

Bakersfield, CA – On Monday, April 13, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., Congressman McCarthy will present three local World War II veterans and one local Korean War veteran with medals they earned for their service and sacrifice during World War II and the Korean War.

Media is invited to attend the ceremony

When:

Monday, April 13th, 2009
10a.m. PDT

What:

Congressman McCarthy will present the following individuals with medals:

Medal Recipient Scott McGlasson's bio:

Mr. McGlasson is 87 years old, and resides in Bakersfield. He served in the U.S. Navy from April 20, 1942 to November 10, 1945 during World War II in the Pacific. His rank was Radio Man 1st Class (RM1C). Mr. McGlasson will be receiving the American Campaign Medal, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and the Combat Action Ribbon.

Medal Recipient Richard Harrison's bio:

Mr. Harrison is 82 years old, and resides in Bakersfield. He served in the U.S. Navy from August 21, 1943 to April 6, 1946 during World War II. His rank was Radio Man 3rd Class (RM3C). He was stationed in the Philippines and served in the battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa. Mr. Harrison will be receiving the World War II Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal with 1 Silver Star, Navy Occupation Service Medal with clasp, China Service Medal, Combat Action Ribbon, Navy Discharge Button, and the Honorable Service Lapel Pin (Ruptured Duck).

Medal Recipient Robert Woodrum's bio:

Mr. Woodrum is 85 years old, and resides in Tehachapi. He served in the U.S. Army from July 24, 1943 to July 1, 1951. He was in combat from Luxembourg to the Czech border and helped

liberate the sub camp of Ohrdruf (part of the Buchenwald concentration camp) in Germany, which was the first such camp to be liberated by eastbound allied troops. Mr. Woodrum will be receiving the Good Conduct Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with 2 bronze service stars, World War II Victory Medal, Army of Occupation Medal with German clasp, National Defense Service Medal, Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII, Expert Badge with Carbine Bar, and Marksman Badge with Rifle Bar.

Medal Recipient Laverne Mulder's bio:

Patsy Mulder, widow of Laverne Mulder of Bakersfield, will be accepting the medals on behalf of her deceased husband. Mulder served in the U.S. Army from 1950 to 1952. He was in combat in the Korean War and specialized in demolition. Mrs. Mulder, on behalf of her husband, will be receiving the Silver Star, Purple Heart, Presidential Unit Citation, Korean Service Medal with 2 bronze stars, and the United Nations Service Medal.

Place:

Kern Veterans Memorial
Truxtun Avenue and S Street
Bakersfield, CA

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