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Walk4Valor and Run4Life

An Event to Support Veteran Suicide Awareness

On September 17 and 18, 2022, The Bob Feller Act of Valor Award Foundation will host two unique events on Long Island to create awareness for Veteran Suicide Prevention.

Leading fellow soldiers, Veterans and friends, Charles J. Sanders, a Major in the United States Army National Guard and Commander of Southold American Legion Post 803, will hike 22 miles carrying 22 pounds to represent the 22 Veterans who die by suicide each day. Sanders is asking Americans to join him in person or online virtually in memory of our service members who die every day from suicide.

In addition to the walk, Long Island runners will join in unity by running a 5K at Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park in Wading River, NY. The run will engage a new and unique audience to bring additional awareness to this important cause.

Walk4Valor and Run4Life events are sponsored by the Bob Feller Act of Valor Award Foundation with support from Mission Roll Call, which is a national advocacy group. Both fundraisers will support the education of military children and Veterans. It is the foundation's commitment to bring hope to living Veterans and their families.

Net proceeds will support the Bob Feller Act of Valor Award Foundation Scholarship Fund for children of military families and military spouses. Last year, over \$12,000 in tuition assistance was awarded to qualified applicants.

Walkers are asked to join Major Sanders at 8:00 am at American Legion Post 803 in Southold, New York and runners are asked to check in at the entrance of Vietnam Veterans Memorial Park at 7:30am for a scheduled race start at 9:00am.

Foundation Founder and President, Peter Fertig, believes "Americans can join in unity to create and spread awareness about Veteran suicide prevention."

The foundation's ongoing mission is to acknowledge and support the sacrifices made by service members, Veterans, and their families. As a part of this commitment, the foundation is proud to provide financial support for education in addition to building greater awareness for important Veteran causes.

Peter Fertig founded The Bob Feller Act of Valor Award with the support of the U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Navy, Major League Baseball, the Cleveland Guardians, the National Baseball Hall of Fame and the gracious consent of Mrs. Anne Feller, the San Diego Padres, and the family of Jerry Coleman.

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