

SPECIAL THANKS

TO ALL OF YOU WHO ATTENDED TODAY'S CEREMONY

Bay Area Historical Representation Society, Dave Bergman
Lincoln High School JROTC, Lt. Col. Robert Powell, Director
Lowell High School JROTC, Lt. Col. Douglas Bullard, Director
United States Volunteers, Col. Leo McCardle, Robert Powell
Grave Site Flag Placement, Bay Area Scouts and Cubs

Republic of Korea

United States Public Health Service

Grants for the Arts

Copyland Printing - Foster City

Presidi-Go

Denis Quinn * Adam Sparks * Edwin Wilkerson

Edward Yee * John Caldera

Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services, Daniel Homsey

Residential Builders Association of San Francisco, Joe O'Donoghue

FDS Corporation, David Wyatt

Golden Gate Young Marines, Alex Seddio

Military Vehicles Collectors Club, Richard Agee, Pat Sherry

California State Military Reserve, Maj. Sam Hannon, CWO1 William Reid

Pentamark, Chrysler/Jeep, Robert Low

U.S.S. Iowa Committee, William Stephens, Elaine Wong

Order of the Founders & Patriots of America, Michael Phelps

Sons of the American Revolution, SF Chapter, Marston Watson

KSFO Public Affairs Director, Alma Pisano, Greg Rabb

KGO-Radio, John Rothman

Clear Channel's KNEW Radio

San Francisco Examiner, Edith Alderette

Sunset Beacon & Richmond Review, Paul Kozakiewicz, Editor

San Francisco Chronicle, Dick Rogers

Police Officers' Association Review Journal, Ray Shine, Editor

Geary Street Merchants Association, David Heller, President

Korean American Grocers Association, 24 Hour Market, Tae Ho Kang

Il Fornaio Catering - Cucina Italiana

Loris Diner, Powell Street, Man Kim

Korean Veterans Association of Northern California

World War II Russian Veterans Association of San Francisco

IN MEMORIAM

2007: Mon Jew, Korean War Veteran, Historic Military Vehicle Collector

2006: Charles "Corky" Reed, Navy Veteran, Sons of Civil War Union Veterans

Fred Gomez, World War II Veteran, Advocate for Veterans Rights

Susan Bierman, Port Commissioner, Former San Francisco Supervisor

2005: Ron Sonenshine, Media Relations, Presidio Trust

2004: Nate Ratner, People's Advocate, proud son of a World War I Veteran

PresidiGo

Enjoy FREE shuttle service to the National Cemetery between 9:30- 11:00 a.m.

Meet at Montgomery St. and Sheridan Ave. Service resumes after today's ceremony.

Stop by the Info Tent on Sheridan Ave. at Montgomery St.

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

1868-2007

MONDAY, MAY 28

San Francisco National Cemetery

~The Presidio~



On this Memorial Day we pay special tribute
to the Americans killed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Lives lost as of May 2007

3,800+



SAN FRANCISCANS KILLED IN IRAQ, 2006

Cpl. Christopher D. Rose Pfc. Keith J. Moore
4th Infantry Division 10th Mountain Division

