

Corker	Heller	Risch
Cornyn	Hoeven	Roberts
Cotton	Inhofe	Rounds
Crapo	Isakson	Rubio
Cruz	Johnson	Sasse
Daines	Kennedy	Scott
Enzi	Lankford	Shelby
Ernst	Lee	Strange
Fischer	McConnell	Sullivan
Flake	Moran	Thune
Gardner	Murkowski	Tillis
Graham	Paul	Toomey
Grassley	Perdue	Wicker
Hatch	Portman	Young

NAYS—48

Baldwin	Gillibrand	Murray
Bennet	Harris	Nelson
Blumenthal	Hassan	Peters
Booker	Heinrich	Reed
Brown	Heitkamp	Sanders
Cantwell	Hirono	Schatz
Cardin	Kaine	Schumer
Carper	King	Shaheen
Casey	Klobuchar	Stabenow
Coons	Leahy	Tester
Cortez Masto	Manchin	Udall
Donnelly	Markey	Van Hollen
Duckworth	McCaskill	Warner
Durbin	Menendez	Warren
Feinstein	Merkley	Whitehouse
Franken	Murphy	Wyden

NOT VOTING—1

McCain

The VICE PRESIDENT. On this vote, the yeas are 51, the nays are 48.

The Senate recedes from its amendment and concurs in H.R. 1 with a further amendment.

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is passed. (Applause. Senators rising.)

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. CAPITO). The Senator from Wyoming.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. ENZI. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

TRIBUTE TO BILL DAUGHERTY

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, today I wish to congratulate Mr. Bill Daugherty of Lexington, KY, who was recently honored by Berea College with its distinguished alumnus award. Each year, the school recognizes notable alumni who have achieved success in their profession, contributed to the community, and have faithfully upheld Berea's mission. The college, founded in 1855 by abolitionists, fosters an educational institution that cultivates Christian values and challenges students to carry them into action in their community.

Raised on a cattle farm in Jackson County, KY, Bill graduated from Berea in 1976, and he used his degree in agriculture to succeed in the natural resource industry. Less than 10 years later, he founded his own small petroleum business. His company evolved and grew to focus on natural gas in the Appalachian region. After years of success, Bill and his business partner founded an independent oil exploration and production company.

Bill has served his community on the board of the Kentucky Energy Council,

Kentucky Oil and Gas Association, and the Independent Petroleum Association of America. He currently serves as the vice chairman of the Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission, which is tasked with helping States find environment-friendly ways to increase the supply of American energy.

Finally, Bill and his business partner founded a successful horse racing and breeding enterprise. His success in the natural gas industry was matched in the thoroughbred racing industry. In fact, Bill's own horse, California Chrome, won the Kentucky Derby in 2014.

The distinguished alumnus award is not only a recognition of significant accomplishment in the recipient's chosen profession, but it also serves as an inspiration to the current students at Berea College who are eager to make their own positive impact in the community. Bill and his wife, Zella, play active roles in the community by hosting events in support of the New Opportunity School for Women, an intensive 3-week program that offers coursework in job search skills, creative writing, and Appalachian literature. I want to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Bill for receiving this award and commending him on a successful career.

TRIBUTE TO CLARENCE FLOYD

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, today I would like to recognize the efforts of Clarence Floyd, a proud Korean war veteran, from Pulaski County, KY. At the age of 84, Clarence still works to serve his community, taking up a campaign to erect reserved-parking spaces for area veterans. These signs are a salute to the men and women who served our Nation in uniform.

As the honor guard commander of Somerset's American Legion Post 38, Clarence cares deeply about America's veterans. To arrange reserved-parking spaces for veterans, Clarence works with local businesses and the city of Somerset's street department. Then, he and his wife, Nancy, install the signs themselves. He says, "It takes me about 20 minutes to put up two signs."

To date, there are 10 locations with veterans-only parking throughout Pulaski County. Clarence is also working with other local businesses to install more in the near future. I would like to thank Clarence for his service to our country and to his fellow veterans, and I urge all of my colleagues to join me in doing so.

REMEMBERING LOHREN MARTIN

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, today I wish to remember the life of Lohren Martin, of Corbin, KY, who passed away on November 21, 2017, at the age of 87. A man of many talents, Lohren will be remembered most by those who loved him as a caring friend.

A veteran of the Korean war, Lohren worked in his community as an attor-

ney, a businessman, an entrepreneur, and a developer. Lohren's siblings and friends think of his humor, patriotism, and constant friendship.

Elaine and I would like to extend our condolences to Lohren's wife, Arvilla, his children Eddie and Cindy, and all who knew and loved him. His life left a lasting impression on all of those around him, and I hope that their fond memories of Lohren will bring comfort in this time of grief.

