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Join Us For An Unaccompanied Veteran Burial At The Texas State Veterans Cemetery At Abilene

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ABILENE — On Friday, March 31st at 11:00 a.m. sharp, the <u>Texas State Veterans</u> <u>Cemetery At Abilene</u> will conduct an Unaccompanied Veteran Burial for U.S. Army Private Earnest McCloud. Born on September 20, 1945, Private McCloud served from July 1967 to May 1969. Private McCloud received the Purple Heart Medal with three Oak Clusters, the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal.

Private McCloud is not expected to have any next-of-kin attend his burial. Please help us spread the word and ensure that this U.S. Army Veteran is not buried alone. Members of the Abilene community are encouraged to attend.

Private McCloud will receive military honors. If no next-of-kin is present at the burial, a Veterans Land Board Representative will accept the United States flag on his behalf. The Texas Veterans Land Board works with the local communities and fellow Veterans service organizations to ensure that NO Veteran is EVER left behind.

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