

as he performed supervisor duties in patrol, training, and investigations.

Lieutenant Shipp continued to distinguish himself showing superb moral character and a commitment to helping his community through his role with SAFE Team from 1987 to 1999. His hard work with such a worthy cause is just one of many admirable and laudable accomplishments of Lieutenant Shipp's career.

Lieutenant Shipp's decades of service and endless hard work culminated in his being granted the prestigious Distinguished Service Medal in December of 2001.

His well deserved promotion to lieutenant occurred on July 9, 2004. As a lieutenant, he became a well known role model for the patrol officers and investigation detectives with whom he worked. Lieutenant Shipp's strong character and positive influence were evident every day he was on the force.

Lieutenant Shipp embodies so many of the qualities that make for the best police officers. He is a loyal representative of the law enforcement community and will always be remembered and admired for work ethic, dedication, and impact on our cities.

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A TRIBUTE TO STUART G.  
MOLDAW

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 9, 2008*

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of my good friend Stuart G. Moldaw who passed away at the age of 81 on Saturday, May 24, 2008. Stuart is survived by his beloved wife, Phyllis, daughters Carol and Susan Moldaw, and four grandchildren.

A native of Boston and the son of a Russian immigrant, Stuart enlisted in the Navy in 1944 before using the G.I. Bill to attend Syracuse University where he met his future wife, Phyllis Israelson of Portland, Maine. After graduating in 1949 with a Bachelor's Degree in Marketing and Economics, Stuart began his retail career at Le Bon Marche, a department store in Lowell, Massachusetts, and married Phyllis in 1950.

He then moved to California to work for another retailer, Lerner Shops, where he became a district manager and oversaw the opening of more than 20 Lerner stores, including ones in Oakland and the Stanford Shopping Center. In 1958, Stuart opened his first retail business, Country Casuals, in Palo Alto.

He also started Pic-a-Dilly, one of the country's earliest off-price apparel chains in 1973, and co-founded Athletic Shoe Factory in 1979, which featured national brands at discounted prices. Both chains were later sold. He also co-founded V.S. Venture Partners, a Mendo Park-based venture capital firm.

Stuart was a longtime Bay Area resident, pioneer entrepreneur and philanthropist who helped transform a small chain of local department stores into the Pleasanton-based retail giant Ross Dress for Less. Ross Stores Inc., acquired by Stuart in 1982, is a Fortune 500 company with \$6.1 billion in sales over the last 12 months, more than 900 stores in 27 states

and more than 40,000 employees. The original investors in the Ross venture included another Bay Area retail pioneer, Mervin G. Morris, the founder of Mervyns, who had recently retired before becoming one of the Ross investors.

In a career that spanned more than a half-century, Stuart, a resident of Atherton, also helped launch several other retail ventures, including Sail Francisco-based Gymboree, a children's clothing retail chain launched in 1986. At the time of his death, Stuart was chairman emeritus of both Ross Stores and San Francisco-based Gymboree Corp.

Stuart Moldaw cared deeply about people and directed himself to make the world a better place. He was well-respected for his passion and commitment to improving the lives of those around him and was appointed by President Bill Clinton as a Public Delegate to the U.S. Mission at the United Nations in 1993 and as Chairman of the White House Commission on Presidential Scholars in 1996. In 2000, Governor Gray Davis appointed him to chair California's World Trade Commission, and 2 years later he was appointed to California's Little Hoover Commission. He also served on the boards of many Bay Area non-profits, including the Boys and Girls Club of the Peninsula, the Palo Alto Medical Foundation, the Jewish Community Endowment Fund and the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art. He gave tirelessly of himself to his family, friends, colleagues and community and set the highest standard for others to follow.

Madam Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in honoring the life and accomplishments of Stuart G. Moldaw. His decades of contributions to his community and his country stand as lasting legacies of a life lived well. How privileged I am to have known him, represented him and to have had him as my friend. America is better because of him.

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HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE  
OF BRIAN EMERICK

**HON. VIRGINIA FOXX**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 9, 2008*

Ms. FOXX. Madam Speaker, one of my constituents Brian Emerick, paid me a visit last year to relate the story of his fight against ALS, or Lou Gehrig's disease. He left me with these words, "Future generations must not face this disease with no known cause or cure. For the Emerick family, the challenge to strike out Lou Gehrig's disease comes with the highest imaginable significance—to honor the lives of past generations who died of the disease like my father, to improve the well-being of individuals currently living with the disease like myself, and to protect the health of future generations, like my children."

On Easter Sunday of this year, Brian finished his courageous battle with ALS with the same dignity with which he lived his entire life. It is his life that we are here to honor and his commitment to finding a cure for this disease that we are here to remember and pursue. Brian's story represents great hope that helps move us toward action to defeat ALS.

Brian's life was not and can not be defined solely by his courageous fight against ALS,

because he lived a full life that touched many before and after his diagnoses. Brian worked his way through school and college and later flew helicopters in the U.S. Army. He then went on to become a respected worker and leader at Rock-Tenn Paper Corporation. Brian had a well-known work ethic and never missed a day of work because of sickness. He continued working after his diagnosis and even when he visited the ALS clinic at Baptist Hospital he would tell doctors, "I really don't get sick, I'm actually as healthy as anyone could be if it weren't for this disease that keeps slowing me down."

The man who was a loving husband was also an amazing father. The man who was a tireless worker was also loved and honored in his work, his community and his church. And finally, that man who did all of those wonderful things, was also the man who fought ALS with courage for the past 3 years.

Brian, who never liked to take so much as a Tylenol, eventually took 27 pills a day and participated in five different clinical drug studies to help fight that deadly disease. Brian, who tried never to ask people for help unless he absolutely needed it, raised more than \$25,000 in the last 2 years on ALS walks with his family and friends. Brian, who had never before been in a congressional meeting, tirelessly walked the halls of Congress to advocate on behalf of those suffering with this deadly disease.

Brian ended his remarkable life journey and began a final journey when he finished his battle with ALS on Easter Sunday of this year. But Brian would have reminded us today that the battle to defeat ALS is still ongoing. Brian's life story reminds us what it means to live each day with love and in pursuit of ideals that truly matter. We honor Brian's life by facing the challenge to defeat ALS, with honesty and commitment to action that improves the lives of others.

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MARY BAUMANN

**HON. SAM GRAVES**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, June 9, 2008*

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Mary Baumann, of Savannah, Missouri. Mary recently retired as Andrew County Youth Program Assistant.

Mary Baumann began her dedicated service to the 4-H Program in 1976, after serving 15 years as secretary to the Andrew County Extension Council. Mary's leadership and teaching has helped many youths as they learned through programs sponsored by the 4-H program. Mrs. Baumann is well respected and recognized as a leader throughout the Northwest Missouri University Extension region.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing Mary Baumann, whose dedication and service to the community has been truly outstanding. I commend Mary on an exceptional career, and I am honored to serve her in the United States Congress.