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Rudy and Margarita Rose, Parents of Cpl. Christopher Rose
Susan Turley and Cliff Moore, Parents of Pfc. Keith Moore
Gavin Newsom – Mayor, San Francisco
Tom Lantos - Congressman, 12th District
Leland Yee, Ph.D. – State Senator and Assistant President pro Tempore
Fiona Ma - State Assemblywoman, 12th Assembly District
Aaron Peskin - President San Francisco Board of Supervisors, District 3
Sean Elsbernd - San Francisco Board of Supervisors, District 7
Ed Jew - San Francisco Board of Supervisors, District 4
Kamala Harris - San Francisco District Attorney
Dennis Herrera - San Francisco City Attorney
Phil Ting - San Francisco Assessor
Jose Cisneros - San Francisco Treasurer
Heather Fong - San Francisco Chief of Police
Joanne Hayes-White - Chief of the San Francisco Fire Department
Barbara Kaufman - Director, San Francisco Governor's Office
Craig Middleton – Executive Director, Presidio Trust
Kathleen McCall - San Francisco National Cemetery
Henry Morris – Civilian Aide, Secretary of the Army
Sang-Ki Chung – Consul General, Republic of Korea
Maria Rowena Mendoza Sanchez – Philippine Consulate General
Mark Liao – Director General, Taipei Economic & Cultural Office
Major General Bruce Zukauskas – Commander, 91st Division USAR
Vice Admiral Harvey Johnson, Jr. - Commander PAC Area, Coast Guard
Rear Admiral Jody Breckenridge - Commander MILCPAC, Coast Guard
Rear Admiral Frank Johnston –Western Region Dir., Dept. of Transportation
Captain Robert Lorigen - Chief of Staff, U.S. Coast Guard, District 11
Colonel Timothy Hunter – Commander, 23d Marine Regiment
Commander Lisa Avilla - Commander Naval Reserve Center Alameda
Commander Lance Sapera – Executive Officer, Navy Recruiting, SF
LTC Gordon Geison – Commander, Joint Military Postal Activity
LTC George Ishikata – Commander, Headquarters, 223d MI Bn.
Captain Hatem Abdine – Commander, 2632 Transportation Company
William Lee – Director, S.F. International Economic & Tourism
Valerie Tookes – Operations Manager, Grants for the Arts
Harry Kim – Commissioner, Relocation Appeals Board
Cheryl Cook – Director, County Veterans Service Office
Paul Reynolds – War Memorial Trustee
Bud Wilson – President, Veterans Affairs Commission
Greg Corrales – President, American Legion War Memorial Comm.
Vince Rios, Commander, American Legion District 8
Jeannette Richardson – President, American Legion District 8 Auxiliary
Dara Wong – President, District 15 VFW Auxiliary
Colonel Paul Schmidt - President, Reserve Officers Association, Chap. 6
Robert Varni - President, Association of the U.S. Army
Glenn Adams, Commandant, Marine Corps League Det. 10
Christopher Bowman - Director, San Francisco Republican Party
And all of you who have taken the time to attend this ceremony

PARADE 10:30 a.m.

Main Parade Ground - Sheridan Avenue & Montgomery Street

Salute to the San Francisco High School JROTC

Bud Wilson & Glenn Raswyck, *Parade Director*

PROGRAM 11:00 a.m.

Master of Ceremonies

Raymond Wong, Veterans of Foreign Wars District 15, Commander
Wallace Levin, SF Veterans Affairs Commission, Vice President

Prelude Pleasanton Community Concert Band

World War II Veterans Honored

Bay Area Historical Representation Society

Tribute to San Franciscans Killed in Iraq:

Cpl. Christopher Rose & Pfc. Keith Moore

Chaplain (Col.) Daniel Helix, U.S. Volunteers
Sons of the American Revolution & Order
Order of the Founders & Patriots of America

Presentation of Colors 91st Division USAR Color Guard

National Anthem Dillan Arrick, S.F. Post 152, Jewish War Veterans/USA

Invocation Reverend Susan Turley

Pledge of Allegiance Michael Thompson,

DAV & Military Order of the Purple Heart

Welcoming Address

Kathleen McCall, San Francisco National Cemetery

"America the Beautiful" Pleasanton Community Concert Band

Remarks

Mayor's Proclamation

Mayor Gavin Newsom

Senator Leland Yee

Assemblywoman Fiona Ma

Congressman Tom Lantos

Jeff Deis, Chief Operating Officer, Presidio Trust

Major General Bruce Zukauskas, Commander 91st Division

Medley of Service Songs Pleasanton Community Concert Band

Gettysburg Address

LeRue Grim Esq., Commander American Legion Post 737

Benediction

Kay Fuller, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Dist. 15 Ladies Auxiliary, Chaplain

"Amazing Grace" Pleasanton Community Concert Band

Taps 91st Division Pipes and Drums

Rifle Salute Northern California Brigade, United States Volunteers

Raise Flag to Full Staff 91st Division Color Guard

Thanks and Acknowledgements Wallace Levin, Ceremony Coordinator

Postlude Pleasanton Community Concert Band

Retirement of Colors 91st Division USAR Color Guard

**CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
MAYOR'S MEMORIAL DAY CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE**

Mayor Gavin Newsom, *Honorary Chairman*
Leland Yee, *State Senate Assistant President pro Tempore*
Supervisor Aaron Peskin, *President, Board of Supervisors*
Wallace Levin, *Memorial Day Ceremony Coordinator*
Raymond Wong, *Master of Ceremonies*
Renie Champagne, *VFW Master of Ceremonies Emeritus*

The Officers and Members of:

American Legion

AMVETS

Disabled American Veterans

Jewish War Veterans USA

Marine Corps League

Military Order of the Purple Heart

Veterans Affairs Commission

Veterans of Foreign Wars

THE PRESIDIO TRUST

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91st DIVISION USAR

COL Richard Mollica, *Chief of Staff*

CW2 Richard Servantez, *91st Division Band*

MSG Stan Kamiya, *Color Guard*

SAN FRANCISCO NATIONAL CEMETERY

Kathy McCall, *Director, Administrative Operations*

Mike Tynning, *Dial Engineering On-Site Contractor*

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Brian O'Neill, *Golden Gate National Recreation Area Superintendent*

Sergeant Michael Falzone and Major Gerald McCarthy, *United States Park Police*

Theresa Griggs, *Supervisory Park Ranger*

James Osborne and Frederick Penn, *Park Rangers*

PLEASANTON COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND

H.R. "Bob" Williams, *Conductor*

Following today's program, free **CEMETERY WALKS** will be led by
Park Ranger Frederick Penn and Docent Galen Dillman.
Meet under the tree at the crossroad in the cemetery .

