  
Smith, Helen, E  
Smith, Jack, Lee - Army, Sgt  
Smith, Jack Lee  
Smith, James - Army  
Smith, Jimmie - Marines  
Smith Jr, Floyd - Army, Sgt  
Smith, Kenneth  
Smith, Kenneth Winston  
Smith, Kenneth, Ray - Army, Korea  
Smith, Larry - Army  
Smith, Michael  
Smith, Riley, Hearn - Army, 82nd - Air Force borne, 1943-1944 DECEASED  
Smith, Ronald - Navy  
Smith, Ronnie - Navy  
Smith, Stanley, E - Army  
Smith, Thomas - Navy  
Smith, Tom - Navy, 1964-1968  
Smith, Tommie - Army  
Smothers, Carl - Navy  
Snider, Elisha  
Snyder, Brian, Karl - Army, Artillery, Vietnam  
Snyder, Clifford - Army  
Somers, Doyle  
Somers, Roy - Army  
Soto, Jimmie - Marines  
Souders, Robert  
Spain, Barney - Army  
Spain Jr, Barney - Army  
Spalding, Darrell - Air Force  
Sparks, James A  
Sparks, Jerry  
Sparlin, Jason - Army  
Speaks, Boyd  
Speery, Sterling, Silver Jr - Army, SP4  
Sperry, Clarence, E - Navy, Petty Officer  
Sperry, Joe  
Sperry, Robert  
Spivey, Hubert - Army  
Spivey, James - Navy  
Spradlin, Jason - Army  
Spradlin, Joshua - Navy  
Spradling, Jason - Army, Persian Gulf  
Springman, Mark - Army  
Squires, Bruce - Army, 1st Lt, Engineer, Vietnam, two Bronze Stars, V&M Air Force Medal for Valor  
Squires, David - Army, Vietnam, Bronze Star, DECEASED  
Squires, Richard - Marines, Bronze Star, Purple Heart  
Stafford, Carlos  
Stafford, Shawn, W - Army  
Stahan, David Paul  
Standridge, Jimmy - Air Force  
Stanley, Jerry  
Starr, Michael - Army  
Starts, Ryan - Army  
Staton, Doug - Air Force 1964-1965 Sgt  
Staton, Jesse - Air Force  
Steel, Billy Joe  
Steele, Steven - Army  
Stephens, Thea  
Stephens (Hajji), Lisa - Army  
Stephens, James - Navy  
Stephens, Matthew - Navy  
Stephens, Robert, R - Navy, 1941-1945 DECEASED  
Stephens, Thea - ONG, Activated OEFOIF  
Stephens Hajji, Lisa - Army  
Stephenson, Clyde - Army / Navy  
Stephenson, George - Air Force / Navy  
Stephenson, Thomas  
Stevens, James  
Stevenson, Charles - ArmyUSAF  
Stevenson, Timothy - Marines  
Steward, Chris - Army  
Stewart, David  
Stewart, John - Air Force / Navy  
Stewart, Lisa - Air Force  
Stewart, Sheri, R - Air Force  
Stick, Harold - Army / Marines  
Stick, Martin - Marine, Vietnam  
Stick Jr, Martin C  
Sticks, Russell, R - National Guard, DECEASED  
Still, Jesse - Marines  
Still, Jessie, Lee  
Still, Joel  
Still, Albert, J, Sgt, US - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Stinson, Felix, C, T5, US - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Stinson, Jeff - Army  
Stinson, Jeffery - Army  
Stogner, Charles - Navy  
Stone, Rebecca - Army  
Story, Donald  
Stout, David, Ray - Army, SP4, Vietnam, Bronze medal, 48th Infantry Platoon, DECEASED  
Stout, Herman  
Stover, Donna - Army  
Strahan, David - Navy  
Straughn, Barry  
Straughn, Garry  
Straughn, Marlin - Air Force  
Straughn, Paul - Air Force  
Strickland, Edward - Army  
Strickland, FM - Army  
Strickland, Franklin - Army  
Strickland, JW - Navy  
Strickland, Larry - Marines  
Strong, Charles - Army  
Strong, John, Ralph - Air Force  
Strong, Paul - Army  
Strong, Thomas, Anthony - Army, Private  
Strong, William, Robert - Army, Major  
Stuart, H, Elvin - Marine, Vietnam  
Stultz, Stacy - Air Force  
Suggs, Harwood, D - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Suggs, Orel  
Suiter, Erica - Navy  
Sumpter Jr, Gary, Lee - Air Force Reserves  
Surber, Dan - Army, Korean War  
Surber, Frank - Army, Korean War  
Swain, Henry F  
Sweat, Steven - Army  
Sweeney, Leonard  
Sweeney, Malcolm  
Sweeney, Oscar - Marines  
Sweet, Bobby - Marines  
Sweet, David  
Sweet, Jerry - Marines  
Sweet Jr, Jerry - Marines  
Sweetman, James - Army  
Swift, Ronald, William - Navy  
Swindell, Doyle - Air Force  
Swindle, Ben, F - Army, WWII  
Swinford, Thea - Army  
Swinney, Charles, B - Army, Sgt, 1st Class  
Swinney, Fred - Army  
Swinney, James  
Swinney, Johnny - Air Force  
Swinney, Roy - Navy  
Swinney, Victor - Army, POW, DECEASED  
Switzer, Jon E  
Tabor, George - Army  
Tabor, Marvin - Army, 1968-1972  
Tabor, Thomas, O - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Tabor Jr, Marvin T  
Talbot, Joshua - Navy  
Talkington, Frank - Air Force  
Talkington, Michael - Air Force  
Talkington, Ronald, James - Army  
Talley, William, Bill - Army, Corporal  
Talley, William III  
Talley, William (Bill)  
Tapp, Jerry, Leaburn - Army  
Taylor, Ben - Army  
Taylor, Bobby, Joe - Navy  
Taylor, Brian  
Taylor, Chester L  
Taylor, Dan - Army  
Taylor, Dewayne - Army  
Taylor, Eldon - Army  
Taylor, George, Porter - Navy, Korean Conflict  
Taylor, Jack, Lee - Army, 1960-1964  
Taylor, Joe, L - Army, Sgt, WWII, DECEASED  
Taylor, John - Navy  
Taylor, Larry Gene - Army DECEASED  
Taylor, Seth - Marines  
Teague, Lawrence, Carter - Air Force  
Tedore, Lori - Air Force  
Telford, Bob, R - Army  
Telford, Richmond, G - Navy  
Telford, Trenton - Navy  
Temberton, Bradley, Chase, II - Army, Ranger  
Templeton, Casey - Marines  
Terry, Alton - Army / Navy  
Terry, Keith - Air Force  
Terry, Wayne  
Tharp, Timothy - Army  
Thatcher, Tommy - Air Force  
Thiedt, Jerold - Navy  
Thiedt, Richard - Air Force  
Thomas, Alvin - Navy, 1951-1955  
Thomas, Carl - Navy  
Thomas, Elvin, Ray - Navy, retired, 1956-1985  
Thomas, Frank - Air Force  
Thomas, Heck, Andrew - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Thomas, JC  
Thomas, James - Army  
Thomas, James Calvin  
Thomas, Jimmie  
Thomas, John - Navy  
Thomas, John L  
Thomas, Marcella  
Thomas, Micha - Army  
Thomas, Millenda - Navy  
Thomas, Nathaniel - Navy  
Thomas, Samuel - Army, SSG  
Thomas, Stacy - Air Force  
Thomas, Vicki - Army  
Thompson, Brandon - Marines  
Thompson, Daniel - Army  
Thompson, Eugene - Army  
Thompson, Josh - Air Force  
Thompson, Ronald  
Thompson, Tommy - Air Force / Marines  
Thompson, William - Army  
Thornton, Patty  
Thorton, Patty  
Thrift, Andy - Army  
Thrift, Bradley - Army  
Thrift, Jeffrey - Marines  
Thurman, David  
Tiffin, Scott - Army  
Tillery, Anthony - Army  
Tinker, Charles - Army  
Tinnel, Adam, L - Marines  
Tinnel, Michael, B - Air Force  
Tippel, Robert, II, Tex - Air Force, National Guard  
Tomshack, Gary - Navy  
Toole, Sherwood - Army, WWII  
Toregas, George  
Torrey, Michael E  
Torrey, Richard, C - Navy, SN, E3  
Tourville, Shaun - Marines  
Townley Jr, Samuel Houston - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Townsend, Charles - Navy  
Townsend, Sammie - Army  
Trammel, Jerry, Ray - Marine  
Trammell, Todd - Army  
Trimmer, Wayne - Navy  
Truett, John  
Truett, Norman - Army  
Truett, Rondall - Army  
Tucker, Leif  
Tucker, Tommy - Navy  
Tuley, Arnold  
Tuley, Deanna - Air Force  
Tuley, Everett, J - Air Force Retired, MSgt, DECEASED  
Tuley, John - Air Force  
Tuley, Russell Kent - Navy  
Tuley, Tommy Sr - Army, WWII  
Tuley, Tommy - Air Force  
Tune, Leslie L  
Tune, Dennis - Navy  
Tune, Leslie, Lynn  
Tupper, Jan C  
Tupper, Jan - Marines  
Turk, Charles  
Turley, John  
Turnage, Albert - Coast Guard  
Turnbull, Gerald - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
Turnbull, David - Army / Marines  
Turnbull, Raymond - Army, WWII  
Turner, Brenda - Air Force