The Corbin Times-Tribune recently published an article on Lohren's life. I ask unanimous consent that a copy of the article be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

[From the Corbin Times-Tribune, Dec. 5, 2017]

LOHREN MARTIN REMEMBERED AS 'A GREAT FRIEND'

(By Angela Turner)

"The biggest thing I can tell you about Lohren Martin is how much he valued every individual," Shirley Chandler said about her brother.

Siblings often share a special bond and it was no different in the case of Shirley Chandler and her brother Lohren Martin. Martin, who was a local attorney, businessman, entrepreneur, developer, and Korean War Veteran (just to name a few), died on Nov. 21.

Growing up, Martin was the salutatorian of this high school class. He attended several colleges and universities including Sue Bennett College, Union College and the University of Kentucky.

According to Chandler, Martin's education was interrupted when he was drafted into the Korean War. After basic training he was selected to go into army intelligence. After training in army intelligence, he was sent to Korea to interpret aerial photographs. Chandler said while in Korea, Martin lived in a tent and was dedicated and focused on the task at hand.

"He was an awesome brother," Chandler said. "He was a great mentor, a great friend and confidant."

Martin's friends shared similar thoughts.

"He was a friend that would stick with you in good times and bad times," said Martin's friend and business partner Dave Huff. "He was very patriotic."

TRIBUTE TO JAMES RITCHIE

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, today I wish to pay tribute to James Ritchie, of Somerset, KY, a brave Kentuckian who was honored by his community on Veterans Day. He was the feature of a newspaper story in the Commonwealth Journal, which detailed his life and his honorable career in the military. The article was a community's effort to thank him for his service to our country.

In 1947, James decided to join our Nation's military. Seeking to enlist in the Navy, James walked in the wrong door and was convinced instead to join the marines. After his training, James was deployed to join the 1st Marine Division Air Wing in Pusan, Korea. However, the trip to Korea by way of San Diego proved treacherous when James' transport collided with a steamliner.

Once he made it to Korea, James was responsible for providing protection for

the Marine air base. Against North Korean and Chinese guerillas, he bravely faced the harsh realities of war. After his enlistment and an honorable discharge, he returned home. The same month, however, James felt the call to serve once again, this time in the Air Force. Eventually returning to Korea, he helped in the U.S. effort to transfer responsibilities to the South Koreans.

In 1961, James chose to retire from military and answered another call, this time to serve as a minister. With his wife, Wilma, James raised five children. I would like to take this opportunity to thank James for his military service to our country, and I urge my colleagues to join me.

Earlier this year the Commonwealth Journal published an article detailing Mr. Ritchie's service to our Nation. I ask unanimous consent that the article be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

[From the Commonwealth Journal,
November 11, 2017]

THE HEROIC LIFE OF A NOMADIC SOLDIER
(By Cline Calhoun)

During a somewhat nomadic life with his divorced mother, James Ritchie, born in Ellington, S.C., made it through high school in Alexandria, Va., as he jokingly says: "In the front door straight through the back door."

After three years in the seventh grade, he found himself turning 17 years old in the ninth grade. One day his basketball coach made him mad, so in 1947 he found himself in Washington D.C., looking for a military recruiter. He had his mind set on the Navy, but when he found the recruitment center, he stuck his head in the door of the Marine recruiter's office to ask direction to the Navy. The Marine recruiter said: "Come in here boy, I want to talk to you." He went in the door asking directions and came out the door a marine.

After eight weeks of basic training at Paris Island, S.C., he was off to Camp Lejeune, N.C. With its 14 miles of sea shore, it is perfect for training in unloading the troops and equipment of shore landing military units during invasions. That was the job of the unit James was assigned to: The Pioneer Battalion.

In 1948 James was reassigned to the 1st 90 mm AAA (Anti-Aircraft Artillery) Battalion USMC on the Pacific Island of Guam. No training here; OJT (on the job training) as a gunner. Near the end of his enlistment he was transferred back to Camp Lejeune. With an honorable discharge he was given inactive reserve status, subject to recall in case of war. Guess what? War. North Korea was help from China, invaded South Korea.

James says he hardly had time to get out of uniform before he found himself back in it. Discharged in February, called back in June. The entire reserve unit was called up and trained for duty in Korea, being attached to the 1st Marine Division Air Wing in Pusan, Korea. But first you have to get there. One Marine didn't, and several were seriously injured.

