

Gold Star Program Suggestions

The main idea of a Gold Star Program is to let the Gold Star members know that we have not forgotten the loved one they lost and that we care about them. Try to find ways to honor and support them.

The program setup can vary greatly depending on the occasion and number of participants. You may have a picture of the loved one. You may use music, candles, flowers, or other decorations on a table to enhance the ceremony, but they are not necessary.

Ask the Gold Star members if they would like to speak as part of the program or not. Respect their feelings.

Prayers:

Heavenly Father, as we remember those who sacrificed everything to keep our country free, we know that You have taken them to heaven to be with You. We now hold up before You those who loved them dearly. Please ease their pain and give them your comfort. May they remember the good times they shared. Thank you for giving them the strength and determination to keep going. We know that we all must carry on the legacy they were fighting for. Help us to strive for a world filled with Your love and peace. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Lord, we pray for those whose blue stars have turned to gold. Their hearts have been broken and they need Your loving arms around them. Help us to support and show our love to them. May we never forget what our military has done to keep our country as "one Nation under God". Please protect us in the future and remind us that we will one day be all together again in our heavenly home. Through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.