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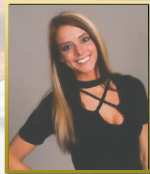


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## CRAWFORDSVILLE

American Legion Post 72 Honor Guard will be doing rifle salutes and taps at the following cemeteries on Monday:

- Oak Hill South, 9:30 a.m.
- Oak Hill on Grant Avenue, 9:45 a.m.
  - Old Town, 10 a.m.
  - Calvary, 10:15 a.m.
- Oak Hill North, 11 a.m.

Public is invited to Post 72 after the service for lunch.

## NEW ROSS

- 10 a.m. Monday. In case of inclement weather the service will be conducted at the New Ross Christian Church

## HILLSBORO

11 a.m. Sunday — Rose Hill Cemetery

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BLAKESBURG . . . . .	8:15 AM
BAINBRIDGE . . . . .	8:45 AM
CLEAR CREEK (HERITAGE LAKE) . . . . .	9:15 AM
NEW MAYSVILLE . . . . .	9:45 AM
NORTH SALEM . . . . .	10:15 AM
BARNARD . . . . .	10:45 AM
ROACHDALE CEMETERY . . . . .	11 :00 AM
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ROACHDALE LIBRARY. . . . .	12:00 PM

## VEEDERSBURG

• 7:30 p.m. Sunday — Special free viewing of “Over There: Hoosier Heroes of the Great War.” The Charles Forrest American Legion Post 228 will have a special free viewing of the PBS documentary “Over There: Hoosier Heroes of the Great War,” at the Sterling Christian Church.

Charles Harrison Forrest, the namesake of the Charles Forrest American Legion Post 288, was from Veedersburg. He was killed in action on Oct. 17, 1918. Forrest is featured in the film along with five other soldiers and one nurse, all of whom were from Indiana and served in World War I.

Veedersburg’s own Emmy award-winning filmmaker Jo Throckmorton, producer and director of “Over There: Hoosier Heroes of the Great War,” which will air on Indiana PBS Broadcast Station Network, as well as stations in Ohio, Kentucky, and Illinois, has been nominated by the Directors Guild of America for Outstanding Directorial Achievement. He produced and directed a major film for a museum installation at the Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery in Romagne-sous-Montfaucon, France, in 2016, which led to the production of this documentary. Throckmorton has also received the award for best documentary by the Society of Professional Journalists for his work on “Hard Life.”

Following the film, additional footage of images from the National Archives, as well as photos from the French Shoot specific to Charles Forrest will be shared.

Find Throckmorton at [blueacemedia.com](http://blueacemedia.com) and at [facebook.com/Jo-ThrockmortonFilmworks/](https://facebook.com/Jo-ThrockmortonFilmworks/).

- 7:30-9 a.m. Monday — Annual Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast in the community room of the Veedersburg City Building.
- 10 a.m. Monday — Veedersburg Fire Station

## Did you know?

The United States’ military involvement in the Vietnam War began in February 1961 and ended in May 1975. During that time, approximately 2.7 million Americans served in Vietnam and more than 58,000 lost their lives, according to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Canadians also

fought in the Vietnam War. Officially, Canada played the role of neutral peacemaker. However, according to The Canadian Encyclopedia, Canada secretly backed the American effort in helping the Southern Vietnamese forces reclaim footing against the Northern Vietnamese. America was

not able to stop the Tet Offensive in 1968. It would take two more assaults before the U.S. and South Vietnamese would retake lost territory. However, the victory was short-lived. When the 1973 Paris Peace Accords were signed, the North Vietnamese refused the last conditions which required releasing

civilian detainees and allowing free and democratic elections in South Vietnam. The refusal prompted an armed insurrection in April 1975, and Saigon, the South capital, fell to Northern forces and was renamed Ho Chi Minh City. The U.S. then withdrew from the country.





