



Jonathan D. Rozier Unit 164 Katy

COMMUNITY NARRATIVE REPORT 2025-26

Driven by compassion, social responsibility and the desire to make a positive impact, the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 164 makes a difference in our Katy community. By working with our veterans, our schools, our non-profit organizations and our community voices, we prove that meaningful change is possible when people come together for a common purpose.

Since 2018 our unit has been the driving force behind our local Wreaths Across America national ceremony to "Remember. Honor. Teach." Every December we lay a wreath on each of the 575 veterans' graves at the Katy Magnolia Cemetery. Gathering sponsorships on 5 different weekends we set up our branded Unit 164 tables outside local businesses. The ceremony itself reflects our commitment to our veterans and community with over 400 attendees including our mayor and state representative, American Legion commander and numerous dignitaries. The ceremonial wreaths are laid by veterans; the honor guard and sea cadets post the colors; the Katy Youth Choir sings patriotic songs; and representatives from our local youth organizations lead the pledge and explain the meaning of the wreath. At the District level we established the District 22 Wreaths Across America ceremony at Soldiers Rest, 6900 Lawndale St, Houston and have continued our support for the past 3 years.

As the primary team behind the 9th year of our monthly Breakfast with our Veterans, we plan the menus, execute the meal production, serve our veterans and community visitors, provide the raffle baskets, the Kids Activity Table and work with local volunteer organizations. The key to the success of this event is the opportunity for veterans to meet each other and share their stories. The overall result is an atmosphere of friendship and community spirit enjoyed by 125 or more guests.

Creating an annual event in 2019 called Pies for Hope has raised community awareness for Camp Hope (part of the PTSD Foundation). For 3 weekends in the fall we set up tables outside local businesses and solicit donations to provide Thanksgiving pies for Camp Hope. This year we delivered over 100 pies and a \$500 check for turkeys.

This is the 5th year that Unit 164 has organized the ceremony celebrating the heroism and selflessness of the Four Chaplains. Each year we hold the event at a different church within the Katy community featuring local ministers and rabbis. We partner with the Four Chaplains Foundation to honor those citizens that exemplify the service and character shown that day on the USS Dorchester. We have honored Auxiliary members VA&R Rep Joanne Crawford, Past National President Carlene Ashworth from the Auxiliary, and Past Department Commander Lynn Sparks.

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For 5 years a big, bright yellow box with “FIREWORKS” emblazoned on its side has drawn our community to support our Post 164 veterans. Alongside our Legionnaires we set it up, tear it down and manage and work the shifts.

Actively engaging with our local First Responders, for the 5th year we supported the Katy Fire Department with their Pancake Breakfast with Santa. Funds raised through our raffle baskets went to scholarships for their EMTs and Firefighters. Each year Post 164 recognizes the finest of our Katy firefighters, paramedics and police at the First Responders Annual Awards Dinner. The Auxiliary’s assistance has been critical providing the script and programs, the decorations, ambience, appetizers and door prizes. Patriot’s Day, commemorating 9/11, allowed us to showcase our First Responders of HCESD 48 and our local Precinct 5 Constables. We invited the community and local dignitaries to attend an afternoon of fun, food and education. Over 100 members of the community thanked our First Responders for all they do. Helping us at our Trunk or Treat Day, HCESD 48 passed out fire hats and let the kids climb on their fire truck.

Festivals, parades, Expos and sponsorship tables give us an opportunity to pass out 6000 flags to kids of all ages. On any given weekend we set up our branded Auxiliary tables in front of a local business gathering sponsorships, passing out poppies for Memorial Day or sharing information about our Legion Family while our National Honor Society Students apply patriotic tattoos.

Texas Bluebonnet Girls State is a key program shared between ALA Unit 164, KISD and various private and home schools. Over the past 8 years we have sent 262 citizens to this prestigious national program which teaches the duties, privileges, and responsibilities of being an American citizen – “together they learn by doing”. ALA Unit 164 raises funds for scholarships through our annual Wreaths Across America \$5 back program; KISD provides one scholarship for each of the their 10 high schools, school principals fund additional students; plus the ROTC Booster Club, the National Charity League, the Girl Scouts and local businesses provide additional scholarships.

Other Auxiliary programs that involve KISD partnership are the Americanism Essay Contest; the celebration of National Education Week; Teacher Appreciation Week; our annual donation of 100 backpacks filled with school supplies; Local Education Scholarships; The American Legion School Awards Medal Program and the Oratorical Contest.

