

## **Remembering Pearl Harbor**

## The VFW reflects on a day which has become synonymous with our nation's determination and unbreakable spirit

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**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Thursday marks the 76th anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. recognizes all who served and remembers those who paid the ultimate sacrifice that fateful day and in the years that followed.

The attack on Pearl Harbor was an immense tragedy, the likes of which America had never seen before. Leaving 3,500 dead or wounded and our naval forces nearly crippled, the events of Dec. 7, 1941, altered the course of history.

The attack awoke a sleeping giant, and has become synonymous with our nation's determination and unbreakable spirit. It continues to stand as a testament to future generations that while our homeland may be attacked and our buildings destroyed, our enemies will never defeat our republic or our way of life.

On this National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, the VFW asks every American to take a moment to remember and be inspired by the contributions, devotion and character of all who have served and sacrificed for our nation's freedom.