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808th Field Artillery BN
Feb. 1943 - March 1946



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US Army 47th Infantry Division,
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Robert Charles Carter
U.S. Army
Paramedic in Germany
June 1961-June 1964.



Surfman Dick E. Alley
U.S. Navy, Korean War
1951-1953



Robert D. Frazier
U.S. Navy
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Army PFC, Korean War
1953-1955



Cpl. Osmond M. Beal
U.S. Army
1952-1954



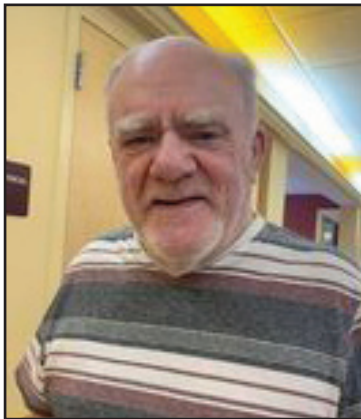
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1969-71



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1918-1926



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Navy 1950-1954



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November 1965 - December
2001



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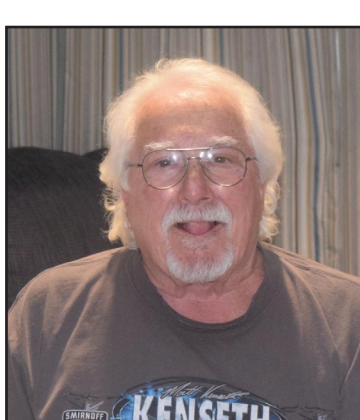
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U.S. Army - Sergeant
WW II, Germany 1945-1948
Korea 1950-1951



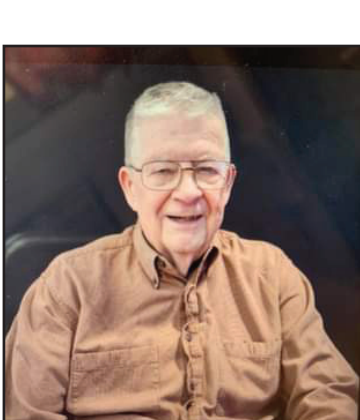
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Vietnam Era
U.S. Coast Guard
1972-1976



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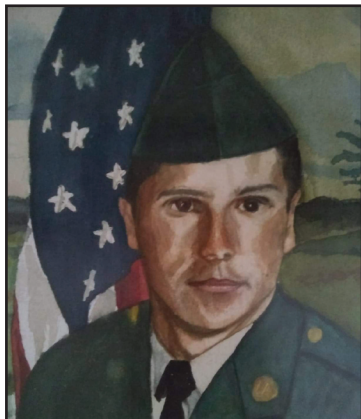
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1973



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Army 1956-1959



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Army 1969-1971



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U.S. Navy, WWII



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US Army - WWII
1943-1946



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1967-1970



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US Army, Korean War
1951-1952



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Coast Guard
World War II



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1941-1946, WWII





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Vernon Sprague with wife Lois
U.S. Air Force, Korea



Brothers Vernon Sprague and Julian Sprague
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Served in Europe WW2 as a
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Coast Guard, Nov. 1980 -
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Jack M. Linn
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Richard McLaughlin
US Army, Korean War
1950-1952



Robert Frazier
U.S. Navy



Bob Miller
U.S. Navy, WWII



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1965 -1967
Specialist E4
U.S. Army



Lawrence Baillargeon
Coast Guard
Army PFC - Korean War



Albert W. Alley
US Army
1983 - 1990



Joe Thompson
U.S. Marine Corps and Army
National Guard



Herman Backman, Jr.
U.S. Coast Guard, 1943-1946
Served 27 months in Puerto
Rico during World War II



Enos H. Look
U.S. Coast Guard
Boatswain's Mate First Class
1925-1945



SGT Nils Robert Whitman, Jr.
U.S. Air Force
1970-1976



Elmer C. Beal
Served in US Navy 1946
1948 on the Franklin D.
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1978-1984



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U.S. Army



Ronald Hall
US Navy, US Coast Guard
Korean War
1953-1976



Muriel Stehl
US Navy, WWII
1945-1946



Keith Smith
US Army, Korean War
1953-1955



Leslie Faulkingham
U.S. Army, WWII



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U.S. Navy and Seabees



Jay Baldwin Hinson
Army Signal Corp, Aleutian
Islands
1942 - 1945
Former Publisher/ Editor
Machias Valley News Observer
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Bert Phipps
U.S. Army
1958-1961



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World War I
1917-1918



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1942-1965



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Army, 1966-1968



Travis E. Beal
U. S. Air Force
Senior Airman
1988-1991



LtCol Jerrold Erdman; USAF Retired
26+ years active duty (1965-1969;
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Navigator/Electronic Warfare Officer
Aircraft: AC-130H; DC-130A/E; RC-
135V/W



Stanley C. Beal
U.S. Air Force, Airman First Class
1953-1957



William Morrell Merchant
U.S. Army, WW II



James Scholl, U.S. Army,
Vietnam 1967-1969
Generator Operator and Door
Gunner



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U.S. Navy
1966-1995



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U.S. Army



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sergeant in the Army Air Force
during World War II, Served four
years in the South Pacific
Received four battle stars



