

BUGLER'S POST

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BAA Briefing



We have many requests for Veterans Day activities, ceremonies, and parades in our system. These special events are in addition to the ever increasing number of funeral honors services that we are requested to support. More and more folks from all across the country are hearing about Bugles Across America and coming to

us for that bugler support. I am delighted to see this activity, and glad that we are continuing to quickly fill the great majority of these requests. As you are traveling to serve these missions of honor, I remind you to be careful out there. Thanks again for giving closure for the families of the fallen.

Recently Professor Jens Lindemann, head of the UCLA Brass & Percussion department, called me and said that he and about 12 trumpeters will be signing up to be BAA Buglers in the LA area. I was his sponsor to become a United States citizen several years ago. Presently Jens is on a teaching trip to Washington D. C. to confer with the Marine Band. Jens said we should start expecting new sign-ups in the next few weeks.

We are pleased to report that a very generous donation of \$3,000 was received recently from Marine Officers Reunion Association (M.O.R.A.) which originated out of the graduating Class of the 15th Special Basic Class, Quantico, June-December, 1952. It is by virtue of generous gifts such as this that Bugles Across America is able to support the mission of honoring veterans, sponsoring cadet corps, training and equipping scouting groups, and supporting some very worthwhile groups that are there to meet the needs of



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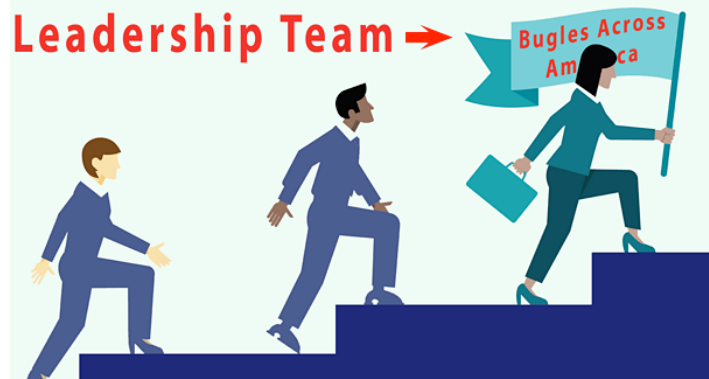
veterans and their families. As volunteer members of BAA, our buglers are also giving each and every day they answer the call and serve with dignity and honor.

I need to remind all members once again that if you wish to represent BAA, you must maintain a loyalty to the organization. You are asked to refrain from mixing BAA services, materials, and copyrighted items (logo and uniform) into other missions and events that are generated by other organizations. We are not saying that these others are not, in the end, attempting to serve the same mission of honoring the veterans, but all too often their ideals and methods may fall short of the high level of integrity we have strived to maintain for over 18 years. If you are a Bugles Across America member, then serve the BAA missions and always identify yourself as a BAA bugler and volunteer.

God Bless you all, and have a great Veterans Day and Thanksgiving. I give thanks each and every day that I have you all out there lifting horns for our FALLEN HEROES.

Tom Day
Founder & Bugler

Attention: State Directors Needed!



We are looking for experienced BAA buglers to fill the role of State Director in the states that currently do not have a full time Director.

States in need:

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| * Iowa | * North Dakota |
| * Massachusetts | * Rhode Island |
| * Michigan | * Wisconsin |
| * Mississippi | * Wyoming |

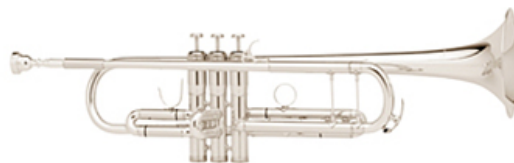
Qualifications:

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| * Computer literacy | * Communication Skills |
| * Passion for serving veterans | * Spare time you can dedicate |



If you believe you may be interested in and have time for a leadership role with BAA, please email galaxypilot@verizon.net to be considered with your experience and why you'd like to be a director for your state.

THE GREAT HORN GIVEAWAY!



The Great Horn Giveaway contest for October 2018 is complete!

The winners drawn from all who entered are....

Dave Rahn of Montana
Tom Cushing of Indiana

Congratulations to these fine BAA members!

**The next drawing is in December. Have you sent
Tom Day your BAA business card?**

Bugles Across America NFP
c/o Tom Day, Founder
1824 S. Cuyler Ave.
Berwyn, Illinois 60402



If you still do not have a BAA business card, a reasonable place to start is with the BAA Card Template found under the **For Buglers Only** in the [Education tab](#). Remember you must be logged in to access that option.

Issue #42 Winner - Rev. J. Craig Wagner - Florida

Tom, Wow! Thank you so much for the Trumpet! It is a larger bore than my Bach Stradivarius. After I oiled the valves and gave it a good audition, I found my self dutifully challenged. I loved it. It has a nice, large sound, and after I learned how to fill out the upper register, I enjoyed the larger sound. Thank you very much. As the father of three veteran sons, our family has a high regard for the mission of BAA! Let's keep up the good work.

FIND THE BUGLE CONTEST!



Hidden somewhere in this newsletter is a small image of a bugle. This bugle will be cleverly inserted into either dialogue or a photo. All you need to do is carefully read through all the great information, and keep a sharp eye out for the little bugle.

“How do I enter?” Find the bugle, note the location then copy and paste the official entry form to your email. The form can be found on the following page or on the BAA web site under the [Bugler's Post tab](#). Fill out the required information and email it to findthebugle@gmail.com

“How will I know if I won?” Three winners will be selected randomly by drawing from all correct entries on **November 30th**. Winners will then be contacted by email.

“What can I win?” A \$50 gift certificate for your choice of T&T Uniform, Glendale's Parade Store, Amazon or Barnes & Noble. After three issues (six months), those nine winners will be put 'in the hat' for a Grand Prize drawing that will produce one winner of a nice, reconditioned horn to be chosen by Tom.

An example of the image you will be looking for is under the magnifying glass in the banner.

The bugle may be presented in any orientation; in other words, it may be horizontal, vertical, or at any angle.

Good luck, happy 'bugle hunting'!

Legal Fine Print

- * Only one entry per person per contest period, and must be submitted on the official entry form to the designated email address.
- * Entries must be in by midnight PST on the 30th day after publication of that newsletter.
- * Selection of winning entries will be final.
- * *Newsletter staff and BAA National Officers are not eligible for contest entry.*
- * Bugles Across America, nfp will not be liable for any misdirected or incomplete entries.
- * No substitutions for awarded prizes will be made.

I Found The Bugle!