# Veterans List (continued)

Turner, Doyle, D - Army, W2  
 Turner, Jeffrey - Marines  
 Turner, Jerry - Marine  
 Tussy, Alex, Q - Army, DECEASED  
 Tyler, John - Army  
 Tyson, Baker, Sammie, J - Army, 1964-1966  
 Tyson, Charles  
 Tyson, Donnie G  
 Tyson, Donnie - Army  
 Tyson, Jerry - Navy  
 Tyson, Larry  
 Tyson, Shannon  
 Underhill, Earl - Navy  
 Underhill, Jerry - Marines, WWII  
 Underwood, Ben - Air Force  
 Underwood, Benjamin - Air Force  
 Underwood, Billie, Lewis - Air Force, 2nd Class  
 Underwood, Cecil - Army  
 Underwood, Charles - Air Force  
 Underwood, David - Army  
 Underwood, Fred - Army, NG  
 Underwood, Freddie - Army  
 Underwood, Harold  
 Underwood, Hoyett, L - Army, DECEASED  
 Underwood, JH - Army, WWI, Pvt, DE-CEASED  
 Underwood, James - Army, Vietnam  
 Underwood, Jared - Army  
 Underwood, Jerry - Air Force  
 Underwood Jr, Sampson - Air Force E6  
 Underwood, Justin - Army / Navy  
 Underwood, Rachel - National Guard  
 Underwood, Sampson  
 Underwood, Shawn - Army  
 Underwood, Tecumseh - Army  
 Underwood, Thedo  
 Upchurch, Glen - Army, WWII  
 Upchurch, Jimmy - Marine, DECEASED,  
 KIA, Vietnam  
 Upton, Bobby - Army  
 Vaglio, Jeff - Army  
 Vaglio, Jeffrey - Army  
 Vale, James - Air Force  
 Vale, James M Jr  
 Vale, John - Air Force  
 Vann, Charles - Army  
 Vann, Gordon, DECEASED  
 Victor, Alfred - Civil War  
 Von, Tungeln, Michael - Marine  
 VonTungeln, Michael - Marines  
 Wade, Donita - Marines  
 Wade, Lenard, L - Navy, WWII  
 Wade, Nancy - Army  
 Wade, Sidney, Bob, V - Army, WWII  
 Wafford, Nem Jr - Army  
 Walcott, Jack P  
 Walcott, Jack - Army, AF  
 Walden, Edward - Air Force  
 Waldon, Hosea  
 Waldon Jr, Burney, Douglas - Navy, Vietnam  
 Waldon, Eugene - Army, 1953-1955, DE-CEASED  
 Waldon, Kenneth  
 Waldon, Noel - Army, Vietnam  
 Waldon, Scot - Army  
 Waldon Jr, Burney  
 Walker, Benny, Chris - Navy, AO3, AC

Walker, Billy  
 Walker, Bobby - Army  
 Walker, Cheryl - Army  
 Walker, David - Army  
 Walker, Gilbert - Marines  
 Walker, Jacob, Tandy - Army, Corporal  
 Walker, Jodie, D - Marines, WWII, DE-CEASED  
 Walker, Johnny  
 Walker, Marvin - Army  
 Walker, Teddy, Ray - Navy  
 Walker, Teddy  
 Walker, Toni  
 Walker, Wayne (Marvin) - Army  
 Walker, William - Army  
 Walker, Woodrow, W - Army, WWII, DE-CEASED  
 Walker, Wordley  
 Wallace, Ronold F  
 Wallace, Averil - Navy  
 Wallace, Brian - Coast Guard  
 Wallace, Christopher - Army  
 Wallace, Clarence  
 Wallace, David - Air Force  
 Wallace, James  
 Wallace, Joe  
 Wallace, Ludie  
 Wallace, Robert - Army / Marines  
 Wallace, Ronold - Army  
 Wallace, Tommy, Gaylord - Army, DE-CEASED  
 Wallen, Thomas - Army  
 Walraven, Jeremy - Marines  
 Walton, Ervin  
 Walton, Myrt - Army  
 Walton, Robert - Army  
 Walton, Thomas - Air Force  
 Ward, Michael  
 Ward, Michel - Army  
 Ward, William - Army  
 Warren, Eric - Navy, Afghanistan, DE-CEASED  
 Warren, Teddy - Air Force  
 Washburn, Darrell - Army  
 Washburn, Tracy - Army  
 Washington, Herman - Army  
 Washington, Marion - Army  
 Wasson, Clark - Marines  
 Watkins, Obie - Army  
 Watson, Charles - Navy  
 Watson, Christopher - Navy  
 Watson, Eddie - Navy  
 Watson, Jack - Navy  
 Watts, Lester - Army  
 Weaver, Jesse, D - Army, SP5  
 Weaver, Jessie - Army  
 Weaver, John - Air Force  
 Weaver, Ozzie  
 Weaver, Robert - Air Force  
 Weaver, Terry - Navy  
 Webb, Bryan - Air Force  
 Webb, William  
 Weber, Gerald - Air Force  
 Welch, Francis - Army  
 Welch, Gary - Air Force  
 Welch, Silas - Air Force  
 Wells, Billy, Amon - Air Force Master Sergeant  
 Wells, Charlie

Wells, Dee  
 Wells, Gary - Navy  
 Wells, Jason - Navy  
 Wells, Jimmy - Army  
 Wells, Morgan  
 Wells, Paul - Army  
 Wells, Phillip - Navy  
 Wells, Phillip - Navy, 1965-1969  
 Wells, Richard, Lee - Navy Seaman, 1st Class  
 Wells, Richard Lee  
 Wells, Robert - Army  
 Wells, Shamus - Navy  
 Welsh, James, Leroy Jr  
 Whatley, Owen, N - Navy, AT3  
 Whatley, Owen N  
 Whisenhunt, Marianne - Navy, 1991-2011  
 White, Ben Jr - Army, Air Force, Major, WWII  
 White, Charles - Air Force  
 White, Gary - Army  
 White, Harry, W - Army, Air Force, First Lieutenant, WWII  
 White, Harry W  
 White, Phillip B - Army, Spec, 4  
 White, Phillip B  
 White, Thomas H  
 White, Walter, Ross - Army, Air Force, WWII  
 White, William - Air Force  
 Whitfield, Billy  
 Whitfield, Daniel - Army  
 Whitfield, Jack - Navy  
 Whitfield, James  
 Whitfield, Larry  
 Whitfield, Marion  
 Whitfield, Michael  
 Whitfield, Stanley - Marines  
 Whiting, Dugan, Dale - Army, Tech 5, WWII  
 Whitmire, Jack  
 Whitmire, Jackie, Lee  
 Whitt, Doug - Army, Air Force  
 Whithorne, Michael - Army  
 Wigington, Edgar - Army  
 Wika, Alan - Army  
 Wilcox, Jobelle, Draughton - Navy, Nurse, WWII  
 Wilkens, Timothy E  
 Wilkins, Dustin - Navy  
 Wilkins, Garry - Navy  
 Wilkins, Timothy  
 Wilkinson, Daniel - Air Force  
 Willard, Gaylan P  
 Willard, Billy - Air Force  
 Willard, Gaylan - Army  
 Williams, Brandon - Army  
 Williams, Bronson - Army  
 Williams, Byron  
 Williams, Douglas - Army  
 Williams, Houson - Army  
 Williams, Jacqueline - Army, Persian Gulf  
 Williams, John, D, Col - Army, 1988-current  
 Williams, Kaycee  
 Williams, Kenneth  
 Williams, Larry - Navy  
 Williams, Lemuel, Ralph  
 Williams, Leo, Edwin - Navy, 1943-1946  
 Williams, Leo  
 Williams, Michael, V - Marine  
 Williams, Paul - Army  
 Williams, Paul Gene  
 Williams, Robert  
 Williams, Sammy - Air Force  
 Williams, Timothy - Army  
 Williams, Tommy - Air Force  
 Williams, Lemuel Ralph  
 Williamson, Arthur - Army, WWII  
 Williamson, Chad - Army  
 Williamson, Daniel  
 Williamson, Harry - Air Force  
 Williamson, Jacob, Patrick, Active - Navy, USS San Antone, 2012 Naval Academy  
 Williamson, James, A - Navy, 1958-1962  
 Williamson, Jay - Navy, Persian Gulf  
 Williamson, John - Army, Somalia, Iraq  
 Williamson, Shawn - Marines  
 Williford, Alan, F - Army, National Guard, Vietnam  
 Williford, John - Army, Air Force, WWII  
 Williford, Larry - Army  
 Williford, Lawrence, E - Navy, WWII  
 Williford, Samuel, F - Army, WWII  
 Willis, Benjamin - Navy  
 Willis, Brandon - Navy  
 Willis, Carl - Army  
 Willis, Edwin - Army  
 Willis, Holmes, ONG  
 Willis, Jared - Army, Iraq  
 Willis, John, Gibson - Air Force WWII, DE-CEASED  
 Willis Jr, Benjamin, Forrest - Navy  
 Willis, Orlie - Army, AF  
 Willis, Overton, Love - Army, WWI, DE-CEASED  
 Willis, Paul - Navy  
 Willis, Roger - Air Force  
 Willis, Van  
 Willis, William - Army  
 Willis, William A  
 Willis Jr, Paul A  
 Wilson, Darius - Air Force  
 Wilson, Dustin  
 Wilson, Jack - Navy  
 Wilson, Jackie, Dee - Navy  
 Wilson, Jackson - Air Force  
 Wilson, Joseph - Army  
 Wilson Jr, Harvey - National Guard, Army, SFC, Korea  
 Wilson, Justin - Army  
 Wilson, Matthew  
 Wilson, Paul - Marines  
 Wilson, Rex - Marines  
 Wilson, Rick  
 Wilson Jr, Harvey  
 Wingo, Jared - Army  
 Wisdom, Beaman - Army  
 Wisdom, Johnson - Army  
 Wisdom, Noah  
 Wisdom Jr, Noah - Army  
 Wiseman, Ronald - Air Force  
 Witmer, Rebecca - Army  
 Wolf, Brandon - Army  
 Wolf, David - Army  
 Wolf, Heather - Army  
 Wolf, Leo - Army, WWII, DECEASED  
 Wolf, Phillip - Army  
 Wolfe, Jan - Navy

Wolfe, John, F - Air Force DECEASED  
 Wolff, Robert - Air Force  
 Wood, Robert, F, DECEASED  
 Woodruff, David  
 Woodruff, John - Navy  
 Woods, Jerry, Dale - Air Force  
 Woods, Jonathan  
 Woodward, James - Army  
 Woodward, Robert - Army  
 Woodward, Tyler - Air Force  
 Woody, Charles  
 Woolley, Robert - Korea  
 Woolley, William, Walter Jr - Navy, WWII  
 Worcester, Bill - Army, 1966-1968  
 Worcester, Billy  
 Worcester, Frank  
 Worcester, Lester  
 Worcester, Melvin  
 Worcester, Michael - Navy  
 Worcester, Roy - Army / Marines  
 Worcester, Terry - Marines  
 Worley, Ted - Navy, DECEASED  
 Worthington, Edward P - Army, DE-CEASED  
 Worthington, Jackson - Navy  
 Wostal, Sharon - Army  
 Wright, George W  
 Wright, Bert - Army  
 Wright, Ethan  
 Wright, George  
 Wright, Jesse - Army Green Beret, 4 tours, Iraq, Afghanistan  
 Wright, Jesse C  
 Wright, Joe - Air Force  
 Wright, Joseph - Air Force  
 Wright, Terry - Army  
 Wyatt, Richard - Navy  
 Wyche, David - Army  
 Wyche, Michael - Navy  
 Wyche, Mike - Navy  
 Wyers, Patrick - Army  
 Wyers, Paul Tecumseh - Air Force, Lt. Colonel  
 Wyers, Sampson Jr - Navy, WWII, PHM2C  
 Wyers, Scotty - Army  
 Wynne, Jimmy - Army / Marines  
 Yarbrough, Charles - Army  
 Yarbrough, Lynn Eldon - Navy, DECEASED  
 Yates, Alfred E - Army, DECEASED  
 Yates, Charles - Air Force  
 Yates, Charles E - Army, DECEASED  
 Yates, Leroy - Army, DECEASED  
 Yegge, Don - Navy  
 Yoakum, Woodrow  
 Young, Gerald  
 Young, James, Mansfield - Army  
 Young, Johnny - Army  
 Young Jr, Larry - Army  
 Young, Kenneth - Army  
 Young, Larry - Army  
 Young, Murray - Marines  
 Young, Roger - Army  
 Young, Terra L - Army  
 Zaboljnik, Brandi - Navy  
 Zack, Sharon  
 Zinn, Cynthia - Army

# Tribal departments ready to help in times of emergency

The Chickasaw Nation is committed to serving citizens when emergency assistance is required.

