

2023 4 Star True Blue Arrow Salute President's Choice Award

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The PFUFA annual reunion in Canton is highlighted by the presentation of the following awards to members for distinguished service related to friendship, hospitality, charity, and courage, as well as for epitomizing the PFUFA mission statement - *to promote the fellowship of all fans, encourage sportsmanship and support charitable activities*:

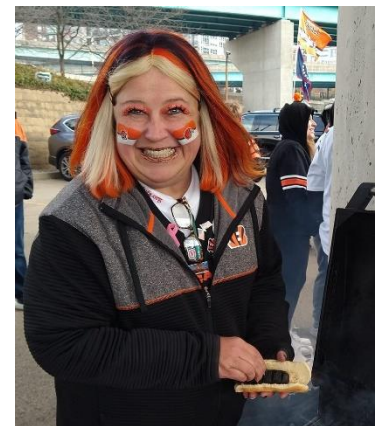
- 4 Star True Blue Arrow Salute President's Choice Award
- Jason "Beardown J" Carlson Courage Award
- Tommy "Bellringer" Nola Friendship Award
- Golden Hog Charity Award



DESCRIPTION - the **4 Star True Blue Arrow Salute President's Choice Award** is awarded to the PFUFA member that throughout the previous year has best personified the PFUFA mission statement of "TO PROMOTE THE FELLOWSHIP OF ALL FANS, ENCOURAGE SPORTSMANSHIP AND SUPPORT CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES."

2023 AWARD RECIPIENT - **Melissa Ballenger Burton**, Cincinnati Bengals

Melissa Ballenger Burton biggest "give" is her work with different charities. She takes a very "personal" approach to each philanthropic effort in which she is involved. Too many people in this world have been marginalized by society, but Melissa cherishes each opportunity she has to offer respect and friendship to those around her. As a volunteer, co-organizer or through a monetary donation, her philanthropic efforts span across 13 different charities. Her commitment to the PFUFA and ongoing penchant to craft the perfect reception at the PFUFA Reunion each year and she is the hallmark of PFUFA hospitality for our organization. Since volunteering to be the organizer for the Hospitality Room, she has blended spirit and creativity together and formed the perfect reception for everyone attending the reunion. In other words, Melissa exemplifies the PFUFA Mission Statement: To promote the Fellowship of all Fans, encourage Sportsmanship, and support Charitable Activities. Melissa is a member of the PFUFA Class of 2016. She exemplifies all aspects of the 4 Star True Blue Arrow Salute President's Choice Award, and the PFUFA is proud to announce her as the 2023 recipient. Visit www.pfufa.org (under Main Menu) for a summary of annual awards.



About PFUFA

Founded in 1999, the PFUFA is a very passionate group of football fans, representing all 32 NFL teams, who have a love for football, others and community that goes well beyond fandom, and who choose to make a difference in the lives of others - *the PFUFA is made up of big fans that have bigger hearts*. PFUFA members are leaders in their communities in support of charitable causes throughout the year, such as providing support for children, food drives, health research/cures, and veterans causes. The PFUFA come together in Canton during the Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement week for the Annual PFUFA Reunion, highlighted by an afternoon spent with the children and their families at the J. Babe Stern Community Center. None of us know how we are going to impact lives/families for the better, but we have seen many examples over the years of the positive changes that have taken place through our partnership with the J. Babe.