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University of Florida Association of Military Alumni newsletter for Gator veterans and UF military-affiliated alumni

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Register now! Only 3 Weeks Until Military Reunion Weekend

Seats are going fast so **register here** for all or some of the **University of Florida Military Reunion Weekend** events at Emerson Alumni Hall, across from The Swamp:

- **Friday, Nov. 6:** Cocktail Hour kicks off at 5:30 p.m. and the Gator Military Awards Dinner & Ceremony starts at 6:30 p.m. We'll celebrate the outstanding achievements of our military-affiliated alumni as we honor the 2026 award recipients and induct a new member into the UF Association of Military Alumni Hall of Fame. U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff (and Gator grad) Gen. Ken Wilsbach will be our guest speaker. *Recommended attire: Business casual.*
- **Saturday, Nov. 7:** The Gator Nation Tailgate will include Mojo's Bar-B-Que, networking, giveaways and festivities before cheering on the Gators as they take on the University of Oklahoma for the “Saluting Those Who Serve” football game. *Attire: Cool and casual.*

FL-GA Game Tailgate Option

If you are planning to be in Atlanta for the Oct. 31 Florida-Georgia showdown – one of college football's most storied rivalries – consider popping into Gator Nation's gameday HQ: **noon-3 p.m. at Wild Leap-Atlanta.**

Up for helping out? Planners are expecting about 1,200 guests, so they'll definitely need extra hands for check in, line management and greeters.

Sign up here and you'll be first in line to enjoy live music, networking and free food and beverages before the 3:30 p.m. game!

On The Radar: Scholarship Application Deadline

Get ready to submit applications for the Maj. Alan Rogers Memorial Scholarship and help a current Gator undergrad or incoming freshman.

The winner will be selected based on a 2-page essay (approximately 500 words) addressing a selection committee-approved topic. Additional details on topic and submission deadline will be provided in the near future.

In 2025, UFAMA forged a partnership with the Association of Black Alumni and Association of LGBTQ+ Alumni to establish this scholarship to honor the memory of Maj. Rogers (a Florida grad who was killed in Iraq in 2008), share his inspirational story and support a new generation of Gators.

Contact scholarships@gatormilitary.org with any questions.

Know of any Gators who are lifting up those around them?

Know any military-affiliated alumni who are making waves in their community, workplace or industry? Send a note to contact@gatormilitary.org and the Gator Recon staff will handle the rest.

We're always looking to highlight the unsung heroes in our ranks!

Happy Birthday, U.S. Navy!

UFAMA extends birthday wishes to the U.S. Navy, which celebrated its 251st anniversary on Oct. 13.

To every member of the Gator Nation who has worn the Navy uniform, supported its mission, or stood beside those who serve, thank you for standing a ceaseless and proud watch and safeguarding our nation’s interests across the globe!

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