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U.S. Army 1966-1968



Richard Grant
US Army, WWII
1946-1947



Sgt. Leighton Grant
United States Marine Corp.
Columbia Falls, Maine
WW 2 (1942-45)



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US Navy, Vietnam War
1972-1976



William R. Hooper Sr.
U.S. Army Korean War



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U.S. Navy 1951-1955
Served on U.S.S. Barton DD-722
during the Korean War



Horace L. Grant
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Marconi Wireless Station
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U.S. Navy AO3
1967-1970, Vietnam War



Vincent Reed
U.S. Navy 1984-1988



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Infantry, Civil War



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U.S. Coast Guard



Hugh Raymond Hurlbert.
Korean War
1950-1952
Private first class.



Bertram Merchant
U.S. Marine Corps



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MAINE ANG, 1971-1991
USAF, Retired Reserves, 1991-
2008
Information Systems Officer, 101st
Air Refueling Wing at Bangor, ME



John Avery
U.S. Air Force from 1997 to 2000
as an occupational therapist
United States Army Reserves
from 1989 to 1997 as a licensed
practical nurse and United States
Army from 1983 to 1989 as a
licensed practical nurse and
medic



First Lieutenant Robert Dalby
Grant, of Columbia Falls, is
shown in the middle along with
his flight crew, in front of the
C-47 that he piloted over the
Himalayas from India into China
and Burma during WWII. He was
a recipient of the Distinguished
Flying Cross.



Warren Gay
U.S. Air Force Tech Sergeant
20 years including three tours in Vietnam



William Fraser
SP4
1967-1969
Vietnam War



Willard M. Kelley
U.S. Army Tec5, WWII
1943-1945



Captain Frank Hallissey
U.S. Marine Corps
Served in Vietnam, earned
Purple Heart for wounds



Neal R. Woodward, Sr.
Served in the U.S. Navy
during WWII



Spec4 Neal R. Woodward, Jr.
U. S. Army during the Vietnam
War
1966-68 in hand-to-hand combat.



Sidney Mitchell
U. S. Army
Received a purple heart for
service during WWII



Joseph Charczynski
US Army Spec. 5
Cuban Crisis



Randy Blackwood
Coast Guard
1972-1976



Eric M. Hatt
US Marine Corps
World War II Veteran



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Lieutenant, Chaplain Corps
United States Navy, Retired
(preparing to fly a T-34C training
aircraft
at Naval Air Station Corpus
Christi, TX)



Harlan H Gardner
Staff Sgt, USMC
Served in the Pacific during WWII
as tail gunner/radioman on a
torpedo bomber.



Richard Bailey
U.S. Army
June 1953-May 1955



Calvert "Cal" Carver
Navy
Korean Conflict



Donald L. Garnett, Sr.
US Army
Korean War Veteran



Gregory Stephen Schors
United States Army
101st Airborne
Vietnam



Jessica Thimlar, U.S. Army in
Kuwait with the 112th Medical out
of Bangor 2003, taking a break
with R. Lee Emery.



Specialist Beverly Thimlar
U.S. Army Medic, Woman's Army
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U.S. Air Force, seen here in Honduras
Vietnam era



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U.S. Navy, Korean War, USS Missouri



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U.S. Army WWII 1946-1949
Korean Conflict 1951-1953



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Ellis Small AT1
U.S. Navy 1951-1955
Aviation Technician First Class
VP-T ASW Squadron at Quonset Point, R.I.
Six-month deployment to Korean Zone 1953
Six-month deployment to Mediterranean Zone 1955



Charles E. Bodman, Jr., 1924-1996
Lieutenant, United States Army
Air Forces
Native of Lubec, Maine, and long-time Machias resident
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Wife, Gloria B. Bodman,
Beaverton, Oregon
Daughter, Lynne Bodman
Storms, Phoenix, Arizona
Son, David Randall-Bodman,
Portland, Oregon



Bruce Benson
U.S. Navy 1960-1963



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Mainers support drug treatment programs over incarceration, statewide survey finds

by Evan Popp, Maine Beacon

As the opioid epidemic continues to grip Maine, a survey released in September shows that Mainers support prioritizing treatment for people who use drugs over punishment and incarceration, which advocates and medical experts have long argued doesn't work.

The survey, developed by University of Maine professors Robert Glover and Karyn Sporer and put into the field in the summer of 2021, found that 74 percent of people support decriminalizing drugs by diverting people with substance use disorder out of the criminal justice system for low-level, non-violent offenses and toward community-based programs that aid with recovery. Support was seen regardless of party affiliation in the survey.

The poll was administered online to 417 Mainers across demographic lines from July to August of 2021. The margin of error is 4.8 percent, with a 95 percent confidence level.

The findings — which are the first-ever comprehensive survey of Mainers' views on drug policy — comes as the state continues to struggle with the overdose epidemic. Maine experienced a record number of overdose deaths in 2021 — 636 — and is on pace to surpass that number by the end of this year, according to data from the first five months of 2022.

