

Tuesday Afternoon, September 24, 2019



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## MRFF POSTS BILLBOARD PROTESTING CHRISTIAN SUPREMACY AT MANCHESTER VA MEDICAL CENTER

*Billboard goes Up in Advance of MRFF Client's  
Federal Hearing Tomorrow on POW/MIA Table Bible*

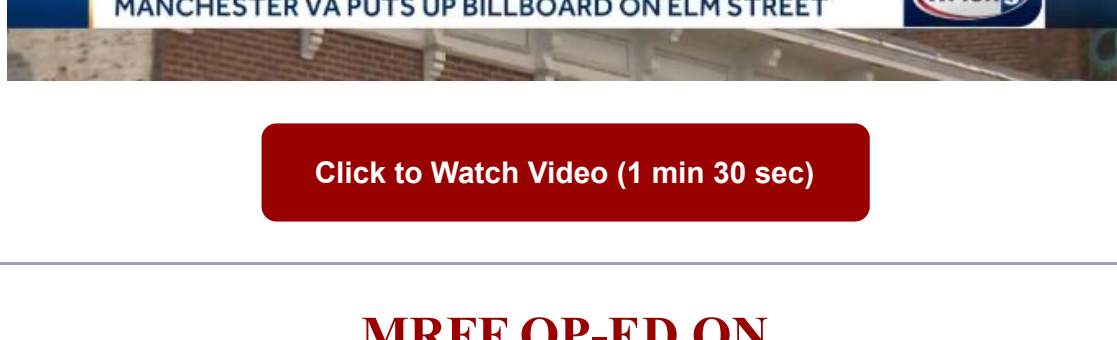


### ABC TV WMUR-9 COVERS MRFF

Group opposing Bible on display at Manchester VA  
puts up billboard on Elm Street

By: Cherise Leclerc

Monday, September 23, 2019



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### MRFF OP-ED ON DAILY KOS, MEDIUM, AND MANCHESTER INK LINK

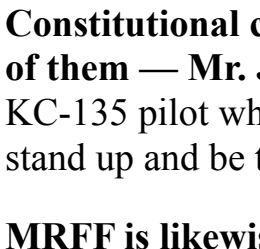
("Medium" Alexa Ranking U.S. #77 / Global #98  
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Remove That Bible and Honor All Veterans

By: Mikey Weinstein, MRFF Founder and President

Tuesday, September 24, 2019

*(Excerpts from Daily Kos, Medium, and Manchester Ink Link/Emphasis Added by MRFF)*



With the date of the very first Federal Court hearing for the 'POW-MIA Table Bible Case' in Concord, New Hampshire so close now (10 Am EDT, this coming Weds. morning, Sept. 25, 2019), I thought it might be a useful exercise to make some of the salient facts crystal clear in this unfortunately contentious matter.

The Military Religious Freedom Foundation (MRFF) is proud of all 17 of our courageous military veteran clients for whom we are providing civil rights advocacy in this much-publicized clash of Constitutional church/state separation. MRFF is especially proud of one of them — Mr. James Chamberlain, a devout Christian and former USAF KC-135 pilot who has shown enough brilliant integrity and sterling guts to stand up and be the named plaintiff in this litigation.

MRFF is likewise tremendously grateful and proud of Mr. Larry Vogelmann and his terrific colleagues at the venerable Nixon Vogelmann law firm in Manchester, NH who answered MRFF's call for litigation help and are superbly spearheading the actual litigation in this matter, *pro bono* to boot.

While the majority of our MRFF client-complainants in this Manchester VA Medical Center case are Christians like Mr. Chamberlain (both Protestants and Roman Catholics), many are not. Among those 17 MRFF clients who are not Christians are those honorable veterans who are Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Native American, Atheist/Agnostic, Humanist, and Secularist.

You see, my friends, **THAT'S EXACTLY THE POINT!**

While the majority of American veterans may indeed be followers of the Christian faith, multitudes are not.

MRFF demands that the VA Honor Them All!

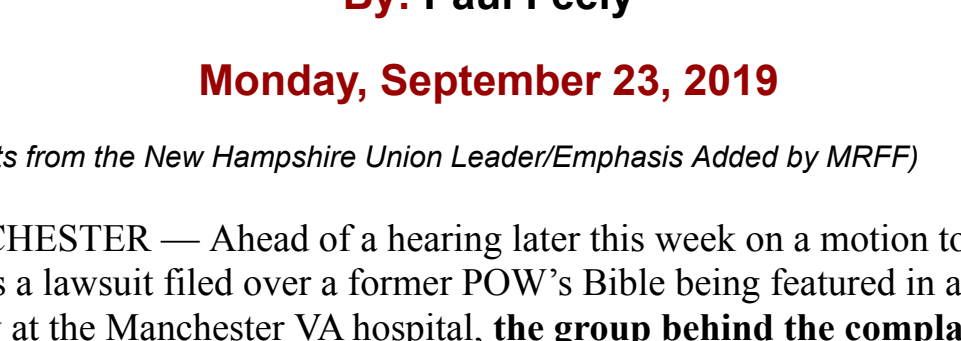
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### NEW HAMPSHIRE UNION LEADER COVERS MRFF



Billboard appears, demanding Bible be  
removed from Manchester VA

By: Paul Feely

Monday, September 23, 2019

*(Excerpts from the New Hampshire Union Leader/Emphasis Added by MRFF)*

MANCHESTER — Ahead of a hearing later this week on a motion to dismiss a lawsuit filed over a former POW's Bible being featured in a lobby display at the Manchester VA hospital, the group behind the complaint is using a Queen City billboard to ask the Bible be removed.

