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## Twelve Oaks honors our nation's veterans

Staff report

Veterans Day is an opportunity to recognize some of the 23 brave men and women who have served the country. Twelve Oaks, a DePaul Senior Living Community in Mount Airy, has the honor of caring for several area veterans.

- Claude Branch served as a Private First Class in the Army during the Battle of the Bulge in World War II.

- James David Carpenter served as an E4 in the Navy and an E6 in the Marines, stationed in Norfolk and Quantico, Virginia.

- Troy Johnson served as a Specialist 4 in the Army during the Korean War.

- Bill Johnson served as a Corporal in the Army during World War II.

- Jim Moore served as

an E5 in the Army in a medical clinic during the Vietnam War.

- Ruth Smith served in the Navy during World War II.

- Bobby Thomas served as a Private First Class in the Army during Vietnam, stationed in Germany.

Also living at Twelve Oaks is veteran James Slate, a private in the Army who was stationed in Northern France and Central Europe during World War II. There is a tribute video featuring residents from DePaul programs in New York, North Carolina and South Carolina at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kgEFdgHEwyU>.

For more information about Twelve Oaks, please contact Administrator Penny Haynes at (336) 786-1130 or visit us on Facebook.



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