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## AMMO CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

*We are the AMMO Chiefs Association (ACA) established and operated by retired and active duty AMMO Chiefs dedicated to preserving our AMMO heritage. A fraternal, not-for-profit organization, our members consist of combat veterans and their spouses. The purpose of the ACA is to encourage and facilitate camaraderie and social activities among AMMO Chiefs and members of the AMMO Community by supporting and sustaining worthwhile AMMO related initiatives and programs.*

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ACA holds elections every 4 years. This BOD will look to stagger elections for continuity

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## **FROM THE PRESIDENT:**

By Bart Ivy

Fellow AMMO Chiefs, I hope this finds you in good health surrounded by family and friends. The ACA Reunion is scheduled for 17-20 October, and we have approximately 23 Chiefs signed up. If you are not involved with a Chapter, I urge you to reach out to your local chapter or to the board. We mourn the loss of a great AMMO Chief this quarter, Troy Tysinger and I raise a toast to a fellow Ammo Chief, who made a difference in many lives and will be truly missed.

During the Reunion Business Meeting – We will discuss new business regarding the Gauvin Scholarship program. ACA will be taking over management of the program in 2025, we have setup a financial account for management of funds for the program. Our next major task is to setup the program management for how we will manage the Scholarship Program, as such we need to determine if we should establish a new Board Member as the Gauvin Scholarship Manager, then elect someone to that position or we simply designate one of the Director At Large as the Gauvin Scholarship Manager. The following is an overview of the process that will be created and documented once we have identified who the Gauvin Scholarship Manager will be.

1. ACA Treasurer – will ensure any collected funds are deposited into the account, notify the BOD of available funds, validate and disperse funds to the awardee(s) colleges.
2. ACA Secretary – will be focal point for package submission, forward those packages to the Scholarship manager, and notify winners once the selection process is completed.
3. Gauvin Scholarship Manager – Collects packages from Secretary, ensure candidates meet scholarship criteria, submits packages to the Directors at Large for scoring, once scored submits results to ACA President and ACA Vice President for validation. Maintains history of each year's awardees.
4. ACA President and Vice President – Monitors Scholarship Schedule to ensure process is completed to support submission dates, validates awards, notifies Treasurer and Secretary to notify awardees and distribute funds.

Please submit a voting proxy or notify the ACA Secretary of your preference on the issue to be voted on. 1. Create a new Board Position or 2. Select one of the Director at Large positions as the Manager.

Keep Your Powder Dry. IYAAYAS!

## **FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT:**

By Mark Gossett

I hope all are well. I'm looking forward to seeing those attending this year's reunion and seeing the AMMO Heritage Monument close up. As Bart mentioned, we're taking on the Gauvin Scholarship program in 2025 and managing the funds. We're not sure how contributions will hold up under this new approach. Therefore, I wanted to reach out to you all and encourage you to consider making a donation. The number of scholarships given out each year will be limited to the available resources. So, if you're looking for a good tax deduction, we'll take it.

Thanks

Mark

IYAAYAS

## **FROM THE SECRETARY:**

By Matt Lingelbach

We are a little over a month away from the ACA Reunion hosted by the Emerald Coast Chapter down in sunny Florida, 17-19 October. Are you planning on attending? Let's make this a reunion for the ages, no real reason to complain sun, beach, beer, friends and AMMO! What more can you ask for, also if you haven't seen the AHM in person...now's your chance! I sent out the info but if you misplaced it, let me know and I'll fire it back to you!

Do you have any ideas to make the ACA better? We are looking for ideas...

We are about to take over the ACA Gauvin Scholarship. As the other BOD have discussed we are looking for ways to generate funds for this worthy cause. We want to benefit AMMO dependents with some money to complete school, but we can only award funds that we are able to collect. We have multiple methods to donate and if you are willing to donate on a regular schedule you can break up. Also, all donations are tax deductible.

