

TAPS®

Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors

Friday, Oct. 2, 6:30-8 p.m.
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One day about 15 years ago, a high school friend of Bo Cottrell called in tears. “Oh, Bo,” he sobbed. “The Army just brought my boy home in a body bag. I’m devastated.”

They cried together then Bo asked, “Have you heard of the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors - TAPS?”

“Thank God,” said his desolate friend. “I don’t know how we’d be getting through this without them!”

After a military family has heard the 21-gun salute and received the folded flag at a dignified burial, the hard part begins: life without a fallen

loved one.

Since 1994, TAPS, the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors, has provided comfort, care and resources to all those grieving the death of a military loved one. TAPS offers a national peer support network and connection to grief resources, with programs that are age-appropriate for children, teens, and adults.

There is no cost for these services to survivors, and TAPS receives no government funding.

The experience of their dear friend was the catalyst for Bo and Lynne Cottrell to establish the Colorado

Celebrity Classic to Benefit TAPS. Now in its 15th year, the very generous donors of the Colorado Celebrity Classic have raised almost \$5 million for TAPS.

Much of the money raised is spent on programs in Colorado, such as the TAPS Regional Survivors Seminar for adults and the Good Grief Camp for kids. In 2021, this outstanding program will be held in Colorado Springs.

This year, the Colorado Celebrity Classic to Benefit TAPS offers a memorable twist on its signature Saluting our Fallen Heroes Songwriters Show with a virtual event of music, and live, silent and Fund-A-Mission auctions. **Love Lives On is live online Friday, October 2, at www.TAPS.org/colorado.**

Colorado Celebrity Classic to Benefit TAPS Celebrates 15 Years with must-see *Love Lives On Virtual Show - Music & Auction*

6:30- 7 p.m. Get your toes tappin’ with **Tony David & WildeFire**. Raise a glass and support TAPS by ordering from the Wine Shoppe. Orders for the Happy Half-Hour may be placed at TAPS.org/Colorado. All proceeds from the wine sales benefit TAPS.

7-8 p.m. You’ll hear the stories behind the songs of the **Love Lives On** Album, a collaboration between the families of America’s fallen military heroes and Nashville’s best singer/songwriters. The songs were performed by top recording artists such as **Billy Ray Cyrus, Vince Gill, Lonestar, Pam Tillis, The Gatlin Brothers, All-4-One, John Rich, Andy**

Griggs and more.

The Live and Silent auctions feature fabulous experiences and unique items. Fund-A-Mission is a direct call for donations to provide immediate assistance to TAPS families.

Because the event is virtual, it isn’t limited to guests in Colorado. So, please, in the next few days, text or email your friends and families about the great work of TAPS, and invite them to join you on Friday, October 2 for a very special event.

Registration is open now, and bidding for the Silent Auction begins Friday, Sept. 18. For more info, please visit www.taps.org/colorado.



ABOVE: Love Lives On co-producer Jimmy Nichols (musical director for Reba McEntire and Faith Hill) with TAPS Founder Bonnie Carroll. Her story of life after the death of her husband Brig Gen Tom Carroll inspired the album’s title song.

RIGHT: The song, “K9 Brother,” commemorates the life of Sgt. Joshua Ryan Ashley USMC and Sirius, his Military K9 partner. Ashley was killed by an IED in Afghanistan in 2012.

BELOW: FOX News White House Correspondent John Roberts and ABC Investigative Correspondent Kyra Phillips will emcee the event.

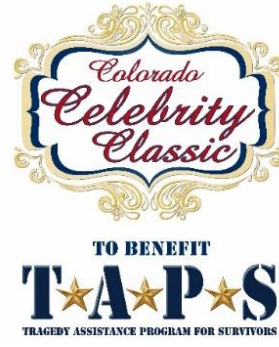
BELOW, RIGHT: Tony David & WildeFire (Pam Hughes and Kerry Edwards) kick off the party during the Happy Half-Hour from 6:30-7 p.m.





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For the Loved Ones of Those Who Served and Died

Get some friends together and bid during the Live Auction on these unforgettable experiences! Register and bid: TAPS.org/colorado



Private Concert with Grammy-Award Winning Nashville Songwriters!

Create a once-in-a-lifetime memory! House concert includes three award-winning, #1 hit-writing Nashville singer/songwriters for a live concert in your home, business or venue of your choice. We cover travel costs and lodging, and a small honoraria for each artist. You provide food, beverages and friends for great music, laughter, and the intimate stories behind the songs.
Opening Bid: \$15,000



Extraordinary Nashville Insiders Tour for Two

Visit America's music capital with this exciting Nashville trip for two. Package includes roundtrip Jay's Valet car service from your home to DIA, roundtrip flights on American Airlines, two nights stay at the Gaylord Opryland Resort, tickets to the Grand Ole Opry and Grand Ole Opry Backstage Post Show Tour, and tickets to the Ryman Auditorium Daytime Museum Tour. A highlight of the trip is a tour of Music Row hosted by award-winning

Nashville songwriter Billy Montana as well as a private sit-in on a songwriting and/or recording session. Bucket List, anyone? Opening Bid: \$5,000



House Party with Tony David & WildeFire

Invite your friends for a unique and fun private party! Live music by Tony David & WildeFire at your home, office or venue of your choice. Tony David, Kerry Edwards and Pam Hughes perform toe tappin' tunes that make you wanna dance!
Opening Bid: \$1,500

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