

— MEDIA ALERT —

Lutheran Community at Telford Resident Veteran Celebrates 100 Years, Honored by Congress

WHAT: Lutheran Community at Telford (LCT) resident **Guido P. DiFrancesco** turned 100 years of age on Tuesday, December 17, 2024. His immediate family, led by daughter Carol Opdyke, has organized a community-wide birthday party on campus to honor and celebrate their loved one at this milestone. DiFrancesco resides in the Healthcare/Skilled Nursing level of the community's full [continuum of care](#). Congressman Brian K. Fitzpatrick (R-PA 1st district) has issued a Congressional record (E1294) in DiFrancesco's honor. The congressman and/or an aid/representative from his office will be in attendance of the community celebration to specially present him with the congressional record as well as a flag that was flown over the nation's capital. Legion Air Riders from the Souderton American Legion, Post 234, will also join the event in recognition of DiFrancesco. LCT's in-house Culinary Department led by Asst. Director Kimberly Jacobs, will provide catering of a full spread for the event.

WHO:

- Guido P. DiFrancesco, 100 y.o. Healthcare Resident of Lutheran Community at Telford
- Family members of Guido DiFrancesco, including daughter & event host Carol Opdyke
- Resident neighbors and friends of Guido DiFrancesco
- Senior leadership & staff of Lutheran Community at Telford/ Grace Inspired Living

WHEN: Sunday, December 22, 2024 – 1:00 to 4:00 PM (Congressional visit from 1-2 PM)

WHERE: Auditorium, Center for Community Life, Lutheran Community at Telford – 12 Lutheran Home Drive, Telford, PA 18969

WHY: Guido DiFrancesco is a cherished resident of LCT and a U.S. Army Veteran who fought in WWII, including the Battle of Normandy. He recently earned his high school diploma, at age 93.

PHOTO & VIDEO OPPORTUNITIES: Nat sound to include resident(s) and veteran(s) meeting elected official(s), public statements (speeches) made by family members of the guest of honor, event attendees offering well wishes and collectively singing the birthday song.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Lutheran Community at Telford, and The Community at Rockhill in Sellersville, PA, are owned and operated by Grace Inspired Living (graceinspiredliving.org), a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) f.k.a. Grace Inspired Ministries. 'Extension of Remarks' from the official record recognizing Guido DiFrancesco within the U.S. Congress, including an extensive biography of the constituent, can be found online at Congress.gov (PDF).

INTERVIEWS AVAILABLE WITH:

- 100 y.o. resident Guido DiFrancesco
- Carol Opdyke, daughter
- U.S. Congressman Brian Fitzpatrick (tentative)

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