## **FROM THE TREASURER:**

By Mike Robertson

Hello ACA Membership! As already mentioned, the transition of the Gauvin Memorial Scholarship program to the ACA has been set for 2025. Be advised revenue to support this program so far in 2024 is a small fraction of what was been collected in past years. That is primarily due to loss of revenue from the single greatest source, AFCOMAC classes, which was 60-75 percent of all previous revenues. So far in 2024, the program receives a single monthly donation and occasional donations from AFCOMAC classes or conference collections which are all appreciated. At the current pace of revenue, we will need to drastically reduce the scholarship awards from the 7-10 awarded annually, to just 1 or 2. As most of you know, this program primarily supports dependents of active duty AMMO troops, so getting the word out to the active duty community might help to get some more monthly donations going. We're going to need more help from HAF, MAJCOM, and Base Chiefs to get that word out to the troops. Everything that is needed to donate to the Gauvin Scholarship program is posted on the ACA website at: <https://ammochiefs.com/cmsgt-richard-a-gauvin-ammo-troop-memorial-fund/>.

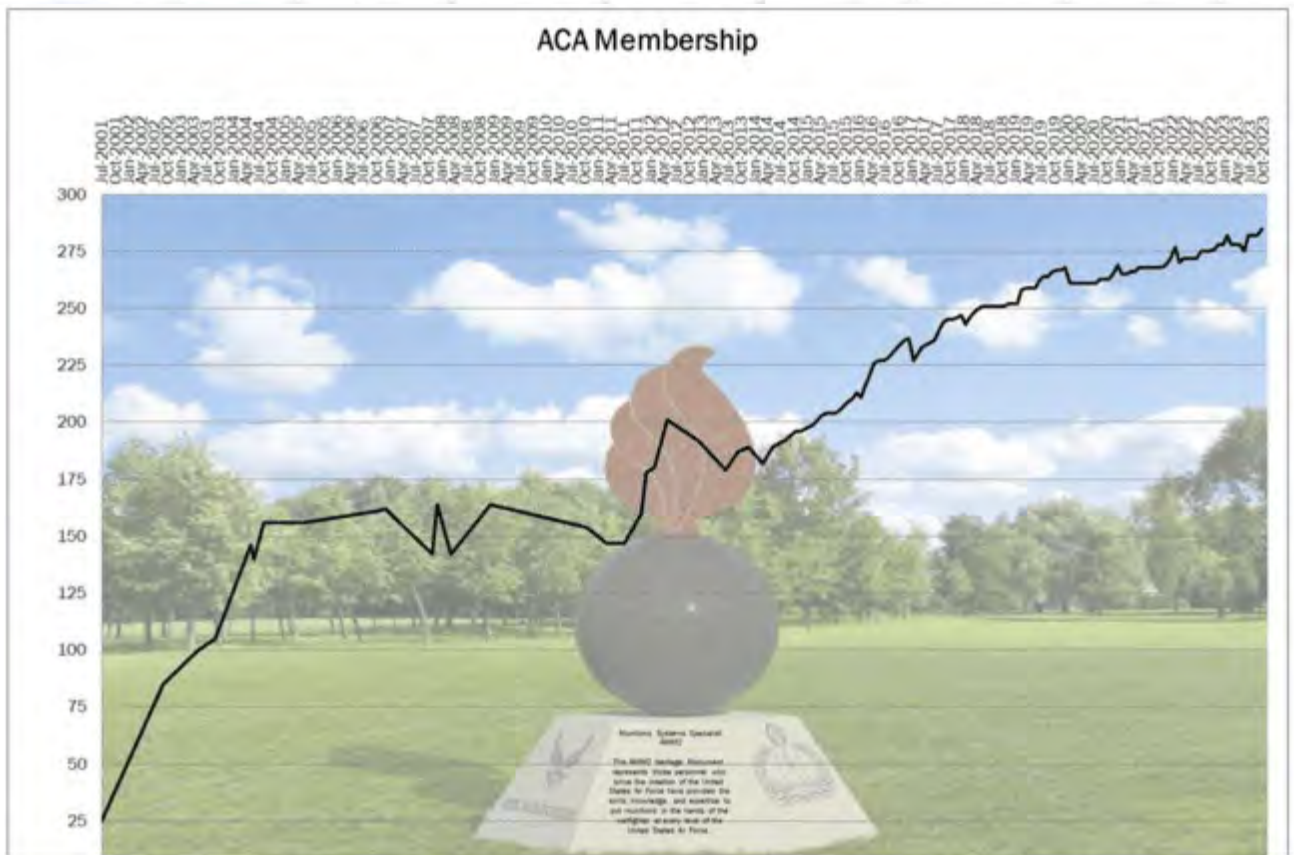
I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the 2024 Reunion in Destin.