We maintain a strong alliance with our community partners and our monthly Stakeholder’s Meeting creates a unified effort to serve our veterans in Katy. We exchange news, event planning and information. Numerous projects involve the VFW 9182 Post and Auxiliary, Katy Christian Ministries, Combined Arms, the Houston Vet Center, HEB, the VA Clinic and Precinct 4. Events include the KCM Veterans Picnic, Turkeys for Vets, the adoption of Veterans Christmas Families, and the Fall Freedom Fest. Twice monthly the Unit joins the Post at a branded information table outside our local VA clinic and dispenses information to all those entering the clinic.

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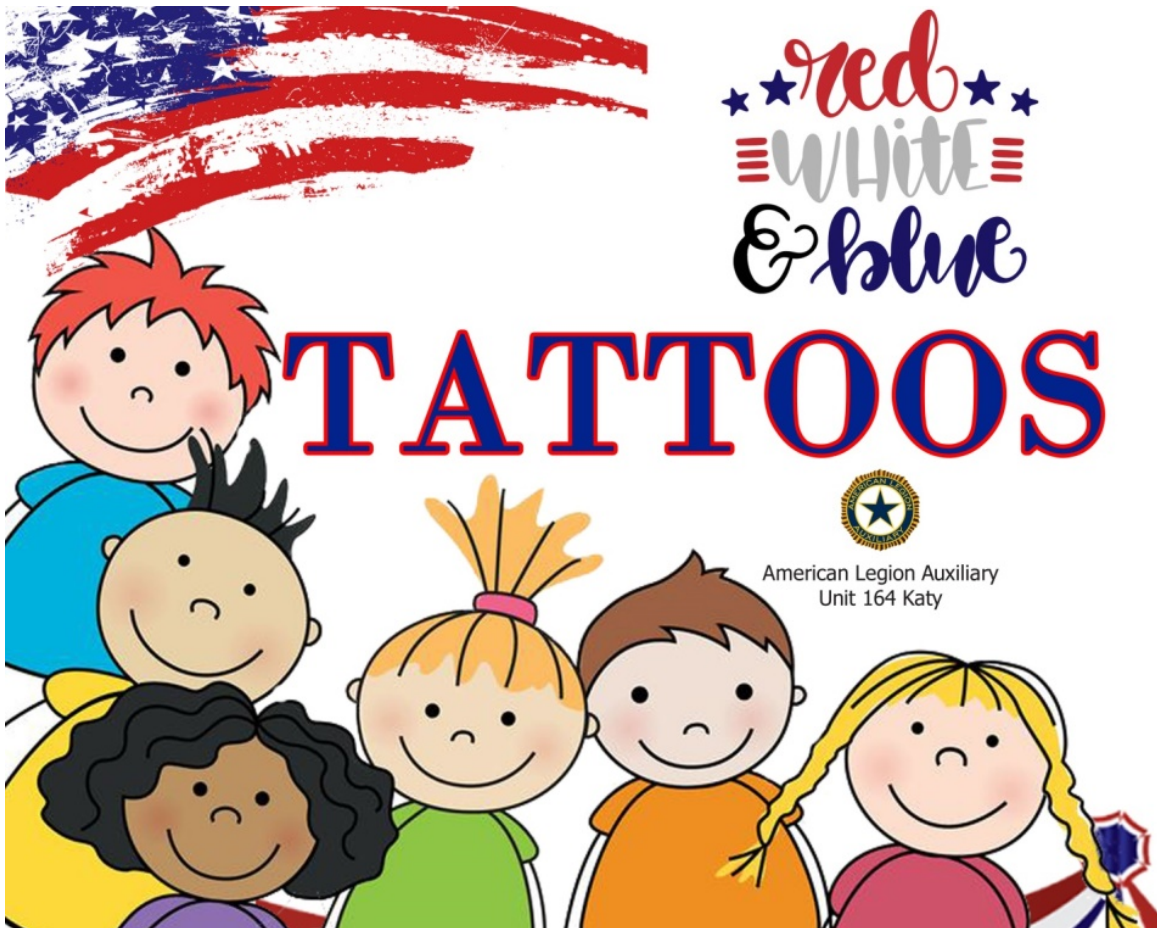
The Ballard House in Katy provides free, temporary housing for individuals and caregivers undergoing serious medical treatment in Houston. This is our 3rd year supporting this organization by providing quarterly dinners and homemade throw blankets for the 50 residents.

