



STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, the people of Tennessee recognize the sacrifice of the members of our armed services and their families; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to honor those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our freedom; and

WHEREAS, we remember the families who have lost their loved ones in combat; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Army Air Force Second Lieutenant Martin O'Callaghan, Jr. of Memphis, Tennessee, was killed on February 15, 1945 while serving his country in World War II; and

WHEREAS, O'Callaghan, age 22, was serving as a pilot with the 96th Fighter Squadron, 82nd Fighter Group; and

WHEREAS, the P-38 aircraft he was flying was struck by anti-aircraft fire and crashed near Maribor, Yugoslavia (now Slovenia); and

WHEREAS, his remains will be returned to his native state and laid at rest in the West Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery in Memphis, Tennessee on November 5, 2018; and

WHEREAS, we are grateful to finally welcome home this brave soldier who made the ultimate sacrifice for his country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Haslam, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim November 5, 2018 as a

*Day of Mourning in Remembrance of
Second Lieutenant Martin O'Callaghan, Jr.*

and encourage all citizens to join me in this worthy observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the State of Tennessee to be affixed at Nashville on this thirtieth day of October, 2018.



Handwritten signature of Bill Haslam in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Julie Haydt in blue ink.

Secretary of State