Please keep in mind the ACA is a Tax-Exempt IRS 501c(19) War Veterans Organization where donors may be able to deduct their contributions. The ACA Employee Identification Number (EIN) is: 59-3738339.

## Membership Totals by Chapter and Type

22-Mar-24

Chapter	Total	Chief Life	Chief Annual	Associate Life	Associate Annual	Honorary Spouse	Honorary	Shell and Flame
Lone Star	6	5				1		
MidWest	10	9						1
Desert Mountains	12	11				1		
Wasatch Front	21	17		2		1	1	
Mid-Atlantic	23	17		5		1		
Emerald Coast	56	29		16		9		2
At Large	164	116	12	17	1	11	2	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>



At the end of every March, we update and distribute to members the All Members and All Known AMMO Chiefs List. If you have changes to make, be sure to send them in quickly so your information is updated in the ACA Membership Database. If you want your contact info shown, you need to let us know with either a YES or NO. The default is NO when a new member is added unless they tell us otherwise. Please send changes to: [Secretary@ammochiefs.com](mailto:Secretary@ammochiefs.com)

## **MID-ATLANTIC CHAPTER:**

By Phil Kennedy



<i><b>ACAMC</b></i>	<i><b>BOD</b></i>
President	Sam Sharpe
Vice President	John Nye
Secretary Treasurer	Phil Kennedy
Director at Large	Rich Pennington



No input for this edition

## **EMERALD COAST CHAPTER:**

By John Greer

<i><b>ACAEC</b></i>	<i><b>BOD</b></i>
President	John Greer
Vice President	Dennis Tangney
Secretary	Vacant
Treasurer	Johnny Long
Chief at Arms	Willie Mothersell



We sponsored our annual Ammo Call at the FUBAR pizza bar and grill in May with approximately 160+ attendees from Eglin AFB, Tyndall AFB and Hurlburt Field as well as the local area. Four Kegs of adult beverages along with 30+ pizzas were consumed and Ammo-Dog was in attendance with all his wares for the troops. The MPOY winners (see below), from Eglin, SSgt DENNIS BROOKS (Top Left), Tyndall, A1C SKYLER TRAPP (Top Right) and Hurlburt Sgt ERIC ROSIAK (Bottom Middle), were recognized for their accomplishments. Vice President Dennis Tagney presented them with their chiefs plaque, \$100 Visa card, ECC Chapter coin, and certificate of recognition. We will no longer have our MPOY dinner the first Friday in November and in the future present the winners at the Annual Ammo Call.



The plaque was received and placed on the front of the base on the Ammo Monument at the Armament Museum. We have placed our second order of pavers and upon receipt we will place them in their designated space. We still have room for over 400 plus pavers so if you have not purchased yours contact Gene Cox, EMAIL , or Johnny Long. Order form located here (link halfway down) : [AMMO Heritage Monument | AMMO Chief's Association \(ammochiefs.com\)](https://ammochiefs.com) This is an opportunity for you to be a part of Ammo History as these pavers will live on forever around the Ammo Monument. IYAYAS.

We had 96 people who participated in our annual Charity Golf tourney in conjunction with the Okaloosa/Walton Counties Mental Health Association in June where we were able to raise \$2575.88, benefiting homeless Veterans.