Estimated donation for activities = \$12,235

Estimated hours = 1883

Respectfully submitted,
Community Service Committee
ALA Unit 164
22125 Kingsland Blvd.
Katy TX 77450

Please see below in this document for some embedded pictures and photos that highlight our various events. As requested, please see the following zip files for the same photos sent full-size.
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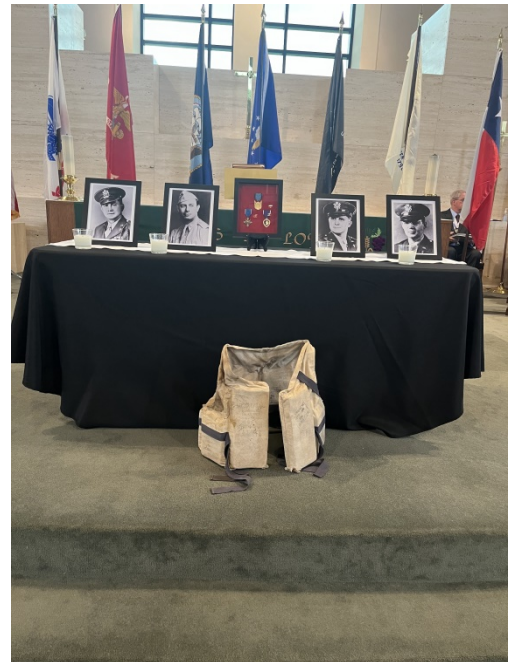
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BREAKFAST WITH OUR VETERANS

\$10 all-you-can-eat!

On the first Saturday of every month from 7 AM to 10 AM join the American Legion Post 164 Katy, the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 164 Katy and the Katy Elks at the Katy Elk's Lodge for an all-you-can-eat breakfast benefitting our veterans.



WHO:

Everybody is welcome, bring your family!

WHEN:

First Saturday of every month
7:00 AM—10:00 AM

WHERE:

Katy Elk's Lodge
1050 Katy Fort Bend Rd.
Katy TX 77493

*American Legion Post 164, Katy TX
Katy Elk's Lodge #2628, Katy TX
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 164, Katy TX*

\$10 all-you-can-eat
\$5 for kids under 12
Little kiddies eat free



Female Juniors!

- ♦ Develop leadership skills
- ♦ Practical hands-on experience with our system of government
- ♦ Cultivate friendships and share your talents
- ♦ Stay a week on a university campus



Do you have an interest in government & current events?

Do you have leadership qualities?

Do you have above-average scholastic achievement?

YOU ARE A POTENTIAL GIRLS STATE CITIZEN!

TALK TO YOUR COUNSELOR & SIGN UP NOW!

Apply in September of your junior year for the week-long summer program (3rd week in June) before your senior year



**form new, life-long friendships ~ learn about civic responsibility ~
perform community service ~ become an empowered young woman**



"I would say that Girls State is the most life-changing week of my life." ~ Emily Worthmore
a life-changing experience

Honoring the Four Chaplains



A Priest, a Rabbi and two Ministers who gave their lives that others might live

A service to commemorate the Four Chaplains who modeled great faith, courage and selflessness during the sinking of the U.S.A.T. Dorchester February 3, 1943, during World War 2. Of the 902 men aboard the Dorchester, only 230 survived.

When there were no more lifejackets in the storage room, the chaplains removed theirs and gave them to four frightened young men. As the ship went down, survivors in nearby rafts could see the four chaplains—arms linked and braced against the slanting deck. Their voices could also be heard offering prayers. “It was the finest thing I have seen or hope to see this side of heaven,” said John Ladd, another survivor who saw the chaplains’ selfless act.