By providing this assistance and creating avenues for other types of help, the Chickasaw Nation offers a variety of resources to keep citizens safe in times of severe weather and natural disasters.

Many Chickasaw Nation departments and teams play critical roles when it comes to the planning and implementing of safety precautions during emergency situations.

## Lighthorse Police Department

When severe storms, tornadoes, flooding and other natural disasters occur, the Chickasaw Nation Lighthorse Police Department is here to help. The Lighthorse Police are called upon to assist disaster victims within the Chickasaw Nation boundaries and throughout Oklahoma. Lighthorse officers are cross-deputized with other law enforcement agencies and can serve communities

outside of the Chickasaw Nation when needed.

Contact the Chickasaw Nation Lighthorse Police Department at (580) 436-7213 or (888) 804-3234.

## Chickasaw Nation Emergency Management (CNEM)

The Chickasaw Nation Emergency Management (CNEM), established in July 2017, manages and organizes resources and responsibilities for humanitarian aspects of emergencies (preparedness, response, mitigation and recovery) to reduce the harmful effects of all hazards, including disasters.

CNEM works directly with the National Weather Service to provide weather briefings during events throughout the Chickasaw Nation. Over the past year, CNEM has provided more than 505 emergency action plans, 316 involving weather briefings and collaboration between CNEM and the National Weather Service, for Chickasaw Nation events. Dur-

ing severe weather, CNEM will activate its Emergency Operation Center and begin watch and warning activities in collaboration with the National Weather Service chat room and Chickasaw Lighthorse Police.

## Geospatial Information (GSI) Department

The Chickasaw Nation Geospatial Information (GSI) Department uses mapping technology to track storms or natural disasters and assist with disaster relief. With GSI's mapping system, a storm can be tracked, a damage path plotted and Chickasaw citizens who may be affected identified. The Chickasaw Nation emergency response teams utilize the maps to locate affected property and help with cleanup efforts.

Natural disaster mapping has become a top priority for the GSI department. Since October 2018, the department has mapped tornadoes, wildfires, earthquakes, major floods and hurricanes. Once mapped, the department receives and geocodes addresses of Chickasaw citizens who have the potential to be impacted by each event.

The GSI department has two unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) used for aerial mapping. Drones are used to assist GSI in determining and satisfying the needs of the Chickasaw Nation in a faster, more efficient and cost effective manner than previously possible. This technology can be used to help Chickasaw citizens when natural disaster strikes.

## Storm Shelter Program

Established in 2003 by Chickasaw Nation Housing, the Chickasaw Nation Storm Shelter program was created to provide shelters to Chickasaw families who own homes. The program is available to Chickasaw citizens inside and outside Chickasaw Nation boundaries.

Required application is available at the Housing Administration office, or online at Chicka-

saw.net/StormShelter. An applicant can expect to find out within 10 business days if he or she qualifies to be placed on the waiting list.

## KCNP - Chickasaw Community Radio

KCNP Chickasaw Community Radio is recognized by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) as a Weather-Ready Nation Ambassador for its willingness to improve the Chickasaw Nation's readiness, responsiveness and overall resilience against extreme weather, water and climate events.

During winter storms and extreme summer heat, the radio station collaborates with county emergency managers and law enforcement agencies to report hazardous road conditions, school closings, power outages, burn bans and heat advisories within the 13-county Chickasaw Nation territory.

Weather information is continually updated. Typically, the station provides updates four times daily. During severe weather, reports can be up to the minute.

Coverage is available online as well as over terrestrial radio, which means even if the internet is unavailable, updates can still reach homes, cars and shelters with a radio receiver.

KCNP also receives constant weather information from the National Weather Service (NWS) office in Norman. In emergency situations, the NWS and Pontotoc County Emergency Management officials have authority to interrupt regular broadcasting to issue warnings and alerts.

The radio station is an interactive partner with the NWS. A strong relationship between them has been forged over the last five years. KCNP employees have received training from expert meteorologists. Training included radar interpretation and ground storm spotting certification.

KCNP provides streaming audio service over the Internet that

advanced cellphones can receive. This service allows listeners to receive current weather updates when power is lost to their home or while taking shelter in storm cellars without a radio or power. Family and friends who live outside the listening area are able to monitor weather conditions affecting loved ones within the Chickasaw Nation.

The station has many emergency features to ensure it stays on the air. The station's transmitter is equipped with an emergency generator for power. Ice shields prevent damage to the delicate electronic equipment from hail and falling ice from the large radio tower.

KCNP Chickasaw Community Radio recently expanded to include the historic Chickasaw Nation capital city of Tishomingo, reaching approximately 15,000 additional listeners.

"We look forward to working with local partners, like Johnston County Emergency Management and other first responders, to help them get instant messaging out through a no cost medium like radio," KCNP general manager Brian Brashier said.

KCNP is utilizing an antenna and transmitter in the center of Johnston County. Tishomingo area listeners will be able to tune their radios to 97.3 FM and hear KCNP's programming.

KCNP Chickasaw Community Radio can be heard on 89.5 FM in Ada, 89.3 FM in Dickson and 97.3 FM in Tishomingo, Oklahoma. Listeners can also stream KCNP live at KCNP.org on a computer or smartphone.

## Update Your Address

Chickasaw citizens are encouraged to update their addresses. By doing so, you will receive important news, resources, guides and help us respond when you are affected by a natural disaster or weather emergency. Add your current information online at Chickasaw.net/AddressChange or call (888) 661-0137.

## Chikasha Pehlichikbi offers Chickasaw youth leadership opportunities

Chickasaw youth are encouraged to apply for the Chickasaw Nation Chikasha Pehlichikbi (CPI) Youth Leadership Program. Applicants must be Chickasaw citizens between the ages of 14 and 18, and have a GPA of 2.0 or higher.

CPI is a youth program providing members the opportunity to gain leadership and cultural

knowledge through a 10-month, age-appropriate program offering leadership, business and cultural development courses, and a variety of community service opportunities.

Students interact with prestigious tribal, state and community leaders, gain hands-on experience in a variety of environments

and learn valuable leadership skills preparing them to serve as ambassadors in their communities.

Applications are available online at Chickasaw.net/CPI.

For more information, contact youth services at (580) 310-6620 or YouthLeadership@Chickasaw.net.

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## SEPTEMBER 2019 MINUTES

CHICKASAW NATION TRIBAL LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION  
Legislature Building  
Ada, Oklahoma  
September 20, 2019

**AGENDA ITEM #1** CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Toby Perkins called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**AGENDA ITEM #2** ROLL CALL

**Members present:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

**Staff present:** Doretta Sellers, Recording Secretary, Harold Stick, Sergeant-At-Arms, Les Wesberry, Legislative Counsel

**Guests present:** Michael L. Wingo, Dana Lance, Rena Duncan, Darlene Cheadle, Robert Cheadle, Scott Colbert, Michelle Colbert, Zach Colbert

**AGENDA ITEM #3** INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Ms. Billy.

**AGENDA ITEM #4** READING OF MINUTES - August 16, 2019

A motion was made by Ms. Briggs and seconded by Dr. Goodnight to approve the August 16, 2019 minutes.

**Members voting yes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

12 yes votes

**Member abstaining:** Tim Colbert

1 abstention

The motion to approve the minutes of August 16, 2019 carried.

**AGENDA ITEM #5:** UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

**AGENDA ITEM #6:** REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

(A) LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair David Woerz

**Permanent Resolution Number 36-009 Amendments to Titles 10 and 18 of the Chickasaw Nation Code (Finance and Taxation; Real and Personal Property)**

This resolution amends one section in Title 10 and one section in Title 18. The amendment allows for construction of buildings that are ancillary to a previously approved construction project to be constructed without approval of the Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature.

A motion was made by Ms. Briggs to approve PR36-009.

Mrs. Alexander noted an error in the date on the resolution.

Mrs. Briggs amended her motion to include the noted correction. Mr. Wood seconded the motion.

**Members voting yes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

13 yes votes

The motion to approve PR36-009 carried unanimously.

**Permanent Resolution Number 36-010 Amendments to Title 2, Chapter 4, Article B, Sections 2-402.5, 2-402.6, and 2-402.7 of the Chickasaw Nation Code (Judicial, Legislative, and Executive Department Salaries)**

This resolution approves and adopts amendments to Title 2, Chapter 4, Article B, Sections 2-402.5, 2-402.6, and 2-402.7 of the Chickasaw Nation Code. The changes to the Code will effectively change the compensation of elected officials in the Judicial, Legislative, and Executive Departments of the Chickasaw Nation.

A motion was made by Ms. Briggs and seconded by Mr. Woerz to approve PR36-010.

**Members voting yes:** Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

12 yes votes

**Member voting no:** Beth Alexander

1 no vote

The motion to approve PR36-010 carried.

Mr. Woerz concluded his report.

(B) HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Dr. Karen Goodnight

**General Resolution Number 36-048 Gubernatorial Appointment to the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes Chris Anoatubby**

This resolution approves Governor Bill Anoatubby's appointment of Chris Anoatubby to the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes.

A motion was made by Mrs. Alexander and seconded by Ms. Briggs to approve GR36-048.

**Members voting yes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

13 yes votes

The motion to approve GR36-048 carried unanimously.

