

VFW Salutes the Marine Corps on 250 Years

The VFW celebrates the brave men and women who proudly earned the title of Marine

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. — On Nov. 10, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) proudly joins in with a grateful nation to honor the United States Marine Corps and celebrate its 250th birthday, honoring two and a half centuries of distinguished service, sacrifice and unwavering commitment to the nation it serves.

On this historic milestone, the VFW recognizes the Marine Corps as the world's premier expeditionary fighting force, renowned for its elite readiness and its ability to answer the call in any time and place. Often being the first to stand in defense, the Marine Corps was founded on Nov. 10, 1775, by the Second Continental Congress resolution that "two Battalions of Marines be raised" for service as landing forces for the fleet and gave birth to the Continental Marines.

The Marine Corps 250th birthday is more than a date; it is a celebration of a legacy that has fundamentally shaped the defense of our nation. Respected by our allies, feared by our enemies, and revered by all Americans, the Marines have always embodied the highest standards of courage and devotion.

For their immense service, sacrifice and dedication, the more than 1.3 million members of the VFW and its Auxiliary are honored in saying happy 250th birthday and 'thank you' to the chain of brave men and women who proudly earned the title of Marine. Semper Fi!

Take part in celebrating the Marine Corps' 250th anniversary, learn more at [homecoming250.org](https://www.vfw.org/homecoming250.org).

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