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RFD-TV honors American heroes with Veterans Day Country Concert, featuring Lee Greenwood & stars

Great event leads up to celebration of America's 250th Anniversary

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (November 4, 2025) — LIVE from the heart of Music City, Nashville, Tennessee, the journey continues to celebrate America's 250th Anniversary. As the nation leads up to America's birthday next year, RFD-TV will honor America's heroes with the all-new 'Veterans Day Country Concert,' premiering Saturday, November 8 at 7 PM (ET) with an encore the same evening at 10 PM (ET). The star-studded television event features iconic performances from Lee Greenwood, The Bellamy Brothers, Larry, Steve & Rudy: The Gatlin Brothers, Exile, Johnny Lee, Eddy Raven, Marty Raybon (of Shenandoah), Larry Stewart (of Restless Heart), T. Graham Brown, Tim Rushlow (formerly of Little Texas), and Lisa Matassa.

Bringing together generations of country favorites, the special salutes the courage and sacrifice of America's service members and their families with timeless hits, heartfelt tributes, and memorable collaborations.

The spirit ignited in 1776 is shining brother than ever! In step

with the nation's multi-year America250 commemoration leading to the United States' 250th anniversary in 2026, the broadcast invites viewers to reflect on the ideals of community and country that bind us together as Americans.

"Country music has always stood shoulder-to-shoulder with America's veterans," said Lee Greenwood. "It's an honor to stand on this stage with dear friends and sing for the men and women who've worn the uniform."

A salute aligned with America's 250th yearlong celebration

The next chapter of our yearlong celebration kicks off this weekend, featuring incredible performances, people, and places that make our nation great! This all new RFD special traces the country's roots - from Plymouth Rock to Faneuil Hall in Massachusetts, to the National Civil Rights Museum in Memphis, where visitors witness the enduring commitment to justice and equality that remains a cornerstone.

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NFL and USAA announce 2025 nominees from across the league for the Salute to Service Award

Salute to Service Award presented by USAA celebrates NFL players, coaches, staff, and alumni who actively honor and uplift the military community through meaningful service and advocacy



demonstrating the impact that individuals can have in the lives of those who serve," said Major General (Retired) Bob Whittle, senior vice president and head of military affairs at USAA. "USAA and the NFL proudly celebrate these deserving nominees for honoring, empowering and connecting with those who have worn our nation's uniform, and we encourage fans across the globe to join in showing their appreciation."

Fans have the opportunity to honor through action, helping de-

NEW YORK – Oct. 29, 2025 – The NFL and USAA, an official Salute to Service partner, announced this year's nominees for the Salute to Service Award presented by USAA. Each year, the Salute to Service Award recognizes NFL players, coaches, staff and alumni who make exceptional efforts to honor and support military and veteran communities.

"The Salute to Service Award nominees are extraordinary advocates for the military community,

Lewis and Wilson get American Conference Honorable Mentions

MEMPHIS, Tenn. – Two University of Memphis football players earned weekly conference honors this week with Brendon Lewis and Kamari Wilson both being named as Honorable Mentions, the American conference announced Monday.

This is the third conference

honor for Lewis this season.

Wilson, a redshirt junior out of Fort Pierce, Fla., helped shut down the Owl's offense last week when he totaled 11 tackles, five of them being solo.

This is the first conference honor for Wilson this season.

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William M. Larsha, Jr.



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termine the award's three finalists by voting for their favorite nominee. One vote per day for each nominee is permitted. The three finalists will be announced in January, and the recipient will be recognized at NFL Honors; a primetime awards special to air nationally during the week of Super Bowl LX.

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