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## **PRESS RELEASE**

# **WWII & KOREAN WAR VETERAN TO CELEBRATE 100th BIRTHDAY**

Let's show William (Bud) McDearman that he is not celebrating alone

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AMARILLO — On Wednesday, April 8, William (Bud) McDearman Jr. will turn 100 years old. While Bud is not able to celebrate with loved ones, it's not every day that a WWII and Korean War Veteran turns 100 years old.

Chairman of the Veterans Land Board George P. Bush asked the community to come together and ensure that, despite the circumstances, this courageous Veteran's 100th birthday is properly celebrated.

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How YOU can wish this Veteran a Happy Birthday

Bud has received over 488 birthday wishes from people all over the nation on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#). Let's continue to show our appreciation for his life and service on his 100th birthday this Wednesday.

You can tell Bud happy birthday on the Texas General Land Office [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) using the hashtag #HappyBirthdayBud. Our staff will make sure he sees every one of them.

Please consider sharing our post on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) to help spread the word about William (Bud) McDearman's 100th birthday!

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Bud McDearman tells "Sully" the VLB service dog, "I'm going to be 100 years old"  
About Bud McDearman

Bud was born in Hamby, Texas and served in the Navy from 1937-1950. He then served in the Air Force from 1950-1959 and retired as a Sr. Master Sergeant. His wife Millie passed away in December of 2015. He now lives in the Ussery-Roan Texas State Veterans Home in Amarillo, Texas.

The VLB Texas State Veterans Homes provide affordable, long-term care for Texas Veterans, their spouses and Gold Star parents. Conveniently located across Texas, each first-class facility is designed to enhance quality of life with a clean, caring and dignified setting appropriate to those men and women who have served our country with honor. Texas Land Commissioner George P. Bush serves as the Chairman of the Texas Veterans Land Board.