

# Ritchie Honors 29 Cny, Nny Veterans at Fort Drum Ceremony

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Col. (Ret.) Terrence Roche Selected as

#### 2013 NY State Senate "Veterans Hall of Fame" Inductee

State Senator Patty Ritchie honored 29 veterans from across Central and Northern New York at a special ceremony held Friday at Fort Drum's USO.

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The veterans were nominated for induction into the New York State Senate "Veterans Hall of Fame" by family, friends, co-workers and comrades-in-arms for their military service to our nation, and their

continuing work and involvement in causes that benefit and improve our local communities.

"This group of men and women have spent their lives not only serving our country, but our communities as well," said Senator Ritchie.

"Whether it's continuing to help those who serve, teaching our future leaders or helping our region develop and prosper, their dedication and love for our country—and our region—have truly made a difference. Today's ceremony is just one, small way that we can thank them for their service and their sacrifice."

Of the 29 honorees, Senator Ritchie has selected Col. (Ret.) Terrence Roche as her 2013 inductee to the New York State Senate "Veterans Hall of Fame."

Col. Roche is a 26-year military veteran who commanded at every level from platoon to Garrison at posts from Buffalo to Paris and Korea with wartime service in Vietnam.

As Garrison Commander when the announcement was made in 1984 that Fort Drum would be home to the 10th Mountain Division, Col. Roche was instrumental in the planning and initial execution of the \$1.2 billion construction project and the rapid expansion of the installation.

Today, Col. Roche continues to make significant contributions to the success of Fort Drum through the Fort Drum Regional Liaison Organization—which he helped create—as well as a number of other organizations, civic groups and other efforts.

The Senate will honor Col. Roche and other distinguished veterans—one from each Senate District—on May 21st at the Capitol.

In addition to Col. Roche, the following veterans were honored:

#### **Jefferson County**

- Clifford Carr, Jr. (US Navy)
- Charles Solar (US Army)

### **Oswego County**

- L. Angeline Scaglione Canale (US Nurse Corps)
- Chief Warrant Officer Clarence Carney (US Army)
- Julius Sherwood Dunham (US Air Force)
- Walter Fischer (US Marine Corps)
- John Flanagan (US Air Force)
- Charles Otis Griswold (US Army)
- John Hasto (US Army)
- Kenneth Leamon (US Air Force)
- Wayne Long (US Navy)
- Trevor Loomis (US Army)
- Stephen Mizgala (US Army)
- Herb Pelton (US Navy)
- Laurence Rector (US Army)
- Paul Riordan (US Navy)
- Arnold Shaw (US Army)
- Leonard Yablonski (US Army)

## **St. Lawrence County**

- Major Maurice Halpin Barry (US Air Force)
- Donald "Jake" Corbine (US Army)
- Raymond Cutway (US Marine Corps)
- Larry Deets (US Army)
- Robert Giordano, Jr. (US Air Force)
- Paul Mitras (US Army)
- Isaac Perkins (US Army)
- Patrick Rourk (US Air Force)
- SSgt Hillard Seaker (US Air Force)
- William (Bill) Shippee (US Navy)

To read more about this year's honorees, click here.