

2MILITARY & ARMED FORCES SYMPOSIUM

APRIL 29TH - MAY 1ST AT DISCOVERY PARK OF AMERICA

Fri., April 29, 2022

10:10 a.m.

"Welcome and Opening Remarks: Inspiring Words for the Next Generation" with LtGen John "Glad" Castellaw

10:30 a.m.

"Entering the Military Today: Standards for Entry and Their Impact" led by Johnny Dyer

11:10 a.m.

"Death Duty: One of the Last Remaining D-Day Survivors Tells His Story" with Bill Allen

12:10 p.m.

Autograph opportunity with Bill Allen

12:10 p.m.

"Forging Different Paths and Careers in the Military" panel and discussion led by Lt. Col. Amber Saldaña and Sgt. Mark Saldaña

"Military History 101" with Dr. David Coffey, professor of history at the University of Tennessee at Martin

1:40 p.m.

Dr. David Coffey will be signing his book, "In Harm's Way"

1:40 p.m.

"A Veteran's Journey of Redemption" with Kevin Rumley

2:20 p.m.

"Civil War Veterans from Northwest Tennessee: Connecting Untold Stories with Images from the Past" discussion and exhibit demo with Jason Pate

*5:30 p.m.

Members-only reception with a performance by members of Operation Song and the 52nd Regimental String Band

Sat., April 30, 2022

10:10 a.m.

"Welcome and Opening Remarks for the Day" led by Gen. Tommy H. Baker, commissioner for Tennessee's Department of Veteran Services

10:30 a.m.

"Death Duty: One of the Last Remaining D-Day Survivors Tells His Story" with Bill Allen

11:20 a.m.

Autograph opportunity with Bill Allen

11:15 a.m.

"Bridging the Military/Civilian Divide: Why the 99% Should Care!" virtual program with Sue Hoppin, founder and president of the National Military Spouse Network

11:40 a.m.

"Spouses in the Military" led by Lt. Gen. John "Glad" Castellaw and Wanda Castellaw

12:20 p.m.

Live Recording of "Reelfoot Forward: A West Tennessee Podcast" featuring "A Veteran's Journey of Redemption" with **Kevin Rumley**

1:10 p.m.

"Honoring Veterans and Continuing to Serve" with Col. Many-Bears Grinder

2 p.m.

"Re-entry for Veterans: What's It Like and How Can We Help" led by Cmdr. Leanne Braddock

2:15 p.m.

Dr. Elvernice "Sonny" Davis will be signing his book, "Reflections of an Army Chaplain"

2:15 p.m.

Dr. David Coffey will be signing his book, "In Harms Way"

2:45 p.m.

Performance with local veterans and **Operation Song**

2:45 p.m.

"Civil War Veterans from Northwest Tennessee: Connecting Untold Stories with Images from the Past" discussion and exhibit demo with Jason Pate

3:20 p.m.

"Vietnam: The Turning Point in Military History" with Dr. David Coffey, professor of history at the University of Tennessee at Martin

3:20 p.m.

"Reflections of an Army Chaplain" with Dr. Elvernice "Sonny" Davis

*5 p.m.

Early American folk dance with live music and dance instruction provided by the 52nd Regimental String Band

*7:30 p.m. & 9 p.m.

Lantern Walk with Army of the TN Re-enactors and Friends

Sun., May 1, 2022

9 a.m.

Church service with music from the 52nd Regimental String Band

FEATURING *SPECIAL GUESTS

- *DEMONSTRATIONS OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT
- *HISTORICAL **INTERPRETERS**
- *PERIOD MUSICIANS
- *AND MORE

ACTIVE **MILITARY**

VETERANS & THEIR GUESTS

> **STUDENT GROUPS**







Maj Gen Tommy H. Baker, USA (Ret)



LtGen John "Glad" Castellaw, USMC (Ret)



Wanda Castellaw



Dr. David Coffey, **Professor**



Dr. Elvernice "Sonny" Davis, Chaplain (Col) USA (Ret)



Col Many-Bears Grinder, **USA (Ret)**



Sue Hoppin



Kevin Rumley, **USMC (Ret)**



Lt Col Amber Saldaña, **USAF**

Programs are subject to change

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