**General Resolution Number 36-049, Application for Membership, National Congress of American Indians**

This resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation's application for membership in the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI). This is virtually the same application which is submitted to the legislature for approval each year. The NCAI has been instrumental in supporting issues of importance to Native Americans. As an independent group, NCAI is representative of the largest concentration of Native Americans, and is often called upon by Congress to provide information and testimony on important Indian subjects. The Chickasaw Nation has been a member in good standing in NCAI since the early 1980s. This resolution names the representatives of the Chickasaw Nation to NCAI.

A motion was made by Dr. Goodnight and seconded by Mrs. Alexander to approve GR36-049.

**Members voting yes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

13 yes votes

The motion to approve GR36-049 carried unanimously.

**General Resolution Number 36-050 Approval of Application for Access under the U.S. Department of Justice: Office of Tribal Justice and Safety Tribal Access Program**

This resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation's application for the Tribal Access Program under the U.S. Department of Justice: Office of Tribal Justice and Safety. Approval of access for this program will be utilized to access national crime information systems for both civil and criminal justice purposes through an integrated kiosk workstation. Access allows the Chickasaw Nation to serve and protect its citizens more effectively by ensuring the exchange of critical data across the Criminal Justice Information Services systems and other national crime information systems.

A motion was made by Mrs. Alexander and seconded by Ms. Billy to approve GR36-050.

**Members voting yes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

13 yes votes

The motion to approve GR36-050 carried unanimously.

Dr. Goodnight concluded her report.

(C) LAND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT by Committee Chair Linda Briggs

**General Resolution Number 36-044 County Road Right-of-Way in Murray County**

This resolution authorizes and approves a county road right-of-way granted to County of Murray over, along and across a strip, piece, or parcel of land in Murray County, Oklahoma. Currently there is no easement for the right-of-way to cross the Chickasaw Retreat and Conference Center tract. Granting this right-of-way cures the encroachment of the county road and gains the Nation legal right of access to the property. The Chickasaw Tribal Legislature hereby authorizes and approves the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation to waive valuation, compensation, and performance and security bonds.

A motion was made by Mrs. Alexander and seconded by Ms. Barker to approve GR36-044.

**Members voting yes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim

Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

13 yes votes

The motion to approve GR36-044 carried unanimously.

**General Resolution Number 36-045 Public Roadway Easement in Love County**

This resolution waives compensation and grants, conveys and dedicates perpetual public roadway easement and a temporary construction easement to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for the purpose of constructing and maintaining Interstate Highway 35 in Love County, Oklahoma. To be utilized as perpetual public roadway easement and a temporary construction easement.

A motion was made by Mrs. Alexander and seconded by Ms. Briggs to approve GR36-045.

**Members voting yes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

13 yes votes

The motion to approve GR36-045 carried unanimously.

**General Resolution Number 36-046 Public Roadway Easement in Love County**

This resolution waives compensation and grants, conveys and dedicates perpetual public roadway easement to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for the purpose of constructing and maintaining Interstate Highway 35 in Love County, Oklahoma.

A motion was made by Mrs. Alexander and seconded by Ms. Barker to approve GR36-046.

**Members voting yes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

13 yes votes

The motion to approve GR36-046 carried unanimously.

**General Resolution Number 36-047 Approving an Oil and Gas Lease to Stephens Production Company on Arkansas Riverbed Acreage in LeFlore County**

This resolution authorizes and approves the Chickasaw Nation's execution of an Oil and Gas lease in favor of Stephens Production Company, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72902, covering 122.19 acres located in LeFlore County, Oklahoma. The lease will be for an initial term of three (3) years with a \$3.00 per acre annual rental for a total of \$366.57. The royalty rate is 25.00% of production, no bonus will be paid.

A motion was made by Mrs. Alexander and seconded by Ms. Briggs to approve GR36-047.

**Members voting yes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

13 yes votes

The motion to approve GR36-047 carried unanimously.

Ms. Briggs concluded her report.

**AGENDA ITEM #7** NEW BUSINESS (Comments from Citizens)

Comments by Ms. Rena Duncan (Comments can be viewed on www.chickasaw.net under the September Legislative Session Minutes)

There was no new business to discuss.

Mr. Colbert acknowledged his son, Zach, and wife, Michelle.

Ms. Duncan presented a document to the legislators and asked that it be placed in the record for historical purposes. She acknowledged Mr. Colbert and his 40 years of service to the Nation.

Mr. Robert Cheadle, Legislators Perkins, Alexander, Goodnight and Impson shared memories of their service with Mr. Colbert and wished him the best in his retirement.

Mr. Mike Wingo also congratulated Mr. Colbert on his retirement. He reported \$3 million dollars were raised in the Boston and Seattle Susan G. Koman 3 Day for breast cancer research.

**AGENDA ITEM #8** ADJOURNMENT

The Legislative Session adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Scott Wood, Secretary Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature

**Prepared by:**

Doretta Sellers, Recording Secretary Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature

## SEPTEMBER 2019 RESOLUTIONS

**General Resolution Number 36-044****County Road Right-of-Way in Murray County**

**Explanation:** This resolution authorizes and approves a county road right-of-way granted to County of Murray over, along and across a strip, piece, or parcel of land the NW/4 NW/4 NE/4 SW/4 of Section 32, T1S, R3E, Murray County, Oklahoma, more particularly described in Exhibit "A" which is hereto attached and hereby incorporated by reference, be granted to County of Murray, to service the county road north of the Chickasaw Retreat and Conference Center property in Section 32, Township 1 South, Range 3 East, Murray County, Oklahoma. Currently there is no easement for the right-of-way to cross the Chickasaw Retreat and Conference Center tract. Granting this right-of-way cures the encroachment of the county road and gains the Nation legal right of access to the property. The Chickasaw Tribal Legislature hereby authorizes and approves the Governor of the Chickasaw Nation to waive valuation, compensation, and performance and security bonds

**Property Location:** Chickasaw Retreat and Conference Center, Murray County

**Use:** County road right-of-way to Murray County

**Requested by:** Bill Anoatubby, Governor

The Chickasaw Nation

**Presented by:** Land Development Committee,

Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature

**Yes votes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

**General Resolution Number 36-045****Public Roadway Easement in Love County**

**Explanation:** This resolution waives compensation and grants, conveys and dedicates perpetual public roadway easement and a temporary construction easement to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for the purpose of constructing and maintaining Interstate Highway 35 in Love County, Oklahoma.

**Property Location:** A strip, piece or parcel of land in the N/2 NE/4 and the N/2 S/2 NE/4 of Section 36, Township 9 South, Range 1 East, Love County, State of Oklahoma

**Use:** To be utilized as perpetual public roadway easement and a temporary construction easement

**Presented By:** Land Development Committee,

Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature

**Yes votes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

**General Resolution Number 36-046****Public Roadway Easement in Love County**

**Explanation:** This resolution waives compensation and grants, conveys and dedicates perpetual public roadway easement to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation for the purpose of constructing and maintaining Interstate Highway 35 in Love County, Oklahoma.

**Property Location:** A strip, piece or parcel of land in Government Lot 2 in Section 36, Township 9 South, Range 1 East, Love County, State of Oklahoma

**Use:** To be utilized as perpetual public roadway easement

**Presented By:** Land Development Committee,

Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature

**Yes votes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

**General Resolution Number 36-047****Approving an Oil and Gas Lease to Stephens Production Company on Arkansas**

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## SEPTEMBER 2019 RESOLUTIONS, CONTINUED

### Riverbed Acreage in LeFlore County

**Explanation:** This resolution authorizes and approves the Chickasaw Nation's execution of an Oil and Gas lease in favor of Stephens Production Company, P.O. Box 2407, Ft. Smith, Arkansas 72902, covering 122.19 acres located in Section 34, Township 11 North, Range 27 East, LeFlore County, Oklahoma. The lease will be for an initial term of three (3) years with a \$3.00 per acre annual rental for a total of \$366.57. The royalty rate is 25.00% of production, no bonus will be paid.

**Property Location:** LeFlore County, Cherokee Nation

**Presented By:** Land Development Committee,  
Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature

**Yes votes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

### General Resolution Number 36-048

#### Gubernatorial Appointment to the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes Chris Anoatubby

**Explanation:** This resolution approves Governor Bill Anoatubby's appointment of Chris Anoatubby to the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes.

**Requested by:** Governor Bill Anoatubby

**Presented By:** Legislative Committee,  
Chickasaw Tribal Legislature

**Yes votes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

### General Resolution Number 36-049

#### Application for Membership, National Congress of American Indians

**Explanation:** This resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation's application for membership in the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI). This is virtually the same application which is submitted to the legislature for approval each year. The NCAI has been instrumental in supporting issues of importance to Native Americans. As an independent group, NCAI is representative of the largest concentration of Native Americans, and is often called upon by Congress to provide information and testimony on important Indian subjects. The Chickasaw Nation has been a member in good standing in NCAI since the early 1980s. This resolution names the representatives of the Chickasaw Nation to NCAI.

**Presented by:** Human Resources Committee,  
Chickasaw Tribal Legislature

**Yes votes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

### General Resolution Number 36-050

#### Approval of Application for Access under the U.S. Department of Justice: Office of Tribal Justice and Safety Tribal Access Program

**Explanation:** This resolution approves the Chickasaw Nation's application for the Tribal Access Program under the U.S. Department of Justice: Office of Tribal Justice and Safety. Approval of access for this program will be utilized to access national crime information systems for both civil and criminal justice purposes through an integrated kiosk workstation. Access allows the Chickasaw Nation to serve and protect its citizens more effectively by ensuring the exchange of critical data across the Criminal Justice Information Services systems and other national crime information systems.

**Presented by:** Human Resources Committee,  
Chickasaw Tribal Legislature

**Yes votes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

### Permanent Resolution Number 36-009

#### Amendments to Titles 10 and 18 of the Chickasaw Nation Code (Finance and Taxation; Real and Personal Property)

**Explanation:** This resolution amends one section in Title 10 and one section in Title 18. The amendment allows for construction of buildings that are ancillary to a previously approved construction project to be constructed without approval of the Chickasaw Nation Tribal Legislature.

**Presented by:** Legislative Committee,  
Chickasaw Tribal Legislature

**Yes votes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

### Permanent Resolution Number 36-010

#### Amendments to Title 2, Chapter 4, Article B,

#### Sections 2-402.5, 2-402.6, and 2-402.7 of the Chickasaw Nation Code (Judicial, Legislative, and Executive Department Salaries)

**Explanation:** This resolution approves and adopts amendments to Title 2, Chapter 4, Article B, Sections 2-402.5, 2-402.6, and 2-402.7 of the Chickasaw Nation Code. The changes to the Code will effectively change the compensation of elected officials in the Judicial, Legislative, and Executive Departments of the Chickasaw Nation.