If you have not yet signed up for the ACA Reunion contact Johnny Long and plan to attend, 17-19 Oct at the Wyndham Gardens on Okaloosa Island in Ft Walton Beach FL. (see attendee list below)

Last Name	First Name	Spouse/Guest	Last Name	First Name	Spouse/Guest
<b>Bour</b>	Donald	LaVonne	<b>Bressler</b>	Dave	Gigi
<b>Brown</b>	Bob	NONE	<b>Butler</b>	Dave	Karen
<b>Cox</b>	Tom	Diana	<b>D'Arco</b>	Joe	NONE
<b>Foster</b>	Stephen	Donna	<b>Gossett</b>	Mark	Kim
<b>Greer</b>	John	Doris	<b>Harding</b>	George	NONE
<b>Ivy</b>	Bart	Alicia	<b>Jennings</b>	Roger	Gail
<b>Jones</b>	Jackie	Daleen	<b>Lingelbach</b>	Matt	Jodi
<b>Long</b>	Johnny	Jeanne	<b>Pennington</b>	Rich	Sue
<b>Quattlebaum</b>	Ricky	Donna Aguilar	<b>Ritchie</b>	Peggy	NONE
<b>Robertson</b>	Mike	NONE	<b>Roylance</b>	Mike	Bonnie
<b>Seaman</b>	Jack	Sam	<b>Shelingoski</b>	James	Lea
<b>Van</b>	Ray	Joyce	<b>White</b>	Wesley	Rosemary Humphreys
<b>Wills</b>	Charles	Lucila	<b>Wilson</b>	Raymond	Adelaida
<b>Cox</b>	Gene	Chris			

## Wasatch Front Chapter:

By Chris Hazard

<i>ACAWFC</i>	<i>BOD</i>
President	Chris Hazard
Secretary/Treasurer	Keith Jackson

The ACA Wasatch Chapter hosted the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual AMMO Picnic at Hill AFB on 27 Jul 24. We had members from the 388 MUNS, 649 MUNS, GACP and AFTC.





The ACA Wasatch Chapter held their last meeting to discuss several topics to include holiday plans to support the AD folks and standing up an ACA Annual Award Program.



**MID-WEST CHAPTER:**

By Don Meyers

<i>ACAMWC</i>	<i>BOD</i>
President	Mark Gossett
Vice President	Don Myers
Secretary Treasurer	Vacant

The Midwest Chapter had a cookout on 18 May. It was great seeing everyone who attended. We were also delighted to have two new attendees, Bill Rozzo and Chris Dresel. It was good catching up on the various activities affecting everyone’s life. On a sad note, we lost one of AMMO’s best SNCO, SMSgt Harrell D. Singley Jr. In the words of CMSgt Ryan Finley, HQ AFMC Command Munitions Functional Manager:

“SMSgt Harrell D. Singley Jr. was an outstanding Ammo troop. Whether you were blessed to spend a couple of days or a couple decades with Junior, you know he was an amazing friend, mentor, and leader. He was someone that younger team members looked up to and older ones leaned on. His

calm, professional demeanor and dogged determination to take care of our Airmen will be a legacy affecting them for years to come. His positive impact on all our lives is something we will always be grateful for; he will be missed more than words can describe.”

## **LONE STAR CHAPTER:**

By Joe Dominguez

<i><b>ACALSC</b></i>	<i><b>BOD</b></i>
President	Sabrina Still
Vice President	Fred Lee
Secretary/Treasurer	Joseph Dominguez



The LSC is a sponsor organization for Wreaths Across America and you can sponsor a wreath to be placed on a veteran’s gravesite at a location of your choosing by visiting our website [HERE](#). Your sponsorship is greatly appreciated.

## **DESERT MOUNTAINS CHAPTER:**

By Tom Cox

<i><b>ACADMC</b></i>	<i><b>BOD</b></i>
President	Tom Cox
Vice President	Bill Pennington
Secretary/Treasurer	Ricky Quattlebaum



Desert Mountain Chapter of the ACA had the pleasure of recognizing two outstanding individuals for their performance. SSgt Jayden Peterson of the 162 FW, Morris ANGB in Tucson; and Senior Airman Padro Ramos, 56 EMS, Luke AFB in Phoenix. Outstanding mission focused troop. Well Done!



