

National Headquarters • 3725 Alexandria Pike • Cold Spring, KY 41076 • 859-441-7300 • www.dav.org Washington Headquarters • 807 Maine Avenue, SW • Washington, DC 20024 • 202-554-3501

PRESS RELEASE

Contact: Todd Hunter 321-217-8255 thunter@dav.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE August 3, 2019

Hollywood legend, veteran Dale Dye earns national award for achievements in film

Retired Marine Capt. Dale Dye has been awarded the 2019 DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Bugle Award at the organization's national convention in Orlando, Florida, for his lifetime of achievement in ensuring accurate, honorable and realistic portrayals of military service in film, television, print and digital media.

A DAV life member and decorated veteran who was wounded in combat three times in Vietnam, Dye found a unique way to continue serving after his illustrious military career—he moved to Hollywood, founded a company called Warriors Inc., and through his work as an actor, technical advisor, writer and director, made a second career by ensuring the authentic portrayal of wartime service and the sacrifices veterans make on screen. Some of his critically acclaimed works include *Platoon, Saving Private Ryan, Band of Brothers, The Thin Red Line* and his upcoming film *The Last Full Measure*.

The DAV Bugle Award was created in 2005 to recognize the outstanding contributions of members of the media in support of disabled veterans.

"For decades, Dale Dye has worked tirelessly to ensure the stories of our military members are not just told, but are told with the accuracy, realism and attention to detail that does justice to the real-life subjects being portrayed," said DAV National Commander Dennis Nixon, himself a combat-wounded Marine veteran of Vietnam. "Dale forever changed the way war movies were made, and there is no one more deserving of this year's Bugle Award."

Photos and media from the event may be made available upon request.

About DAV:

-30-

DAV empowers veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity. It is dedicated to a single purpose: fulfilling our promises to the men and women who served. DAV does this by ensuring that veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them, fighting for the interests of America's injured heroes on Capitol Hill, linking veterans and their families to employment resources, and educating the public about the great sacrifices and needs of veterans transitioning back to civilian life. DAV, a nonprofit organization with more than 1 million members, was founded in 1920 and chartered by the U. S. Congress in 1932. Learn more at <u>www.dav.org</u>.