



# Shelby Energy Cooperative

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## From the CEO

# Give thanks for our veterans

November is both a month of thanksgiving and a time for recognizing those among us who have put on a uniform in service to our nation. Here at Shelby Energy, we count veterans and active duty military among those for whom we give thanks every day.

There are more than 34,500 men and women in uniform stationed in Kentucky. The commonwealth ranks 12th in the nation for having the most active duty military and reservists living and working within its borders.

According to the Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs, there are also 304,000 residents of the commonwealth who previously served in the armed forces. They range from those who fought overseas in World War II to individuals who have worn uniforms in more recent years.

On Nov. 11, Veterans Day, Shelby Energy will give particular thanks for Mr. Barry Leigey of Smithfield and Mr. Larry Simpson of Lawrenceburg who we sponsored for the Honor Flight in September. They were among the Kentucky veterans from World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War who flew to Washington, D.C., for a one-day tour of memorials dedicated to their service and sacrifices.

We are thankful for all 68 of the veterans who made the trip. The 2018 contingent included 97-year old Henry Howard Smith



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of Flemingsburg and 96-year-old Frank Zupan of Frenchburg, who are among the oldest WWII veterans living in Kentucky. Army veteran Zupan was awarded the Silver Star, Bronze Star and Purple Heart for valor in combat.

Veterans Day also has another important meaning to your cooperative. Years ago, while Shelby Energy was still taking root in the communities we serve, World War II veterans were often among the first in their communities to sign up for a membership. Some became leaders within the co-op as well. Their influence is ongoing as the cooperative reflects their values of making service to people and

community the top priority.

As you gather with family and friends this holiday season, please join your electric cooperative in saying a prayer of gratitude for every man and woman who has put on an armed forces uniform.

Happy Thanksgiving to all.



Debra J. Martin  
President & CEO  
Shelby Energy  
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a bill credit on their next statement.

The new member survey winner for August 2018  
is Dianna Hendrix from Louisville, KY.



# Shelby Energy Sponsor

Mr. Barry Leigey of Smithfield and Mr. Larry Simpson of Lawrenceburg were among the war veterans traveling from Lexington to Washington, D.C., on Saturday, Sept. 22, as part of this year's Honor Flight. Leigey and Simpson joined other Kentucky veterans from World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War for a one-day tour of memorials that are dedicated to their service and sacrifices.

Leigey, a 70-year-old Vietnam veteran, and Simpson, a 67-year-old Vietnam veteran, represented Shelby Energy, which sponsored the all-expense-paid trip. Mr. Leigey served in the Marines as a corporal in the 0311 Infantry. Mr. Simpson served in the Navy where he was an E-4 and served on the USS Racine 1191, Newport class Landing Ship-Tank, including two rotations in Vietnam.

"It's an honor for us to sponsor both Mr. Leigey and Mr. Simpson and the other heroes from Kentucky,"



Mr. Barry Leigey

says Debbie Martin, Shelby Energy President & CEO. "This trip is a small thanks for their big sacrifices. We owe them so much for the freedoms we enjoy."

This is the eighth year Shelby Energy and Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives have sponsored





# sors the 2018 Honor Flight

Photos: Tim Webb



Mr. Larry Simpson

Honor Flight. The 2018 contingent includes 97-year-old Henry Howard Smith of Flemingsburg and 96-year-old Frank Zupan of Frenchburg, who are among the oldest WWII veterans living in Kentucky.

Around 6,400 WWII veterans, most in their late 80s and 90s, call



## HONOR FLIGHT KENTUCKY

Kentucky home. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs estimates that 362 WWII vets die each day, which makes every Honor Flight a race against time.

“We want our veterans to have the opportunity to see the memorials erected in their honor, while they still can,” says Martin. Honor Flight Kentucky is actively recruiting eastern Kentucky veterans, especially those with birthdays in the 1920s, to make future trips.

Sixty-eight veterans made this year’s trip. Mr. Leigey and Mr. Simpson joined fellow heroes such as Zupan,

an Army machine gunner who earned both the Silver Star and Bronze Star medals and a Purple Heart while fighting in the Pacific Theater.

Also on the trip were:

- National Guard veteran Roy Bowling, who is best known for his record-setting winning streak as the girls’ basketball coach at Laurel County High School.
- Nicholasville’s Joyce Reeves, a Korean War veteran who is one of two female veterans in this group.
- John Garry Garcia of Lexington, a veteran of three wars — WWII, Korean and Vietnam.

The veterans flew from Lexington’s Blue Grass Airport to Reagan National Airport in Washington, D.C., where they boarded buses for a full day of honors and sightseeing.

The day included viewing the changing of the guard ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery. Honor Flight representatives participated in a wreath-laying service at the tomb.

Capping off the day was a homecoming celebration to further honor the veterans. It is a highlight of the day, say some former Honor Flight participants.

“They treated us like kings,” Albert Antle, Jamestown, says of last year’s flight. Antle is a WWII veteran who experienced no fanfare when he returned home from war.

“That place just roared,” Korean War veteran Alfred Ahrens, of Paris, recalls about the enthusiastic greeting Honor Flight participants received last year. “It was the best welcome home I ever had.”



# Savor an energy-efficient Thanksgiving feast

Make this year's Thanksgiving your most energy-wise ever. Enlist the whole family—even those visiting just for the holiday—to come up with energy-saving ideas.

Along with your invitation to family and friends, ask everyone to bring more than a side dish. Instruct them to come prepared to share their favorite ways to save energy and reduce their monthly electric bills. After dinner, go around the table and have each person share a favorite tip.

Save your own ideas for last. Here's a cheat sheet to help you show off:

- Turn down the thermostat. With a full house and a hot kitchen, your house will be too steamy at its usual setting.
- Replace your lightbulbs with LEDs and new LED fixtures. Your guests won't notice a difference in lighting, but you'll see a difference in your energy bill.
- Don't just stuff the turkey—stuff the oven. As long as your oven will be running all day, make the most of it by cooking several dishes at once. A variation of 25 degrees in either



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direction from the recommended cooking temperature will still produce the desired result.

- Keep cleanup easy. Load the dishwasher completely full. With a mountain of dinner plates, using the dishwasher will be more efficient than hand washing.

- Cook at least one dish from start to finish in the microwave. Microwaves are faster than the oven and use about one third the electricity.
- Don't rush to put leftovers in the refrigerator, which will work harder to cool off hot foods. Let leftovers cool slightly on the counter.



Shelby Energy's offices will be closed on November 22 and 23 in observance of Thanksgiving. If you experience an outage, please call (800) 292-6585. We hope you have a safe and happy holiday!

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