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BRANSON AIRPORT TO HONOR 9/11 AVIATION INDUSTRY HEROES Ceremony will remember the fallen and those who reclaimed the skies over the United States of America

BRANSON, MISSOURI - Branson Airport will hold a brief ceremony to honor the fallen of 9/11 on the 10th anniversary this Sunday at 9:03 a.m. marking the time that United Airlines Flight 93 crashed into a Pennsylvania field.

While all who lost their lives that day will be remembered, the ceremony will highlight the 33 crew members who perished on the four fatal flights: American Airlines Flight 77, American Airlines Flight 11, United Airlines Flight 175 and United Airlines Flight 93. The ceremony will also recognize the 84 Port Authority of New York and New Jersey employees who perished that day.

The Ceremony will end by remembering the heroes who got America flying again.

The government re-opened the nation's airspace on September 13th at 11 am a little more than 48 hours after the attacks. Many employees were scared, some of them lost friends and colleagues just a few days before. They did not know if more attacks were possible. They also knew changes to the security system that were already being discussed would not be implemented for some time. The Branson Airport Staff will honor the heroes who returned to work on September 13th and reclaimed the skies over the United States of America. Not to be forgotten are the "tens of thousands of aviation personnel who put their uniforms back on and led the way to getting the country moving again despite their fears," as stated by Tom Murphy, author of *Reclaiming the Sky; 9/11 and the Untold Story of the Men and Women Who Kept America Flying*.

The public is welcome to attend.

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