



Bridger Thurston
From Rat to Ring Figure . . .
Class of 2023 . . .
We are so very proud of you!
Love,
Mom, Dad and Colter



Miah Ruiz
“God is with her, she will
not fall” - Psalm 46:5
Love,
Mom, Dad, Jeannette,
Vanessa, Nick & Blake



Congratulations

F-Troop 3rd PSG

John Griffin

You made it from Rat to Ring!!

You did it!



We are SO proud of you!

Love,

Mom, Dad and Michael

Congratulations, Connor Doyle



We are so proud of all that you have accomplished so far at VMI and know that you will continue to do great things! You have grown into a determined, respectful and inspiring young man. The U.S. Marine Corps will gain a great officer next summer after you complete OCS and graduate from VMI. We can't wait to celebrate all your future successes!

All our love,
Mom, Dad, Cassidy, Keira & Chewy

Congratulations to the Class of '23

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JACK W. CAUSSIN

When you were a Rat, Ring Figure seemed so far away, and before you know it you will be graduating and VMI will be but a memory. Make the most of every day and each experience, and use those experiences to become the man you want to be. Congratulations for reaching this milestone Jack. We are all so very proud of you and love you more than you know.

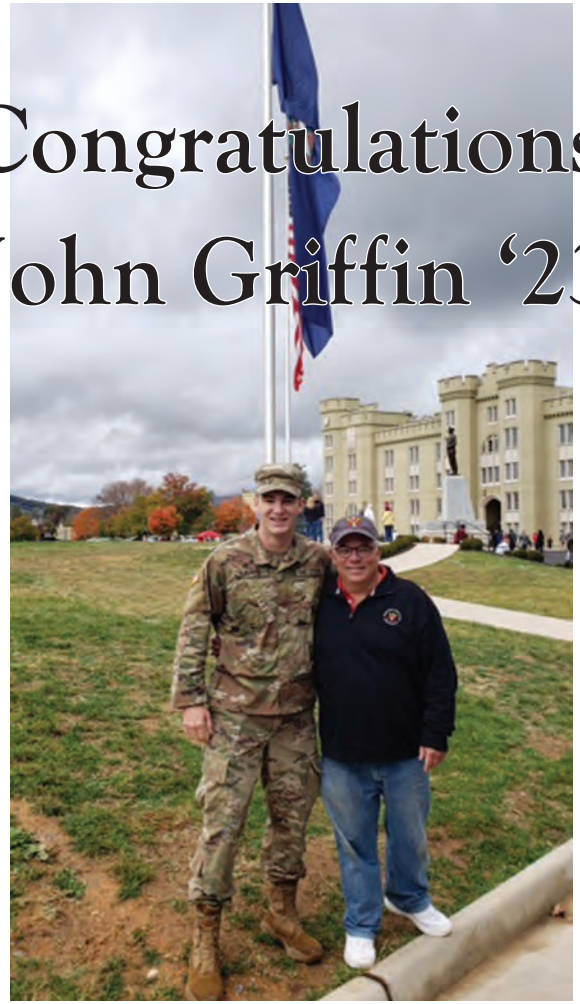
Momma, Dad, Terra and Michael.



Kenneth, we are so excited that the day is finally here for you to receive your ring from the Virginia Military Institute. You have worked so hard pursuing your dream and we couldn't be more proud of you and the man you have become.

Love, Mom, Dad, Morgan, Hannah, Nick, Maggie, Nathan, Daniel and Matthew

Congratulations, John Griffin '23



on finally obtaining your VMI ring

Enjoy Ring Figure!

You've overcome so much: a challenging Ratline, COVID times at VMI, and a "vertically challenged" father '80!! Keep pushing hard; the world is your oyster!
-GCO '81



Congratulations Xavier!

Keep up the great work.

We're extremely proud of the man you have become.



Love,

Mom, Dad, Marley & Kai



CONGRATULATIONS (ho'omaika'i) BRADEN!

We are so proud of you and all you do!

Keep up the good work!

Love Mom, Rob & Robert



Congratulations, Brett and to all of your BR's too!!

We are so very proud of you!

Love, Mom, Mackenzie & Madison



Connor Holland,
Congratulations on this achievement and milestone!
Your hard work, dedication, and sacrifices through this challenging VMI path are credited toward your commitment to excellence. We are extremely proud of your perseverance as you move forward towards accomplishing your goals now and in the future.

We love you!
Mom, Dad and Jenna

Best brother award goes to you for being selfless, determined and warm-hearted. I love you!