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# Memorial Day: the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

Memorial Day is a day of remembrance, honoring all who have died in service to the United States. It takes place annually on the last Monday in May and includes commemorative traditions like services, parades, speeches and flag ceremonies. Thousands of people choose to observe the day by visiting the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, a neoclassical, white marble sarcophagus, stands atop a hill overlooking Washington, D.C. It's located in Arlington National Cemetery, the final resting place for numerous presidents, Supreme Court justices, astronauts and other public servants, including more than 400,000 military personnel, veterans and their immediate families.

The Tomb began as a resting place for one unknown service member from World War I, and today it's the grave of three uniden-

tified service members. It serves as a symbolic grave for all fallen service members whose remains haven't been found or identified. It also serves as a place of mourning and a site for reflection on military service.

A sentinel has been on duty in front of the Tomb every minute of every day since 1937, ensuring the Unknown Soldiers forever rest with dignity and honor.

On Memorial Day, a national ceremony is held at the Tomb with nearly 5,000 people in attendance. The president typically delivers an address. The ceremony is free and open to the public.

This Memorial Day, look for a service in your area to pay your respects to service members who have fought and died while serving the United States of America.







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# The roles of the various branches of the U.S. military

Each November, people across the United States and its territories honor the brave men and women who serve and have served in the various branches of the country's military. Veterans Day is observed annually every November 11 and honors the service of all U.S. military veterans. The day should not be confused with Memorial Day, which is celebrated each year in May and honors all military personnel who have died in service.

Veterans Day is a great time for anyone to learn more about the various branches of the U.S. military.

## ARMY

The U.S. Department of Defense notes that the Army is the largest and oldest service in the country's military. The Army provides the ground forces that protect the United States. Members of the Army are trained to defeat enemy ground forces and to seize and control enemy lands and resources. Army also are trained to control and interact with the general population in countries where members are stationed.

## MARINE CORPS.

It might surprise some to learn that the Marine Corps. is a component of the Department of the Navy.

That's one reason why maintains amphibious and ground units for contingency and combat operations. The Marine Corps. is divided into four groups: the operating forces that fight; the headquarters for leadership; the supporting establishment that provides logistical support; and the Marine Corps Reserve.

## NAVY

The Navy protects America at sea. Despite its massive land mass, the United States is a maritime nation, which underscores how important a strong Navy is to the safety of the country and its residents. The Navy works alongside American allies and partners to keep the seas open and free.

## AIR FORCE

The Air Force has five core missions: air superiority; global strike; rapid global mobility; intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; and command and control. The Air Force defends the country and its residents in air, space and cyberspace and is capable of delivering forces anywhere in the world within hours.

## SPACE FORCE

The existence of the Space Force

may come as a surprise to many Americans. Organized under the Department of the Air Force and established in 2019, this branch of the military organizes, trains and equips space forces in order to protect the interest of America and its allies in space.

## COAST GUARD

During peacetime, the Coast Guard is part of the Department of Homeland Security. In times of war, it operates under the Navy. The Coast Guard provides law and maritime safety enforcement as well as environmental protection. In addition to promoting national security, border security and economic prosperity in the maritime

environment, the Coast Guard saves those in peril on the sea.

## NATIONAL GUARD

The National Guard is comprised of the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard. The National Guard has a diverse array of responsibilities that range from supporting combat missions to responding during domestic emergencies to assisting in humanitarian efforts and more.

The U.S. military is made up various branches, each with its own unique missions and responsibilities. Veterans Day marks the perfect occasion to celebrate the many individuals who have served and continue to serve in the U.S. military.



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# Charities whose missions support veterans, active military and their families

The support Americans have for their armed forces is evident in how much they donate each year to charities with military-related missions. According to Charity Navigator, Americans donate more than \$2.5 billion annually to charities with missions dedicated to the military.