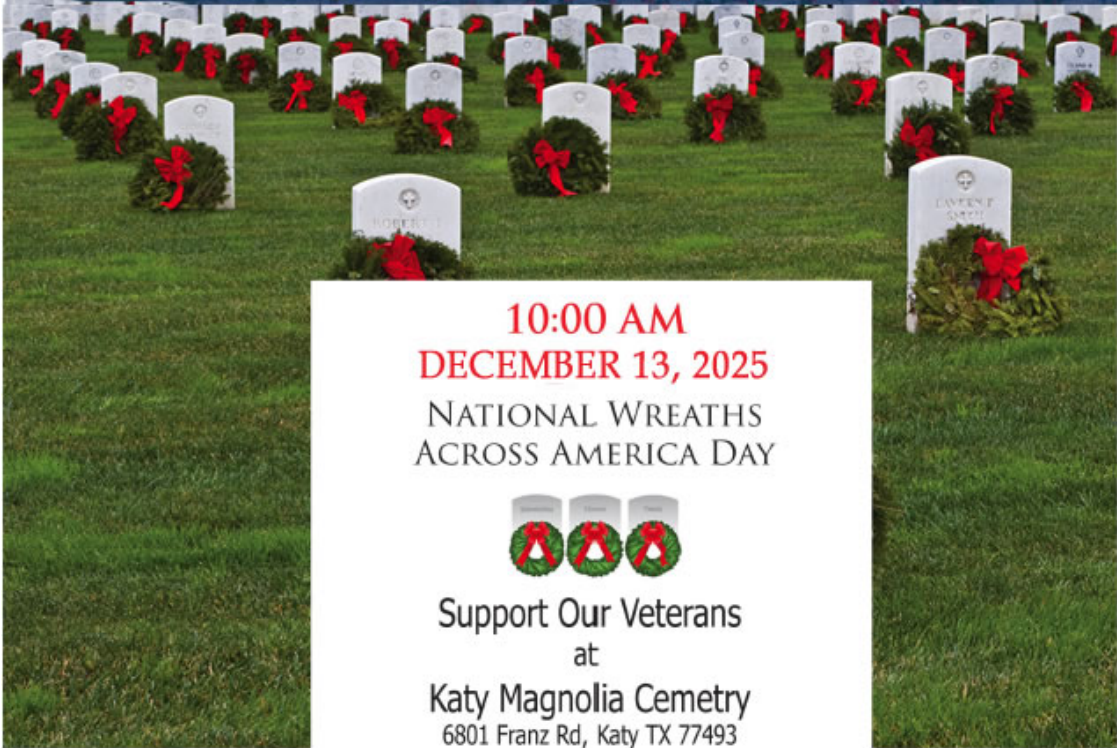
Saturday February 7, 2026

2PM to 3PM

Venture Christian Church, 5425 Morton Rd, Katy

American Legion Jonathan D. Rozier Post 164 Family
in association with the Four Memorial Chaplains Foundation

Join Us in Our Mission to REMEMBER • HONOR • TEACH



Support Our Veterans
at
Katy Magnolia Cemetery
6801 Franz Rd, Katy TX 77493



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PIES FOR HOPE



APPLE PECAN PUMPKIN

BUY A PIE FOR HOPE

ORDER THANKSGIVING PIES FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY OR DONATE THE PIES TO CAMP HOPE.

PROCEEDS GO TO CAMP HOPE AND THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 164



CAMP HOPE
9724 Derrington Rd.
Houston TX



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
UNIT 164 KATY
22125 Kingsland Blvd.
Katy TX