**Presented by:** Legislative Committee,  
Chickasaw Tribal Legislature

**Yes votes:** Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Tim Colbert, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

**No votes:** Beth Alexander

## OCTOBER 2019 RESOLUTIONS

### General Resolution Number 37-001

#### Approval of Revised Consolidated Governmental Budget - Fiscal Year 2020

**Explanation:** This resolution approves the revised Consolidated Governmental Budget for fiscal year 2020 in the amount of \$258,010,400 due to unforeseen expenses during the budget formulation process.

**Presented by:** Finance Committee  
Nancy Elliott, Committee Chair

**Yes votes:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa J. Billy, Linda Briggs, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Derrick Priddy, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods, Toby Perkins

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Legislative Committee

October 7, 2019

**Present:** Beth Alexander, Connie Barker, Lisa Billy, Linda Briggs, Nancy Elliott, Dr. Karen Goodnight, Shana Hammond, Lisa Impson, Toby Perkins, Derrick Priddy, David Woerz, Scott Wood, Steve Woods

### Finance Committee

October 7, 2019

**Present:** Connie Barker, Linda Briggs, Nancy Elliott, Shana Hammond, David Woerz, Toby Perkins

## Native artists sought for 2020 Artesian Arts Festival

The Chickasaw Nation is seeking artists for the 2020 Artesian Arts Festival.

The Artesian Arts Market spotlights prominent Native American artists from across the country and celebrates all forms of art.

A completed application must be submitted by Friday, **Nov. 29, 2019** to be accepted.

Applications can be submitted the following ways:

Chickasaw.net/ArtesianFest

Mail to Artesian Arts Festival, Chickasaw Nation Arts & Humanities, P.O. Box 1548, Ada, Oklahoma

Fax to (580) 272-5525

Email ArtistInfo@Chickasaw.net.

The Artesian Arts Festival is scheduled for May 23, 2020.

## Deadline to apply for Youth Clothing Grant is Dec. 31

The deadline to apply for the Chickasaw Nation Youth Clothing Grant is Dec. 31.

The Chickasaw Nation Youth Clothing Grant provides eligible Chickasaw students a \$200 grant once per school year to purchase school clothes.

Chickasaw citizens, ages three through high school seniors, can apply online at Chickasaw.net/YouthClothingGrant.

Students must provide their most recent report card or progress report (grades K-12 only).

Applications are now being accepted. Qualifying applicants will be notified by an award letter.

For more information, contact youth services at (580) 272-5585 or ClothingGrantProgram@Chickasaw.net.

## Virtual Medical Visit a major convenience for patients

With the arrival of fall and changing temperatures, colds and allergies are common.

Virtual Medical Visit is a great option for those dealing with symptoms such as rashes, sore throat, sinus pressure, drainage, runny nose and coughs. The service minimizes wait times, allows more convenient access to health care and eliminates exposure to flu and other airborne illnesses.

Through Virtual Medical Visit, patients meet with a provider right from their internet-connected computer or mobile device. The service is available to those who live in Oklahoma and have an active chart at any Chickasaw Nation health facility.

Appointments are available 8 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week. To set up an appointment, call (866) 610-7776. For more information, visit Chickasaw.net/VirtualVisit.

## Chickasaw Foundation celebrates #GivingTuesday, Dec. 3

Join the Chickasaw Foundation Dec. 3 in celebrating #GivingTuesday, a global day dedicated to helping others through gifts of donation, time, goods and services.

You can take part by making a contribution to the Chickasaw Foundation. Your help allows the foundation to continue its mission.

"To promote the general welfare and culture of the Chickasaw people by supporting educational, health, historical and community activities and programs."

The Chickasaw Foundation has assisted many local, state and national initiatives, including: charitable organizations, cultural opportunities, disaster relief efforts, fellowships, food pantries and scholarships.

How can you take part? Here are a few simple ideas:

Donate what you can. No amount is too small on Giving Tuesday at ChickasawFoundation.org.

Help spread the word and share on social media with the hashtag #GivingTuesday.

To learn more about the Chickasaw Foundation, visit ChickasawFoundation.org.



# Angel Tree

Angel Trees provide gifts to children for Christmas.

Applications and angel adoptions are available at the following locations:

Ada Area Office • 231 Seabrook Road, Ada, Oklahoma

Ardmore Area Office • 949 Locust St., Ardmore, Oklahoma

Duncan Area Office • 1911 W. Plato Road, Duncan, Oklahoma

Pauls Valley Area Office • 20118 S. Indian Meridian Rd., Pauls Valley, Oklahoma

Purcell Area Office • 1430 Hardcastle Blvd., Purcell, Oklahoma

Sulphur Area Office • 4970 W. Highway 7, Sulphur, Oklahoma

Tishomingo Area Office • 815 E. 6th St., Tishomingo, Oklahoma

Chickasaw Nation Medical Center • 1921 Stonecipher Blvd., Ada, Oklahoma



**Application deadline: 5 p.m., Friday, Nov. 15.**

**For more information, call (405) 207-9883 or visit Chickasaw.net/AngelTree**

## THE CHICKASAW NATION VETERANS LODGE OFFERS ACTIVITIES FOR CHICKASAW VETERANS

Preregistration for monthly events, classes and presentations is available now!

THIS MONTH'S EVENTS INCLUDE:

Nov. 8: Chickasaw Cooking: Pashofa, 1-3 p.m.

For more information, contact the Chickasaw Nation Veterans Services at (580) 272-2550 or Veterans.Services@Chickasaw.net.



Bill Anoatubby, Governor

# Gov. Johnston fought off federal attempts to tax Chickasaw citizens

In November 1897, only 10 years before Oklahoma statehood, the Chickasaw Nation passed legislation appropriating \$15,000 to build a new capitol building in Tishomingo.

While Chickasaw leaders understood that efforts to dismantle the Chickasaw Nation government were underway, they decided to move forward with construction.

Several factors contributed to that decision, including the fact that the previous capitol building was unsafe and the federal government assurance the building would house a U.S. District Court after statehood. Perhaps more compelling than those practical reasons was the idea that the building would serve as a lasting

symbol of the Chickasaw Nation's spirit and strength.

Today, that impressive building continues to stand testament to the strength and resilience of the Chickasaw people who had faith that their nation would stand the test of time.

Oklahoma statehood was imminent when President Theodore Roosevelt appointed Douglas Johnston Governor of the Chickasaw Nation pursuant to the infamous statute Congress enacted in 1906 to oversee "the final disposition of the" affairs of the Chickasaw Nation, as well as the other of the Five Tribes.

Previously elected Governor of the Chickasaw Nation in 1898, 1900 and 1904, Johnston took his responsibility to the Chickasaw

people very seriously during this new era of direct Federal court.

While his power to act on that responsibility was limited by his status as an appointee, it was greater than what would have been the case if the Curtis Act had controlled.

Under the earlier Curtis Act, enacted in 1898, Congress slated the government of the Chickasaw Nation for abolishment. Rather than serve as an appointed Governor under this act, Governor Johnston would have served merely as a Federal clerk, obliged to sign deeds issued by the Department of Interior as it proceeded with the allotment of Chickasaw lands.

In enacting the 1906 Act, Congress importantly changed direction and notably included Sec-

tion 28, which provided "That the tribal existence and present tribal governments of the Choctaw, Chickasaw, Cherokee, Creek, and Seminole tribes or nations are hereby continued in full force and effect for all purposes authorized by law, until otherwise provided by law." While the 1906 Act imposed limitations, the Chickasaw government was not abolished, then or at any later time.

Exercising his powers as an appointed governor under the 1906 Act and mindful of the importance of Section 28, Governor Johnston worked tirelessly on behalf of the Chickasaw people until his death on June 28, 1939.

Johnston consistently used the tools at his disposal to fight for the rights and the future of the Chickasaw people. A tough negotiator, Johnston also had many friends in the Oklahoma Congressional delegation who helped him achieve his goals.

One of those friends was fellow Chickasaw Charles Carter, who was elected in Oklahoma's first Congressional election to represent the state's third Congressional District. Carter was known as a leader on Native American issues, who did a great deal to educate his fellow members of Congress.

One of Johnston's significant efforts was pressing to obtain Federal compensation for lands the United States forced the Nation to cede, particularly with respect to the Leased District. The Lease District lands ran from the 98th meridian on the east to the extent of the United States to the west, as bounded by the Red River to the south and the Canadian River to the south. The United States conveyed these lands to the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations under removal era treaties but then later forced their cession and return to the Federal government. While the federal government paid for some of the land it took, Governor Johnston and the Chickasaw Nation argued that the United States had never compensated the tribe for about

six million acres that had been included as part of the new State of Oklahoma. Efforts included litigation and congressional memorials calling for compensation, in which efforts Representative Charles Carter and Senator Robert Owen were instrumental.

Ultimately, Congress enacted legislation in 1924 authorizing the Nation to file suit against the federal government, but it was not until 1951 and the establishment of the Indian Claims Commission that the Chickasaw and Choctaw Nations were awarded \$3.5 million on the claim.

In separate efforts, Governor Johnston fought Oklahoma's attempts to tax Chickasaw citizens' allotted lands. He knew many Chickasaws would be unable to pay the taxes and would be forced to sell their land, which would leave them homeless. He also knew Federal law protected Tribal citizens, and he led the effort to take the matter to court, engaging attorney John Frank McMurray to plead the case in *Choate v. Trapp*. Ultimately, the U. S. Supreme Court ruled that Oklahoma could not impose its taxes on Chickasaw lands, saving Chickasaw citizens an estimated \$30 million.

Gov. Johnston also helped pass legislation that protected 160-acre homesteads from taxes for an additional 25 years. He also worked diligently to prevent reopening tribal enrollment after statehood, which could have significantly reduced the land available to Chickasaws.

Johnston had served as the presidentially-appointed governor of the Chickasaw Nation for more than 30 years. However, he had not concluded the affairs of the Chickasaw Nation.

He worked, instead, to give meaning to Section 28 and worked diligently to seek justice for the Chickasaw people. Through his service, he helped preserve the Chickasaw Nation through one of its darkest times and laid the groundwork for a brighter future.

## Chikasha Toli Ihoo women's stickball team opens up traditional sport to female athletes



Chickasaw citizen Cotie Underwood is a member of the newly formed women's stickball team, Chikasha Toli Ihoo.

