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The American Legion Mourns Passing of Walter Mondale

(INDIANAPOLIS—April 20, 2021) – American Legion National Commander James W. “Bill” Oxford issued the following statement today concerning the passing of former Vice President Walter F. Mondale:

“America lost a distinguished statesman and a respected public servant. Vice President Mondale was an Army veteran and a Legionnaire. He was admired by many for the civility and grace that he brought to politics. Our condolences to his family and those who knew him best in his home state of Minnesota.”

As a presidential candidate in 1984, Mondale addressed delegates at the 66th National Convention of The American Legion. “I say that when it comes to our nation’s security, there are no Democrats or Republicans or Independents, only Americans,” he told The American Legion.

About The American Legion

[The American Legion](http://www.legion.org), the nation’s largest veterans organization, is dedicated to the motto of “Veterans Strengthening America.” Chartered by Congress in 1919, The American Legion is committed to mentoring youth and sponsoring wholesome community programs, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting a strong national security and continued devotion to servicemembers and veterans. Nearly 2 million members in more than 12,600 posts across the nation and regions overseas serve their communities with a devotion to mutual helpfulness.