

A TRIBUTE TO SERGEANT
RICHARD "DICK" SULLIVAN, USMC

HON. DUNCAN HUNTER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 17, 2011

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a fellow United States Marine, Mr. Richard "Dick" Sullivan, who died at the age of 79 on Thursday, February 3, 2011, from complications of lung cancer. Mr. Sullivan was part of a generation of Marines that, still to this day, all Marines continue to uphold as some of the greatest ever to wear a uniform and call themselves leathernecks.

Mr. Sullivan grew up in Colorado Springs, CO, and enlisted in the Marine Corps at 17 years of age. Sergeant Sullivan bravely served his country as a machine gunner in the Korean War, alongside the other Marines of 1st Marine Division, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment, George Company. With George Company, Sergeant Sullivan fought in Seoul, Inchon, and the historic Battle of Chosin Reservoir—where Marines faced incredible odds and demonstrated amazing tenacity and grit against a formidable enemy.

Just like many of the Marines that survived the Chosin Reservoir campaign, Mr. Sullivan considers those 17 days of fighting as the most important days of his service to the nation. In the period between November 27th and December 13, 1950, the United National troops, which were nicknamed the Chosin Few under the command of Major General Edward Almond, were surrounded by as many as 100,000 Chinese troops.

Fighting in extremely cold temperatures that reached -35 degrees below Fahrenheit, Sergeant Sullivan engaged the enemy on frozen ground and persevered through frostbite, limited supplies and weapon malfunctions. The military historian Patrick K. O'Donnell highlights the valor of George Company in his book "Give Me Tomorrow," by detailing how a small group of Marines, against all odds, made five separate stands against enemy units despite being severely outnumbered.

During a critical point in combat, George Company put together a task force to break through to Haguaru-ri. George Company went down an 11-mile stretch of road, which became a shooting gallery. The Chinese had the high ground and started peppering vehicles with machine guns, bazookas and mortars. Many of their 150 vehicles were destroyed and over half the company was either captured or killed.

Mr. Donnell states in his book that if the task force would not have taken the initiative to advance their position to Haguaru-ri, then the 1st Marine Division would not have been able to consolidate at Chosin Reservoir. There is a good chance the United States would have lost the Korean War.

Thanks to George Company, the 1st Marine Division did consolidate their forces and managed to decimate 10 Chinese infantry divisions in its fighting withdrawal eastward to the North Korean port of Hungnam. The fighting withdrawal of the 1st Marine Division from the Chosin Reservoir is considered one of the greatest moments in the history of the Navy, the Marine Corps and the British Royal Marines.

Mr. Sullivan was honorably discharged from the United States Marine Corps on August 1, 1952.

Over the next four decades, Mr. Sullivan worked for Ronson Hydraulic Units and Sargent Aerospace. After retirement, Mr. Sullivan was very active in Arizona's Leisure World. He renewed his love of golf playing at Heron Lakes with the men's club on Mondays, the Donut League on Wednesdays, with friends on Thursdays at the Nine Hole, and always played on Saturdays. In the final year of his life, chemotherapy treatments never kept him from indulging in his favorite sport of golf. Even while he served on Leisure World's Architectural Committee for a number of years, his heart was always with other Marines who lived in Leisure World. He was instrumental in keeping the celebration of the United States Marine Corps birthday on November 10th by being involved with an annual dinner, a welcome back party in September and a barbeque at the close of the season in April.

Although he only spent four years in the Marine Corps, his mind and body were always with the United States Marines. He was proud of the fact that wherever he went, he would always meet up with another Marine, giving and receiving the recognizable hello of those who served in the Corps. He is survived by his wife, Sydele E. Milgrim and his sons Rick Sullivan of Mesa, AZ and Stuart Sullivan of Redmond, WA.

Mr. Sullivan is truly an inspiration, embodying the honor and tradition of the Marine Corps and its motto of *Semper Fidelis*. And I ask that my colleagues join me in paying tribute to such a fine American, who we all owe a debt of gratitude.

**ANNA MAE RAEL-LINDSAY
TRIBUTE**

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

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Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, it is important for me to stand in tribute and praise the ongoing educational career of Anna Mae Rael-Lindsay. Mrs. Rael-Lindsay continues to enlighten and enrich the lives of others through her relentless dedication to her students, Trinidad State Junior College, and southern Colorado.

Anna Mae Rael-Lindsay was born and raised in the San Luis Valley, and her large tightly knit family put a premium on education and hard work. After graduating from Adams State College, Mrs. Rael-Lindsay started in Rocky Ford Public Schools, and never looked back from there. Never losing sight of her roots, it was not long before Mrs. Rael-Lindsay was back in the San Luis Valley, teaching at the Trinidad State Junior College's Alamosa Campus. Anna Mae Rael-Lindsay is now the director of the learning resource center at TSJC's Alamosa Campus, which specializes in adult basic education, general education development tests, and English as a second language classes. This allows her the chance to stress the importance of a complete education to countless students who might not otherwise understand all the opportunities that a degree provides. For her decades of hard work, Anna Mae Rael-Lindsay has rightfully earned the honor of Trinidad State's Employee of the Year.

Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Rael-Lindsay is an inspirational educator who has dedicated her professional life to improving the lives of those around her, and the livelihood of her community. It has been an honor to rise in tribute to the scholarly career of Anna Mae Rael-Lindsay.

HONORING DR. ELNORA HAMB, DR.
BARBARA SHAW, DR. JAMESINA
EVANS

HON. DONNA M. CHRISTENSEN

OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

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Mrs. CHRISTENSEN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the work and legacy of three phenomenal women for their service to the organizations that they serve and their efforts to eliminate health disparities in their communities. Dr. Elnora Hamb, International President of the Women's Missionary Council, The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church (CME); Dr. Barbara Shaw, International President of the Women's Home and Overseas Missionary Society, The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church (AMEZ); and Dr. Jamesina Evans, International President, Women's Missionary Society, The African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME) simultaneously served in their respective roles for eight years and collectively served over seven million members worldwide—including members in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

These women and their respective organizations serve as examples of how community champions are helping our country to achieve health equity. Seeing the deleterious effect of health conditions such as HIV and cervical cancer on their congregants, these women took unprecedented action to help eliminate health disparities in their community. As a result of the transformative leadership of these women, each organization entered into an innovative partnership with the Balm in Gilead, Inc. to address the health concerns of black women, focusing attention on issues disproportionately impacting the community, and developing the organizational capacity of each denomination to utilize its existing structures to deliver HIV services and other programs addressing health disparities that have long disproportionately affected African American communities. This partnership represents the first time that any black church denomination has partnered with a national technical assistance organization to implement and deliver public health strategies to the African American community.

The leadership of these phenomenal women has resulted in thousands of women and men receiving education and interventions in areas of HIV/AIDS, cervical cancer, and other health disparities. For example, each Missionary Society has established an office of a National Health Director whose purpose is to coordinate health promotion and disease prevention throughout the denomination. Further each Missionary Society has utilized their information organs to distribute critical information on HIV, cervical cancer, and other health issues which has reached readers worldwide. Additionally, each Missionary Society offers HIV testing and workshops on-site at their annual leadership trainings and many of their affiliated