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HONOR FLIGHT BLUEGRASS IS SET TO FLY 80 VETERANS TO WASHINGTON DC FOR ITS ONLY FLIGHT OF 2021

WWII, Korean War, and Vietnam Veterans Will Fly Out of Louisville Kentucky To Visit Their Memorials in Washington DC October 20, 2021

Louisville, KY, October 13, 2021—On the morning of October 20th, 15 WWII, 43 Korean, and 22 Vietnam Veterans are scheduled to fly out of Louisville to Washington DC. Mission Director Mike DiGiuro and Chairman of Honor Flight Bluegrass Jeff Thoke shared, "It is time to resume operations to once again show our gratitude and appreciation to our area Veterans for their service to our country". As for the Veterans, when we asked WWII Veteran Robert McCormack (age 94), he told us that he is excited about flying to Washington to see the Memorials and spending the day with his fellow Veterans.

After a two-year halt due to COVID, this day long trip for Veterans will depart Louisville Muhammad Ali International Airport at approximately 6:30 am and return at 10:00 PM. The public is welcome to greet the Veterans when they return. As a reminder, airports are covered under the federal mask mandate and all attendees will be required to wear a mask in the terminal. The health and safety of all concerned is our top priority. In addition, the public can follow Honor Flight Bluegrass throughout the day and the Welcome Home on all of our social media platforms.

The Mission of Honor Flight Bluegrass is to fly American's Veterans (from Kentucky and Southern Indiana), all expense paid, to Washington DC to visit the War Memorials dedicated to honor their service and sacrifices. Honor Flight Bluegrass would like to thank the estate of Cynthia Shaw, the Honorable Order of the Kentucky Colonels, Louisville Regional Airport Authority, and all others for making our only flight of this year possible.

For our Veterans, our goal is to make this trip one of the best days of their life...and, with the hope their stories, photos, and testimonies will be passed on to future generations. For further information about Honor Flight Bluegrass and future flights, please go to www.honorflightbluegrass.org. Follow Us on Facebook @honorflightbluegrass or Instagram @honorflight_bluegrass or Twitter @HonorFlightBG

Honor Flight Bluegrass, is an Honor Flight Network Chapter based in Louisville, Kentucky, and is recognized as a 501(C)(3), all-volunteer, non-profit organization created to honor America's WWII, Korean, and Vietnam Veterans for all their sacrifices.