

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR David J. Valesky

Senator Valesky Honors Albert Paviglianti at Veterans Hall of Fame Ceremony

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ALBANY, N.Y.--Senator David J. Valesky (D-Oneida) today announced the induction of Albert Paviglianti, of Canastota, into the New York State Senate Veterans Hall of Fame in honor of his meritorious service to the nation and his community.

"I am pleased to have the opportunity to thank Mr. Paviglianti for his bravery and sacrifice serving our nation in the Marines, and for his continued commitment to the community through his leadership in the American Legion," Senator Valesky said. A veteran of World War II, Albert Paviglianti has been an active member of the American Legion for many years at the county, state and national levels.

Born in New York City in 1923, Mr. Paviglianti served four years in the Marine Corps during World War II, as a sergeant. He earned the Pacific Award for his service.

After his military career, Mr. Paviglianti stayed active in the American Legion, serving as a commander of the Madison County American Legion. He currently serves as adjutant. For years, Mr. Paviglianti was involved with the Boys' State program, a weeklong leadership program that teaches high schoolers about government. He interviewed candidates, conducted oratorical contests and served as post adjutant.

Mr. Paviglianti is also active in the 40 et 8, serving as Provost at the state level, and has volunteered on the National Americanism Commission. In addition, he serves his community as a member of the Town of Lenox Zoning Board.

Mr. Paviglianti was most recently awarded the American Legion Post 140 Distinguished Citizen Award.

Mr. Paviglianti lives in Canastota with his wife, Helen.

The New York State Senate Veterans' Hall of Fame was created in 2005 to honor and recognize outstanding veterans from the Empire State who have distinguished themselves both in military and civilian life. Their meritorious service to our nation deserves the special recognition that only a Hall of Fame can provide, as a fitting expression of our gratitude and admiration.

Watch Senator Valesky's video tribute to Albert Paviglianti here:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TdPCsbrTzpQ.

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