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Sounding Taps



CPT (Ret) Joseph J McGowen Jr

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/hartfordcourant/name/joseph-mcgowan-obituary?id=38670880>

National Guard command sergeant major from Westerly killed in Exeter crash

The Westerly Sun

On Thursday, the **National Guard** identified the soldier killed in a one-car crash Wednesday as Command Sgt. Maj. Richard Winkelman. Police and ...

192d Engineer Bn Military Ball *(Email from CSM Ernesto Riossoto)*

I am the current Command Sergeant Major for the 192 Engineer Battalion. The Engineers will celebrate the 192nd EN BN's strong and diverse community and our heritage on July 8th, 2023, with a formal military ball at the Mystic Marriott Hotel and Spa. We welcome retirees and their guests to join us and check this link: <http://engineergala192nd.squarespace.com> for more details. If anyone has additional questions, email us at 192nd.eng.bn.gala@gmail.com. I am developing a flyer and will provide it once it is ready. Meantime please distribute the link in your newsletter accordingly. If you have any additional questions, please reach out to me.

Respectfully,

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Colorado Getaways *(From Stephanie at Poppin' Smoke)* Looking for getaway ideas? Colorado has great options year-round, including some very unique experiences.

[This article I wrote for the MilitaryByOwner blog](#) features three top destinations in Colorado that are fun any time of year!

Have a great week, and please remember that you are welcome and encouraged to share this information with anyone you know who could use it!

Cheers!

Stephanie

P.S. Want free lodging, minus the pet care? Do a house swap! [Here's how it works!](#)

The new edition of Army Echoes is now available! Download the current edition by clicking on the link below:

Current edition: <https://soldierforlife.army.mil/Documents/echoes/latest.pdf>

Army Echoes is the Army's official newsletter for Retired Soldiers and surviving spouses.

This month's featured articles include:

- A message from the Chief of Staff of the Army
- Survivor Benefit Plan Open Season 2023
- Which states tax military retired pay?
- Social Security considerations for Retired Soldiers
- Topics to cover in your final instructions
- Free legal assistance for Retired Soldiers
- The American Battle Monuments Commission celebrates 100 years

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[Military Retirement and State Income Tax](#) Some states don't charge income tax on military retired pay. In all states, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs disability payments are tax-free....

2023 Calendar of Events: (New events are in red)

Thu, 23 Feb 23 - Retiree Breakfast: 0900 at Pop's Family Restaurant, 134 Old Gate Lane, **Milford**

Thu, 30 Mar 23 - Retiree Breakfast: 0900 at the Hangry Goose, 11 Halls Rd, **Old Lyme**

Thu, 27 Apr 23 – Retiree Breakfast: 0900 at Athenian Diner, 864 Washington St, **Middletown**

Sat, 29 Apr 23 – 242 Engr Bn Assn Dining Out: 1800 at Brazi's Italian Restaurant, 201 Food Terminal Plaza, New Haven

Thu, 11 May – Sat 13 May – Vietnam War Commemoration, National Mall, Washington, DC
<https://www.vietnamwar50th.com/> (Flyer with Bulletin 23-03)

Sat, 13 May 23 – Memorial Service for CW5 (Ret) Glen E Crowell, 1400 at St John's Episcopal Church in Vernon CT. With full Military Honors.

Fri, 19 May 23 – Armed Forces Day Luncheon: 1100 at Aqua Turf Club, Southington.
More Information at: <https://ct.ng.mil/About/Events/Armed-Forces-Day-Luncheon/> or
<https://www.facebook.com/CTArmedForcesDay> (SFC Blake 17 Jan email)

Sat, 8 Jul 23 – 192 Engineer Bn Formal Military Ball, Mystic Marriott Hotel and Spa. (Flyer with Bulletin 23-05)

Mon, 17 Jul 23 – CT National Guard Foundation 2023 Charity Golf Outing, Chippanee Country Club, Bristol. (Save the Date flyer at Bulletin 23-04)

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