In the Bugler's Post, **Issue #:** _____

I found the BUGLE hidden on **page:** _____

in the: _____

(describe the specific location , such as article, paragraph, line number or picture)

Name: _____

Email: _____

(This email address will be used to notify the winner and deliver the prize)

Telephone: _____

Mailing Address:

Street: _____

City: _____

State, Zip: _____

All entries must be by email submission of this Official Entry Form, and must be received no later than midnight Pacific time, thirty days after the publication of this Bugler's Post issue. Entry sequence will be determined by the time stamp indicated upon arrival of form.

By presenting this entry, I agree to all terms and conditions of the contest and prize winner selection described in the official rules as presented within the Bugler's Post.

Bugles Across America, nfp, is not to be held liable for any misdirected or incomplete entries, or for communication circumstances beyond our control. Entry is limited to one per person, per issue or contest period.

Copy and Paste this form into your email. Fill in the blanks and email the entry to findthebugle@gmail.com

CONGRATULATIONS! *Winners!*

We want to extend a hearty congratulations to the three winners of Issue #42 who were selected at random from all the correct entries.

And the winners are....

Dave Warren of New York

Donald Root of Texas

Craig Melanson of Louisiana

Each received a \$50 gift card and was placed in the running with 1 in 9 odds of winning the grand prize drawing. All non-winners for the year are eligible to enter each contest period.

Where was it?!



In Memory of Bradly Hersch BAA Pennsylvania Assistant State Director

I'm very sorry to announce that long time faithful bugler and Pennsylvania Assistant State Director Bradley Hersch has departed this life for duty in God's realm on September 14, 2018. BAA will miss Brad as a friend, a capable bugler, and a dedicated director. His family will miss him as a husband, a father, and a loving grandfather.



Brad's family has suggested Bugles Across America as one of two groups that they feel appropriate for any that wish to donate in his memory. If you send a gift to BAA for this, please be certain to indicate that it is "In Memory of Brad Hersch", and provide a mailing address so that the family can personally acknowledge your kind remembrance.

We mourn the loss of an active Bugler in Tennessee



Maj. John Landry "Boodie" Boudreaux, Jr. (USAF, Ret.), who served his country as a fighter pilot and entertained jazz lovers as a big band trumpeter, died on October 19, in Holt, FL, in a single-engine aircraft accident. He was 68.

John became a bugler with Bugles Across America in 2017 and served a number of missions honoring fellow veterans.

As an Air Force command fighter pilot, John served at bases in the United States, Germany and South Korea. He logged more than 4,000 hours in six fighter and trainer aircraft from 1973 to 1993.

John's lifelong passion for music was cultivated during four years as a member of the LSU Golden Band from Tigerland. Upon relocating to Memphis in 1995, he revived his love for jazz as a trumpet player with the Memphis Knights Big Band, VA Band, and the Memphis Shrine Band, and as the leader of the Memphis Doctors Band.

He will be deeply missed as an exceptional man, full of life and joy in every moment.

BAA Spotlight - Jen Day, BAA National Coordinator

In each issue of the Bugler's Post, we have featured each of the State Directors and last month, the man himself.. Tom Day. Being the last one left, I could not put it off any longer. So, I asked for questions and you did not fail me. Thank you.



What was it like growing up with Tom Day?

This is something that people misunderstand... a lot. Tom is my father-in-law... and I'm so incredibly blessed beyond measure for this. With me being in Los Angeles and him in the Chicago area, I don't get to see him as often as I'd wish, but treasure the time we do have together. He really has the biggest heart and the BEST stories.

Have you served in the military and if so, which branch?

I have not. I wanted to but my ex-step-father forbade it. Soon after that I moved out and was working 2 jobs to afford rent. Looking back on it now I wish I would have anyway.

What are you most thankful for?

A family that loves me, a roof over my head, and a safe car to drive.

What female, past or present, inspires you the most?

So many incredible women to choose from for so many different reasons... but I'd have to say my maternal grandmother. She was this tiny thing who had the biggest heart, strength of men, and would stand her ground for what she believed in... even if Goliath was on the other end. She truly celebrated life even though trials.

What is your favorite father daughter moment?

I didn't grow up with my dad but I did visit. There are certain things that stand out. Scuba diving with sea turtles in Cozumel. Watching M.A.S.H. together while sharing his homemade buttered popcorn. Riding on the back of his motorcycle. Him glowing as he walked me down the aisle.

How do you relax after a hard day of work?

Working and mom-ing full time... my day really never ends until I pass out. However, when I need a break, I'll find a movie or show to catch up on. I even play a little World of Warcraft from time to time. I do take Kyokushin Karate classes too.. so I guess that counts as me-time.

What fictional place would you most like to go?

Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. Sadly though, I never received my letter.

What's your claim to fame?

Oddly enough.. being a Dancing Lobster for a couple of years on a Nickelodeon show. As silly as it is, I've got my own GIF and Meme.

What shows are you into?

Supernatural, Doctor Who, Sherlock, Agents of SHIELD, Stranger Things, The Crown.

What are you most looking forward to in the next 10 years?

Watching my son grow up... also the answer to the question, "What am I not looking forward to in the next 10 years?"

**Why did you decide to do the work you are doing now?**

Years ago, my son needed speech and occupational therapy several times a week and I needed something flexible. So, I work from home selling Scentsy and getting whatever voiceover jobs I can. This also lets me volunteer my time for BAA. Now that my son is older, I'd love to get more serious into voiceover work. Right now though, I'm also a Scout, Karate, and Swim-mom... and under-caffinated mom.

What's something you've been meaning to try but just haven't gotten around to it?

Irish dancing. It's gorgeous. I'd have to avoid the bouncing around on their ankles like they do though. Too many ankle and foot injuries in my lifetime.

If all jobs had the same pay and hours, what job would you like to have?

Kitten wrangler... or travel show host.

What job would you be terrible at?

Spider wrangler. Nope, Nope, Nope, and Nope!

What's the best way to start the day?

I should say exercise but Coffee... and quiet. And bacon. LOL

What's the most interesting piece of art you've seen?

I'm a big fan of Van Gogh. I love his use of colors and strokes.

Who inspires you to be better?

My son.

What stereotype do you completely live up to?

Probably “Hot Mess” mom. Sometimes I have it together... but that’s usually a lucky accident.

What is one of your favorite smells?

NEW gym shoes. Hey.. don’t judge.

**What are you pet peeves?**

When people post things on social media without fact-checking first and when people fight with you about your beliefs instead of a healthy discussion. I used to be more vocal on my Facebook page but certain people have gotten feisty and want to argue until I see their way. One person even found my number and called me to tell me why I’m wrong (according to them). I love Facebook.. It allows me to keep up with my busy family all over the U.S... but I don’t have endless time to argue about my beliefs. Say what you like.. then agree to disagree.



My latest Facebook PSA to get your skin checked.

