

# Alexander Lofgren Veterans in Parks Act



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**On December 27, 2021, it was signed in to law that all Veterans, Gold Star Families, and active duty service members receive lifetime passes into all of our National Parks and Lands for free, for life in the name of late US Army Veteran Alex Lofgren.**

My name is Emily Henkel and I lost the love of my life, Alex, in a tragic hiking accident in Death Valley National Park on April 4, 2021. In attempt to save him and to be by his side, I suffered a brutal leg injury after falling down a cliff to Alex's aide. He succumbed to his injuries 30 minutes later. Unsure of my fate, I vowed to make this lifetime count and let his memory to live on if I made it out alive. Six days after the fall, Navy Search & Rescue located me and was removed safely from the cliffside.

**This is my purpose. This is Alex's legacy.**

Please help me in ensuring the honor of providing America the Beautiful passes is loved and utilized by our Heroes that deserve it most. Nature changed Alex's life, it changed mine, and it has the ability to change every life for the better.