



## Honoring TAPS Families During Military Appreciation Month



When one military family member serves, the entire family serves... and sacrifices. Many families within TAPS have a long history of military service, and there are thousands of veterans, retirees, and active-duty service members among us.

We honor you.

TAPS is the family we have created for ourselves, and we have a 28-year history of serving and lifting one another up. With each word of hope, touch of reassurance, and extended hand of loving friendship, we reinforce the heart of service that military families are known for.

***Today and always, we honor your legacy.***

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## May is the Month of the Military Caregiver

### Webinar: Shifting Tides - From Caregiver To Survivor

During this TAPS Institute for Hope and Healing® webinar, Lisa Zucker, MSW, LCSW, CT, discusses the unique transition from being a caregiver to now, a survivor, as well as ways to cope and support yourself through this process.

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## Celebrating Our Volunteers



### 2022 TAPS Military Mentor Of The Year

TAPS recently recognized Technical Sergeant Clynton Trewyn, USAF, as its 2022 Military Mentor of the Year. Clynton, an Intelligence Analyst in the United States Air Force, has been a TAPS Military Mentor for six years, providing countless hours of support to TAPS kids throughout the country.

*"The ability to work with TAPS in creating opportunities for grieving military kids across the country and to help them grow in their healing journey is truly fulfilling."*  
~ TSgt Clynton Trewyn, USAF

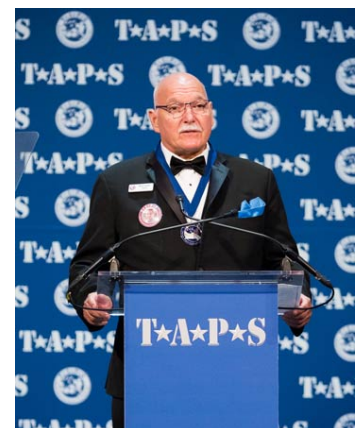
[Watch Clynton's Acceptance Speech](#)

### 2022 TAPS Senator Ted Stevens Leadership Award

Matt Daud, surviving father of USMC Cpl Christopher Daud, has received the 2022 TAPS Senator Ted Stevens Leadership Award. Matt serves as a TAPS Peer Mentor and co-moderates the Parents of Suicide Loss Chat. He is also honored to have recently joined the TAPS Survivor Care Team.

*"I honor Christopher and keep his memory alive by listening and talking to others about their grief and struggles, and sharing my story. I can hear Christopher's voice saying 'Go ahead, Dad. Help that person. Listen to them. Talk to them.'" ~ Matt Daud*

[Watch Matt's Acceptance Speech](#)





## SHARE YOUR *story* WITH US



### **TAPS Young Adults Program: A Place for Community And Transformative Healing and Growth**

Joelle Leek, TAPS Young Adults Program Coordinator and the surviving daughter of US Army Staff Sergeant Bryce Edward Leek, shares her personal experience participating in the Young Adults New England Experience in a new TAPS blog.

#### **Young Adults Program**

Are you an 18 to 30 year old surviving child or sibling? The TAPS Young Adults Program is here for you.

*Applications are open through May 12th for our **TAPS Young Adults Denver Experience** taking place in Denver, Colorado, June 23 - 26.*



## DID YOU KNOW...?



### **2021 TAPS Impact Report**

Did you know that TAPS produces an annual Impact Report, which highlights the power of TAPS programs and services for all those who want to support surviving military families?

[View the report.](#)

**TAPS**  
INSTITUTE FOR HOPE AND HEALING

At the Institute, practical information on coping with loss is accessible to all who seek current strategies, the most effective tools, and best practices for supporting those who are grieving and those who serve the grieving.

Join Us For  
**Active Healing Through Mentoring**  
Tuesday, May 17 at 12PM Eastern

#### **Webinar Archives**

Missed a webinar? Visit our free on-demand library 24/7 to access recorded TAPS Institute webinars.



## UPCOMING *in-person* CONNECTIONS

We are so excited to be back in-person events and hope to see you at one of our many upcoming TAPS events soon!

### 28th Annual National Military Survivor Seminar and Good Grief Camp

*In-Person and Online Options Available*  
May 27 - 30, 2022  
Arlington, Virginia

### Mountain Regional Military Survivor Seminar and Good Grief Camp

*In-Person and Online Options Available*  
July 8 - 10, 2022  
Denver, Colorado

**TAPS Pathways To Success:  
College Prep For Teens And Parents**  
July 10 - 13, 2022 **OR** July 13 - 16, 2022  
Arlington, Virginia

**Montana Men's Retreat**  
September 5 - 9, 2022  
West Creek Ranch, Montana  
*Applications Open Through May 14*

**Tennessee Family Camp**  
September 9 - 12, 2022 Bolivar,  
Tennessee

**TAPS Women's Empowerment Summit**  
September 19 - 23, 2022  
Maumee, Ohio

**California Family Camp**  
November 3 - 7, 2022  
Julian, California

Refer to the [TAPS Event Calendar](#) for information about additional upcoming events.



## UPCOMING *Online* CONNECTIONS

### Online Groups

By Relationship, Cause of Death & Peer Group

*Click the Calendar Below To Learn More and Register For Your Online Group*

ONLINE GROUPS - MAY 2022			
<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 4TH</b>  Women's Circle Noon or 7 PM ET  Men 7 PM ET  Young Adults Social Hour 8 PM ET	<b>MONDAY, MAY 9TH</b>  Surviving Parents 8 PM ET  Parents of Suicide Loss 8 PM ET  Spouses, Partners, Fiances & Significant Others 8 PM ET	<b>TUESDAY, MAY 18TH</b>  Surviving Siblings 9 PM ET	<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 11TH</b>  Spanish Speaking Survivors 6:30 PM or 9 PM ET  Parenting Grieving Children 8 PM or 10 PM ET  Moms Mentoring Moms 8 PM ET
<b>MONDAY, MAY 16TH</b>  Accident Loss Survivors 8 PM ET  Combat Loss Survivors 8 PM ET  Illness Loss Survivors 8 PM ET  Suicide Loss Survivors 8 PM ET	<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 18TH</b>  Men 9 PM ET	<b>MONDAY, MAY 23RD</b>  Peer Mentors 8 PM ET	<b>WEDNESDAY, MAY 25TH</b>  ALL Survivors Welcome 7 PM ET 8 PM ET 9 PM ET 10 PM ET

### Online Workshops

*Registration is Open Now*

**Theatre Lab For ADULTS**  
Tuesday, May 10 at 7PM Eastern

**Young Adults: Let's Talk Grief**  
Wednesday, May 18 at 8PM Eastern

### Online Series

*Registration is Open Now*

**Dare to Lead™ (Cohort 9)** June  
15, 2022 - November 2, 2022  
Wednesdays from 6PM - 7:30PM ET  
*Register by June 14*



TAPS will always be here for you 24/7.  
There are so many ways to connect with your peers and professional support - to connect with someone who cares.

**National Survivor 24/7 Helpline:**  
**800.959.TAPS (8277)**

**Get Help with Benefits | Connect to Peer Support**  
**Find a Grief Counselor | Join our Online Community**

**Subscribe to receive the TAPS Daily Reflection with Dr. Alan Wolfelt.**  
This daily email is subscription-based and will deliver the power of hope and comfort to you.

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