Which of your scars has the best story behind it?

I think the most noticeable scar is my favorite one. How is it possible that a scar three inches long is my favorite? It’s from a decent sized malignant melanoma (skin cancer) being removed two years ago. I honestly thought it was a large freckle that got wider... because I had gained weight. It didn’t even occur to me that it might be skin cancer until a friend posted something on Facebook about “checking your skin”. She said she was having a melanoma removed... and here’s what to look for. I looked at that chart and was like, “Humm... maybe I *should* call the doc.” My mom was wondering if I was going to get a tattoo over it. I don’t know about *over* it... but definitely one in the area

that features it in a story sense. I want people to see it and ask. If it encourages people to check their skin or talk to their doctor.. then maybe it will help save a life. More people are diagnosed with skin cancer each year in the U.S. than all other cancers combined and one person dies of melanoma every hour. Go get your skin checked!... and wear that sun block!

What do you hope your last words will be?

**Whispered* “The treasure... is hidden in the”*

What fact are you resigned to?

Be kind to everyone. You never know what is going on in their life. A smile or simple act of kindness can go a long way.



Dave Warren - New York

On Sept 8th, it was my extreme pleasure and honor to sound Taps for one of our original Minute Men of the Revolutionary War. The Daughters of the American Revolution held a grave marking ceremony in honor of Jesse Ware, SGT Lexington Alarm, Revolutionary War. A small color guard also attended as well as a bagpipe player who performed Amazing Grace. It was a very nice service and I was very proud to be part of it.



Wayne Farmer - Texas

I've been a BAA member for several years now and I am kept busy sounding Taps at churches and at Houston National Cemetery. I am 90+ years old, a Navy vet of World War II and I still play trumpet in church band.

I have a unique ministry also. At sundown each day, I go on my front porch and sound Taps for all servicemen and women who were laid to rest that day did not have the honor of Taps at their grave site. Of course they won't hear but our God does and I believe he is pleased with my ministry. Thank you for allowing me to be a member and may God richly bless Tom Day for his leadership.



Landon Crockford - North Carolina

I had the privilege of sounding Taps in honor of Senator John McCain at Pine Hill Cemetery in Burlington, North Carolina.

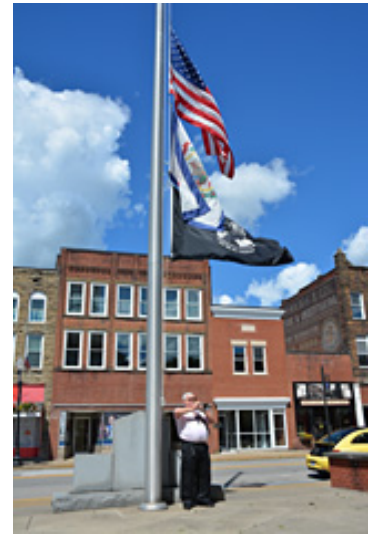


James Doepke - Florida

Sounding Taps in honor of Senator John McCain's military service. Vietnam Memorial.

Michael Wilson - West Virginia State Director

Sounding "Taps" for the Taps Across the Nation tribute to John McCain.



Diane Roytz - Florida

I sounded Taps for Senator John McCain at 2:00pm, Siesta Harbor, Sarasota, Florida. May he rest in peace.

Lee Hirtle MSGT(Ret) - New Hampshire

I was recently interviewed on our local TV station about Taps at our only Veterans Cemetery in New Hampshire. So far, I have sounded Taps at more than 413 funerals this year.

Resolving a Dilemma for Civilians in BAA

Carol McCutcheon - Assistant State Director, Ohio

It's happened to all of us. Before or after we render Taps, somebody comes up to us (especially if we're wearing the snappy BAA uniform), extends their hand and thanks us for our service. For years this felt very awkward for me. I did not serve in the Military, Police Force or Fire Department. I did not take an oath to protect the constitution. I didn't know how to respond with dignity and, most of all, honesty.

A few months ago while on a mission, the active duty and I were standing at the gravesite waiting for the service to arrive. A stranger came up to the three of us, again extending their hand and thanked each of us for our service. All of us accepted the gratitude and the stranger left. I looked at the sergeant and said that I always felt uncomfortable getting thanks from people because I had not served. She looked me square in the eye and said, "*You're serving now*".

Those three words, "You're serving now" stay with me. We indeed are serving our country. We do not get paid for our time, miles or talents.

We serve out of a deep commitment to honor our fallen heroes. We are volunteers of the heart. So, when a stranger approaches you extends their hand and thanks you for your service, accept the compliment with great pride. You deserve it.

Paul Shafer - Texas



I just completed my first mission, sounding Taps for an Army veteran. I found it to be a truly heart-warming experience. Being able to contribute in a tangible way to the memory of a veteran, in the presence of a large gathering of his family, loved ones, and friends, even though I was a total stranger, was very humbling.

As soon as I accepted the mission, I was contacted by the requester, to confirm the mission details. She also thanked me for volunteering, which was unexpected but greatly appreciated.

I arrived for the mission one hour early as requested, and checked in with the Funeral Director. This was when I learned that the entire service was going to be inside the relatively small funeral home. I took this to be a greater challenge. Being a long time trumpet player, I knew that sounding Taps inside a relatively small space full of people, would be an "acoustically dead" environment, which tends to amplify every minor mistake. I felt my nerves intensifying.

Then much to my surprise, the funeral program cover was a picture of a military honor guard at a cemetery, with the words to Taps. Even though his Army service ended almost 50 years ago, it was obviously still highly important to him and his family. I felt extremely honored to be the one to deliver live Taps, as the program clearly called for.

As soon as the service started, I spotted one of the Army Honor Guards arriving at the funeral home, and we were able to talk about the detail plan. The entire program was only going to last 20-25 minutes, so we needed to be ready very soon. The Honor Guard members were extremely gracious and professional. It was a joy to be a part of their team.

Then it was my time to sound Taps. I felt my heart pounding, as I closed my eyes to focus all my attention on producing every note as clearly and with as much heart as possible. When I was done, I had a great feeling of mission accomplished!

Thank you Bugles Across America, for facilitating such a wonderful service, to America's veterans, and their families!

Judith Shellenberger - Pennsylvania

I had the honor of sounding Taps for Eugene R. Costley on Friday, October 12th, 2018. When I accept an assignment, I research the veteran for whom I will be sounding Taps, to learn about him/her and the family. When I read Eugene Costley's story I felt both gratitude and honor to accept this mission.