Jenna



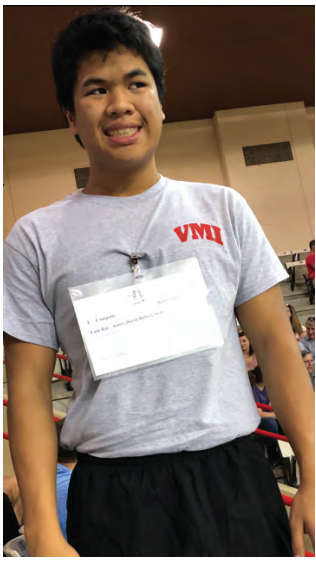
Ryan,

**Congratulations on this milestone!!!!
We are so proud of you. Your hard work and discipline have paid off.
Keep following your dreams.**

Love,

Dad, Mom & Zack

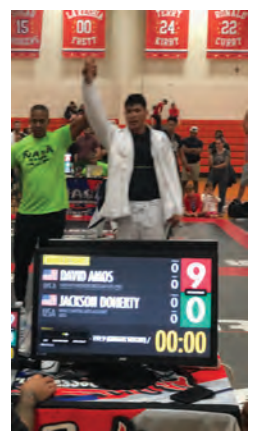




David Amos,

Congratulations on reaching this milestone!

There is no limit to your success!



*Love
Mom and Dad
Gabi, Isa, Mando,
Masha Bear*





Blake,

Congratulations on this most exciting day! Your tireless hard work and unwavering faith most certainly brought you to this day. We could not be prouder of you!



We love you,

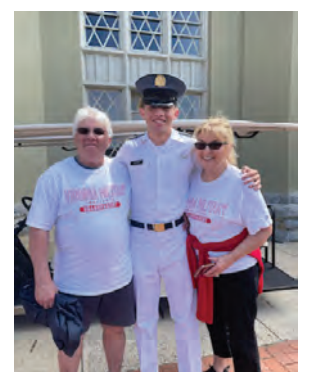
Mom and Dad



Chase,

You have been a great source of joy and happiness to your family. We are so proud of you and all the hard work you have done to get here. Remember to always keep God first. We love you so much!

Mom, Brad, and Abram -Dad, Maw-Maw, Brittany, and Hannah- Grandma and Pop





Cadet Micah E. P. Haga

With Love & Pride, Dad Mom & Markey



Congratulations Anissa Cheikh!

You're about to see what's waiting on the other side. For now, keep climbing. Keep the faith! We are so proud of you.

Love,
Mom & Dad



Andrew,

Congratulations on this milestone!!

So proud of all your achievements! Your hard work, courage, and commitment has led to your success. Continue on this path and you are capable of achieving anything.

We love you!

Mom, Dad, and Matt

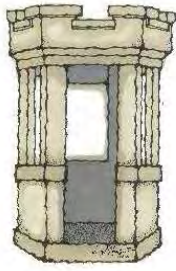




"Real change, enduring change,
happens one step at a time."
-Ruth Bader Ginsburg

**Congrats to the
Women's Soccer
Class of 2025**

Congratulations!



Congratulations Christian and Kyler! Another milestone in your cadetship! It was a tough 7 months from STP to Breakout, in many ways, but you both have accomplished so much. Now you both know how strong you are.

C/O 2025

We are so very proud of you both!

The Walkers and The Weimers



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Congrats Craigers!

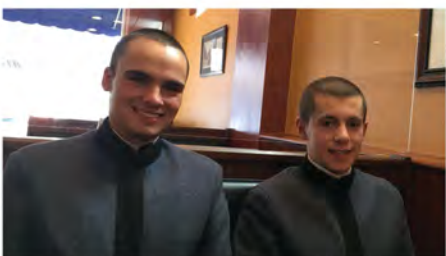
Time to Dance!



Looky there!
Time for hair!



Thanks Adam! You're a good man!



So happy for you Craig, Assim, Z, Harrison & Brian! You made it!

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We are so proud of you.

You are one step closer
to your goal.

We love you,

Mom and Dad



Congratulations Zack!



"You're lookin' around
and it's all scary and
different, but y'know,
meeting them head-
on, charging into 'em
like a bull - that's how
we grow as people."

- Rick of *Rick and Morty*



Congratulations to our son, Cadet
Bobby Kennedy, and to the entire VMI
class of 2025!

Son, you continue to make your family and friends proud. What you and your BRs have accomplished thus far is leaps-and-bounds beyond what the majority of your peers have even attempted. Continue to set your standards high, take smart risks, learn from failure, celebrate victory, and always be confident - yet humble. Welcome to the VMI Brotherhood.

We love you so very much! RVM. - Daddy ('00), Mama, Caylie, Adelina & Alaina



Dylan Makay Copeland

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Congratulation on making it through
BREAKOUT at VMI
You are the toughest girly girl we know

Love you bunches,
Mom, Papa, Tommy, Linda, JJ
Robin, Carrie, Jay, Brady (meow)



2025



Tony Lash '58

Legacy Glen Lash '22
In the fall of '57, I was a platoon leader in D Company. 65 years later, my nephew Glen Lash '22 is leader of the first platoon of A company. He is carrying my saber, which he says is much more ornate than what is available now.
How's that for tradition?

- Tony Lash '58



Glen Lash '22 with his father Jon Lash holding Uncle Tony Lash's '58 saber.



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We are very proud of you!!!!

With love and admiration from Nana & Pawpaw
(Pat & Eddie Moseley)

Thomas Pearson '25:

Congratulations on your and your BRs' Breakout from the Ratline!! Best of luck for the remainder of your cadetship!

