

Tragically, Cline was killed in a plane crash in Tennessee in 1963 at the age of 30. She was buried in Shenandoah Memorial Park outside of Winchester, where a bell tower was built in her memory.

In 1973, she became the first female solo artist to be inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame. Cline's childhood home in Winchester was designated as a historic place in 2011 and has drawn visitors from around the world.

Naming a post office for Patsy Cline is a way we can honor her substantial artistic and cultural contributions to our Nation.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage all of my colleagues to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. LATURNER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this bill to name a post office in Winchester, Virginia, after Patsy Cline.

Patsy began singing and performing at events in the Winchester area from a young age. Her childhood home in Winchester was designated as a historic place in 2011 and draws visitors from around the world.

This post office would further honor the memory of her. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as she may consume to the distinguished gentlewoman from Virginia (Ms. WEXTON), who is the cochair of the Congressional Agritourism Caucus.

Ms. WEXTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of my legislation, H.R. 1444, to rename the Winchester, Virginia, post office in honor of country music legend and proud daughter of Virginia, Patsy Cline.

In January 1957, Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts introduced their live television audience to Patsy Cline, from Winchester, Virginia, and launched her to stardom after her winning performance of "Walkin' After Midnight."

Virginia Patterson Hensley was born in Winchester in my home district in 1932. She spent her childhood years there growing up in the beautiful northern Shenandoah Valley. It was also where she discovered her dream of becoming a singer.

The only thing that matched Patsy Cline's talent was her determination. From the local Winchester radio station to the Grand Ole Opry, she sought out opportunities to showcase her abilities in bold ways—writing letters, approaching other singers backstage, and even showing up at a studio waiting room to request an audition.

That talent and determination took Patsy Cline to places no woman country music singer had gone before. Patsy Cline was the first female solo artist to become a member of the Grand Ole Opry in 1960 and the first female solo artist to be inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1973.

CMT has ranked Patsy Cline as the number one greatest woman in country music history. She continues to inspire generations of future artists.

Her tragic and untimely death in 1963 took Patsy Cline away from us too soon. But her trailblazing legacy and her music live on.

Mr. Speaker, it is important to me that among the many great and well-deserved honors this American icon has received, she should be forever remembered in her hometown of Winchester, Virginia.

I am proud to sponsor this legislation to rename the post office along Winchester's pedestrian walking mall after Patsy Cline.

Her legacy is still very much felt in her hometown. The Patsy Cline Historic House, where she lived from 1948 to 1953, is in the National Register of Historic Places and the Virginia Landmarks Register and remains a popular tourist attraction in the Winchester area. Patsy Cline's final resting place is just a few miles south of the house, in Shenandoah Memorial Park, where a bell tower was built in her memory in the 1980s.

Renaming this post office will serve as further acknowledgement of Patsy Cline's legacy in the Winchester community and of Winchester's influence on Patsy Cline.

The support this bill has received from across our great Commonwealth shows the enduring legacy of Patsy Cline and the popularity she still holds. Nearly 60 years after her death, people still "fall to pieces" over her music, and this bill proves that we are still "crazy" about her.

Mr. LATURNER. Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers, and I am prepared to close.

Mr. Speaker, I support this bill. I also heard a rumor that the chairwoman of the committee will be singing a Patsy Cline song in her closing.

Mr. Speaker, I support this bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I urge passage of H.R. 1444. I will not be singing, but I love her music, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1444.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ROBERT S. MCKEITHEN POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3175) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 135

Main Street in Biloxi, Mississippi, as the "Robert S. McKeithen Post Office Building".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3175

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. ROBERT S. MCKEITHEN POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 135 Main Street in Biloxi, Mississippi, shall be known and designated as the "Robert S. McKeithen Post Office Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Robert S. McKeithen Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY) and the gentleman from Kansas (Mr. LATURNER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on this measure.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 3175 to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 135 Main Street in Biloxi, Mississippi, as the Robert S. McKeithen Post Office Building.

Robert McKeithen was born on March 22, 1961, and graduated college from the University of Mississippi. After college he served in the U.S. Air Force with distinction, earning the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Air Force Achievement Medal.

After his service in the Air Force, he joined the Biloxi, Mississippi Police Department where he served 24 years. He was one of 13 officers to earn the Medal of Valor for rescue efforts in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

Unfortunately, his life was cut short when he was shot and killed on Sunday, May 5, 2019.

Officer McKeithen was a dedicated servant of his country and community and a dedicated husband and father to four children.

Mr. Speaker, naming this post office in his honor is a fitting way to remember this dedicated officer. I encourage all of my colleagues to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. LATURNER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this bill which would name a post office in Biloxi, Mississippi for Robert Stanton McKeithen.

After graduating from the University of Mississippi, McKeithen enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. Following his military service, he became a police officer in Biloxi. He was one of 13 Biloxi police officers to earn the Medal of Valor for his rescue efforts following Hurricane Katrina.

