



Subject: Armed Forces Day & Blue Star Salute

Dear Valued Supporter,

The Blue Star Salute Foundation Inc. and the South Alabama Veterans Council, with the support of the City of Mobile and The USS ALABAMA Battleship Memorial Park, will hold Alabama's 18th Annual Blue Star Salute Celebration on Saturday, May 20, 2023, Armed Forces Day, at the USS ALABAMA Memorial Park, 2703 Battleship Memorial Parkway. This will be the eighth year that Mobile has hosted the state-wide celebration.

The Armed Forces Day and Blue Star Salute events will honor those who serve, have served, and those who have fallen in military service. *Special recognition will be given to the families of all those who have lost their lives in military service since 9/11/2001.* Events will begin at 7:00 a.m. with a Memorial to the Alabama Fallen, followed by a 5K Memorial Run and 1K Walk honoring those Fallen Heroes.

Following the run, there will be a concert by the 151st Alabama National Guard Band, the Presentation of Colors by Buffalo Soldier re-enactors on horseback, a parachute performance by the Silver Wings Parachute Team from Ft. Benning, GA, and more. There will be displays of military hardware with aircraft, USCG boats and other displays by military organizations, and a vendor marketplace for the visitors to explore and learn about various products and services available. Follow the link to view the AFD/BSS video: <https://youtu.be/IC9nDrZsu5U>

The celebration and events are free and open to the public.

We seek your help in sponsorship donations, financial or with in-kind donations. If you are interested in being a sponsor please contact:

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We encourage you to go to <http://www.armedforcesdaymobile.com> to learn more about our levels of sponsorship, the run event, registration and schedule. We need your help to make it happen for our military heroes and the community.

Thank you for your consideration of our request of support and sponsorship.

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