

## 2020 Weekend To Remember Honored Warriors





Clebe McClary
U.S. Marine Corp – First Lieutenant
Vietnam War Veteran
Purple Heart

First Lieutenant Patrick Cleburne McClary, III, USMC, Retired, known to thousands as "Clebe McClary," is an American hero. During the Vietnam War, while some of his contemporaries were staging anti-war protests and desecrating the American flag, the Low country native was serving as a platoon leader in the First Reconnaissance Battalion. On the battalion's 19th patrol, the unit was attacked by the Viet Cong. Lieutenant McClary was seriously wounded, losing his left arm and left eye, yet he continued to lead his men. The numerous surgeries and long recovery period that followed could have taken a bitter toll, but he faced his rehabilitation with characteristic determination. In the years

since, Lieutenant McClary has become a symbol of courage and hope to the many audiences around the world with whom he has shared his story.



Joseph Bennett U.S. Army – Sergeant Iraq Purple Heart

Joseph is a 5th generation family farmer from Virginia where his family raises crops, cattle, and dairy. His family sells about 2,000 Angus steers annually to give perspective on the size of the Operation. In addition, they farm a couple thousand acres of crops and hay. His running joke is that he, "joined the Army for relief- and it was partly true!" He was medically retired in 2009 after almost 5 years in the Army as part of scout/sniper section. During deployment to Iraq in Al Hawijah he was ambushed and during the ambush was struck by 2 anti-tank grenades for which he received a Purple Heart medal. After surgeries and physical therapy, he was medically discharged at the rank of E5 Sergeant. From there he attended and graduated from Universal Technical Institute and then traveled all over the world working for GE. Joseph went back to

school to University of Houston and started a real estate company under Keller Williams's brokerage while attending school. He graduated with a major in Finance and minor in marketing, and Personal Financial Planning certificate, and then shifted his focus to building a financial planning practice at the end of 2016. He has earned his Certified Financial Planner (TM) designation which he is very proud of. Ever since then, his focus has been to grow his financial planning practice which in The Woodlands. The goal is to make a positive impact to as many people as I can.