



Rep. Tom Emmer on Emmer Honors the Legacy of America's Vietnam Veterans

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REP. TOM EMMER:

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate Vietnam veterans, to remember the heroes who served our great nation during the most expansive war in American history. To those who have passed and those still living, we offer our humble and eternal thank you. While you may not have always received a warm welcome or the gratitude you deserve, we honor your sacrifice to this nation now and forever. The great state of Minnesota is home to many of these incredible heroes, and today I'm proud to honor the life and legacy of Leo K. Thorsnes, who was recently interred at Arlington National Cemetery. Leo was Minnesota's last living recipient of the Medal of Honor. He deserved that great honor and distinction for the incredible courage he displayed in the Vietnam War. During his time in Vietnam, Leo was captured and imprisoned for six years, spending one full year in solitary confinement. In honor of brave men like Leo, I rise today to say thank you. Thank you for your service, your sacrifice, and your willingness to put your life on the line and fight to preserve America's values.

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