Eugene R. Costley enlisted in the United States air Force in August of 1948. After basic training in Texas was assigned to Kessler AFB, MS, where he trained to become a flight engineer. In June of 1949 he was assigned to the 85th Air Depot Wing, Erding Air Base, Erding, Germany. SSgt Costley participated in the Berlin Airlift and flew missions as a flight engineer for which he was awarded the Army of Occupation Medal - Germany (with Berlin Airlift Device) and the Medal for Humane Action. In 1950, SSgt Costley was assigned to the 34th Air Transport Squadron at McChord AFB, Washington where he continued to fly as a flight engineer.



On 22 November 1952, SSgt Costly was a flight engineer on an Air Force C-124 Globemaster aircraft departing McChord Air Force Base, Washington, on a scheduled transport flight to Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska, with a crew of 11 and 41 passengers on board that never reached its destination. Bad weather in the region postponed rescue operations for several days. On 28 November 1952, a search party located aircraft wreckage on the Surprise Glacier located on the slopes of Mount Gannett approximately 50 miles east of Anchorage, Alaska. There were no survivors. U.S. Air Force Staff Sgt. Eugene Costley, was among 52 military personnel killed. Due to the treacherous conditions (avalanches, glaciers and snow drifts from eight feet with some drift areas reaching depths of several hundred feet) recovery attempts would be extremely dangerous and limited throughout the next several years.

On 9 June 2012, the crew of an Alaska Army National Guard (AKNG) UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter on a training flight observed aircraft wreckage near the terminal end of the Colony Glacier at Inner Lake George located approximately 45 miles east of Anchorage. The crew landed on the glacier to investigate and recovered an identification tag from one of the service members on board, which positively correlated to the missing C-124A aircraft. Recovery operations continue to be performed at the crash site each year in the month of June. On 27 August 2018, the Armed Forces Medical Examiners (AFMES) at Dover Air Force Base, Delaware positively identified SSgt Costley's remains which were recovered from the June 2018 recovery. His remains were escorted by a military escort from Dover AFB to his hometown of Elmira, NY for full military honors in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Paul Hobbs - Missouri

Honoring a Friend

We have often heard that Taps is the hardest 24 notes that we will ever play. Well, that may be a matter of opinion but some missions are indeed emotional. On October 1st our American Legion Post 202 Honor Guard performed our 50th Military Honors since we were certified by the Missouri National Guard Funeral Honors program one year ago. It was also our debut at the Missouri State Veteran's Cemetery in Jacksonville.

Jacksonville, a few miles north of Moberly in central Missouri, is a beautiful and relatively new cemetery. Some areas are beginning to take on an Arlington like appearance with the rows of white markers.

The deceased, retired Army veteran Mr. Dennis Gayer, was a Past Commander and longtime member of our Post and a very good friend to all who met him. It was said of him at the funeral that "he is the kind of friend everyone should have one of." He was a member and Past President of Columbia's Old Wheels Car Club. The long funeral procession was led by a friend driving Dennis' 1973 Dodge Charger followed by several other vintage cars. Then there were a number of riders of the Patriot Guard followed by the rest of the long, slow moving procession.

Dennis, fighting a battle with cancer, knew some months ago that his time was near. He had been my friend for roughly 20 years and when he asked me to be the Bugler at his funeral it was a difficult moment.

When the time came for us to Honor him we had to check our emotions and perform the mission. The rifle volleys were tight and Taps was perfect but for a slight emotional quiver in a few of the notes. Somehow my Taps was the slowest and longest I have ever sounded. It was truly an honor to sound these 24 notes for a very good friend.



Kimberly Shaw - Massachusetts

A big thank you to Tom Day and the founders of BAA for bringing me to all kinds of places I thought I'd never be. Wearing Coastie blues? Leading Cascade Taps at Providence RI's "Waterfire"? Learning to fire an M1?? I've always been what they used to call "4F", so getting to follow family footsteps into the Army or Navy had never been an option.

Jewish High Holidays were what opened the door to a whole new way of using the musical skills I had grown up with. I have a career-musician grandparent on each side of the family, so we all grew up knowing our way around a musical score. As I was searching the Web for info about dealing with a cracked shofar, I came across one cantor's advice on how shofar players can "give back" during the non-High-Holiday part of the year -- join Bugles Across America! My first mission (in Scituate, MA) was in Fall 2012, and all the 200-plus missions since then have been nothing but a privilege.

Some gigging musicians think it's nuts to give away one's time like this. What they can't see, and is their loss, is that we **are** paid, but in intangible ways that feed the soul and heart whenever the notes of Taps can be seen to "hit the mark" with those in mourning.



That photo of me standing at parade rest is from another place I never expected to be -- saluting a Coast Guard hero, Jim Sheahan, aboard his own lightship. This memorial service was held on August 7, 2017, aboard the Lightship Nantucket LV-112, docked in East Boston with Tolling of the Ship's Bell (by family members of Sheahan), Taps and To the Color by yours truly, and members of the ship's crew present, as well as family. An excerpt from the [Lightship Museum](#)'s newsletters describes Technician Sheahan's heroism:

"As an electronic technician in the USCG, Jim served on *Nantucket/LV-112* as a radioman when Hurricane Edna struck the New England coast on September 11, 1954. During the hurricane, Jim Sheahan was burned when the radio equipment caught fire while he was attempting to send an SOS message. Jim managed to relay the following distress signal:

"Taking water over the bow...smashing all ports...pilot house out of commission...steering gear out... we're taking hell of a beating out here."



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Whichever uniform I'm in, CG dress blues or BAA, I hope that my antique Conn field trumpet will be out there doing its work of bringing a small measure of comfort to friends and family in their losses for a long time yet.

Aidan Peterson - Pennsylvania

Over the last several months I've been invited to sound Taps at POW/MIA Chair Dedications. One dedication was at the VA Medical Center in Philadelphia. I was so moved by the veterans I met that I contacted Volunteer Services to see how else I could support the patients. With my help, they launched a bedside music therapy program. I visit patients bedside and play cello for them. I was even called in once by a family who had me sound Taps as the patient was being removed from life support. I encourage others to find additional ways to use their musical talent to support our veterans. Here's a video the hospital made about my service: [Musicians Doing Good](#)

Michael Saliba - Georgia

I responded to a request through BAA on Sept 11, 2018 for a service to honor Augustino J Pinnataro at Andersonville National Historic Site (ANHS) Cemetery on October 12, 2018. After accepting the request I asked for verification of the date since it was more than a month away.

I noted that Mr. Pinnataro was a quartermaster on board the USS New Jersey during the Korean War, and told his daughter that I also served during the Korean War as a musician on board the USS Yorktown. I told her that I would be especially honored to sound TAPS for her father. She was very appreciative of my comments.

Ms. Pinnataro was very concerned about the arrangements for the service at ANHS, and through a series of emails I answered her questions. I have sounded Taps at ANHS many times and am very familiar with the protocols and procedures there. My experience sounding Taps there started during and after World War II when I was in high school.