James' unit was on a troop train going from Camp Legume, N.C. to a port in San

Diego, CA. for transport to Korea. Following are excerpts from Associated Press and United Press:—"Lettsworth, La. (AP)—(UP) Aug. 1951—A New Orleans-bound streamliner and a troop train carrying 288 marines toward the Pacific collided head-on in a Louisiana swamp Friday and the Kansas City Southern railway reported at least eight dead and one missing. The crash happened about 7 a.m. (CST) on a double bend some miles northeast of Baton Rouge. Marines piled out of the wreckage and gave first aid to injured passengers of the New Orleans bound Southern Belle, as well as to their own. Rescue workers had to hack a road through the swamp to the wreck—most of the marines escaped because they were eating breakfast at the back of the train."

At that time, troop movements were classified, so when the news hit the wires, Camp Lejeune was swamped with concerned family members wanting to know the status of their sons, husbands, fathers and brothers. The uninjured marines finally boarded undamaged railcars and went on to port in San Diego to a troop ship taking them on to Korea. Because of the delay, the troop train was given priority clearance to California.

Upon arrival in Pusan, S. Korea, it was the job of the 1st 90 mm AAA Battalion to provide protection for the Marine Air Base located there. Their four artillery batteries with twelve 90 mm guns were stationed on the mountains approximately 40-50 miles from Pusan. Transport vehicles carrying ammunition, generator fuel and supplies were constantly subjected to sniper fire.

James said the primary concern for the troops were the constant attempts by North Korean and Chinese guerillas to invade their air defense locations. He said one of his scariest times was when off duty and the alarm goes off. He grabbed his rifle and ran to his fox hole, only to realize he forgot his ammunition. Fortunately, his comrades prevented a breach of the compound or he would have really found out what hand to hand combat was really like, because he wasn't about to run back to retrieve the ammunition!

After 5 months, the Marines wanted him to reenlist and he would get some quality time, maybe in Hawaii. Upon learning he would probably come right back to Korea, visions of home took front and center and James decided to go home.

He was honorably discharged in June of 1952 but found he still had the desire to serve his country, so in the same month, June 1952, he found himself at the Air Force recruiter in Alexandria, VA. But this time he didn't ask for directions from the Marine recruiter. The Air Force sent him to 6 months of training as a Petroleum Specialist and he was off to Ladd, AF Base, Alaska, fueling jets in 55 degrees below zero weather for two years.

In 1955 he was transferred to Kirkland AF Base in New Mexico, where, one year later guess what? Back to Korea. He served at Osan and Kunson Air Bases because the protection of South Korea was being turned over to the South Korean military and the P51 Mustang were being replaced by the F86 fighter jets.

James said that promotion through the ranks in the Air Force seemed to be more political than proficiency driven. So, in 1961 he decided against a military future, said goodbye to the Air Force, and once again headed home. Besides, he felt he had a greater calling as an independent minister of the gospel.

James met his wife Wilma in Albuquerque, New Mexico in 1955. After a whirlwind ro-

mance, they were married after only 7 days. Love at first sight does work—they were married for 60 years. James lost Wilma to cancer in 2014. They raised 3 boys and 2 girls. James is enjoying his golden years in his home just outside Somerset, KY.

For every infantry combat soldier, there are at least 10 others in the background supporting him with food, ammunition, fuel, air-artillery, communications, intelligence and armor cover. These are the unsung heroes we seldom hear about.

BUDGETARY REVISIONS

Mr. ENZI. Madam President, section 3003 of H. Con. Res. 71, the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018, allows the chairman of the Senate Budget Committee to revise the allocations, aggregates, and levels in the budget resolution for legislation considered under the resolution's reconciliation instructions.

I find that the conference report to accompany H.R. 1 fulfills the conditions found in section 3003 of H. Con. Res. 71. Accordingly, I am revising the allocations to the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and other enforceable budgetary levels to account for the budgetary effects of the amendment.

This adjustment supersedes the adjustment I previously made for S. Amdt. 1855 on December 1, 2017.

I ask unanimous consent that the accompanying tables, which provide details about the adjustment, be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

BUDGET AGGREGATES—BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAYS

(Pursuant to Section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and Section 3003 of H. Con. Res. 71, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2018)

	\$s in millions	2018
Current Aggregates:		
Spending:		
Budget Authority		3,089,061
Outlays		3,109,221
Adjustments:*		
Spending:		
Budget Authority		— 8,600
Outlays		— 8,600
Revised Aggregates:		
Spending:		
Budget Authority		3,080,461
Outlays		3,100,621

BUDGET AGGREGATE—REVENUES

(Pursuant to Section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and Section 3003 of H. Con. Res. 71, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2018)

	\$s in millions	2018	2018–2022	2018–2027
Current Aggregates:				
Revenue		2,640,939	14,509,252	32,671,567
Adjustments:				
Revenue		— 143,800	— 1,109,800	— 1,675,600
Revised Aggregates:				
Revenue		2,497,139	13,399,452	30,995,967