Given that situation, advocates have continued to argue that the decades-long "War on Drugs" strategy of incarcerating people who use substances clearly hasn't worked and has resulted in deaths that could have been avoided. In a direct challenge to that punitive approach, the Maine recovery community in 2021 advanced LD 967, a bill to decriminalize drugs and focus instead on treatment programs. The measure passed the House but died in the state Senate amid opposition from Republicans and some Democrats, including Gov. Janet Mills. As seen by the survey, though, a strong majority of Mainers support diverting people who use drugs away from the criminal justice

system, as called for by LD 967.

In 2022, the recovery community continued to propose reforms and succeeded in pushing a bill through the legislature that strengthened the state's "Good Samaritan law," which provides protections for people at the scene of an overdose. After some negotiations, Mills signed the bill into law.

Along with an overall emphasis on recovery, the UMaine professors' survey also found an overwhelming majority of Mainers support funding easy-to-access detox services in every county (84 percent), reducing barriers to accessing substance use treatment (84 percent), establishing medication-assisted treatment in every county (77 percent), expanding access to case management services (84 percent), and funding local recovery community centers (84 percent).

There was also strong support (73 percent) for ensuring that people in jails and prisons still have access to treatment for substance use disorder.

Researchers said the results of the survey show Mainers are ready for a different approach to drug use.

"We saw really striking support for alternatives to criminalization," Glover said during a press conference Tuesday in which he and Sporer presented their findings.

"Mainers, regardless of political affiliation, education, employment, religion — all those demographics — they want a new drug policy approach. It's very clear in the data," Sporer added.

Glover and Sporer noted that despite this strong support, policymakers in Maine have often lagged behind public opinion on drugs, with Glover noting the Mills administration's opposition to the drug decriminalization bill in 2021. Mills' opponent in the upcoming November election, former Gov. Paul LePage, took an even harder stance on drugs during his time in office, vetoing an array of opioid treatment bills.



Advocates gather in the halls of the Maine State House to encourage lawmakers to pass Rep. Anne Perry's drug decriminalization legislation. Photo courtesy Maine Beacon

"There's this hesitancy among lawmakers of all stripes to really embrace a different approach to this policy issue, and there doesn't necessarily need to be," Glover said. "Mainers by and large, with some notable exceptions, would support a broad suite of reforms that move away from the criminalizing approach."

Glover also noted that other places, such as Oregon, have decriminalized small amounts of drugs through referendum rather than via the legislature, a strategy that could potentially find support in Maine, given the results of the survey.

Support for some policies, hesitancy about others

Further questions asked about Mainers' opinions on harm reduction strategies. The poll found that a strong majority of people in the state (76 percent) support combating the opioid epidemic through broad distribution of overdose reversals such as Narcan. A plurality (49 percent) also back funding syringe exchange in every county in Maine, with a little over 30 percent opposing such a policy.

However, just under half of the survey respondents said they would oppose safer drug consumption sites in every major metropolitan area in Maine. Such sites, which have been shown to save lives, are designated areas where people can use pre-approved drugs under medical supervision. A little under a third of people said they would support safer consumption sites in cities in

Maine, and nearly 20 percent were neutral on the question.

Still, Glover said support for a treatment-based approach to drug use has grown steadily over the years, raising the possibility that safe consumption sites could increase in popularity as the public learns more about them.

"I think that is the next horizon," he said of such sites.

"Thirty-two percent of our respondents supporting safer consumption sites is actually pretty striking," Glover added. "If we were to ask this question 10 years ago, it probably would have been a lot less. So I think what we see is that as exposure to the crisis increases, as education and understanding increases, we'll continue to see these shifts in public attitudes."

Additional questions found a majority of Mainers (59 percent) back strengthening the social safety net to address root causes of substance use disorder; support requiring the collection of information on race, ethnicity, and socioeconomic status for interactions between law enforcement and the public (53 percent); and want to expand non-discrimination policies to include people with substance use disorder (57 percent).

Survey includes interview portion

Along with the polling, the survey by Glover and Sporer also contained "in-depth semi-structured interviews with 30 policymakers, treatment providers, and impacted community members."

From the interviews, Sporer said researchers discovered that the primary reasons for the shift in public support toward treatment are education about substance use, personal exposure to the issue, and an acknowledgment that there are multiple pathways to recovery.

In the survey, one respondent — identified as Gina, a 61-year-old Republican consultant — told researchers that she used to believe in a tough-on-crime response to drugs but eventually changed her mind after hearing from a medical expert who talked about how substance use disorder is a health issue.

"He helped turn my mind from criminal justice, it's a crime, we have to punish them, they're bad people to, no, this is a disease where we have to help these people," Gina said in the survey.

Another respondent, identified as Patrick — a 63-year-old medical doctor and a Democrat — said witnessing the toll of the opioid epidemic has spurred him to support all forms of harm reduction, including safe consumption sites.

"The kids that my kids grew up with in a very small school system, each of them has several classmates who are dead, as a result of this," he said in the survey. "Either overdose, suicide, homicide, drug-related car accidents, things like that. That's emotionally very impactful."

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