# **363RD TRAINING SQUADRON** **SHEPPARD AMMO**



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## **AMMO Schoolhouse - ACA Outstanding Graduates**

The following PDS had no ACA – 24014, 24015, 24020, 24021, 24023, 24029, 24B01, & 24032

**A1C Andrew Trejo**

**Class: 24006**

**Hometown: Tucson, AZ Gaining Base/Unit: 162d ANG Wing, AZ**



**A1C Jack Simpson**

**Class: 24013**

**Hometown: Fort Walton Beach, FL Gaining Base/Unit: 48 MUNS, RAF Lakenheath AB, UK**



**A1C Joseph Taflinger**

**Class: 24016**

**Hometown: Mitchell, IN Gaining Base/Unit: Kirtland AFB, NM**



**A1C Christina Pecina**

**Class: 24017**

**Hometown: Arlington, TX Gaining Base/Unit: 28 MUNS, Ellsworth AFB, SD**



**Amn Jared Gibby**

**Class: 24019**

**Hometown: Jamestown, NY Gaining Base/Unit: 31 MUNS, Aviano, IT**



**A1C Malik Samuels**

**Class: 24022**

**Hometown: Marlboro, MD Gaining Base/Unit: JB Andrews, MD**



**SrA Zachary Stanley**

**Class: 24024**

**Hometown: Eden, NC Gaining Base/Unit: 20 MUNS, Shaw AFB, SC**



**A1C Isaac Wall**

**Class: 24025**

**Hometown: Anchorage, AK Gaining Base/Unit: 28 MUNS, Ellsworth AFB, SD**



**A1C Christian Romyanond**

**Class: 24026**

**Hometown: Jacksonville, FL Gaining Base/Unit: 1 MUNS, JB Langley, VA**



**A1C Brian Vandever**

**Class: 24027**

**Hometown: Largo, FL Gaining Base/Unit: 7 MUNS, Dyess AFB, TX**



**A1C Brandon Porter**

**Class: 24028**

**Hometown: Gainesville, TX Gaining Base/Unit: 5 MUNS, Minot AFB, ND**





**A1C Daniel Bothma**

**Class: 24030**

**Hometown: Manassas, VA Gaining Base/Unit: 51 MUNS, Osan AB, ROK**



**A1C Benjamin Tindle**

**Class: 24031**

**Hometown: Tulsa, OK Gaining Base/Unit: Tulsa ANG, OK**



**SSgt Justice Rusciolelli**

**Class: 24033**

**Hometown: Hershey, PA    Gaining Base/Unit: 5 MUNS, Minot AFB, ND**



**SSgt Vincent Pizzello**

**Class: 24034**

**Hometown: Greenville, SC    Gaining Base/Unit: 20 MUNS, Shaw AFB, SC**



**A1C Kyndell Sablan**

**Class: 24035**

**Hometown: Coeur d'Alene, ID    Gaining Base/Unit: 57 MUNS, Nellis AFB, NV**



**A1C Nicholas Morgan**

**Class: 24036**

**Hometown: Sylvania, GA    Gaining Base/Unit: 20 MUNS, Shaw AFB, SC**



**SSgt Prince Tenefrancia**

**Class: 24037**

**Hometown: Alameda, CA Gaining Base/Unit: 129 RQW, Mountain View CA**



**AFCOMAC - 9TH MUNITIONS SQUADRON**

Points of Contact: CMSgt Nathaniel Schilz, SMSgt Jeff Seals and MSgt David Benner



**ACA Outstanding Performer Awards**

**24-003 – SSgt Alexis J. Quintanilla  
Unit/Base 56 EMS, Luke AFB, Arizona**

NO PICTURE AVAILABLE

**24-004 – SSgt Isabella Giorgi  
Unit/Base 51 MUNS, Osan AB, South Korea**

NO PICTURE AVAILABLE

**24-005 – SSgt Daniel Howard  
Unit/Base 4 MUNS, Seymour Johnson AFB, North Carolina**

NO PICTURE AVAILABLE

**24-006 – SSgt Roy Chastain  
Unit/Base 35 MUNS, Misawa AB, Japan**

NO PICTURE AVAILABLE

**Cargo Build Up & Agile Combat Employment (ACE) Taskers**

As our career field continues to evolve, our ACE competencies in preparing cargo and munitions for air transportation are becoming increasingly important. Starting with class 24-004, we introduced a new dedicated AMMO 101, where every student receives hands-on training in building cargo. We have also significantly increased the number of forward deployments within IFX, and we are excited to see how future classes will tackle these new challenges in creative and innovative ways.

