



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, United States Army Pfc. Oliver Jeffers of Nashville, Tennessee, was killed in combat on November 10, 1944 while serving his country in World War II; and

WHEREAS, Pfc. Jeffers was engaged in a fierce battle with German forces near Germeter, Germany, in the Hürtgen Forest; and

WHEREAS, he served with Company L, 3rd Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division; and

WHEREAS, his remains will be returned to his native state and laid at rest in Huntsville, Tennessee, on October 7, 2020; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bill Lee, Governor of the State of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim October 7, 2020 as a

*Day of Mourning in Remembrance of
Pfc. Oliver Jeffers*

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 second day of October, 2020.

Handwritten signature of Bill Lee in blue ink.

Governor

Handwritten signature of Sue Vignett in blue ink.

Secretary of State

