

Senator Pam Helming

Representing the 54th New York Senate District



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Senator Helming Recognizes Newest Class of Veterans Hall of Fame Nominees

At an October 30th ceremony at Fort Hill Performing Arts Center in Canandaigua, Senator Pam Helming recognized 21 Veterans from her district nominated for the New York State Senate Veterans Hall of Fame. One nominee will be named next year as the 2025 Inductee to the Hall of Fame.

The nominees are:

Eric Lang, Ontario County	Joseph Donald Telaro, Monroe County
Lance Rearick, Ontario County	Alex Pierce, Livingston County
Peter Gilbert, Ontario County	Michael O'Connell, Monroe County
Richard Baskin, Ontario County	Salvatore Marcera, Monroe County
Arthur Paliani, Ontario County	Thomas Parker, Ontario County
Ermil (Bud) Peglow*, Ontario County	Eric Linke, Ontario County
Lewis Robert (Bob) Lash, Ontario County	Robert Haggett, Monroe County
Robert F. Heintzelman, Wayne County	David Brisbane, Ontario County
Morris Lew, Ontario County	Norris (Doc) Conklin*, Ontario County
Paul Buchanan*, Livingston County	Sean Edmunds, Wayne County
John (Jack) Ambrose Jr., Ontario County	

**recognized posthumously*

Link to Commemorative Booklet:

<https://www.nysenate.gov/sites/default/files/admin/structure/media/manage/filefile/a/2024-10/2024-vhof-commemorative-program.pdf>

Senator Helming said, “From Korea to Vietnam, and the Global War on Terror, these remarkable veterans served our country with unparalleled honor and dedication. Many of them returned home only to continue their service within their communities—a nurse who, despite battling PTSD, worked with fellow veterans at the local VA hospital; another who became a foster parent; and others who have coached youth sports and served in their local American Legions. On Veterans Day and every day, we owe them a profound debt of gratitude for their enduring commitment to our nation and each of us.”

Photo: 54th District NYS Senate Veterans Hall of Fame Nominees



Back row L-R: Arthur Paliani, Eric Linke, Sean Edmunds, Nancy Peglow (wife of Ermil Peglow), Lance Rearick, Joseph Telaro, Senator Helming, Peter Gilbert, David Brisbane, Eric Lang, Alex Pierce

Front row L-R: Morris Lew, John Ambrose, Jr., Richard Baskin, Salvatore Marcera, Robert Haggett, Michael O'Connell, Thomas Parker, Diane Conklin (wife of Norris Conklin), Gary Buchanan (brother of Paul Buchanan)

Not pictured: Lewis Lash

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