



Governor Charles D. Baker has ordered that the United States flag and the Commonwealth flag be lowered to half-staff from sunrise until sunset on Friday, August 31, 2018, the day of interment, in honor of Chief Warrant Officer 3, Scott R. Landis, MAARNG of Hanson, Massachusetts, who passed away on Friday, August 24, 2018.

This order shall be observed concurrent with the existing Commonwealth of Massachusetts half-staff order in honor of United States Senator John McCain.

The date of interment for U.S. Senator John McCain has been set for Sunday, September 2, 2018. As such, Governor Baker has ordered that the United States flag and the Commonwealth flags remain at half-staff until sunset, Sunday, September 2, 2018.

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Scott R. Landis, MAARNG



Scott was a 2002 graduate of Whitman Hanson High School. He started flying when he was 16 years old and never stopped. Scott enlisted with the Massachusetts Army National Guard in 2001, as an Aviation Operation Specialist (15P)

and went to Basic Training at Fort Benning, Georgia two days after graduating high school. He then progressed to attend Advanced Individual Training at Fort Rucker, Alabama. He was a dedicated member of the Massachusetts's Army National Guard, and part of Alpha Company Third Battalion, 126th Aviation Regiment based at Joint Base Cape Cod where he was the Battalion Aviation Safety Officer and a UH-60 Instructor Pilot. Scott's extensive military career included: Basic Training 2002, Aviation Warrant Officer Basic Training 2007, Helicopter Flight School 2008 – 2009, UH-60 Blackhawk Instructor Pilot 2011, US Army Aviation Safety Officer Course 2012, Warrant Officer Advanced Course 2014. Scott also completed three active duty combat tours; Operation Iraqi Freedom 2005 - 2006, Operation New Dawn in 2010 - 2011, Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan 2013 - 2014. He was currently serving in efforts of Operation Joint Guardian Kosovo Force (KFOR) this year. Scott was also an accomplished fixed wing aircraft pilot with land and sea plane ratings.