Individuals who want to donate to a charitable organization with a military-related mission may not know where to start, and that can be daunting given the number of organizations that fit that criteria. Charity Navigator indicates there are more than 40,000 American charities with military-related missions, which underscores how difficult it can be to find one to support. Thankfully, Charity Navigator, which has provided donors with free access to data, tools and resources to guide their philanthropic decision-making since 2001, has curated a list of highly rated organizations that provide a variety of services to military members and their families. The following is a brief rundown of that list that can serve as a solid foundation for prospective donors. The full list can be found at [charitynavigator.org](http://charitynavigator.org).

## WOUNDED TROOPS

- Air Warrior Courage Foundation ([airwarriorcourage.org](http://airwarriorcourage.org))
- DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Charitable Service Trust ([cst.dav.org](http://cst.dav.org))
- Fisher House Foundation ([fisherhouse.org](http://fisherhouse.org))
- Higher Ground ([highergroundusa.org](http://highergroundusa.org))



- Homes for Our Troops ([hfotusa.org](http://hfotusa.org))
- K9s for Warriors ([k9sforwarriors.org](http://k9sforwarriors.org))
- Operation Second Chance ([operationsecondchance.org](http://operationsecondchance.org))
- Wounded Warrior Project ([woundedwarriorproject.org](http://woundedwarriorproject.org))
- Yellow Ribbon Fund ([yellowribbonfund.org](http://yellowribbonfund.org))

## MILITARY SOCIAL SERVICES

- AMVETS National Service Foundation ([amvetsnsf.org](http://amvetsnsf.org))
- Hire Heroes USA ([hireheroesusa.org](http://hireheroesusa.org))
- Honor Flight Network ([honorflight.org](http://honorflight.org))
- Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America ([iava.org](http://iava.org))
- Operation Gratitude ([operationgratitude.com](http://operationgratitude.com))
- Operation Healing Forces ([operationhealingforces.org](http://operationhealingforces.org))
- Soldiers' Angels ([soldiersangels.org](http://soldiersangels.org))
- The Mission Continues ([missioncontinues.org](http://missioncontinues.org))

## MILITARY FAMILY SUPPORT

- Army Emergency Relief ([armyemergencyrelief.org](http://armyemergencyrelief.org))
- Blue Star Families ([bluestarfam.org](http://bluestarfam.org))
- Children of Fallen Patriots Foundation ([fallenpatriots.org](http://fallenpatriots.org))
- Folds of Honor ([foldsofhonor.org](http://foldsofhonor.org))
- Operation Homefront ([operationhomefront.org](http://operationhomefront.org))
- Our Military Kinds ([ourmilitarykids.org](http://ourmilitarykids.org))
- Travis Manion Foundation ([travismanion.org](http://travismanion.org))
- VFW National Home for Children ([vfnationalhome.org](http://vfnationalhome.org)) TF22B478