Stickball provides an opportunity for cultural enrichment and promotes a healthy and active lifestyle, while revitalizing the game throughout the Chickasaw Nation.

Traditionally, Southeastern tribes played stickball, known as "little brother of war," to settle conflicts over land and politics.

Recently, a women's stickball

team, Chikasha Toli Ihoo, has been formed. Many of the women play with the men's team, Chikasha Toli, but expressed an interest in forming a team of their own.

Chikasha Toli Ihoo played in its first tournament at the Choctaw Labor Day Festival in September. More than 60 women participated in the games.

Chickasaw citizen and Chikasha Toli Ihoo member Lori White Buffalo said she jumped at the opportunity to represent the Chickasaw Nation and play alongside her Chickasaw sisters.

"We all have respect for the game and one another," Ms. White Buffalo said. "It was truly an honor to be a part of it."

Stickball has been an integral part of her life. Her brother plays for Chikasha Toli and she grew up watching him play.

"Before our dad passed away, he would love to go watch the games and cheer my brother on," she said. "Seeing my brother battle on the field made me want to

get out there and try my hand at it."

Creating a women's stickball team is another way to keep the game going.

"Having our own team has really brought the Chickasaw women together, we help one another with skills and cheer each other on," she said.

During the tournament at the Choctaw Labor Day Festival, Ms. White Buffalo's daughter was cheering for her on the sidelines.

"I see the game of stickball being handed down to the next generation and I am very excited to see them play one day," she said.

Currently, Chikasha Toli Ihoo has more than 80 members. The women hope to compete in the Stickball World Series in Mississippi and represent the Chickasaw Nation.

The team practices regularly and is continuing to recruit members. For more information, or to sign up, call (580) 272-5592.

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## Chickasaw storytelling traditions carried on with apprenticeship program

Storytelling is an old tradition passed down from generation to generation.

Storytelling is a unique and powerful performing art that teaches, engages emotions, preserves values and beliefs, and captures the imagination of listeners of all ages.

Chickasaws maintained the inner qualities that define them as a people through their oral history.

The importance of oral tradition was held in high regard. Long before written word, Native Americans, including the Chickasaw, respected and honored the "Keepers of the Flame."

With each generation, such stories were passed down to the next. Once a keeper was given the oral stories, his or her responsibility was to continue the tribe's legacy and become its storyteller.

For centuries, their stories reminded people of who they were, why they existed and where their place was within the world. Stories, songs and prayers came to life through the power of words.

Through them, we can still hear the voices of our ancestors

recounting what is sacred and what is history.

The master storytelling apprentice program began June 2017, but there have always been master storytellers throughout the Chickasaw Nation. This program includes one-on-one mentorship, intensive learning and hands-on experience.

Apprentices are highly motivated and committed to learning as this program requires self-studying. The master storytelling apprentice program supports the teaching and learning relationship between traditional storytellers and their apprentices.

The purpose of this program is to strengthen and grow Chickasaw storytellers.

Chickasaw citizen and storytelling project developer Lorie Carmichael has been a storyteller for more than 20 years. It is critical, she said, to share our stories.

"We need to share not only our traditional stories but our family stories as well," Ms. Carmichael said. "It is our responsibility as Chickasaw people to tell the next generation and the generations to come our stories."

Storytelling is Ms. Carmichael's passion. It can be healing, she said, whether you tell the story or write it down.

"I lost my husband in May and it is my responsibility to tell our children stories about their father and how much he loved them," Ms. Carmichael said. "He shared stories with me from his time in the United States Marine Corps so I need to pass these stories on to show what kind of man he was."

Ms. Carmichael's advice to upcoming storytellers is always watch and learn from others.

"Never think you have learned everything about storytelling," she said. "Every storyteller has something to offer and teach."

Today, storytellers continue to share the same ancient stories that were told long ago. Now, as a new generation of Chickasaw citizens emerge, they will have the opportunity to be able to continue our legacy as "Keepers of the Flame."

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## Sign up now to adopt an 'Angel' through the holiday season Angel Tree program

The Chickasaw Nation Angel Tree Program encourages community members to adopt an angel this holiday season.

The Angel Tree program is partially funded by the Chickasaw Nation but relies on the generosity of caring individuals to purchase gifts for children in need. With the program continuing to grow, there is a high demand for more sponsors to grant the Christmas wishes of local children.

There is no application process

## Chickasaw Institute now offering training in HVAC, construction trades, electrician certification; application deadline is Dec. 20

Application deadline for new Chickasaw Institute training programs is Dec. 20.

The Chickasaw Institute is accepting applications for three new training programs: HVAC, construction trades and electrician certification.

Courses are conducted in-house by certified instructors. At the end of instruction, participants will complete a minimum

of 12 months of apprenticeship. These courses are full-time, 40 hours per week, Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

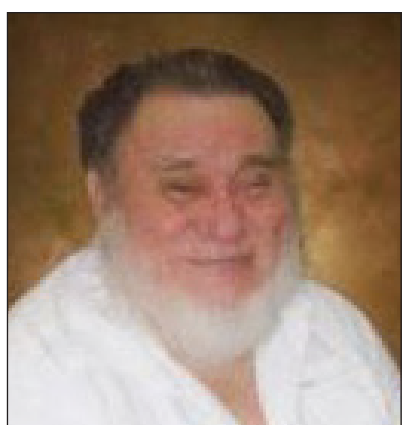
Applications are available at Chickasaw.net/ChickasawInstitute.

Application deadline is December 20.

For more information, call (580) 310-7904, or email ChickasawInstitute@Chickasaw.net.

## OBITUARIES

### Merle Lee Daniel



Merle Lee Daniel, 77, of Midland, Texas, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 21, 2019. A celebration

of life was Monday, August 26, 2019 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory, of Midland. Burial service was in Centrahoma Cemetery, Centrahoma, Okla.

Mr. Daniel was born Oct. 17, 1941 to Amos Jackson Daniel and Juanita (Groves) Daniel Weaver. He grew up mostly in the state of Oklahoma. He proudly served as a Field Radio Repairman for the National Guard from 1959-1963. He was a veteran, a member of the Chickasaw Warrior Society and a proud citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.

He met his sweetheart, Sylvia Wells, at Norman, Okla., at the

OU Motel café. Her attention was caught after seeing Merle eating approximately 10 slices of pie, each flavor in the pie case. After several tries to date her, they went on their first date Dec. 17, 1962. The whirlwind courtship began and they soon married Feb. 10, 1963. From that point on, they were nearly inseparable. They traveled from Oklahoma to Dallas to Chicago, then to Midland.

Soon after their marriage he worked briefly for Western Union as a teletype repairman. Eastman Kodak quickly noticed his talent to repair almost anything and stole him from Western Union. His career with Eastman Kodak

lasted almost 25 years.

Mr. Daniel and his family were members of the Worldwide Church of God for many years. Their affiliation helped them meet and know many families all over Texas. Their family grew and they soon had a family of seven. He recently studied with the Midland Torah Study Group and Yahweh's Disciples In Yeshua Messiah.

Merle was preceded in death by his mother, Juanita Weaver; father, Amos Daniel; brother, Larry Daniel; and sister, Alice Daniel.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Sylvia (Wells) Daniel; four siblings, Pat Cole (Ted), Brenda

Beene, Phylliss Ballard and Troy Daniel; five children, Lisa Russell, Neal Daniel and family, Tiana Daniel, Nick Daniel (Sandy), and Alicia Lee (Allen); grandchildren, Jason Burk, Taylor Batey, Bailey Clinton, LaNora Lee, Elena Lee, Glinda Lee, Gage Daniel, MaKayla Boykin and Emily Hart; and great-grandchildren, Amberlee Self and Henlee Self; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Online condolences can be made at [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com).

## Jimmy Weldon Reynolds



Jimmy Weldon Reynolds was born Feb. 21, 1953 at Denison, Texas. He left this earth to be with Jesus on Thursday, Aug. 29, 2019. Funeral services were Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at Fisher Funeral Home, Denison, Texas. Interment followed in Kemp Cemetery, Kemp, Okla.

Jimmy spent his childhood in Kemp, Oklahoma jumping off the bridge at Carpenter's Bluff, and playing outside amongst other childhood adventures. He moved to Denison in the seventh grade where he met some of his best lifelong friends. He graduated from Denison High School, class of 1971. He graduated from Southwestern Oklahoma State University in 1975.

Mr. Reynolds, known as Mr. Jim to many, worked as a chemist for Oscar Meyer, then many years for Kraft Foods at Sherman, Texas, before founding Growing Smart Learning Center in 1992. He was a member and formerly served as a Deacon at Luella First Baptist Church where he influenced many young lives in teaching the gospel as a Sunday school teacher.

Nothing gave Jimmy greater joy than spending time with his friends and family, the term "people-person," does not begin to cover the depth of his spirit. He always wore a smile on his face and his heart on his sleeve, contributing to the betterment and well being of everyone around him. He exuded an unmeasurable amount of positivity that was as contagious as his smile and those lucky enough to have known him are better for it.

He was an island man at heart. He loved spending time by the pool listening to Jimmy Buffett. His most fun times were traveling with his family from the clear waters of Virgin Gorda to Key West and Mexico, to name a few. His favorite place on Earth was Hawaii, which we're certain that's where his island wear obsession came from. He liked the bright lights of Vegas, going to see live shows and trying his hand at the slots, which he once got so lucky as to win a new Cadillac! Jimmy also loved Christmas. He believed the birth of our Lord is the most wonderful time of the year. He was happiest on Christmas morning where every year he would dress up as "Santa Dad" and be surrounded by his family in celebrating.

He loved like he lived - never holding anything back. He was honest, sweet, caring, and kind and he fought with his zest and love of life until he was ready to go home to Jesus.

The family expresses extreme gratitude to the health care professionals that assisted Jimmy for their loving care and support and all of his friends and family that visited him.

He was preceded in death by his father, Weldon Reynolds; and former father-in-law, Tom Henslee.

He is survived by his children, daughter Ashley and husband, Jimmy Nolan, and his son, Jeremy and wife, Alison Reynolds and the children's mother, Dorinda Henslee Martin, all of Austin, Texas; his mother, Lora Faye Reynolds; beloved sister, (Sissy to all) Linda and husband, Sammy Sinor, of Denison, Texas; nieces, Shawna and husband, Tony Baio, their son, Mitchelletti, and Tina and husband, Ronnie Rowland and their children, Taylor and Ronnie Thorne. He also leaves behind his beloved fur-children, Bevo and Zoey.

