

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 686

By Wirgau

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Walter Crawford Flowers.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly was greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Walter Crawford Flowers on January 18, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Walter Flowers was among the brave and courageous Tennesseans that answered the call and fought for freedom during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Walters was a Corporal and scout for the 115th Field Artillery, A Battery, 30th Infantry Division, a surveyor for the 135th Field Artillery, and a cannonier and jeep driver; and

WHEREAS, Walter Flowers was deployed in the Ardennes region of Northern France as a member of the 771st Field Artillery Battalion, Headquarters Battery, where he was a messenger and jeep driver; and

WHEREAS, for his courageous service, Walter Flowers received the European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal with two bronze stars; and

WHEREAS, born on April 10, 1923, Walter Flowers was a lifelong farmer in his civilian life and faithful member of the Pleasant Hill Community Church and the Fairview Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, the service and sacrifice of the members of our armed forces should not be forgotten, and Walter Flowers's service and bravery are wholly deserving of respect and admiration; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should honor and pay respectful tribute to the memory of this American patriot and beloved son of the Volunteer State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor the memory of Walter Crawford Flowers, commend his valuable service during World War II, and reflect fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Flowers.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.