



**MIDWEST
HONOR FLIGHT**

**OPERATION
MAIL CALL**

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TOP SECRET

**Have you ever wanted to somehow say,
“Thank you for all you have done!” to our local
Veterans? Well here’s your chance!**

WRITE A THANK YOU LETTER TO A VETERAN!

On September 5, 2020, we will be flying 120 Vietnam era American Heroes to visit their memorial in our nation’s capital. The welcome celebration begins on the flight back to Sioux Falls with the MAIL CALL, where they will open letters from friends, family, and others they do not know thanking them. Mail call is a very personal, very touching way to let our Veterans know that, even after all these years, their sacrifices are still appreciated. Veterans that have participated in previous Honor Flights continue to look at the letters received during mail call for the rest of their lives. Examples range from a simple card, a hand-written letter, or a coloring page from a young child. Colorful, handmade cards from adults and children alike are pieces that Veterans linger over the longest!

Please, no glitter on the cards/letters - also, do not draw weapons or injured Veterans

CARDS & LETTERS ONLY PLEASE – POSTERS ARE FOR THE WELCOME HOME (reverse)

If you choose to write them a letter or your family does, please postmark to the address below by **AUG 24TH** to ensure it arrives and is sorted in time for Mission 8: 5 SEP 2020. If you’d like to write other Veterans notes as well, please address to “Dear Veteran” and remove the “ATTN” line in the address below. Thank you for your help with this operation!

*****WITH MORE THAN 400 VETERANS FLYING WITHIN 8 WEEKS OF EACH OTHER, PLEASE FOLLOW THIS MAILING EXACTLY - NICK NAMES ARE ONLY ACCEPTED IF THE FIRST AND LAST NAME OF THE VETERAN IS ALSO INCLUDED*****

MWHF Mission 8 Mail Call

ATTN: “VETERAN NAME” or “DEAR VETERAN”

PO Box 44 – DO NOT SEND TO PO BOX 22

Sioux Center, IA 51250

“Heroes are ordinary people that make themselves extraordinary.” – Gerard Way



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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2020 – 9:00 PM

DOORS OPEN AT 7:30 PM

Sioux Falls Convention Center Arena

1201 N West Ave

Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Give our American Heroes the Welcome Home they deserve! Join us at the Sioux Falls Convention Center Arena (look for the Midwest Honor Flight flags) to fill the space and give these Veterans a welcome home they won't forget after their busy day traveling in Washington, D.C. Family, friends, and community members are all welcome! Wear your Midwest Honor Flight shirts, make banners and posters, make it a family night! Honor Flight merchandise will be available when the doors open.

This tour is their “last hurrah” – the last time they will be recognized as the conquering victors that collectively and literally saved the world. This freedom came at a very high cost. We can never repay them for what they’ve done. An “Honor Flight Tour” is simply a small token of our appreciation for everything they’ve done. Throughout their Midwest Honor Flight tour, the Veterans are thanked, recognized and admired for their service. They come home personally knowing how much their country loves them and respects them. Veterans will never forget this gratitude and adoration.

**Learn more about The Clifford & LaVonne Graese Foundation Mission 8:
5 SEP 2020 and find flight information at: www.midwesthonorflight.org/mission8**

“We can’t all be HEROES...

Some of us have to stand on the curb and clap as they walk by.” - Will Rogers