Condolences may be registered at [www.fisherfh.com](http://www.fisherfh.com).

## Daniel Joe 'Dan' Jennings



Daniel Joe "Dan" Jennings, age 87, of Mesquite, Texas, passed away Oct. 1, 2019.

Mr. Jennings was born July 7, 1932 at Pauls Valley, Okla., to Vernon H. and Verda (Wade) Jennings. He graduated from Lawton High School in 1956.

He joined the U.S. Navy April 28, 1950 and was honorably discharged on June 12, 1953. While in the Navy, he served on the U.S.S. LST 1048 which was a tank landing ship and played an important role in the Inchon invasion which led to the recapture of Seoul, South Korea. He served in the Korean War and was awarded the Korean Service Ribbon with one star and the United Nations Service Medal. He later became a truck driver from which he later retired.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Mark Lewis Jennings; daughter-in-law, Dianne Jennings; brothers and sisters, Lorene Jennings, Florene Jennings, Virginia Dexter, Lee Jennings, Murrell Jennings, Donald Jennings, Bobbie Biggs and Jimmie Jennings.

He is survived by his two sons, Steven Jennings, of Mesquite, and Scott Jennings, of Duncan, Okla.; in addition to numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

An online guest book and sympathy cards are available at [www.beckerfuneral.com](http://www.beckerfuneral.com).

## Loretta Swink



Loretta Juanita Mandrell Neumeister Swink, 87, passed from this life July 15, 2019 at Puyallup, Wash.

She was born Feb. 23, 1932 at Mountain View, Okla. She was the daughter of William Clyde Mandrell and Maud Lee (Juanita) Leslie, Mandrell, Haight, of Yakima, Wash. She was the granddaughter of original Dawes Rolls enrollee Nannie Wade Leslie who was born on the Chickasaw reservation, her husband was William Ingram Leslie. They lived in Ada, Okla.

She was very proud of her Chickasaw Indian Heritage.

She married first husband, William Clayton Neumeister, May 22, 1949. They had two sons, Donald Wayne and Vaughn Dale Neumeister and stepson, Bill Neumeister. She and William were later divorced. She married Bobby Jerald Swink after some time had passed.

She had many interesting jobs during her life. Around 1948, she attended the St. Elizabeth School of Nursing and became a practical nurse at the age of 17.

She was employed by the Baylee's Corporation during the 1960s for 13 years operating a power machine making blue jeans. She and Mr. Swink later opened a jean making company, R-Jeans, at Yakima along with others from Baylee's after the plant was closed.

She went back to school at the age of 39 and was the first woman to graduate from Perry Institute at Yakima in 1978 as an aerospace machinist. She went to work for Westinghouse at the Hanford area of Washington State working on projects for defense and the space programs as well

as reactor parts for the Fast Flex reactor at Hanford. She worked at Westinghouse until she retired.

She had many hobbies including rock hounding, making jewelry and gardening.

She and Mr. Swink also owned shares in a ghost town named "Dry Gulch" that had a few cowboy movies filmed there. Mr. Swink was a gun fighter/sheriff and she was a shop owner of the assay office in the town.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Juanita "Maud Mandrell"; father, William Mandrell; and one son, Donald Wayne Neumeister.

She is survived by her son, Vaughn D. Neumeister and his wife, Jill, of Gig Harbor, Wash.; her brother, William Vaughn Mandrell of Zillah, Wash.; two sisters, Flora Sue James, of Hayes, Va., and Nora Ann Mayer, of Yakima; grandsons, Jason Dean Neumeister, of Ketchikan, Alaska, and James David Neumeister, of Ocala, Fla.; granddaughter, Misty Dawn Koestlin, of Blaine, Wash.; step-granddaughter, Mitchell Corben, of Yakima; and step-grandsons; great-granddaughter, Ciarra; great-grandson, Colton; and great-great-grandson, Maverick.

## Nancy Darlene Wade



Nancy Darlene Wade was born Jan. 31, 1961 at Talihina, Okla., to Bobby Johnson and Patsy (Baken) Johnson. She passed away Sept. 26, 2019.

She attended Sulphur schools, but later received her G.E.D. and joined the U.S. Army. After leaving the Army, she married her longtime love, Randy Wade.

She was a loving wife, mother, Ganna and friend. She greatly enjoyed spending time with her family, cooking Saturday morning breakfasts and Sunday dinners often. She was a friend to everyone and had so much compassion and love for those around her. She was fun to be around and loved to laugh and make others laugh.

She had a servant's heart and a strong faith in the Lord. She and her husband started the church, About the Father's Business at Ardmore, Okla., attending every Wednesday and Sunday, where she would lead praise and worship with her angelic voice that was loved and admired by anyone who heard her sing. She continued to have faith and be a testament of God's love and grace each and every day, until the day she was called home.

She is survived by her husband of thirty-six years, Randy Wade, of Ravia, Okla.; son, Matthew Wade and his children, Malachi, Jonas, Skye and Moses Wade; two daughters, Bethany McCord and husband, Brandon and their two children, Aden Carroll and Sydney "SJ" McCord, and Lillian Wade and her children, Zephaniah and Jeremiah Wade, all of Sulphur, Okla. She is also survived by her brother, Jerry Johnson and his wife, Suzanne, of Coleman, Okla.; her sister Paula Wade and husband, Kelly "KB" Brown of Ada, Okla.; and her mother-in-law, Catherine (Wisdom) Pendergraft, of Mill Creek, Okla.; and brother-in-law, Steve Bell, of Mill Creek; and a host of other close relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bobby and Patsy Johnson; a brother, Bobby Lee Johnson, Jr.; grandparents, DeSeth and Lillian (Columbus) Baken, and Green and Lizzie Bell (Colbert) Johnson; and a sister-in-law, Anita Wade.

## Robbie William Grizzle



Robbie William Grizzle, 62, of Medford, Ore., passed away Monday, September 30, 2019 at his home. Funeral services were Oct. 11, 2019 at Eagle Point National Cemetery, Eagle Point, Ore.

He was born January 14, 1957 at Medford to Robert Howard Grizzle and Levetta June Grizzle. He lived most of his life in the Rogue Valley. He graduated in 1975 from Phoenix High School, Phoenix, Ore. He was a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation and a veteran. He served in the U.S. Air Force from December 1976 to May 1981 and upon completion of his service, he attended Umpqua Community College, where he obtained his nursing degree. He worked most of his life as a registered nurse in Medford.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Thomas David Grizzle; and sister, Debra Jean Grizzle.

He is survived by his daughters, Tina (John) Zabaldano, of Fort Worth, Texas, and Teresa Grizzle, of Brandon, Miss.; brother, Kenneth (Cindy) Grizzle, of Myrtle Creek, Oregon; sister, Ruby (Bernard) Kosola, of Roseburg, Oregon; aunt's, Jauquetta Trotter and Karen Spalding, both of Antlers, Okla.; uncle, Billy Ray Arpealer, of Rattan, Okla.; and numerous nephews, nieces and cousins.

## Beatrice 'Bea' Baker



Beatrice "Bea" Baker, 94, of Payette, Idaho, peacefully passed away Aug. 31, 2019. A graveside service was Saturday, Sept. 14, 2019 at Rosedale Memorial Gardens, Payette.

Mrs. Baker was born on her family's farm at Chickasha, Okla., Sept. 16, 1924. She was one of Pleasant and Hazel Holcomb's eight children.

During World War II, Mrs. Baker worked in the shipyards in California as a welder and drove an ammunition truck. In 1946, she married Billy Baker. Together, they raised three daughters. She had a strong work ethic and always worked side-by-side with her husband and daughters as they traveled working the fruit harvest. The Bakers managed harvest crews for farmers in California, Washington, Idaho and Montana. The family made their permanent home in the Treasure Valley in 1959 and worked for Ore-Ida. In the 1970s, the Bakers bought The Club in Payette. Later they sold it and purchased The Brunswick in Fruitland, Idaho. She worked with her daughter and son-in-law at The Double Diamond in New Plymouth, Idaho until she retired.

The Bakers loved having family close by. Many summers were spent with grandchildren and great-grandchildren working in the family's large garden, canning, and raising farm animals. She always bragged on her family, being most proud of the work ethic she taught them.

She was an enrolled citizen of the Chickasaw Tribe and was proud of her Indian heritage. She was a Charter Member of the local Eagles Club. She helped start

a local women's pool league in the 1970s and served as president of the league for several years. She enjoyed crocheting, creative needle work projects and word puzzle books.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Billy Baker; daughters, Patricia Baker and Judy Tucke; granddaughters, Gail Mordhorst and Kellie Crowley; son-in-law, Brent Edwards; great-great-grandson, Carter Roundtree; and siblings, Margaret, Mary, Sparrell, Plez, Reid and Joe.

She is survived by her daughters, Darlene (Terry) Adams and Joann Edwards, of Payette; brother, Santana "Butch" Holcomb, of California; and her grandchildren, Julie Selves, Tamara Fife, Lynda Pollock, Jon Fife, Shawna Roundtree, Connie Hendon, Billy Tucke, Gary Mordhorst, and Brandi King and their families.

She will be dearly missed by her many friends and especially, her many nephews, nieces, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Condolences may be made to Bea's family at [www.shaffer-jensenchapel.com](http://www.shaffer-jensenchapel.com).

## Matthew 'Matt' Philip Thomsen



Matthew "Matt" Philip Thomsen, 45, passed away Thursday, Aug. 29, 2019 at Ankeny, Iowa. He was born in 1973 at Sparta, Wis., to Paul and Barbara Thomsen and his ancestry includes citizens of the Chickasaw tribe.

Services were Friday, September 6, 2019 at Faith Funeral Home, at Havana, Fla. Interment followed in Hillcrest Cemetery in Quincy, Fla. Pallbearers were Ron Poppell, Karl Stoyer, Jim Williams, Johnny Blue Craig, Tom Rubino and Chris Van Asten.

Mr. Thomsen married Taylor Thomsen (Kelly) in 2006 and were blessed with two daughters, Bailey and Spencer. He was a devoted family man who was very proud of his girls and his awesome sense of humor kept them all laughing. He was an all-around outdoorsman who loved animals and especially enjoyed working with whitetail deer. Recently, he started a new career in the trucking industry and had previously worked in construction. He was also in the U. S. Army Reserve for eight years.

He enjoyed playing guitar, an interest that he and Bailey shared. He also enjoyed video games and it was becoming a challenge to keep up with Spencer. As a Wisconsin native, he had a fierce allegiance to the Green Bay Packers (once a Packer, always a Packer) and the Wisconsin Badgers. Other interests included tinkering with blacksmithing and traveling with his family.

