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Medal of Honor Recipients visit West Point, Fort Bragg and Naval Station Norfolk during Valor Tour 2026

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American Airlines and the Congressional Medal of Honor Society bring Medal of Honor Recipients together with service members, cadets and military leaders across three military bases.

WASHINGTON, D.C., and FORT WORTH, Texas — Medal of Honor Recipients traveled aboard American's **Flagship Valor** — an Airbus A321 featuring a special livery dedicated to the legacy of the Medal of Honor — for Valor Tour 2026. This multiday tour connected Recipients with current and future generations of U.S. service members at the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York; Fort Bragg, North Carolina; and Naval Station Norfolk, Virginia.

Throughout the tour, Recipients were welcomed with military traditions and unique experiences that reflected the deep respect for their service. The trip began with a ceremonial water cannon salute upon departure from Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA). At West Point, the Recipients spent time with cadets during lunch and participated in candid discussions about leadership, service and character. At Fort Bragg, Recipients were transported in Infantry Squad Vehicles alongside soldiers before they participated in a special reenlistment ceremony for active service members. The tour concluded at Naval Station Norfolk, where Recipients were honored with a traditional Navy welcome and engaged with sailors and military leaders.

Presented by American in support of the Congressional Medal of Honor Society, the tour provided opportunities for Recipients to engage directly with service members and military leaders, where they shared perspectives shaped by their experiences in combat and decades of continued service. The engagements support the Society's

congressionally chartered mission and its commitment to preserving the legacy of the Medal of Honor and carrying its values forward to future generations.

The participating Medal of Honor Recipients are all U.S. Army veterans:

- **Maj. Gen. (Ret.) Patrick Brady**
- **Spc. 4 Kenneth David**
- **Col. (Ret.) Walter Joseph “Joe” Marm Jr.**
- **Command Sgt. Maj. (Ret.) Terry Richardson**
- **Command Sgt. Maj. Matthew Williams**

“Valor Tour is a tangible way for the Congressional Medal of Honor Society and our nation’s living Medal of Honor Recipients to partner with American Airlines in carrying out the Society’s Congressionally chartered mission,” said Executive Director of the Congressional Medal of Honor Society Chad Graham. “Some of the most meaningful moments for our Recipients are those spent with today’s warfighters and the next generation of service members ... sharing the wisdom gained through a lifetime of service, offering encouragement, and reinforcing the values and responsibilities that endure long after their own time in uniform. It is through these connections that the legacy of the medal is carried forward from one generation of service to the next.”

"Valor Tour is one of many meaningful ways we honor those who have served our nation while inspiring those who serve. Bringing Medal of Honor Recipients together with service members and future military leaders creates powerful interactions to share lessons of leadership, service, commitment and sacrifice across generations," said American's Chief Operating Officer David Seymour. "As a West Point graduate and former Army Airborne Ranger officer, it was especially meaningful to return to both the academy and Fort Bragg to witness those conversations firsthand."

Valor Tour 2026 continues the collaboration between American and the Congressional Medal of Honor Society, both of which share a commitment to honoring military service and creating meaningful opportunities for Medal of Honor Recipients to engage with those who serve the nation.

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About the Congressional Medal of Honor Society

The Congressional Medal of Honor Society is the only congressionally chartered organization dedicated to protecting and preserving the legacy of the Medal of Honor and supporting the Recipients who have received it. Established in 1958 and comprised exclusively of living Medal of Honor Recipients, the Society serves as the enduring steward of the legacy of the nation's highest military award for valor in combat.

Led by Medal of Honor Recipients themselves, the Society carries out its Congressional mandate by caring for Recipients and their families, preserving the history and heritage of the Medal, and bringing its stories of valor and sacrifice to the American public. Through this work, the Society protects not only the Medal's legacy, but its enduring meaning to the nation.

Since the Medal's creation during the Civil War, fewer than 4,000 of the more than 40 million Americans who have served in the Armed Forces have received the Medal of Honor.

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