- From your brother Andrew '19, your parents, your sister and the Outland clan ('19, '17, '83 & '81)





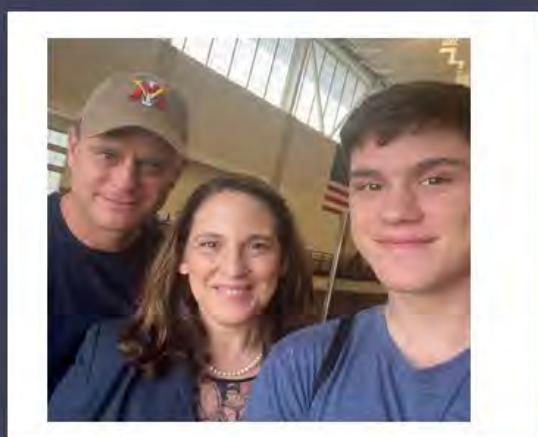
Congratulations to our Rat no more!

RahVaMil! Class of 2025!



Riley aka "Beans" and his BRs... Luke M., Josh, CG, Luke H., Wyatt, Hunter, Cam, Carson, Caden, Aaron, Louie and Zach.

CONGRATULATIONS VMI CLASS OF 2025



Cadet Luke Patrick Schneider
RatLine 2022 +3 // Class of 2025
Breakout: 2.5.2022

Congratulations !

Just six months you left us for Virginia Military Institute (VMI) on a journey of unconventional self-discovery

An unconventional journey that would test your character, resilience, and perseverance

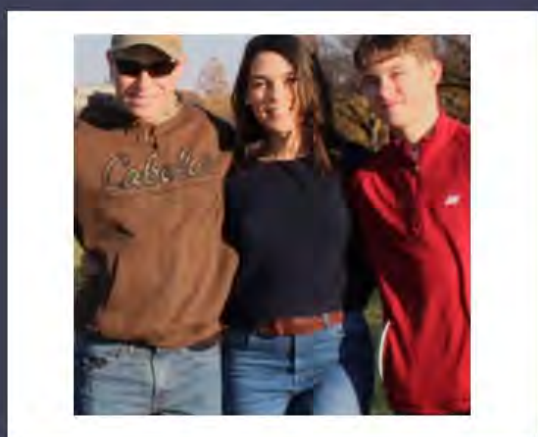
You and your Brother Rats (BRs) made it - Be proud of what you've accomplished as an individual and member of a cohesive team while setting course for the new horizon.

Remain steadfast in your determination to represent the very best of yourself, your family, and the institute.

We are so very proud of you and can't wait to see how the rest of your journey unfolds. We are always here to support you -

Keep Crushing it !!

Love,
Dad, Mom, Michelle, Jake, Lelo, Lela, Nana



CONGRATULATIONS ON BREAKOUT



INDIA COMPANY CLASS OF 2025

From your proud parents, family and friends

May the lessons you learned during the Ratline carry you and your BRs through life.

A special thank you to your dykes, India leaders and VMI staff for their encouragement, support and example.



ALBERTI
ALBRECHT
ALLNER
AVERY
BLOUNT
BOWLES
BRISHKE
BURD
CARROLL-WILSON
CLARK

DAVEY
DEMORY
DOCZI
DOWNS
FREITAS
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OH
OLSEN
PETRUSEVSKI
PRITCHARD
RUMSEY
THOMPSON
WAKEFIELD
WASSER
WHEELER





Cadet Richard Lewis



In August you started as a dirty little rat, Now your release is just like that. No more strain til spinal fluid taste, Maybe some free time, but please don't waste. No cadre or the RDC, and having to ask to poop or pee. No more "this rat" or roll dyke hay, But you may want to take care of Jack who helped pave the way The slop is bad, as we all know, But your waistline, now, does not blow! A little pudgy and wide, you are not, Your Richmond girls still think you're hot You are learning that life can be really tough But you now know that you can handle life rough Now you can focus on your lax, You know those boys all have your backs. We are so very proud of you, Now get that ring because you get THROUGH!

Love, Warner, Mom and Dad



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Congratulations Charles! This moment represents your transition from rat to Cadet and is one example of many to come on your journey. This places tremendous responsibility on you to ensure you relentlessly maintain the reputation of the Virginia Military Institute in all your future actions and decisions. As parents we have confidence that the learning environment there has impressed upon you the value of keeping an ethical compass to guide you. Your fine character, compassion and honesty equip you well to add to the contributions of those before you and it is why you have reached this point.

Additionally, you are carrying the banner of our family name into the challenges ahead. You are the first to have a VMI affiliation. From the first Continental Army supporting George Washington in 1775, through the 200 plus years since, you are our enduring family promise to the world that we will ensure freedom and liberty are appreciated and protected. Keep driving forward with the focus and determination within you and you will succeed when it matters. A special thanks to your Dyke, Christopher Soo '22, for his outstanding leadership and unwavering support.

Your entire family is proud of you, we value and appreciate who you are and where you are going at this time. There are simple requirements: do good, leave things better than they were before you got there, enrich those around you with kindness, leadership and support and always remain an American patriot. The horizon reveals unending threats to our Nation, meet them head on with a sharp sword and a clear plan on what is to be achieved.

We are behind you, the Class of 2025 and VMI, all the way!