

His medals from World War II include the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with 5 clusters, each cluster representing an air battle.

A revered Cincinnati native and WWII veteran are just two ways to describe Charles. He was also an adored father and grandfather, and he will be greatly missed.

Thank you, Charles, for your life full of dedication to your country, your community, and your family.

COMMENDING CHIEF MASTER  
SERGEANT LARRY W. MEADE

**HON. DON BACON**

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 19, 2017*

Mr. BACON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend a distinguished serviceman and member of the 55th Wing, CMSgt (ret) Larry W. Meade. Chief Master Sergeant Meade served our country with honor, dedicating the past 44 years of his life to the 55th Wing, as a loyal Airman and a contractor with L-3 Technologies.

During his time as an Airman, Chief Meade always exceeded expectations and established himself as an invaluable piece of the 55th Wing's history. He oversaw all mission system maintenance in the CENTCOM area of responsibility (AOR) throughout the early days of Operations DESERT STORM and DESERT SHIELD. Because of his work, the Rivet Joint cemented its role as key player in the development of the Air Force's Electronic Order of Battle, enabling air-strike planning and the elimination of countless high value enemy targets.

Armed with his wealth of experience, Chief Meade continued his service to our nation and our military as a contractor. During his 18 years with L-3 Technologies, he again proved to be a critical part of the 55th Wing's success. He oversaw the seamless upgrade of 10 minor and 11 major RC-135 mission system baseline updates, an amazing feat. Additionally, Chief Meade facilitated over 150 one time inspections, 200 contract field team visits, 450 maintenance bulletins and 600 engineering technical assistance requests.

Chief Meade has a long, proven, track record of accomplishment and devotion to the 55th Wing, of which I have been a member. Chief Meade leaves behind a legacy of mission success, and countless successful Airmen that he has been able to mentor during his career. I am more than honored to commend him on the floor today.

TRIBUTE TO MARIAN McQUAID

**HON. DAVID YOUNG**

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 19, 2017*

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Marian McQuaid, of Guthrie Center, Iowa for being selected as Iowan of the Day at the Iowa State Fair. Founded in 1997, the Iowan of the Day program allows the Blue Ribbon Foundation to recognize Iowa's most outstanding individuals.

Marian has been an active supporter of the Friends of the Library and founded the Guthrie County Arts Council. She spends time volunteering with groups such as Homestead Helpers and the Fall Arts Festival. She was also instrumental in the completion of the Main Street Iowa designation for Guthrie Center.

Mr. Speaker, the example set by Marian embodies the Iowa spirit and I am honored to represent her and Iowans like her, in the United States Congress. I ask that all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Marian for her achievements and in wishing her nothing but continued success.

REMEMBERING JAMES M. SCOTT

**HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, October 19, 2017*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a man who dedicated his life to the community he served. Delegate James M. "Jim" Scott was a tireless advocate for all and his life and deeds have left an indelible mark on the people of Fairfax County and the Commonwealth of Virginia. Sadly, Jim passed away on April 13, 2017. However, his legacy lives on through the numerous community initiatives he started and programs he helped create as well as in the hearts and minds of so many whose lives he touched.

Born in Galax, Va. in 1938, Jim came to Fairfax County as a teacher at Thomas A. Edison High School. Shortly afterwards, he began to work with local non-profits providing assistance with anti-poverty and fair housing initiatives. Jim's quest to help others eventually led him to the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, where he was elected Providence District Representative in 1971. He continued his work on the issues he had dealt with in the non-profit community, introducing resolutions on affordable housing and human and civil

rights. A constant champion for quality-of-life issues in the County, Jim used his voice to advocate for the most vulnerable among us and ensured that their needs were not forgotten.

After serving 14 years on the Board of Supervisors, Jim was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates in 1991. His one-vote victory after a six-week recount earned him the nickname "Landslide Jim", but his effect on the House of Delegates was truly earth-shaking. In 1995, he was the lead sponsor of the bill that would become the "Motor Voter" law in Virginia. This bill dramatically expanded access to voter registration in Virginia, allowing individuals to register to vote at locations such as Department of Motor Vehicles, employment and other state offices, as well as by mail. The primary beneficiaries of this legislation were the traditionally under-served and under-represented whose causes Jim had made his life's work. Once again, he had improved the lives of countless individuals for the better. That this was done over the objections of Virginia's sitting Governor at the time gives credence to the tenacity with which Jim pursued his life's mission.

While some would have expected a life mission such as Jim's to be rooted in a political orthodoxy, they would have been surprised to learn the extent of his pragmatic side. He was a constant disciple of the saying "Do not let the perfect be the enemy of the good," a piece of wisdom that he shared with his colleagues on both the Board of Supervisors and in the House of Delegates on numerous occasions.

Mr. Speaker, Virginia has lost a quiet, gentle but forceful advocate for all who feel powerless. Jim Scott was a voice for civil rights, women's rights, and LGBT rights because he believed the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States meant what they said. Unusual for a politician, Jim was self-effacing. A natural mentor, he promoted talent and sought to bestow credit on others. He advanced the careers of myriad public officials. His generosity of spirit benefited causes throughout our Virginia Commonwealth. Most of that generosity was unheralded. Jim was a loving and devoted husband to his beloved wife Nancy and a proud dad to two extraordinary and accomplished daughters, Casey and Mary. He was a devout Methodist, and passionate sports fan for North Carolina and the Washington Nationals. It will be difficult to re-imagine the NOVA community without his towering presence and wise guidance. His absence will be a void for those of us privileged to know him. His was a life well-lived, and he will be missed.