The Missing Man Table memorial at the Manchester VA hospital honors missing veterans and POWs. A federal lawsuit filed in May by James Chamberlain, a U.S. Air Force veteran, against outgoing medical center Director Alfred Montoya says it should be a memorial to all who have served, regardless of their beliefs.

[...]

The Bible featured in the Missing Man Table display at the Manchester VA Medical Center was donated by a Bedford man, now 100, who was a former POW in a German prison camp. He did not carry it during the war, but was given the Bible by a family member after he escaped captivity and returned home.

In May, the Military Religious Freedom Foundation (MRFF), based in New Mexico, filed a federal lawsuit on behalf of Chamberlain claiming the inclusion of the Bible in the display is unconstitutional.

[...]

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### Christian Bible Encased in Plexiglass and Bolted to POW/MIA Display Table at VA Manchester, NH

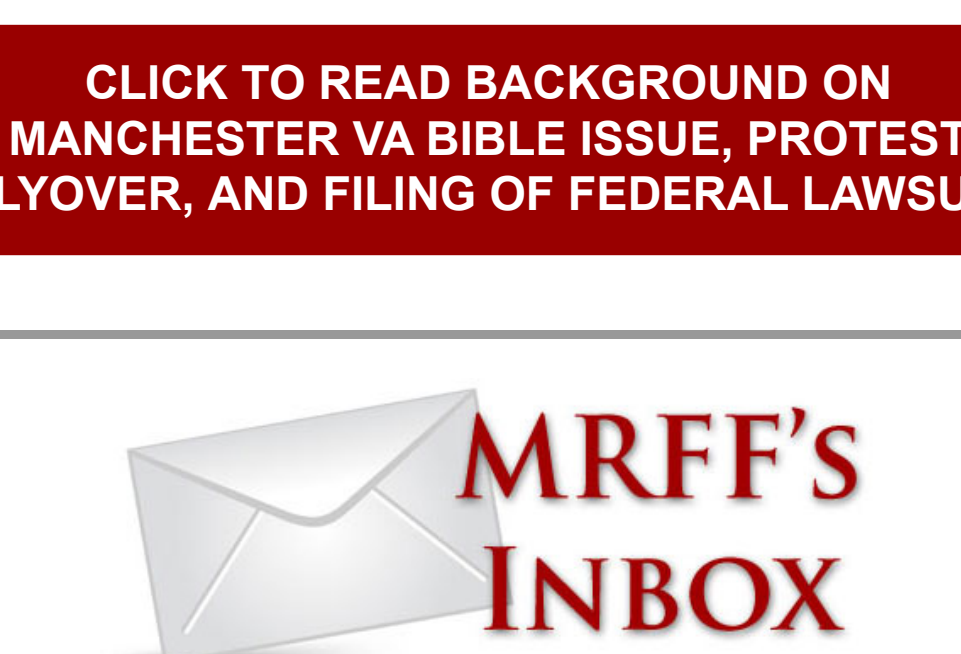
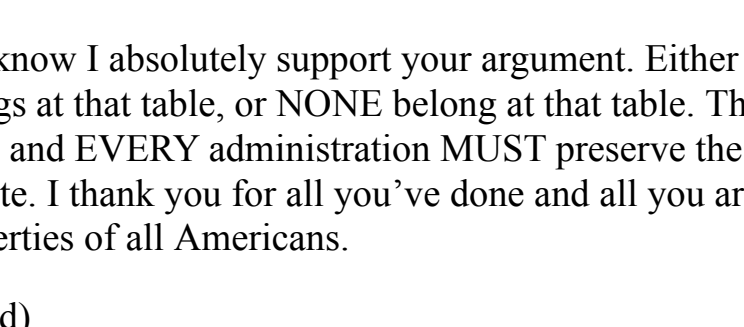


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MANCHESTER VA BIBLE ISSUE, PROTEST  
FLYOVER, AND FILING OF FEDERAL LAWSUIT](#)



#### " The bible on the VA table in NH "

From: (name withheld)  
Subject: The bible on the VA table in NH  
Date: September 23, 2019 at 9:17:03 PM MDT  
To: info@militaryreligiousfreedom.org

To whom this concerns,

I want you to know I absolutely support your argument. Either EVERY religion belongs at that table, or NONE belong at that table. This administration and EVERY administration MUST preserve the divide of church and state. I thank you for all you've done and all you are doing to protect the liberties of all Americans.

(name withheld)

To see response from a MRFF Supporter :

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#### " B ible "

From: (name withheld)  
Subject: Bible  
Date: September 24, 2019 at 4:38:33 AM MDT  
To: mikey@militaryreligiousfreedom.org

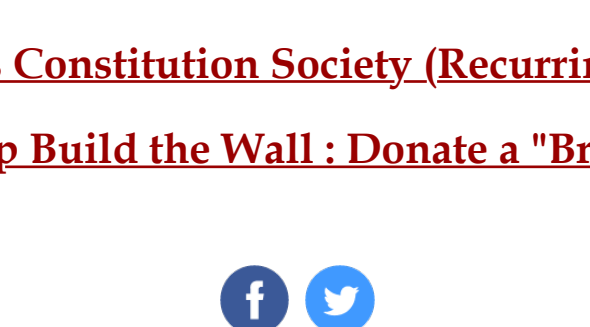
I'm writing to tell you that while protecting peoples religious freedom you are stomping all over others. How fair is that?

A bible displayed is not going to hurt anyone and if non Christians have a problem with that then they can find their own religious documents (that were carried during deployment!) And display those!!! I promise I won't be OFFENDED!

(name withheld)

To see response from MRFF Advisory Board Member  
John Compere:

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