

Greetings Honor Flight friends and supporters,

One of the most important and moving events of each Honor Flight experience is *mail call*. For most Veterans, especially those who spent time overseas, mail call was their connection to home and was a highlight of their time in the service. In that spirit, Honor Flight of the Cape Fear Area will hold a special mail call on April 30 for our Veterans on their return flight from Washington DC!

Our plan is to give each of our 75 Veterans an envelope absolutely STUFFED with letters and cards from family, friends, and community members. This is where you come in...

We are currently collecting mail (letters, cards, drawings, etc.) from individuals and groups across the region, including schools, scouting troops, churches, Veteran organizations, and others. We hope that you and/or your group will able to participate. If interested, here is what you need to know:

- Submissions can be letters, cards, or drawings, but should be no larger than 8.5x11" and not
  include any extra materials, such as trinkets, beads, flags, candy, etc. In other words, the
  written mail needs to sit flat so it can all fit.
- The mail can be addressed to A Veteran or A Hero, but should not be specific to a
  war/conflict, branch, or even gender. Individual participants may sign their mail with a first
  name only, though you may include your group name (i.e. Boy Scout Troop 210, or 3<sup>rd</sup> grade
  class at Anderson Elementary).
- If you know a travelling Veteran and want to include a personalized letter, please submit it separately and clearly marked so we can assure it gets to the correct person.
- This is a big one....mail call is a SURPRISE for our Veterans on the trip. So, feel free to communicate directly with your group, but we ask you to not post publicly on social media.
- All mail must be received by April 15, 2022. Any mail received after that date will be saved
  and used on next year's flight. Once ready, you may contact us for local pick up or you may
  send the mail to the following address:

Honor Flight of the Cape Fear Area Mail Call 0422 4427 Junction Park Drive Wilmington, NC 28412

Thank you for considering mail call as a way to support our area's Veterans. And whether you choose to participate or not, we'd like to invite you to our return flight celebration at Wilmington International Airport on Saturday evening, April 30 (the flight is scheduled to arrive around 9pm). It will be such a wonderful time together as we celebrate our Honor Flight Veterans!

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to our mail call team using the contact information below or visit our website, <a href="https://www.honorflightcfa.org">https://www.honorflightcfa.org</a>, for more details about Honor Flight of the Cape Fear Area.

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