

**WILLIAM J. CRAWFORD**  
**Memorial Dedication – Palmer Lake, CO**  
**Veterans Day**  
**November 11, 2017, 10:00 a.m.**

<b>MASTER OF CEREMONY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• WELCOME &amp; INTRODUCTIONS</li></ul>	<b>BILL MILLER</b>
<b>INVOCATION</b>	<b>ED KITE <i>SON-IN-LAW</i></b>
<b>HONOR GUARD</b>	<b>U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY</b>
<b>STAR SPANGLED BANNER</b>	<b>“CONFETTI” QUARTET <i>ET ALL</i></b>
<b>FLAG PRESENTATION</b>	<b>U. S. FLAG PRESENTATION AMERICAN LEGION TRI-LAKES POST 9-11 VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS CRAWFORD POST 7829</b>
<b>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</b>	<b>JUSTIN GITTINS BOY SCOUT TROOP 9, MONUMENT</b>
<b>WHAT’S MORE AMERICAN</b>	<b>PALMER LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CHILDREN’S CHOIR</b>
<b>HONORED GUEST SPEAKER</b>	<b>BOB McLAUGHLIN COLONEL US ARMY <i>(RET.)</i> CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER MOUNT CARMEL SERVICE CENTER</b>
<b>AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL</b>	<b>“CONFETTI” QUARTET LYNN CAMERON, PAT WALZ, SANDI KNUTSON, MARY ROUGHEN</b>
<b>MASTER OF CEREMONY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• COLORADO STATE LEGISLATIVE TRIBUTE</li><li>• PRESENT WREATH TO CRAWFORD FAMILY</li><li>• RIBBON CUTTING - MRS. BEVERLY KITE (DAUGHTER) AND FAMILY</li></ul>	
<b>BENEDICTION</b>	<b>ED KITE <i>SON-IN-LAW</i></b>
<b>CONCLUSION</b>	<b>MASTER OF CEREMONY</b>
<b>HONOR GUARD</b>	<b>U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY</b>
<b>IT’S WELL WITH MY SOUL</b>	<b>“CONFETTI” QUARTET LYNN CAMERON, PAT WALZ, SANDI KNUTSON, MARY ROUGHEN</b>
<b>TAPS</b>	<b>BUGLES ACROSS AMERICA - BUGLER TROY HANSON</b>

**PLEASE JOIN THE CRAWFORD MEMORIAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR A COMPLIMENTARY BBQ LUNCH AT THE DEPOT RESTAURANT – SPONSOR: WOUNDED WARRIOR USA, BBQ BY KARL HILL AND SOFT DRINKS AND WATER BY THE DEPOT RESTAURANT. BAR BEVERAGES NOT INCLUDED.**



## WILLIAM J. CRAWFORD



The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, March 3, 1863, has awarded in the name of The Congress the MEDAL OF HONOR to

PRIVATE WILLIAM J. CRAWFORD  
UNITED STATES ARMY

for service as set forth in the following

*Citation:* Private *William Crawford*, U.S. Army, Company I, 3d Battalion, 142d Infantry, 36th Infantry Division, for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at risk of life above and beyond the call of duty in action with the enemy near Altavilla, Italy, 13 September 1943. When Company I attacked an enemy-held position on Hill 424, the 3d Platoon, in which Private *Crawford* was a squad scout, attacked as base platoon for the company. After reaching the crest of the hill, the platoon was pinned down by intense enemy machine-gun and small-arms fire. Locating one of these guns, which was dug in on a terrace on his immediate front, Private *Crawford*, without orders and on his own initiative, moved over the hill under enemy fire to a point within a few yards of the gun emplacement and singlehandedly destroyed the machine-gun and killed three of the crew with a handgrenade, thus enabling his platoon to continue its advance. When the platoon, after reaching the crest, was once more delayed by enemy fire, Private *Crawford* again, in the face of intense fire, advanced directly to the front midway between two hostile machine-gun nests located on a higher terrace and emplaced in a small ravine. Moving first to the left, with a handgrenade he destroyed one gun emplacement and killed the crew; he then worked his way, under continuous fire, to the other and with one grenade and the use of his rifle, killed one enemy and forced the remainder to flee. Seizing the enemy machine-gun, he fired on the withdrawing Germans and facilitated his company's advance.

*Franklin D. Roosevelt*

May 11, 1944  
THE WHITE HOUSE