He was predeceased by his brother, Richard Thomsen.

He is survived by wife, Taylor; daughters, Bailey and Spencer; parents, Paul and Barbara Thomsen, of Sparta, Wis.; sister, Dorene Thomsen, of Tallahassee, Fla.; in-laws, M.D. and Lena Kelly, of Quincy; and his faithful canine companion, Jack.

Matt was loved dearly especially by Taylor, Bailey and Spencer, as well as other family members and friends. Our hearts are broken and Matt will be missed forever.

Flowers are welcome. Contributions to honor Matt may also be made to an account for his children, payable to FBO The Thomsen Children, c/o Centennial Bank, 3110 Capital Circle NE, Tallahassee, Fla., 32308.

# Competition fierce during annual cornstalk shoot at Kullihoma



Governor Bill Anoatubby, left, and Lt. Governor Chris Anoatubby, right, present awards to the top three archers in the adult cornstalk shoot that kicked off the 2019 Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival. The winners are, from left, Wayne Scribner, Chickasaw, third place; Chris Foreman, Cherokee, first place; and Josh Scribner, Chickasaw, second place.

KULLIHOMA, Okla. – Evan Scribner stood motionless, two arrows stabbed into the ground next to him. He sized up a batch of cornstalks staked some 30 yards away.

The 10-year-old's final two shots were the difference be-

tween first and second place in the Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival youth cornstalk shoot competition.

After 45 minutes of competition, the young Chickasaw archer was knotted with Caidrian Counts, a Muscogee (Creek) Na-

tion archer, at 35 points. An intermittent southeast breeze didn't seem to bother competitors. Only a few points separated the top four shooters.

Evan reached for an arrow, placed it methodically on the bow and string, drew a deep breath, took steady aim, pulled back the string and let the arrow fly.

It slammed into the cornstalk stack, resonating with a loud crack and resulting in applause from a sizable audience gathered for the event.

Judge Mike Wingo, whose "day job" is customer service coordinator at the Chickasaw Nation Department of Housing, determined Evan's arrow pierced four cornstalks. Caidrian's two shots did not find pay dirt. With 39 total points, Evan was crowned the winner. Caidrian finished second.

The competition has proved to be a real crowd pleaser for several years as young archers improve with each outing, and competition has come down to the wire.

Third place finisher this year was Sam Gayler with 29 points.



Governor Bill Anoatubby, left, and Lt. Governor Chris Anoatubby present awards to the top three archers in the youth cornstalk shoot that kicked off the 2019 Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival. The winners are, from left, Caidrian Counts, Muscogee (Creek), second place; Evan Scribner, Chickasaw, first place; and Sam Gayler, Chickasaw, third place.

He and Darien Miller, who finished with 27 points, thrilled spectators last year as they went head-to-head in a competition that ultimately resulted in a tie-breaking shoot-off.

Sam finished first in that showdown and Darien second.

Evan is the son of Matt Scribner; Caidrian is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Brown; Sam is the son of Manerd and Beth Gayler; and Darien is the son of Jordana and Justin Miller.

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# Inaugural 12-on-12 Annual Meeting and Festival stickball tourney at Cultural Center



Anoli Billy with the Chikasha Monstars team breaks away from Tashka' Ikimilho' players to run downfield.

SULPHUR, Okla. – The sun radiated summer heat Sept. 28 as stickball teams and fans from Oklahoma, Texas and Mississippi gathered at the Chickasaw Cultural Center for the inaugural Chickasaw Annual Meeting and Festival 12-on-12 coed stickball tournament.

It was a day of firsts.

The ground was freshly shaped, and the sod new. These matches were the first to be played on the field, which was scaled down to accommodate smaller or more social games.

The 12-on-12 game format split into halves rather than quarters was also a first. It made for faster-paced games which were easier to follow. Players were dedicated to either offense or defense, with fewer full-field runs and more player-to-player passing.

One of the first homegrown, Oklahoma-based stickball drummers, Isiah Underwood, drummed out the heartbeat of the game on the sidelines with his father, Terrence Underwood, at his side. The "bum-badum, bum-badum, bum-badum" of his drum signaled when things were getting heated.

In the tournament bracket were Tashkaikimilho, Chula Chaffa, Chunkvsh Bilili, Intertribal, Alacous, Chikasha Monstars, Salty Necks, N8TVZ and Scrub Nation. These were not official or sponsored teams, but groups of stickball players wanting a fun competition where they could show off their skills.

Four citizens of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians – Tim Comby, Tilson Williams, Ray Willis, Glen Billie – visited Oklahoma

to serve as referees.

Ace Greenwood served as announcer for most matches, otherwise he played on the field himself. Brandon White Eagle was backup announcer. Above and beyond calling the action, both entertained everyone with humorous quips and bits of insight.

"All newcomers – non-Native, non-Chickasaw, non-human – we say welcome to this stickball tournament," Mr. Greenwood announced to those gathered around the field.

Games were planned back-to-back with only minutes for breaks. All but one game consisted of adult men and women. One was a youth match.

"That shot was a little bit low," Mr. Greenwood said after a boy guarding the pole made a successful block. "They've got a big goalie, got to learn the lesson now to shoot for the top two feet of the pole!"

Most adult games ended with close scores below 10. A few were called early due to the mercy rule. If one team scored seven above the other, the winner was announced.

Scrumms were less vicious during this stickball format, likely due to fewer players on the field. For the same reason, open shots were easier to find. A few runners were taken down with a tackle, but most successful defenses relied only on blocking shots with raised sticks or intercepting a loose ball and lobbing it back

downfield.

"If you'll notice, it looks like a rough game with a lot of running and hitting," Mr. White Eagle announced after a strong play. "But we do not use our heads to hit!"

Chikasha Monstars beat out Salty Necks to claim the win. The Chikasha Monstars team consisted of Bear Worcester, Taylor Harrison, Sunzie Harrison, Boomer Factor, Marc Sampson, Joel Chastain, Jared Walker, Anoli Billy,

Devon Chapman, Brandon White Eagle, Brandon Postoak, Jamin Blanchard and Dalton Madden.

The stickball tournament was one part of the Chickasaw Nation Annual Meeting and Festival, Sept. 27-Oct. 5.

The Chickasaw Cultural Center is located at 867 Cooper Memorial Road, Sulphur. Visit [www.ChickasawCulturalCenter.com](http://www.ChickasawCulturalCenter.com) for more information.

# Tribe's Atali program helps citizens put best foot forward

The Chickasaw Nation Atali program has been dressing employees and citizens for success since 2016.

"Our goal is to prepare citizens and employees for work or special events like interviews by ensuring they are in proper Chickasaw Nation dress code," Atali Program Manager Michelle Schwagel said. "That's what 'Atali' means. It means to prepare or get ready."

The Atali program provides business professional clothing to Chickasaw Nation citizens and employees.

Ms. Schwagel receives referrals from human resources, directors, program managers and area offices recommending people who need professional clothing. Those referred, once approved by the program manager, contact the program coordinator to set up an appointment at the Atali store at 1018 Arlington in Ada, Okla.

Program staff personally walk each person through the clothing items pointing out what is within dress code and under what circumstances they can wear certain

items to be in compliance.

"When a customer comes in, we set up an appointment," Ms. Schwagel said. "They try on the correct sizes so we both know the clothes fit them exactly. No one gets outfits that are too big or too small."

The Atali program functions as a Chickasaw Nation dress code learning tool.

"It's a huge learning tool," Ms. Schwagel said. "Later, on their own, they don't have to question, 'Can I buy this? Can I wear this to work?' Our goal is for each person to understand dress code by the time they leave here."

The Atali program has free clothing that has been donated, as well as clothing purchased from vendors sold at cost.

"We don't make a profit," she said. "That's not what we're here for. We get the largest amount of clothing for the smallest possible price, in the best condition."

The Atali program purchases clothing from vendors in Dallas, New York and Los Angeles. Buyers there are aware of the Chicka-

saw Nation's dress code requirements and every item in the store is dress code compliant.

Shoppers can take home up to five outfits at little to no cost.

For men, the five outfits usually consist of five shirts, pants and ties, two pairs of shoes, two jackets, socks and undershirts at a cost under \$350.

The cost for five women's out-

fits is usually under \$300.

The Atali program serves citizens and employees across the Chickasaw Nation.

"We have so many businesses and employees we serve," Ms. Schwagel said. "It's very rewarding."

Any employee interested in the Atali program may go through his or her line of support or email

Atali@Chickasaw.net to begin the referral process..

The Atali program accepts donations of dress code compliant clothing.

Donations are accepted 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday at the back door of the Atali building, 1018 Arlington.

Contact Michelle.Schwagel@Chickasaw.net with questions.

# Watch State of the Nation address, Chickasaw Princess Pageant online

If you missed Governor Bill Anoatubby's 2019 State of the Nation Address or the 2019 Chickasaw Princess Pageant, or want to enjoy these events again, you can

now watch online.

To view this or previous years' State of the Nation Address or Princess Pageant, visit [AnnualMeeting.Chickasaw.net/Videos](http://AnnualMeeting.Chickasaw.net/Videos).

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<p><b>Ada Nutrition Services</b> Series: Foods for Celebration Nov. 5 at 10 a.m. and noon Nov. 7 at 10 a.m. and noon</p> <p><b>Location:</b> 518 E. Arlington, Ada, Oklahoma (580) 272-5506</p>	<p><b>Ardmore Nutrition Services</b> Series: Foods for Celebration Nov. 5 at 10 a.m., noon and 5:30 p.m. Nov. 6 at 10 a.m. and noon</p> <p><b>Location:</b> 2350 Chickasaw Blvd., Ardmore, Oklahoma (580) 226-8289</p>	<p><b>Purcell Nutrition Services</b> Series: Foods for Celebration Nov. 5 at 10 a.m., noon and 6 p.m. Nov. 7 at 10 a.m. and noon</p> <p><b>Location:</b> 1530 Hardcastle Blvd., Purcell, Oklahoma (405) 527-6967</p>
<p><b>Family Life Center</b> Series: Foods for Celebration Nov. 6 at 10 a.m. and noon Nov. 7 at 5:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>Location:</b> 229 W. Seabrook, Ada, Oklahoma (580) 272-5506</p>	<p><b>Duncan Nutrition Services</b> Series: Foods for Celebration Nov. 8 at 10 a.m. and noon</p> <p><b>Location:</b> 1302 W. Main, Duncan, Oklahoma (580) 470-2150</p>	

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