A MEMORIAL DAY INTERFAITH SERVICE is offered in the Main Post
Chapel on the Presidio, Building 130, Fisher Loop at Sheridan Avenue
at 1:00 p.m. today.

General John A. Logan's Order No. 11 May 5, 1868, Washington, D.C.

- I. The 30th day of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyard in the land. In this observance no form or ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services and testimonials of respect as circumstances may permit.

We are organized, comrades, as our regulations tell us, for the purpose, among other things, "of preserving and strengthening those kind and fraternal feelings which have bound together the soldiers, sailors, and marines who united to suppress the late rebellion." What can aid more to assure this result than by cherishing tenderly the memory of our heroic dead, who made their breasts a barricade between our country and its foe? Their soldier lives were the reveille of freedom to a race in chains, and their death a tattoo of rebellious tyranny in arms. We should guard their graves with sacred vigilance. All that the consecrated wealth and taste of the Nation can add to their adornment and security is but a fitting tribute to the memory of her slain defenders. Let no wanton foot tread rudely on such hallowed grounds. Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors and found mourners. Let no vandalism of avarice or neglect, no ravages of time, testify to the present or to the coming generations that we have forgotten, as a people, the cost of free and undivided republic. If other eyes grow dull and other hands slack, and other hearts cold in the solemn trust, ours shall keep it well as long as the light and warmth of life remain in us.

Let us, then, at the time appointed, gather around their sacred remains and garland the passionless mounds above them with choicest flowers of springtime; let us raise above them the dear old flag they saved from dishonor; let us in this solemn presence renew our pledges to aid and assist those whom they have left among us as sacred charges upon the Nation's gratitude,—the soldier's and sailor's widow and orphan.

- II. It is the purpose of the Commander-in-Chief to inaugurate this observance with the hope it will be kept up from year to year, while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of his departed comrades. He earnestly desires the public press to call attention to this Order, and lend its friendly aid in bringing it to the notice of comrades in all parts of the country in time for simultaneous compliance therewith.
- III. Department commanders will use every effort to make this order effective.

By order of John A. Logan, Commander-in-Chief
N.P. Chipman, Adjutant General
Official: Wm. T. Collins, A.A.G.

HISTORY OF MEMORIAL DAY

Decorating the graves of the honored dead is a custom as old as humankind. After the Civil War, in both the North and South, parades, religious services, and placing commemorations on soldiers' graves arose spontaneously to remember the fallen.

Memorial Day in the United States began as a national day of mourning for the Union dead proclaimed by the Grand Army of the Republic in 1868. General John A. Logan of the G.A.R. designated May 30th "as a day for strewing flowers or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, or hamlet churchyard in the land.... It is the purpose...to inaugurate this observance with the hope that it will be kept from year to year while a survivor of the war remains to honor the memory of the departed."

Originally known as Decoration Day, Congress made it a national holiday in 1887. As time passed, sectional reconciliation became a theme for Memorial Day speakers. "Blue-Gray" reunions took place with greater frequency as the Civil War receded into the past. The G.A.R. held its last national encampment in 1949.

In the 1920s, Armistice Day, the 11th day of the 11th month, emerged as a day to mark the end of World War I in 1918. In 1938, the American Legion persuaded Congress to make Armistice Day a federal holiday. In the 1940s, it was renamed Veterans' Day to honor all those who served in America's armed services.

In 1968, Congress moved all federal holidays except Independence Day and Thanksgiving to the Monday nearest their customary date. Today Memorial Day is celebrated on the last Monday in May. (In the 1970s, Veterans' Day returned to its traditional November 11th date.) It has long been the custom for the Boy Scouts to decorate each grave in the San Francisco National Cemetery with an American flag on Memorial Day.

The etiquette of gun salutes is an ancient one. From the earliest days of the Republic, national holidays were celebrated with the federal salute, one gun for each state. This tradition continued until 1841 when the salute was reduced from twenty-six to twenty-one guns. The twenty-one gun salute was formally adopted in 1875.

