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### From Revolution to Resilience: USPS to Celebrate 250th Anniversaries of Army, Navy, and Marine Corps With Commemorative Stamps

- WHAT:** The U.S. Postal Service to proudly unveil three individual commemorative stamps honoring the 250th anniversaries of the U.S. Army, U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corps, recognizing the enduring legacy and unwavering dedication of these vital branches of the American military.
- The first-day-of-issue event for the Armed Forces stamps is free and open to the public. News of the stamp is being shared with the hashtag **#ArmedForces250Stamps**.
- WHO:** Jeffery A. Adams, USPS corporate communications vice president and dedicating official
- WHEN:** Friday, May 16, 2025, at 11 a.m. EDT
- WHERE:** Freedom Plaza  
1325 Pennsylvania Ave. NW

Washington, DC 20004

**RSVP:** Attendees are encouraged to register at: [usps.com/armedforcesstamps](https://usps.com/armedforcesstamps).

**BACKGROUND:** The three Forever stamps commemorate the 250th anniversary of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps, each a vital component of the nation's defense. All three branches trace their origins to the Revolutionary War, born from the necessity to secure American independence.

The Second Continental Congress in 1775 recognized the need for a unified military force and established the Continental Army on June 14, the Continental Navy on Oct. 13, and authorized the formation of the Continental Marines on Nov. 10. The Continental forces were disbanded after the war but were re-established in the years that followed when the need for a standing military became clear.

These stamps honor the enduring legacy and unwavering commitment of the men and women who have served and continue to serve. Each branch plays a crucial role in safeguarding American interests, standing as symbols of strength and resilience, upholding core values such as loyalty, duty, honor, and courage.

The Armed Forces stamps are three individual stamp panes featuring the respective symbols of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps against a white background.

Each stamp, designed by Antonio Alcalá, an art director for USPS, also includes the inscriptions "250 YEARS OF SERVICE," "SINCE 1775," and FOREVER/USA".

As Forever stamps, the Armed Forces stamps will always be equal in value to the current First-Class Mail 1-ounce price.

## Postal Products

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