

## Buddy Poppy/National Home

November

Hello everyone, I'm so glad for this cooler weather, just praying for that moisture to come our way. Along with this cooler weather it brings to mind football games, home comings parades, fall festivals, craft shows and many, many more opportunities and soon Veteran's Day Parades to pass out our BUDDY POPPIES!!! Make sure you count those poppies you're passing out!

### **BUDDY POPPY**



You might recall Layla, she is 12 now and was our past Buddy Poppy child from last year and was asked to serve us for our 100<sup>th</sup> Year Celebration.

She lives at the National Home with her mother Luisa, brothers Izaiah (17), Noah (9), and Jaxon (7). Her busy schedule began right after the National Convention representing our great program. She attends special events promoting the Buddy Poppy program, she engages with the communities to share the mission of the National Home.



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## **NATIONAL HOME**

**SUNDAY FUN DAY! New Social Media Initiative Needs Photos. We would like to introduce a new feature on our social media this Program Year: Sunday Fun Day! But we need your help. We know our members work hard for our veterans and communities every day, but we have fun, too, and that's what we'd like to see to brighten up the weekends. Send us your pictures from Halloween parties and sock hops, softball games and corn hole tournaments, face painting at Freedom Festivals, performing in skits, or just enjoying yourselves during a Mid-Year Conference or Convention. We want to see line dancing, ballroom dancing and breakdancing. We want to see candid photos featuring laughter, smiles and even silliness. We want to see you happily involving your children and grandchildren in our Programs. We want to see friendship and fun! Email these to us at [info@vfwauxiliary.org](mailto:info@vfwauxiliary.org) with the subject line Sunday Fun Day and we may feature your Auxiliary on a future social media post using the hashtag #SundayFunDay - note that this is not an Auxiliary-specific hashtag, which means our posts will come up alongside those of other social media users, hopefully broadening our reach. Thank you to those whose photos we've already received - we are organizing and scheduling them now. And don't stop sharing your Auxiliaries in Action photos! We want to make sure people know what we do to help others every single day.**

Don't forget to send in those 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday cards to National Home! Have your auxiliary make their own special one for it or whatever comes to mind. All birthday cards will find a spot in the entry hall or wherever they can find a spot, but they'll be thousands of them!

January 7, 2025, 100<sup>th</sup> Celebration

February 8, 2025, is National Home Gala

March 9<sup>th</sup> 2025, will be Pollet House Dedication/Ribbon Cutting Event

June 28, 2024 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Community Celebration