Everything was all set for this service and then Hurricane Michael showed up. The park suffered many downed trees resulting in some structural damage, and they announced that the park would be closed until further notice. One large oak tree had fallen on the Rotunda where interment services are normally held. A supervising park ranger and very good friend of mine, reassured us that the service would proceed as scheduled but would be held at the grave site instead of the rotunda.

The honor guard consisted of two US Navy Corpsman from the Marine base in Albany, GA. I coordinated with them and the service went off without a hitch. After Ms Pinnataro conducted the service, I sounded Taps, saluted in sync with the honor guard and stood at Parade Rest while the flag was folded and presented to Mr. Pinnataro's wife. I then exited the site with the honor guard.

A few days later I got a very nice email from Ms. Pinnataro:

My family posted a very heartfelt thank you to Andersonville staff Friday evening but I didn't realize until this morning that none of us got to ever thank you for volunteering to be the bugler for my father's internment service. My mother was so very grateful and thankful for your sounding of Taps. We weren't even certain the Military Honors gentlemen would be able to make it and I kept assuring my mother that you were going to be there, no matter what. Thank you, thank you, thank you from my entire family.



Tim Ghebeles - Pennsylvania

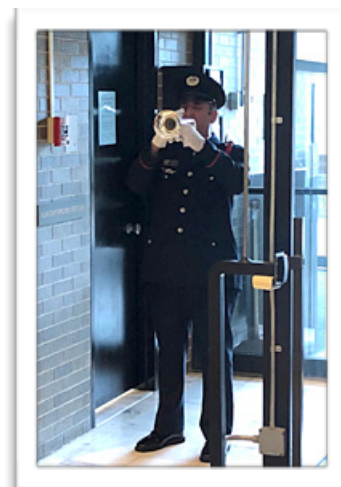


It is with great sadness that I report the passing of my father-in-law, Roddy Florentino, on May 2, 2018. Roddy was 90 years old and a career US Navy veteran who served his country for 20 years during WWII, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. A prisoner of war before joining the US military in the Philippines during WWII, he went on to serve his country for 41 years including 21 years of US federal government service. He accompanied President Nixon to China in 1972 as part of the US Secret Service detail.

I would like to thank BAA - California Bugler **David Powell** for sounding Taps in honor of my father-in-law Roddy Florentino at Miramar National Cemetery, May 10, 2018. It was very reassuring having support from the BAA organization during this most difficult time.

Bugles Across America has been an important part of my life for seven years. During this time I have had the privilege of sounding Taps for 540 veterans, as well as participating in 31 special events. BAA has opened many opportunities for me including being part of the honor team at Washington Crossing National Cemetery, as well as the Bucks County Area Joint VSO honor team. Most recently I received the Sons of the American Revolution - Service to Veterans medal, as well as the Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition from Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick (PA-08).

On September 17, 2018, I participated in the Constitution Week Bell Ringing Ceremony at the Bucks County Courthouse. Sponsored by the Bucks County Chapter, NSDAR, Ms. Deborah Cowhey, Chairperson, presented a program dedicated to recognizing the historical importance of the signing of the US Constitution. The program concluded with the traditional ringing of the bell.



Tom Day - BAA Founder, Illinois

Sept 26 marked 50 years since Dale Luster died. Dale and I attended William Howard Taft High School together and I'm honored to say he was my best friend. We were also in Army ROTC together for four years and in Civil Air Patrol/USAF.

He was killed as he was shot down over Viet Nam, saving an Army Platoon who were pinned down by enemy fire.



In the late '60s, my dad, Joe Day, and I, put a memorial together for Dale at Railway Gardens, a small park in Norwood Park. Since 1969, I have been there firing my M1 and sounding Taps in his honor.

This year William Howard Taft High School assisted in honoring him. Dale should be joining me in the Taft High Hall of Fame next year.

All photos by Anne Lunde and thank you to the Taft Alumni Association



Do you have an unusual, memorable or funny story to share regarding an event or request you sounded Taps for? The Bugler's Post wants to publish your stories.

All stories must be written, edited, **ready for publishing** and a photo is desired but not required. If you don't have a photo from the event, one of you works nicely as well.

The deadline for this is December 10th.

Please email JenDayBAA@iCloud.com

Letters of Gratitude



I'd like to thank bugler, **Eric Dalton**, who traveled from Kansas City to participate in our father's home going celebration. The military service was beautiful and the sounding of Taps was solemn and fitting. Mr. Leroy Anderson would have been proud. Mr. Dalton, again thank you.

Gratefully yours,
Diane Joiner

On behalf of my family, I just wanted to thank you again for sounding your beautiful live version of Taps at my Dad's ceremony. There is no comparison to the recorded version. Those 24 notes are so somber. Thank you again for taking your time to give my Dad such a great send off!

Patty Bruno

Tom, thank you for your thoughtfulness and respect for our brothers and sisters in arms. You are a true friend to all of us.

Ronald E Tople

My father was World War II veteran. Lieutenant Irving Zimmerman, Chicago. He died over 20 years ago. I wish i knew of your service back then. Thank you for what you are doing.

Ken Zimmerman

Dear Tom, this past Memorial Day, our four daughters wanted to do a lemonade stand. After talking about it with their grandparents, the idea of raising money for a cause in addition, would be cool. So then was some discussion about what Memorial Day is honoring, as opposed to Veterans Day for example, they decided that the money should go to the fallen heroes and honor of the buglers who make their services so special and meaningful.

Our daughters Jenna, Josie, Sara, and Anna made signs and the cookies and we're all very excited and proud to be raising money for Bugles Across America.



Many friends and neighbors stopped by and it was truly a memorable and impactful experience for all!

Thank you for creating this service for our fallen heroes.
Kari & Josh Marti

Our kids are: Josie (12), Sara (10), Anna (7). Our friends are: Sutton (10), Brighton (7) and Julie (12)

*I am 2nd LT Taylor Adams of the USAF and the president of the Military Medical Student Association at Western University of Health Sciences in Pomona, CA. Today **Larry Icenogle** came out to our 9/11 Memorial Event and was absolutely superb in every way! He was easy to communicate with, early to the event, ready and willing to help however he could and he sounded a heartfelt rendition of Taps. We are grateful to him, and to you, for this wonderful service. Thank you! And thanks Larry!*
Taylor Adams

Kenneth (Fitzgerald), thank you very much for sounding Taps at my grandfather's funeral. I appreciate you being there, your rendition was lovely. I also know it meant the world to my mother, thank you again for making the time and giving my family that beautiful gift of music.