**CHIEF GAUVIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**



Since the Scholarship was established the Air Force Combat Ammunition Center (AFCOMAC) Senior Staff has administered the scholarship. However, in 2024, administration of the Scholarship will transition to the AMMO Chiefs Association (ACA). While future AFCOMAC classes and Ammo Troops worldwide will still have an opportunity to raise funds and contribute to the scholarship, we anticipate challenges with fundraising in the future. The ACA will be exploring various options as we move forward with this change. We are also trying to use Mail, Venmo and PayPal to make things as easy as possible. See below for the appropriate QR codes and addresses.

In the future, the ACA Board of Directors (BOD) will determine which applications receive Scholarship awards and how much funds will be awarded.

All scholarship applicants will submit their applications to the ACA Secretary prior to **1 June** of each year.

**Applications/information should be sent to:** ACA Gauvin Scholarship Committee c/o Matt Lingelbach, 1040 E Nicholes Ave, Layton UT, 84040. Telephone (757) 525-0961 or by e-mail: [secretary@ammochiefs.com](mailto:secretary@ammochiefs.com)

Information on the Gauvin Memorial Fund, Eligibility, Requirements, Application Form, and Administration can be found at URL: <https://ammochiefs.com/cmsgt-richard-a-gauvin-ammo-troop-memorial-fund/>. Please distribute to anyone you know in the fAMMOly that can take advantage of this opportunity. AMMO helping AMMO....huuaahhh!!!!



# Richard A. Gauvin Memorial Scholarship

Please Visit Website: <https://ammochiefs.com/cmsgt-richard-a-gauvin-ammo-troop-memorial-fund/>



**Suggested Donation:**

- One Time
- Recurring

The Chief Master Sergeant (CMSgt) Richard A. Gauvin Memorial Scholarship was established to award scholarships to eligible dependents of munitions personnel who held AFSC 461XX, 465XX or 2W0X1 on active, reserve, or ANG duty in the service of the USAF.

**CHANGES ARE COMING TO THE SCHOLARSHIP**

Since the Scholarship was established the Air Force Combat Ammunition Center (AFCOMAC) Senior Staff has administered the scholarship. However, in 2024, administration of the Scholarship will transition to the AMMO Chiefs Association (ACA). The ACA continues to look for ways to generate funds and support eligible dependents into the future. The Memorial Scholarship will not survive without continued donations from the 461/5 & 2W0 career field.

The ACA is an IRS 501(c)(19) War Veterans Organization. Donations to the Gauvin Memorial Scholarship are tax deductible depending on your specific tax situation. EID: 59-3738339

**Ways to help?**

PayPal



Venmo



USPS



Mail Donations to:  
ACA Treasurer  
c/o Mike Robertson  
16394 Red Cedar Rd  
Piedmont, SD 57769

## ACA MEMORIAL PAVER PROGRAM

By Mike Robertson

The ACA Legacy Paver program include all AMMO ranks and we call it - **AMMO ROAD!**

Details on the program and how to order one or more Legacy Paviers can be found at: <https://ammochiefs.com/aca-memorial-paver-program/>

**New:** You can now also pay for Legacy Paviers using Venmo to **@IYAAYAS-ACA**. In the comments be sure to include what you want on the paver. Paver text is limited to 3 lines and 14 characters per line (including spaces).

The price of one paver \$95. However, ACA receives a \$15 discount from Airman's Heritage Foundation (AHF), so our cost is \$80 per paver. Also, if you 2 or 3 paviers at the same time, there is an additional \$5.00 / paver quantity discount applied. Be advised that any orders placed via PayPal and paid with credit/debit card will include a PayPal processing fee which is included in the below pricing. The full Legacy Paver pricing chart follows:

**The focal point for all orders is the ACA Treasurer.**

<b>Method of Payment</b>	<b>Qty</b>	<b>Costs</b>	<b>Links/Email</b>
<b>Check/Money Order</b>	1	\$80.00	Email: <a href="mailto:acatreasurer@ammochiefs.com">acatreasurer@ammochiefs.com</a> Our response will tell you where to send your payment.
	2	\$150.00	
	3	\$225.00	

