



Happy 78th Birthday to the United States Air Force

The VFW salutes all who have worn the uniform of the American airman

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. – On Sept. 18, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) will proudly celebrate the 78th birthday of the United States Air Force. The VFW recognizes the generations of Airmen who have bravely answered the call to serve, shaping a legacy of air and space superiority that has kept America safe.

Since its establishment as a separate branch in 1947, the brave men and women of the Air Force have been at the forefront of aviation and space innovation, playing an indispensable role in the defense of our nation and the protection of global freedoms.

For nearly eight decades, Airmen have demonstrated unwavering professionalism, skill and courage across every theater of conflict and in every mission. They have not only dominated the skies but also provided critical intelligence, logistical support and rapid global mobility that are essential to the success of all U.S. military operations.

As the Air Force continues to evolve, pushing the boundaries of technology and strategy, its mission remains as vital as ever. The VFW stands with our airmen, past and present, honoring their dedication to safeguarding our nation's interests and maintaining peace. The VFW and its more than 1.4 million members are forever grateful for their service and sacrifice. Happy 78th birthday to the "Big Blue!"

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