Sincerely,
Janis Marquardt

*The family of Roland E Peixotto, COL, USA (ret) would like to sincerely thank Bugles Across America for providing a bugler for our Memorial service on 14 October 2018 in Falmouth, Maine. We would especially like to thank Bugler **Carla Beaudoin** of Gorham, Maine for her service. She was professional, kind, thoughtful, and her rendition of Taps was very moving to all attending the memorial service.*

*Thank you,
Robert*

On behalf of my Mother, Cena Pinnataro, and my entire family, I would like to thank you and **Mr. Saliba** (I emailed him directly as well) for being there Friday, Oct 12th to sound Taps for my Father's internment at Andersonville National Cemetery. Even with damages from Hurricane Michael, the park opened up ONLY for my family on Friday morning to allow my Father's service to be completed. Mr. Saliba was there and we didn't get an opportunity to thank him personally for being there, We can't begin to really express our thanks; my Mother was so sure we wouldn't have Military Honors but two sailors from Jacksonville, FL had driven up THAT MORNING Oct 12th to honor my father and Mr. Saliba was there to sound Taps. My father served on the USS New Jersey, Quartermaster 3rd class, Korean War and served from 1950-1954. My father was also the ship's bugler! It was so important to us to have a LIVE bugler for my Father. And Mr. Saliba made it happen for my dad.

Thank you all so very much.

Dawn Pinnataro

We want to thank the very nice man, sorry, we did not get his name, that sounded Taps at dad's veteran honor ceremony on August 18, 2018 at Mt. Soledad National Veterans Memorial in La Jolla, San Diego. Our fathers name is Francis "Bob" Poehlman and we were dedicating his plaque which is on the wall at Mount Soledad.

Please pass on our thanks to the man who sounded Taps beautifully and made the ceremony complete and special. We appreciate all you do and the service for our country.

*Sincerely,
Kathy McElhinney*

Twenty-plus years ago I went to a funeral of a very close family friend, World War II marine badly wounded in combat. Bobby asked for a military funeral. At the cemetery there was an older car with the door open on the roadway – then came a recorded Taps. It was awful. Would've been better to have nothing. Thank you for what you do.

Gratefully,
Joanne McDermott

My dad fought in the Battle of The Bulge and then served 20 years in the Air Force. He played his trombone with the US Army band when World War II ended in Germany to celebrate the end of the war. For the next 60+ years he sounded Taps on his horn for many memorial day services and funerals for veterans.

When he passed away in 2010 we contacted the Air Force reserves to get Taps for his military funeral. They sent us a recording the day of his memorial service. Fortunately, a good friend who is attending the service, who played trumpet with my dad and a local band, stepped up and sounded live Taps for my dad's service. I couldn't have ever gotten over a recording of Taps for him, considering he had played so many times for others. Your organization is so important and thank you for forming it.

*Sincerely,
Laurie Graves*

God bless you for the work that you're doing for our veterans. My dad was a World War II Marine and we were blessed to have someone sound Taps. That is the least we can do for these brave men and women. Keep up the great work!

Sincerely,

Patricia

*Thank you **Richard McClelland** for sounding Taps at the interment of Mark Carrabbio at Great Lakes National Cemetery on April 27, 2018.*

No name

Dear Tom, your message on Fox TV touched me greatly. If I could send more I would. We need more patriots like you and your group. Being an Army veteran I still say to you, Semper Fi.

Ron Helmbright

Thank you for making my husband's a wish come true by sounding Taps for his service on July 25 in Deerfield. The service was very touching. My husband was a very proud Marine. His last major outing was with the "honor flight" veterans to Washington last September. Now I have closure.

Thank you,

Elizabeth Svatik



Bugler who sounds Taps for veterans' funerals remembers McCain

By: Katie Kuba, Staff Writer

Posted Sep 5, 2018

BUCKHANNON — Mike Wilson didn't care much for former President Barack Obama. Consequently, like many supporters of Obama's opponent, Sen. John McCain, Wilson was less than pleased on the eve of Nov. 4, 2008, when Obama was declared the winner of the general election in a historic victory.



However, after tuning in to McCain's concession speech in which he graciously and sincerely congratulated Obama, Wilson learned something about nobility, grace and class.

"He was grace personified when he conceded to President Obama in 2008," Wilson recalled Sunday, shortly after sounding "Taps" to honor the deceased veteran and senator on the Upshur County Courthouse steps. "[He said], 'No boos. He (Obama) won. Let's get on with things.' And as far as that goes, I was not a fan of President Obama, but he was the president, and John said, 'That's the way it is, and we'll keep going on,' and that's why I admired him."

McCain — frequently dubbed a "maverick" or lone dissenter - succumbed to glioblastoma, an aggressive form of brain cancer, Aug. 25.

A day later, Sunday, Aug. 26, the idea to sound "Taps" on Sunday at 2 p.m. originated in Wichita, Kansas, and spread quickly across the country. More than 200 brass instrument players pledged to sound "Taps" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 2, the same day and time McCain was laid to rest following a private family ceremony at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. Wilson, who is the state director of the group Bugles Across America, eagerly agreed to participate in the initiative, which was named "'Taps' Across the Nation."

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ENMU Instructor honors McCain

September 10, 2018

The Chase guest writer, Ed Caffrey

A trio of musicians played their part in a nationwide event Sunday to honor the late Senator John McCain. Clovis, New Mexico residents Tyleen Caffrey, Roman Romero and Vincent Soule sounded “Taps” at Lawn Haven Memorial Gardens Cemetery while hundreds of trumpeters and buglers simultaneously sounded the traditional military song at various locations across the country. The event called Taps Across the Nation, paid tribute to McCain, a former Vietnam prisoner of war and Republican presidential nominee, whose burial took place at the same time at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.



Caffrey, an instructor at Eastern New Mexico University, learned about the event through her membership in the group Bugles Across America. Event organizers recruited musicians from across the country to play in unison with McCain’s graveside ceremony. The 81-year-old senator from Arizona died Aug. 25, after a 13-month battle with cancer.

“I thought it would be an honor to be part of this mission to pay tribute a hero like Senator McCain,” Caffrey said.

Caffrey said she has played trumpet since sixth grade and is a member of the Clovis Community Band. She has sounded “Taps” at military funerals and other events for more than two decades. In May, Caffrey and Romero sounded for Clovis’ Memorial Day ceremony.

The trio’s rendition of “Taps” honoring McCain was uploaded to the Taps Across the Nation Facebook page along with videos from across the country. The idea was organized by Patricia Konyha, a trumpeter and Air Force veteran in Wichita, Kan. Konyha reported 217 musicians “sounded ‘Taps’” in 45 states.

Caffrey said she was impressed by the response from so many buglers to take part in the event, especially on a holiday weekend.