<b>PayPal Credit / Debit Card</b>	1	\$82.12	<a href="https://ammochiefs.com/donations-to-the-aca/">https://ammochiefs.com/donations-to-the-aca/</a> <b>Bottom left side of HOME page; links to PayPal.</b>
	2	\$153.55	
	3	\$230.07	
<b>PayPal.me</b>		<b>\$80</b>	<a href="https://paypal.me/AmmoChiefs">https://paypal.me/AmmoChiefs</a>

Legacy Paver Cost Options

All pavers are placed as ordered and there can be no reserved spaces or special grouping. Orders would remain "First in - First out". Order your own, one for a mentor you respected while on duty, a friend, or a spouse. If you place an order and we find it is a duplicate, we will let you know. We would reserve the right to ensure any wording is in accordance with the AHF guidelines and our requirement that the paver have some wording related to AMMO so AHF knows to place the paver within our Group. Remember there are 3 lines of text limited to 14 characters per (including spaces).

The Pavers are located on the Lackland AFB, Parade Grounds in the location shown on the below Google map.



Google Map

To date, since the AMMO Legacy Paver program began, 145 AMMO Legacy Pavers have been ordered/installed. 91 of those pavers have been installed to honor the legacy of deceased AMMO warriors, Champions of AMMO, or their spouses!



## ***AMMO Heritage Monument***

By: Mike Robertson

***Our Goal is to preserve the AMMO Heritage with a Monument that depicts or symbolizes the efforts of the USAF Munitions Systems Career Field personnel and their achievements.***

**DONATIONS:** ACA is still accepting donations via PayPal, Venmo, or Check by mail.







## Last Call



Troy Tysinger- It is with a profound sense of loss and deep respect that we announce the passing of Chief Master Sergeant Troy W. Tysinger, USAF (Ret.), who left us peacefully at the age of 83. Troy's remarkable journey came to a gentle end, surrounded by the love of his family in Montgomery, Alabama. Troy was a beacon of light to all who knew him, embodying the virtues of humor, generosity, and love throughout his life. His laughter was infectious, and his heart, as vast as the sky he so often soared through during his illustrious military career. Troy's unwavering commitment to his country was evident in his 30 years of dedicated service, which included honorable involvement in both the Vietnam and Gulf

Wars. His patriotism and valor were only matched by the love he had for his family and friends. Born to the late Henry Tysinger and Fannie Ruth Leonard, Troy was a man of resilience and strength, attributes he undoubtedly inherited from his parents. Troy's legacy continues through his beloved family. He is survived by his devoted wife, Gail Tysinger of Montgomery, AL; his daughters, Sherry Tysinger and Beverly Gebhardt, also of Montgomery, AL; and his cherished grandson, Brandon Gebhardt, who brought immense joy and pride to his grandfather's life. Troy's sense of duty extended beyond his military service. He continued to serve by assisting other veterans. His ability to guide with wisdom, yet always with a touch of humor, made him a cherished member of the communities he served. As we mourn the loss of a true hero, we also celebrate the extraordinary life Troy led. His stories, often punctuated with laughter, will continue to resonate with those who were fortunate enough to hear them. His generosity knew no bounds, as he often gave without expectation of anything in return. The love he had for his family was the cornerstone of his existence, and it is this love that will endure in their hearts forever. Troy Tysinger, was a man of honor, a loving husband, a caring father, a doting grandfather, and a steadfast friend. His memory will be treasured as a guiding star for those navigating the journey of life without him. As we bid farewell to Troy, we take solace in knowing that his legacy will continue to inspire, and his spirit will always watch over us from above. In honor of Troy's extraordinary life, his family will hold a private ceremony to celebrate the remarkable man he was. His life story will be told with fondness and his absence deeply felt by all who were graced by his presence. Rest in peace, Chief Master Sergeant Troy W. Tysinger, a true American hero, whose flight through life was as noble and dignified as the service he rendered to his nation.

