

John was also a longtime contributor in the health care field. Serving in various capacities—from hospital administrator to chief executive—John left his indelible mark throughout New England. For his outstanding community involvement, John was presented with the Award of Honor from the American Hospital Association and the Tree of Life Award from the Jewish National Fund. And as if these contributions to country and community weren't already enough, John was also a diligent philanthropist and genuinely good-hearted person, dedicating time and energy to various church boards and committees, and making everyone he encountered feel appreciated.

John Kelley Springer is survived by his beloved wife Jane; his daughters Kelley, Dana, Susan, and Nellie; his brother Wilbur; his sister Elizabeth; and 10 grandchildren. May his memory and devotion live on in each of them.

REMEMBERING SERGEANT BRANDON PAUDERT AND OFFICER BILL EVANS

Mr. PRYOR. Mr. President, it is with a heavy heart that today I honor two brave policemen from West Memphis, Sergeant Brandon Paudert and Officer Bill Evans, and pay tribute to their lives and service to their community.

Sergeant Paudert and Officer Evans lost their lives in the line of duty doing what they loved most: protecting their community. They were both part of the West Memphis Police Department's drug interdiction team, a specialized unit that fought drug trafficking on Arkansas's highways. They were on the front lines in the war against drugs, fighting to keep our streets clean and our children safe.

Sergeant Paudert's sense of duty was in his blood—his father, Bob Paudert, is West Memphis's police chief. Sergeant Paudert's loved ones described him as a kind, honorable man, devoted to his family and the force. He married his high school sweetheart, Kim, whom he had dated since they were just 14 years old, and had three children whom he loved dearly. He was always there for friends and fellow officers, lifting up their spirits and lending a hand when one was needed.

Officer Evans shared Sergeant Paudert's call to serve; he was a fourth-generation law enforcement official, with both his father and his grandfather serving in the Crittenden County Sheriff's Department. He was the team's "maintenance man" with an ability to fix anything he encountered, and had a wonderful sense of humor, always able to get a laugh out of his colleagues and friends. A father of two with a fiancé, those who knew him said Evans lived his life by a simple code: "Enjoy your life. Love your family. Enjoy your work."

I join all Arkansans in lifting up the family and friends of Sergeant Paudert and Officer Evans during this difficult time. In a fitting tribute, a sign on the

fence of the West Memphis High School's football field says: "Fallen, so we can stand." These two heroes may have fallen, but we will continue to stand for the values and principles for which they so selflessly gave their lives.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO DR. MORRIS W. SELF

• Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, today I wish to honor the heroic service of Dr. Morris W. Self of Pagosa Springs, CO. Dr. Self, a retired civil engineer, was recently honored by France for his brave service during World War II. This past month, the French Consul General in Los Angeles bestowed on him the National Order of the Legion of Honor, France's highest award, in the rank of Chevalier, or Knight, in appreciation for his distinguished service.

Morris was born in St. Paul, MN, in December 1921. During high school, he was active in several sports and served as president of the student government. At 18, Morris joined the Minnesota National Guard and trained with the 101st Coast Artillery Unit. After the U.S. entered the war in 1941, he enrolled in the Engineer Officer Candidate School. He was commissioned as a combat engineer with the rank of 2nd lieutenant in July 1942. Lieutenant Self was deployed to the United Kingdom in November 1943 with the 348th Combat Engineering Battalion to prepare for the Normandy landings.

On D-day, Lieutenant Self's unit landed on Omaha Beach at 7:30 a.m. under intense enemy fire. He was 23 years old at the time. Lieutenant Self led an infantry unit in clearing beach areas of enemy fortifications. His reconnaissance patrol cleared mines and located booby traps under enemy fire.

On June 7, Lieutenant Self continued to clear the beach of mines. That day, he saw several landing crafts hit by enemy fire begin to sink. After quickly assessing the situation, Lieutenant Self swam 200 yards from shore to look for survivors. On this first trip, he helped three men to shore with life-jackets and by creating a makeshift raft. Then he went back to save more. After finding a long rope and attaching it to shore, Lieutenant Self and Lieutenant Walter Sidlowksi of Brooklyn, NY, found a rubber raft and ferried three more groups of survivors to safety. They were in the frigid water of the English Channel for about 2 hours.

Lieutenant Self and his unit continued to clear beach areas for the next several months. In December 1944, the 348th was moved to the Ardennes area in Belgium to fight back against the German offensive during the Battle of the Bulge and to help rebuild the community. He returned to the U.S. in September 1945 and was discharged that December.

Prior to this most recent award, Lieutenant Self was awarded the

Bronze Star Medal for heroic actions at Omaha Beach, the French Croix de Guerre with Bronze Star, and the Presidential Unit Citation. Lieutenant Self later attended the University of Minnesota and earned a civil engineering degree, a master's, and a doctorate in civil engineering. He was married to Ruth Mar in 1947, and they have three children: Ted Alan, Douglas, and Jenann.

I would like again to congratulate Dr. Self on his receipt of the esteemed Legion of Honor award and thank him for his selfless service to our country. His bravery, on D-day, and for months after, is a testament to the courage and conviction that American soldiers brought to a dreadful war. We are humbled by his service.●

RECOGNIZING HOWE MILITARY SCHOOL CLASS OF 2010

• Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I am pleased to take the opportunity today to congratulate the Class of 2010 at Howe Military School upon this weekend's commencement ceremonies. This class has achieved the remarkable result of having each cadet gain acceptance to college an achievement in which all cadets and their families can take great pride.

The Class of 2010 also has the distinction of being the final class to graduate as alumni of the Howe Military School. The board of trustees has chosen to change the school's name to The Howe School beginning in the fall. Throughout the school's distinguished 126 year history it has prepared young men, and since 1988 young women, for academic excellence and leadership. This tradition will continue in the years to come as the school embarks upon a new chapter as The Howe School.

I am privileged to recognize the faculty and staff of the Howe Military School and the cadets who are graduating to pursue new challenges in college and beyond. I look forward to opportunities to learn about the many achievements of the Howe Military School Class of 2010 in the years ahead.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:03 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1017. An act to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 and title 38, United States Code, to require the provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers and to expand access to such care and services.

H.R. 5330. An act to amend the Antitrust Criminal Penalty Enhancement and Reform Act of 2004 to extend the operation of such Act, and for other purposes.