[Click for full article](#)

If you have seen BAA in the news recently or have been featured in an article while sounding Taps with BAA, Please send the article or information to JenDayBAA@iCloud.com



Q: With all the interest in having Echo Taps, why doesn't Bugles Across America print the music for that just like has been done for Taps?

A: We recognize that many folks do ask for Echo Taps to be provided, but since it is not authorized for military funeral honors by any of the service branches (actually prohibited by their Directives and Manuals), it would not be prudent for BAA to appear to make an official publication in support of this practice.

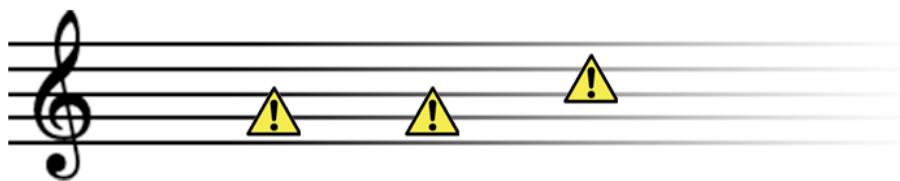
We agree that Echo Taps can and will be presented under the following conditions:

It is specifically requested by family; it is agreed to by the Honor Guard NCOIC serving the mission; we have the bugler resources to commit to the service; the buglers have actually practiced together and have full understanding of what to expect from each other.

If you want to see a written score for workable Echo Taps, there are many that can be found through various on-line sources. Bugles Across America, however, is not going to be one of those readily available sources as it could be misconstrued as an official endorsement of a practice that is not in accordance with military tradition or directive.

Have a question that you want answered?

Please email galaxypilot@verizon.net and place "Q & A" in the subject line.



KEY NOTES

Being an informed and responsible member

My contact information has changed. How do I update my email, phone number or address?

It is vital that your contact information is current and it is **your** responsibility to update when necessary. It is also really easy to do.

- 1.) **Log in** with your username and password. If you need assistance with the log in credentials, please send a message to Contact Us and we will assist.
- 2.) Your name is in the upper right corner of the page. **Click on your name.**
- 3.) To make any changes, click on **"Edit Profile"**
- 4.) On this new screen, click **"Contact Information"**
- 5.) Type in the new address information.
- 6.) Scroll to bottom of the page and click on **UPDATE**. **This step is vital** to save your new information.
- 7.) Use the Contact Directors link on the website to notify Directors of both states (the one you have left and the one you have moved to) of your change in location.

Email: After accessing your profile, click on "Manage Account", Type in the new email. Click on **Update** at the bottom of the page. (Ignore that Profile URL box)



Password: After accessing Profile (as in above), click on **"Manage Account"**, then **"Change Password"**. Fill in requested information. Click **Change Password**.

Delete Account: There is currently no way for an individual to Unsubscribe (delete their profile/registration). If you wish to say "Adios", you need to let us know by using the Contact Directors link.

Regarding Requests

How do I volunteer for a request?

Double check your schedule and if you are available, use the link at the bottom of the request email. If the request has already been filled, you will be informed. If it hasn't, you will be given an option to formally click on a link to volunteer yourself for it.



What if I can't volunteer for a request?

Please do not reply to the request email to tell us why you can't make it. While we truly appreciate your willingness to serve, you are replying to an automated message. Requests are sent out via automated system to all buglers in a 100-mile radius of the event. We don't often check the automated email box.. but when we do.. people are telling us why they can't volunteer for it. Can't volunteer, just hit that delete key!

I've volunteered for a request... now what?



From the request details, you have the requestor's contact information available to you. You are advised to print that page just before clicking "Volunteer" It is now **your responsibility** to contact the requestor as soon as practical to let them know you are their bugler and to get any further information you may need. If you failed to print that detail page before clicking on "Volunteer" you can always retrieve it from you're My Events log on the tab bar, but remember you must be logged in to see that.

I've volunteered for a request and now need to cancel.

Canceling is a violation against the Directives for Buglers you agreed to when you registered. Do NOT volunteer for a request before you have checked your schedule. If it is a family emergency, contact your State Director **immediately!** Not showing up lets down the family of the deceased and is **grounds for membership removal.**



Help!! I've lost the email with the event information!

The place to find that is under the "**My Events**" tab after you've logged into the BAA web site. This page will show you all the events you are scheduled for and the information regarding them!

Other F.A.Q.s

How do I contact my State Director?

Log in to the BAA web site and use the Contact Director option under the Contact Us tab. You will only see the [Contact Directors](#) option if you are logged in.

IMPORTANT! If you've moved to another state, it's of extreme importance you contact your new State Director to inform them. State Directors are only sent notifications of new registrants, not if someone has "moved in".



Emergencies.. Please contact your State Director. Sending an email to any official BAA email will **not** reach us in time to help you. If you accepted a request and have a medical emergency keeping you from sounding Taps, Contact your State Director ASAP! If you don't have your director's contact information, log in to the BAA site, under the '**Contact us**'

tab you will see **Contact Directors**. Click that. Fill out necessary information. An email will be sent.

If you don't see something you're looking for on the BAA web site. Log in. Some things are only shown to members that are logged in and not the general public.



Is there a way for me to record or get "credit" for events that are not requested through the BAA website?

There is no way 'record' missions that don't come in through the request system. We have never kept count of individual's missions on BAA register or archive. Many members have kept a personal 'log book' of their missions, and this has been more for personal reflection and memories than anything.

I've lost the information for the request I've volunteered for!

Log in, click on the '**My Events**' tab. Ta-da!

A very handy Quick Start guide for BAA members
is available on the BAA web site in the [Education tab](#).



The BAA Learning Center is open for visitors!

What's inside:

Over 140 horns: Specialty and historic

Different types of mouthpieces

Military memorabilia

Uniforms from 1776 to today that you can touch

Bugle and military history

History books and maps from all US wars.

CDs and DVDs you can watch in the Media Room

Historic Drum and Bugle Corps media

Bugles Across America medals and patches

Copies of BAA's newsletter, Bugler's Post

A Congressional Gold medal

Stories from Tom Day himself!



"The house looks wonderful. It's one of those places that you could spend all day there and the next time you visit, you still see something new." - Allison Petty



Hours: By appointment. Please call (708) 484-9029

Admission: No fee but donations welcome

Parking: Street Parking. Please be aware of street cleaning hours on Friday

1818 Cuyler Ave., Berwyn, Illinois, 60402

For tour information: (708) 484-9029



The BAA Supply Closet

Pins:

- * **Bugle Pins** - These are not made of steel and will break if bent.
- * **Lyre pins** - We have a supply of gold and silver... however, the gold-colored ones must be painted silver for wear on the BAA uniform if you choose to include this optional item.
- * **Small and large bugle pins with folded flag** - Excellent for casual wear on suit lapels and caps.
- * **Gold Star Mom's pins** - In stock

Patches: We have the BAA logo patch and the BAA Learning Center patch available.