# **IN MEMORIAM**



*They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old: Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.*

Laurence Binyon, "For the Fallen" September 1914

**Leon B. "Pete" Aaron**  
**Frank Arnold**  
**Michael Bachman**  
**Larry G. Ballard\*\*\***  
**Dave Barber\*\*\***  
**Wilbur R. Barrentine \***  
**Gail Bechtal (Bectle)**  
**Walter L. Bell \*/\*\***  
**Frank D. Bolin**  
**Anthony P Borzomowski**  
**Jim "Jimmie" Branson**  
**Rennice H Jim Bray**  
**Randolph H. Brown**  
**Shawn P Byrne**  
**Don Carbonneau**  
**Raymond L. Caron**  
**Lott S. Carter \*\*\***  
**Martin Church**  
**Gerald R. Conger**  
**Edward H. Ted Costick \*\*\***  
**Preston Craven**  
**Charles Crawford**  
**Bernard C. "Red" Crayne**  
**Michael D "Mike" Curran \*\*\***  
**James Curtin**  
**Thomas E Jr Danihel**  
**Robert J Delaney**  
**Phillip Delisi**  
**William R "Bill" Dressler**  
**Larry Eaton**  
**Charles L. "Chuck" Eaves**  
**Kathy Elle**  
**James N Elledge**  
**Thomas F Everett**  
**William "Bill" Fick \*\*\***  
**Salvatore Fina**  
**James "Jesse" Fisher**  
**Joseph N Freas**

**Francis J "Frank" Gamache**  
**Richard Gauvin**  
**Karl J Gershutz**  
**Don Hamilton \*\*\***  
**Gerald "Red" Hess**  
**Fredrick "Fred" Hof**  
**Gary A. Hofstetter**  
**Rufus C. Holman**  
**Howard Holt**  
**Ralph B. House**  
**Robert N. Ivey**  
**Jay A. Jameson**  
**Stefiel D. Johnson**  
**William M "Bill" Jolly**  
**Perry D. Jones**  
**Paul Killion\***  
**Paul H. Klein**  
**Jerrad Kooley**  
**George Lander**  
**John C Lane**  
**Karen Long**  
**Paul Long \*\*\***  
**William Lovelady**  
**Leo Marquez \*\*\***  
**Terrance Martin**  
**John A. Matthews Sr.**  
**Donald Mayo**  
**Arthur L "Lon" McAlister**  
**Alvin "Al" Mercer \*\*\***  
**Donald Miller**  
**Clifton E Mills**  
**Kathy Morgan**  
**William R "Bill" Mosier**  
**Kevin Mullaney**  
**Darrell Mulvany**  
**Charles Chuck Norton\*\*\***  
**Michael R Obleman**  
**Gregory "Buns" Osbun**

**Edward Patry**  
**John A Pfromm**  
**James Phinney**  
**William "Bill" Poe**  
**Louis V. Prelip**  
**Harold P. Prevett \***  
**Stonewall Ramsey**  
**Erwin G. "Erv" Redman**  
**James W. Reese**  
**Robert "Bob" Reinhart**  
**Leander Richards**  
**Glenn Riley**  
**Patrick Ritchie**  
**Leroy Rott**  
**Neil G. Schaible**  
**Frederick J. Schoettler**  
**Gary Scott**  
**Robert G Sechler**  
**George Sevier**  
**Ben Stubbe**  
**Gerald K. Thompson**  
**Richard Twining**  
**Troy W. Tysinger**  
**Frank A. Uhlic**  
**Wilburn Vaught**  
**Addison "George" Wadsworth**  
**Joseph S "Joe" Wata\*\*\***  
**Donald L. Wesolowski**  
**Richard Whatton**  
**Kenneth R. Whitley**  
**Bruce Wilson**  
**Lyle M. Winnicki**  
**John R. Worrell**  
**George Yarbrough**  
**Michael J. Yurkanin**  
**Thomas Zima \*\*\***

*The Light of the shell and flame will serve as a reminder of the level of excellence and esprit-de-corps set by those who came before us; the light of the shell and flame will also help us look back to remember those AMMO Troops, who are no longer with us and the service they performed for their country and to the AMMO community. In doing so, we will gain strength from the fact that such men and women lived.....*

***FOR WE ARE AMMO!***

*Those listed with a single asterisk \* held the distinction of being a Charter Chief in the USAF. Those listed with a double asterisk \*\* were Bataan Death March Survivors. Those listed with a triple asterisk \*\*\* are Shell & Flame Awardees*