REMEMBER 9/11
SEPTEMBER 11: 4 PM TO 7 PM
AMERICAN LEGION POST 164 KATY
22125 KINGSLAND BLVD., KATY 77450

MEET OUR KATY FIRST RESPONDERS



**FIREFIGHTERS
POLICE
PARAMEDICS
CONSTABLES**

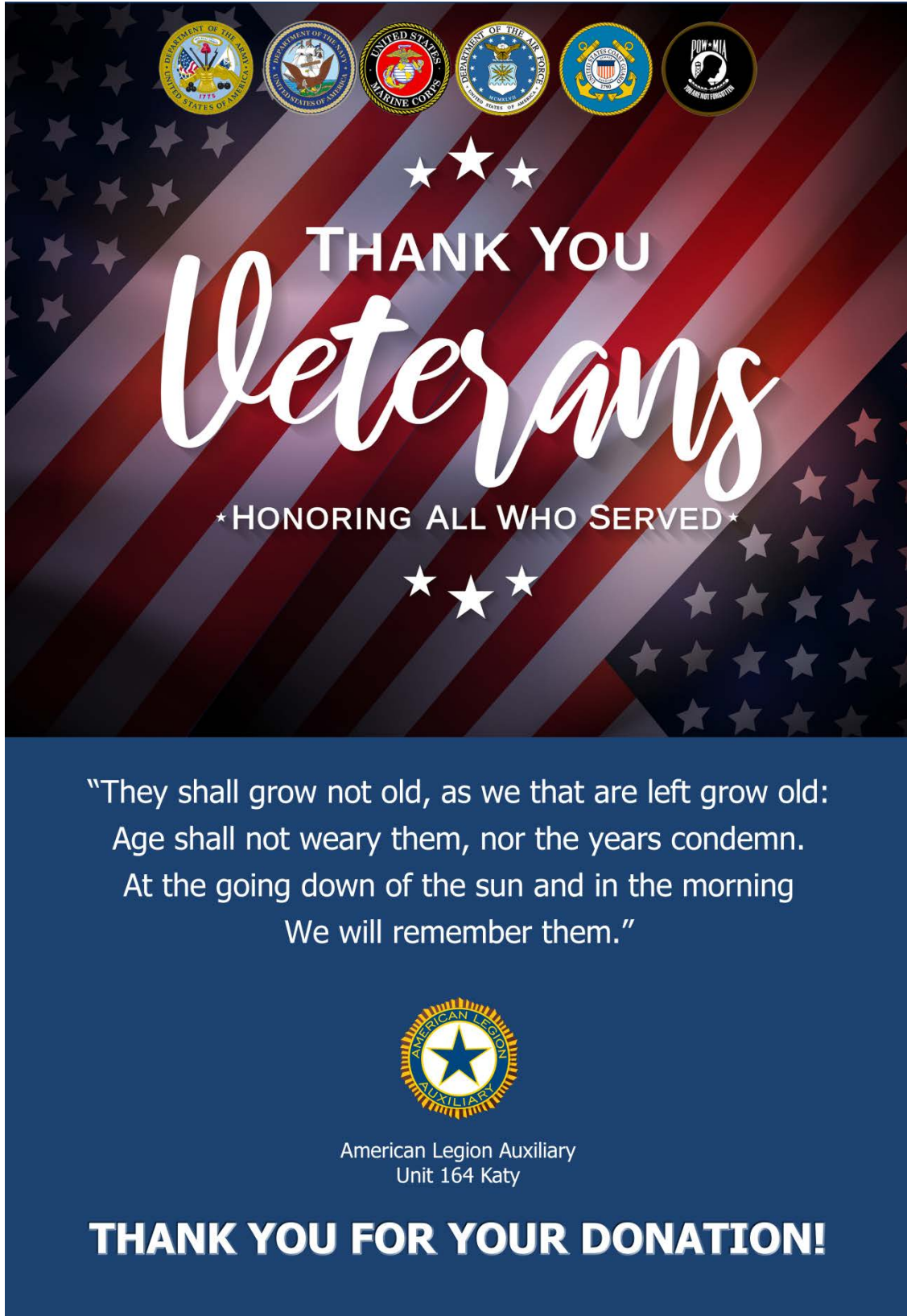
COOKIES/POPCORN/GAMES

**INTERACTIVE PRESENTATIONS FOR
ADULTS & CHILDREN**

SUPPORT OUR VETERANS



THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 164 FAMILY



The poster features a background of a stylized American flag with red and white stripes and a dark blue field with white stars. At the top, there are six circular seals representing the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Coast Guard, and POW/MIA. Below these seals are three white stars. The text "THANK YOU" is in a bold, white, sans-serif font, followed by "Veterans" in a large, white, cursive script font. Below this, the text "HONORING ALL WHO SERVED" is in a smaller, white, sans-serif font, flanked by two white stars. At the bottom, there is a quote in white text on a dark blue background, followed by the American Legion Auxiliary logo, which is a circular seal with a blue star and the words "AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY". Below the logo, the text "American Legion Auxiliary" and "Unit 164 Katy" is written in white. At the very bottom, the text "THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION!" is in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

THANK YOU
Veterans
HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

"They shall grow not 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."

AMERICAN LEGION
AUXILIARY

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATION!

VETERANS DAY

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

In Flanders Fields
the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row
That mark our place;
and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns
below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt down, saw sunset
glow,
Loved and were loved, and now
we lie,

In Flanders Fields.
Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we
throw The torch; be yours to hold
it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep,
though poppies grow
In Flanders Fields.

John McCrae, 1915.



graphic c. Leere Aldrich



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