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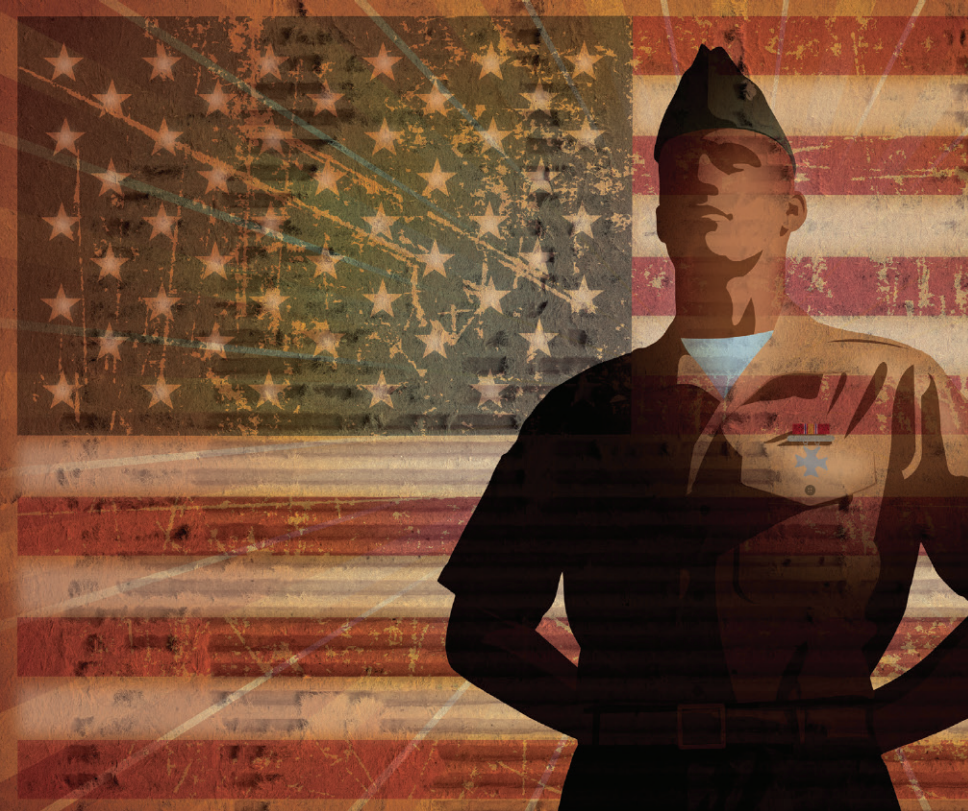
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# Interesting facts about Memorial Day

Each year on the last Monday of May, Americans celebrate Memorial Day. Memorial Day is a federal holiday that honors and mourns American military personnel who died while performing their duties in service to the United States Armed Forces.

Memorial Day has a rich history and one that's worth revisiting as the nation prepares to honor the sacrifices made by its military personnel over the centuries.

- Freed slaves played a role in the establishment of Memorial Day. The American Civil War is the deadliest military conflict in American history, as the Union and the Confederacy each suffered more than 800,000 casualties by the time the war ended in 1865. According to History.com, as the war drew to a close, hundreds of Union soldiers who were being held as prisoners of war died and were buried in a mass grave in a Confederate prison camp in South Carolina. After the Confederate surrender, more than 1,000 now-freed slaves honored those recently deceased Union soldiers during a ceremony in which they sang hymns and distributed flowers. The ceremony was dedicated to the fallen soldiers and served as a precursor to what is now celebrated as Memorial Day.

- Confederate soldiers were honored, too. Confederate losses during the Civil War outnumbered Union losses, and those losses were not forgotten by southerners who survived the war. History.com notes that, in 1866, the Georgia-based Ladies Memorial Association, one of many similar organizations to arise in the aftermath of the war, pushed for a day to honor fallen Confederate soldiers. In fact, these efforts are believed to have influenced General John A. Logan. In 1868, General Logan, a Civil War



veteran who was then serving as commander-in-chief of a group of Union veterans, ordered the decoration of Union graves with flowers on May 30. The day would ultimately be known as "Memorial Day."

- It took a long time for Memorial Day to become a federal holiday. Despite tracing its origins to the immediate aftermath of the Civil War, Memorial Day did not become an official federal holiday until 1971, more than a century after the war ended. This is the same year the holiday was officially

designated as taking place on the last Monday in May. The designation has periodically drawn the ire of veterans and military supporters who suggest it is now more widely seen as the unofficial beginning to summer and not a day in which the sacrifices of fallen U.S. soldiers are honored to the extent that they should be.

- Debate exists about which town has the longest history of celebrating Memorial Day. A handful of towns claim to be the first celebrants of Memorial Day. That debate figures to con-

tinue in perpetuity, but History.com notes that Waterloo, New York, was officially recognized by U.S. President Lyndon B. Johnson as the birthplace of Memorial Day in 1966. Doylestown, Pennsylvania, and Rochester, Wisconsin are some other towns that claim to have celebrated Memorial Day since the mid-1860s.

Memorial Day has a rich history that highlights the importance of honoring the men and women who have given their lives while in service of the United States military.





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