

Elden Charles Justus who died in the line of duty during the Korean War on December 6, 1950, and is being laid to rest today.

Elden Justus was born in Grady, New Mexico, to Elmer and Lois Justus. The family settled in Arcata, California, where Elden graduated high school in 1945. On October 29, 1945 he enlisted in the United States Army and joined the 33rd Field Artillery Unit in Darmstadt, Germany. He met his wife in Germany, Ruth Boensel, and had two children, Jack and Lois.

The family relocated to Camp Carson in Colorado in January of 1950, and by September of 1950, Sergeant Justus departed for Japan and then to Korea. He served in the Headquarters Battery, 57th Field Artillery, 7th Infantry Division. He died in what is now North Korea on December 6, 1950, while assisting American and Korean soldiers out of an enemy attack. He was considered Missing in Action (MIA) until his remains were found in 2004 in a communal grave.

The Department of the Army POW/MIA Accounting Agency performed multiple tests and after 15 years of verification work, Sergeant Justus's surviving family members, his children Jack and Lois, were notified that their father's remains were found and identified in April 2019.

Sergeant Justus will posthumously be awarded the Purple Heart, Army Good Conduct Medal, World War II Victory Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Korean Service Medal with two Bronze Service Stars, Presidential Unit Citation-Navy, United Nations Service Medal, Republic of Korea-Korean War Service Medal, and the Republic of Korea-Presidential Unit Citation.

Madam Speaker, until Sergeant Justus's remains were recovered in 2004, he was one of over 7,000 Korean War service members who remain unaccounted. Sergeant Justus made the brave and honorable decision to help his fellow soldiers to safety when he gave his life for this nation. Therefore, please join me in recognizing SFC Elden Justus as he finally returns home and is laid to rest.

IN RECOGNITION OF MIGUEL
GONZALEZ

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Miguel Gonzalez for his hard work and dedication to serving my local community. Mr. Gonzalez, the Co-President of the Northgate Gonzalez Market chain, serves as an excellent example of how one family's achievement of the American Dream can impact a community.

In 1968, Mr. Gonzalez and his family immigrated to the United States. In the beginning, Miguel Gonzalez worked in manufacturing and retail enterprises. With his family, Mr. Gonzalez shaped the creation of a market that would provide other immigrants with food and products from their native regions in Mexico.

The Gonzalez family faced the challenge of learning how to establish a retail food business in a new country. With a vision and an urge to serve their community, the first Northgate Market opened its doors in 1980 in Anaheim, California. Through commitment,

perseverance, and involvement in their neighborhood, the Northgate Markets began to grow and flourish.

While working with other family members and Northgate executives, Mr. Gonzalez directed the physical growth of the chain and oversaw major developments in purchasing, information technology, human resources and other elements of the business. Miguel Gonzalez is also a founding member of the Board of Directors of Northgate Gonzalez Real Estate, LLC.

Following in their father's footsteps, Mr. Gonzalez's six children continue to contribute and expand upon their father's business, while investing themselves in their community.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Miguel Gonzalez for his commitment to serving his community and inspiring younger generations in their pursuit of the American Dream.

HONORING THE LIFE AND
SACRIFICE OF RYAN KEITH COX

HON. ELAINE G. LURIA

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Mrs. LURIA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the late Ryan Keith Cox, who was senselessly murdered in the Virginia Beach Municipal Center shooting. He displayed a heroic and selfless act right before his death. Virginia Beach lost this hero far too soon.

For 12 years, Cox, known as Keith, worked as an account clerk in the Department of Public Utilities for the City of Virginia Beach. Keith, during the horrific shooting, led several individuals to safety and barricaded them in a secure room. After ensuring those individuals were safe, Keith bravely reentered the line of fire to find more individuals to carry to safety, which then led to his death. Keith did not think about himself in the midst of danger, but instead thought about how to protect and save others.

Friends described Keith as someone who would sacrifice for others. Keith's life of hard work and service to the community, as well as his sacrificial and heroic acts, will forever be remembered.

Keith will be missed by all his loved ones. Hampton Roads significantly benefited from his presence; he made our community a better place. Today we remember and honor his life.

COMMENDING LOGAN SIMMONS'
HEROIC ACTIONS

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend 19-year-old Logan Simmons for his altruistic and quick response to a choking customer while working at Chick-fil-A in Flowery Branch, Georgia.

On June 25, 2019, Simmons, who is a manager at the restaurant, was working the drive-thru when he noticed a pause in the flow of cars. After being notified by a customer that a

young boy in the next car was choking, Simmons did not hesitate to jump out of the service window and run to rescue the young boy.

Simmons ran up to the car and quickly noticed the 6-year-old boy's seatbelt was tangled around his neck. Simmons quickly approached the boy and his mother, noticing that the boy had started losing color in his face. After asking the mother for her permission to approach the boy with a pocket knife, he swiftly cut through the seat belt, saving the young boy's life.

The mother and her son had left the location by the time Simmons had made it back to the drive-thru window, but she was sure to call shortly after the incident and send a letter thanking Simmons for saving her son's life.

Unexpected acts of heroism often make the biggest difference, and Simmons sure is a local hero in the city of Flowery Branch. I would like to personally thank him for stepping up and saving a life. Because of his swift call to action, this young boy is alive today.

INTRODUCTION OF THE CHRONIC
DISEASE MANAGEMENT ACT OF
2019

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Madam Speaker, today I am pleased to introduce the Chronic Disease Management Act of 2019, which would permit high-deductible health plans to provide chronic disease prevention services to plan enrollees prior to satisfying their plan deductible.

According to a 2017 Rand Corporation study, 90 percent of the United States' \$3.3 trillion in annual health expenditures are for people with chronic and mental health conditions. Approximately 60 percent of the cost is paid by public sources: Medicare, Medicaid, and other U.S. federal and state health programs. The Partnership to Fight Chronic Disease estimates that by 2030, 83 million people in the U.S. will have three or more chronic health conditions, up from 31 million in 2015. Preventing chronic diseases, or managing symptoms when prevention is not possible, can reduce these costs.

Currently, the cost of chronic care services often prevents individuals who have a chronic disease and high deductible health plan from seeking care. Many Americans struggle, particularly at the beginning of the year, when they have to pay out of pocket until they have met their deductible.

My legislation would address this problem by allowing health savings account eligible high deductible health plans to provide beneficiary coverage of chronic disease management care before reaching their deductible limit. My bill would lower costs for people living with chronic conditions by providing pre-deductible coverage of services critical in fending off the progression of chronic illness. That is why I am proud to sponsor the Chronic Disease Management Act of 2019, and I urge all of my colleagues to join me in support of this important piece of legislation.