Coins: We have just a few BAA coins left.

Medals & Ribbons: We have all the medals, however, the ribbons for our medals are available through Glendale Parade Store. State Directors can use these to give to buglers and local Vets.

Flags: We have BAA flags and Gold Star Mothers flags

Horn Accessories: I have 3c & 7c Kelly mouthpieces.

Educational: For those who do school programs, I have free copies of my booklet, "A Very Special Red, White and Blue". This is a workbook on the history of the American Flag. I am also working on putting this flag history on DVD. The program has been a real hit at the many schools where I have presented it.

Clothing: We now have both bright green and orange t-shirts and sweatshirts. Great for walkers and bikers. You'll be seen in these for sure. These shirts were updated to welcome BAA to its 18 year and to honor the 100th Anniversary of WWI.

Please send requests via email to Tom Day at TomJDay@sbcglobal.net

SHOW YOUR COLORS!

At Ease: Off-duty Apparel

Jim Owens, owner of My-T Graphics, is helping Bugles Across America's fundraising efforts with the "Thank You" Apparel. The familiar BAA logo is on the front (left chest) and a beautiful 'Thank you' memorial image is featured on the back, helping you show your BAA pride... and donate at the same time! 100% of the net proceeds go to BAA.

Short sleeve t-shirts: \$20

Long sleeve t-shirts: \$25

Hoodie sweatshirt: \$35

(plus tax and shipping)

Website to order

www.supportbaa.com

These are for casual use only and must not be worn to serve military funeral missions!

Thank you Jim Owens for your generous support for BAA.



<http://my-tgraphics.com>



"Bugler On Duty" Magnetic Sign

Newly designed for use on your vehicle. These car magnets are printed on heavy-duty material and ideally suited for car door signage. The cost is \$19 for one magnet and \$35 for two.

To place an order please contact
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"24 Notes" a Tribute to Military Veterans and Our Men & Women in Uniform

New Outlaw Country Band, Boot Hill Bandits, released their new single, "24 Notes" honoring live Taps at the funerals of Military Veterans and First responders.

An American made musical anthem that pays tribute to each and every Military Veteran who has passed on, "24 NOTES" honors our Veterans and First responder heroes who have served and whom proudly serve today, to protect life, liberty and freedom. "24 Notes" is also dedicated, and shines a light on Bugles Across America and it's founder, Tom Day. This Veterans organization has thousands of volunteers, who give of their time and talents to sound Taps, otherwise known as "The 24 notes", at Veteran's funerals all across America, instead of the usual pre-recorded version used at most Veterans ceremonies.

To buy 24-Notes: <https://www.cdbaby.com/cd/boothillbandits>

Visit Boot Hill Bandits™ at <http://www.boothillbandits.com>



American Heritage Field Trumpet by Getzen

Every day in America, approximately 1,800 World War II and Korean War veterans pass away. These brave men and women risked their lives to defend the land they loved, and yet as many as 75% of these heroes will not be given the honor of having Taps sounded at their funeral by a live bugler.

In 2000, Bugles Across America was founded to secure a means of locating and to provide a real bugler for this honor, but many soon found themselves wishing for a quality bugle that was readily available and MADE IN THE USA.

A Wisconsin BAA member, Dan Erikson made contact with Tom Getzen and began a discussion about the need for a good field trumpet (bugle) to be dedicated for this purpose. Tom Getzen enthusiastically embraced the concept, and soon he introduced BAA representatives to the American Heritage Field Trumpet (AHFT).



The M2003 AHFT is available in four presentations. The Standard model in lacquered brass or silver finish, and the Elite in lacquered brass or silver. All are produced in the same workshop and by the same instrument craftsmen that make the Getzen professional-grade horns. In materials, fit, finish, and playability, the AHFT is truly a top-level, professional instrument. The AHFT is manufactured to play in the key of B-flat, but an optional G-slide can be purchased for any model. This gives the owner the ability to switch between these two most often used keys by merely exchanging the tuning slide. Many of us consider this to be a very valuable asset of the AHFT, and it certainly is less expensive than buying two separate horns.

While the AHFT can be ordered through any authorized Getzen dealer, verified BAA members can order direct from the factory at a price specifically discounted for BAA. Members may also choose to have the optional BAA logo engraved on the bell at no additional cost. [About the trumpet.](#)

Current pricing and order information is on the BAA web site on the LINKS tab.

If you are considering purchasing the AHFT, please email galaxypilot@verizon.net so we can provide membership verification to Getzen.

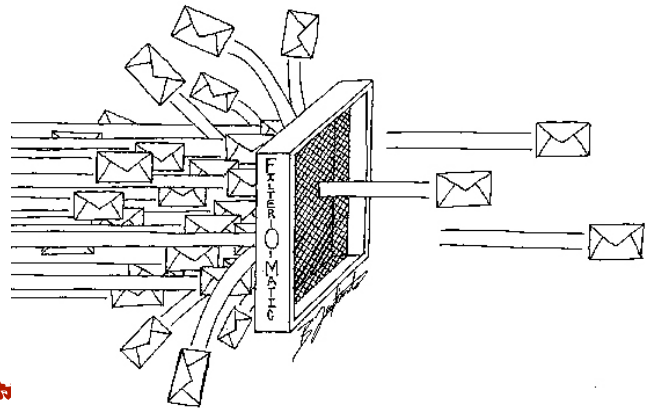


Are you not receiving emails from BAA? You could be having....

Internet Service Provider and Firewall Problems

If you receive email through a service provider such as aol.com, yahoo.com, or even gmail, or you have firewall software such as Norton's Internet Security or Anti-virus, please add our email address, info@buglesacrossamerica.org and requests@buglesacrossamerica.org to your address book and unblock email list.

In an effort to control SPAM these companies are blocking certain emails before they reach your inbox or discarding emails into a separate folder other than your inbox based on certain criteria. The emails that are auto-generated to notify you of bugler requests, as well as important notices sent from time to time, and our newsletter The Buglers Post are sent to you from this address.





Military.com [Military Funeral Honors](#)



U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs - [Memorial Benefits](#)



Perhaps, **the best collection of the pertinent information** would be found in Congressional Research Service Report RS21545, - [Military Funeral Honors and Military Cemeteries and FAQ](#)

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All stories **MUST** be written, edited, **ready for publishing** and preferably a photo along with it. I am also looking for bugle, bugler or Taps trivia & facts. If you know of any, please email me. If this information comes from somewhere specific, please site that. Thank you.