

innovation in all areas of her life. Her vital work serving communities across America has helped provide the resources and services necessary to give children and families the opportunity to thrive. Dr. Conner duly received the Jefferson Award from San Francisco CBS television station KPIX, the Threads of Hope Award from Diablo Magazine, and was named a Hometown Hero by the Contra Costa Times. In 2019, the California AARP awarded Dr. Conner with the prestigious Andrus Award for Community Service, for her lifelong dedication to serving the people of California.

Dr. Conner's enduring spirit will live on in her stepchildren, grandchildren, niece, grandniece, grandnephew, and the communities she dedicated her life to serving. I would like to extend my deepest sympathies to Dr. Conner's loved ones. I know that they, along with the people of Contra Costa County, join me in celebrating her life and legacy.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF
GARY J. PRESTON

HON. NICHOLAS A. LANGWORTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2023

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join the community in recognizing the honor, service, and achievement of U.S. Navy Veteran Gary J. Preston. New York's Southern Tier has a proud tradition of service; home to many veterans and veteran families who know firsthand of the patriotism and sacrifice of our men and women in the United States Military. Today I am proud to join the Allegany County Legislature in thanking Mr. Preston for his patriotism, dedication, and exemplary service to the United States.

Born and raised in Belmont, New York, Petty Officer 3rd Class Gary J. Preston entered into service on April 5, 2006, during which he served across the globe in Iraq, 2 tours in Afghanistan, Bahrain, Croatia and Spain. As an Advanced Builder, Designated Marksman, Convoy Gunner and Forward Operations Base Officer in Charge—Gary Preston demonstrated courage in the face of great danger. He served with distinction—and was awarded a series of awards and medals including the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, and Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal just to name a few.

The freedom and opportunity that Americans enjoy exists because of the men and women who defend our nation in our Military. Safe at home in our warm beds, it is too easy to forget that around the world a special few have stood up to defend our democracy, our values, and our freedom. I am honored to join in the celebration of Mr. Preston's service and achievement here from the Halls of Congress.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE
OF COLONEL MARTIN JAMES
ZICKERT, USAF, RETIRED, OF
VERO BEACH, FLORIDA

HON. BILL POSEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2023

Mr. POSEY. Mr. Speaker, I want to take a moment to recognize the life and service of Colonel Martin James Zickert, USAF, Retired, of Vero Beach, Florida, a constituent who sadly passed away earlier this month. He was a pillar in the Indian River County veteran community who volunteered much of his time to serving our local veterans and military families.

Martin Zickert, or "Marty", as he was best known, was born in Greenwood, Wisconsin on February 13, 1941. While attending college, he was signed with the Milwaukee Braves minor league team as a catcher and in 1962, he decided to serve our nation the U.S. Air Force.

In the Air Force, Marty flew KC-135's before moving to the F-4E fighter jet during the Vietnam War. He and his family were stationed at Clark Air Force Base, Shaw Air Force Base, MacDill Air Force Base and Spangdahlem Air Base in Germany, where he became the Base Commander. He retired to Florida in 1992 and in 2001 settled in Vero Beach, Florida.

Marty took an active role in the Veterans Council of Indian River County building volunteer transportation services to the VA hospital for disabled and elderly veterans, assisting homeless veteran families with housing and economic assistance, and helping to establish the Veteran Center and Store. Marty was also a long-time member of my Veterans Advisory Council.

Marty did his undergraduate studies at Delta State University and attended graduated school at Golden Gate University, Air War College and Air Command and Staff College. He was the medal recipient of the Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor Device and five Oak Leaf Clusters, Vietnam Service Medal with 3 Devices and many others.

I ask my colleagues to join me in saluting Colonel Martin James Zickert for his many years of service to our Nation and communities, and express our gratitude, and condolences, to his family, for their service and for the loss of their loved one.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF JOHN A. "JACK" GLORIOD

HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2023

Mr. LAMBORN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Mr. John A. "Jack" Gloriod, who died of natural causes on February 18, 2023, at the age of 75.

Jack Gloriod's entire life was lived in devotion to God and country through military service. Jack was born at Fort Benning, Georgia on November 22, 1947. He grew up as an

Army brat, living all over the world. After graduating High School in Salt Lake City, Utah, he attended the United States Military Academy at West Point, where he ran track for three years, was part of the sky-diving club, played football, and was the top player in the chess club all four years. He graduated in 1969 with a Bachelor of Science and branched Field Artillery. After graduation, Jack went to Ranger School in Florida.

After serving in Vietnam as a Lieutenant, he married Rebecca Horton. Together, they raised daughters Karine Gloriod Pignatiello and Vivi Gloriod. His family legacy includes grandsons Brighton Narvaez, Sawyer Narvaez, and Jack Pignatiello.

Jack had a successful military career of 25 years, earning a purple heart, 3 bronze stars, and retiring as a Colonel. While in the Army, he continued his education graduating from the Chilean Mountain Warfare School, the Army War College, and Boston University where he received his master's degree in business. After the Army, Jack and Becky built a successful Real Estate Brokerage and helped countless people "Invite Success into their Homes." As a civilian, Jack was passionate about giving back to his community which included being the senior warden at St. George's Anglican Church, serving on the board of many companies like Pyxant Labs and offering his assistance to The Home Front Cares, now the Home Front Military Network.

Colorado's 5th Congressional District has lost a true Christian warrior and patriot. I ask that my colleagues stand and honor a man whose entire life was devoted to "service before self."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. RUBEN GALLEG0

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2023

Mr. GALLEG0. Mr. Speaker, yesterday I missed a vote on Amendment No. 10 to the Securing Growth and Robust Leadership in American Aviation Act, H.R. 3935, because of the birth of my child. Had I been present on the House Floor, I would have voted AYE. The amendment strikes Section 546, which weakens the current training requirements for people applying for airline transport certificates. The 1500 Hours of Pilot Training Time Rule is a critical piece of aviation safety for both passengers and crew. Allowing for additional simulator time in lieu of real-world, in-flight experience unnecessarily degrades air safety standards. For that reason, I oppose Section 546 and support Amendment No. 10.

RECOGNIZING MR. JEFFREY ARNO
MARKS FOR HIS DEDICATION TO
ALLEGANY COUNTY

HON. NICHOLAS A. LANGWORTHY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 20, 2023

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to rise today and recognize Mr. Jeffrey Arno Marks of Friendship, New York for his longstanding commitment to the community. The Southern Tier of New York is an incredible place to live because of the close and