



Paying our respects to local heroes

Shelby Energy sponsors veterans for Honor Flight

As Harold Frazier was leaving Vietnam to return home to Eminence, James Frazier was just settling in. James made a phone call to his cousin when he arrived at Cam Rahn Air Base after learning that Harold's time in Vietnam was through.

The cousins both served in the Army and took on different roles in the Vietnam War. James Frazier, of Shelbyville, was a helicopter pilot in the 176th Assault Helicopter Company and Harold Frazier was a military police officer in the Central Highlands region of the country.

They were met with different challenges, but they share similar stories and experiences from their time in Vietnam. They agree, there were bad times, but there were good ones, too, and plenty of good people.

Like many others that returned, the pair felt blessed to have made it back to their families. Both men recall fellow soldiers that were not so fortunate, whose names they will search for when they visit the Vietnam Veterans Memorial as part of the 2019 Honor Flight sponsored by Shelby Energy and Kentucky's Touchstone Energy Cooperatives. "I don't deserve to be here, but I'm glad I am," says James. "I just kept thinking that my mom would not be happy if something happened to me."

James and Harold, along with their sons, Brent and Chip, and other veterans from across the state, will board a plane on the morning of September 21

and spend the day visiting the monuments in Washington, D.C., that were created in their honor.

Shelby Energy has sponsored veterans to take the Honor Flight for the past four years through the Honor Flight Kentucky organization.

Shelby Energy employees, family and friends of the Fraziers, and many others, will gather that evening to give them a welcome home celebration, one they did not receive when returning from the controversial war.

The men are excited to be taking the trip and to have their sons experience it with them. When asked how they felt about taking the flight, James says, "I've never been afraid to fly, and I won't even require a parachute."

We are proud to sponsor these brave men and we hope you will join us on September 21 at 7:30 pm to welcome them home again! It has been an honor to get to know them and learn of their experiences in Vietnam.

Shelby Energy has served the family farms of the Fraziers for many years and we hope that this Honor



MELANIE MORROW

Flight shows our appreciation to them. We are grateful to all veterans who have served and sacrificed and they deserve all of the respect we can give. Visit HonorFlightKY.org to learn more.



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and a lucky Shelby Energy member receives
a bill credit on their next statement.

**The new member survey winner for June is
David Meadows of Carrollton.**



Your Safety Matters

Respect electricity when using kitchen appliances

In today’s home kitchens, families rely on electrical appliances like Instant Pots and air fryers to make meal preparation and clean-up quick and easy.

Please remember to use caution when using the electricity that powers your appliances. Injuries and fatalities can be prevented by avoiding common safety hazards.

■ Many people suffer electrical shock each year from inserting metal objects into a toaster or other electrical appliance to pull out jammed bread or clean the appliance. To be safe, always unplug the appliance before doing any maintenance or retrieving food.

■ Garbage disposals aren’t often considered appliances, more like tools in your kitchen. However, your garbage disposal runs on electricity and you should be sure to turn off the power source before retrieving anything that may have become lodged or accidentally dropped into the drain.



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■ Because electricity and water are a dangerous combination, operate electrical appliances away from the sink and always dry your hands to plug and unplug the power cords. Keep a hand towel close by as it is never safe to touch electrical appliances with wet hands.

THIS HARVEST, FOCUS ON SAFETY

The risk of electrocution on farms is common due to heavy equipment coming in close contact with overhead lines.

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That’s why it’s important to know how to be safe this harvest. If you’re inside the machinery when coming in contact with a power line...

- If you can, drive safely away from the downed line and the source of electricity. Travel at least three tractor lengths before stopping.
- If you can’t drive or are injured, stay where you are until help arrives.
- If you must get out of the machinery (for example, if it is on fire), don’t touch the machinery and the ground at the same time.
- Jump out and away from the machinery, taking care to land with your feet together and touching.
- Shuffle away with your feet touching. Don’t stop until you are at least three tractor lengths away from machinery.
- Call 911 and ensure no one goes within 40 feet of machinery.

CHRIS HAYES

Manage back-to-school energy surge

Even though the kids are out of the house during the day now that school is back in session, you could still see a bump in your energy bills.

As the school year begins, busy students will be using the family computer more to do research and complete assignments. Shorter days mean lights go on earlier in the evenings and with everyone up early, the lights come on before the sun comes up.

Manage your school year electricity usage. Here are some tips to conserve energy as your kids head back to class:

■ **Teach them.** Explain the importance of powering down at night. Teach the kids to put their electronics in sleep mode, which uses about 80% less energy than when they are operating at full power.


■ **Do your homework.** If you're in the market for a new computer, look for the ENERGY STAR logo. Research your options. ENERGY STAR computers tend to use around

70% less electricity and ENERGY STAR monitors could draw around 90% less.

■ **Get focused.** Desk lamps and other task-concentrated lighting create a productive work space without wasting excess energy.


Turn off those overhead lights. Make sure to replace halogen or incandescent lights with LED bulbs, which fit most fixtures and produce less heat while using less electricity.

■ **Plan ahead.** The school year can be busy and family dinners might seem like a fantasy. Go ahead and save yourself some trouble. Safely pack your oven or electric cooking appliances with your meals for the week. You'll have more time to relax in the evenings and you'll only need to turn your oven on once!




Cost and Distance

\$10
IN FUEL



350 Mi.



140 Mi.

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The graphic features a close-up of a white electric vehicle's charging port with a green charging cable plugged in. To the right, text and icons compare the cost and range of an electric vehicle (EV) versus a gas vehicle. The EV costs \$10 in fuel for 350 miles, while a gas vehicle costs \$10 for 140 miles. The 'chargekentucky' logo is at the bottom.

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BILLY MOORE



Shelby Energy's office will be closed on Monday, September 2, in observance of Labor Day.

MYIMAGINE

A photograph of an elderly person's hand resting on a dark wall covered in names. To the right is a logo for Honor Flight Kentucky featuring a map of Kentucky with an American flag design.

HONOR FLIGHT KENTUCKY

Join us Sept. 21st at 7:30 p.m. for the Welcome Home Celebration at Lexington's Blue Grass Airport.