Sadly, after 24 years of service as a police officer, he was shot and killed in the line of duty on May 5, 2019. He was only months away from retirement. He left behind his wife, a daughter, two stepsons, and one stepdaughter.

As a law enforcement officer, Robert McKeithen served his community with honor, and I support naming a post office in his memory.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. PALAZZO).

Mr. PALAZZO. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank my colleague for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 3175 which will designate the post office located at 135 Main Street in Biloxi, Mississippi as the Robert S. McKeithen Post Office Building.

Robert McKeithen began his career in service to this great Nation and ended it in service to south Mississippi.

Officer McKeithen graduated from the University of Mississippi and went on to serve in the U.S. Air Force where he earned the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, and the Air Force Achievement Medal. He retired from the Air Force as a tech sergeant.

After his service in the Air Force, McKeithen became an officer and worked at the Biloxi Police Department for 24 years. A testament to his selfless nature, Robert was one of 13 officers in the department honored with the Medal of Valor for his rescue efforts in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

I am inspired by his spirit of service and strength of character. A great man and officer was taken too soon, but he will never be forgotten.

Officer Robert McKeithen's end of watch was in Biloxi on May 5, 2019, but this post office renaming will provide for a daily reminder of his dedication and love for his community and our love and respect for law enforcement.

I thank the McKeithen family—to include his wife, Pamela McKeithen; his children, Amy, Levi, Natalie, Logan, Lillian, and Lauren; his grandchildren, Delmas and Kaiden; his sisters, Melissa and Kathryn; and his brother, William—for allowing me the honor and privilege to introduce this piece of legislation in Robert's memory.

Mr. Speaker, I urge all my colleagues to support H.R. 3175.

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman from Kansas has no further speakers I am prepared to close, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. LATURNER. Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers, and I am prepared to close.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to support this bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I urge passage of H.R. 3175, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3175.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CAPTAIN EMIL J. KAPAUN POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2044) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 17 East Main Street in Herington, Kansas, as the "Captain Emil J. Kapaun Post Office Building".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 2044

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. CAPTAIN EMIL J. KAPAUN POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 17 East Main Street in Herington, Kansas, shall be known and designated as the "Captain Emil J. Kapaun Post Office Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Captain Emil J. Kapaun Post Office Building".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY) and the gentleman from Kansas (Mr. LATURNER) each will control 20 minutes.

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GENERAL LEAVE

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on this measure.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 2044 to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 17 East Main Street in

Herington, Kansas, as the Captain Emil J. Kapaun Post Office Building.

Captain Kapaun was born in the rural farming community of Pilsen, Kansas, on April 20, 1915.

He first studied classics and philosophy at Conception College in Missouri, and then attended Kenrick Theological Seminary in St. Louis. In 1940 he was ordained a Catholic priest and appointed an auxiliary chaplain in the U.S. Army in 1943.

During his time in the Army Chaplain Corps, he served American troops in the Burma and India theaters until the end of World War II. In 1948 he re-enlisted in the Army Chaplain Corps and was mobilized in support of the Korean conflict in 1950. He was taken captive by Chinese forces on November 2, 1950, during the Battle of Unsan, after repeatedly coming under fire to rescue wounded soldiers.

During his captivity, he rejected multiple opportunities for escape, instead remaining a POW providing physical and spiritual support to other POWs. On May 23, 1951, Chaplain Kapaun died of illness and maltreatment.

In 1993, Pope John Paul II declared Chaplain Kapaun to be a Servant of God, the first step on the path towards canonization in the Catholic Church.

In 2013, President Obama posthumously awarded Chaplain Kapaun the Medal of Honor for his service to our Nation.

Naming a post office for Chaplain Kapaun is one more way we can ensure that his deeds are not forgotten. I encourage all of my colleagues to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. LATURNER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this bill which would name a Kansas post office after Captain Emil Kapaun, an Army chaplain during World War II.

Captain Kapaun was an ordained Catholic priest and later served as an auxiliary chaplain in the U.S. Army where he ministered to American troops in the Burma and India theaters during World War II.

In 1950 he was mobilized to support the Korean conflict and was captured by Chinese forces during the Battle of Unsan. As a POW he helped find food, cared for the sick, and led prayers and spiritual services for the other POWs. He died of illness and maltreatment on May 23, 1951.

In 1993 Pope John Paul II declared Captain Kapaun to be a Servant of God, and he was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor by President Obama in 2013.

I want to thank my colleague and fellow Kansan, Congressman TRACEY MANN, for all his work on this project. Naming a post office after Captain Kapaun is a small way we can honor this patriot and son of Kansas for his service to our Nation. I might add that, as a Kansan, I am very proud of this, but as a Catholic, as well. We hope that it is soon Saint Kapaun.