

MEMORIAL DAY PRESENTATION 2021

GREETINGS!

CHILDREN, LADIES, GENTLEMEN & FELLOW VETERANS....THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATRIOTISM, THANK YOU FOR TAKING TIME TO HONOR THOSE WHO HAVE SACRIFICED FOR THE NATION.

THERE IS NO GREATER LOVE THAN TO LAY DOWN ONES LIFE FOR HIS FRIEND, NO GREATER HONOR.

TODAY WE GATHER AND REMEMBER THOSE WHO LOVED US SO MUCH THEY WERE WILLING TO LAY DOWN THEIR LIVES, AND DID.

OUR MEMORIAL SERVICE IS CONDUCTED BY THOSE WHO WERE THERE; ON THE FIELD OF SACRIFICE AND WE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER OUR FRIENDS!

LET US ALL TAKE A MOMENT CHILDREN, WIVES AND LOVED ONES.... REACH OUT AND HOLD THE HAND OF THE VETERAN WITH YOU.

REACH OUT, TAKE THEIR HAND AND UNDERSTAND.... IN LIVING THEY HAVE LAID DOWN THEIR LIFE FOR YOU.

THEY EACH HOLD MEMORY OF FRIENDS LONG AGO AND RECALL VIVID MOMENTS IN TIME.

PLEASE UNDERSTAND, CHILDREN AND LOVED ONES, YOU ARE ANSWER TO THEIR QUESTIONS CARRIED FROM YESTERDAY AND THEIR WONDER OF TOMORROW.

BE JOY TO APPOSE THE SORROW AND, LET US ALL LIVE OUR LIVES WITH HONOR.

I AM FRANK GIROUX... IT IS MY HONOR TO ADDRESS YOU AND REPRESENT THE DYE IN THE AMERICAN FABRIC.

TODAY WE WILL REMEMBER WHAT STARTED ON APRIL 19, 1775 WHEN EIGHT CITIZEN SOLDIERS, AMERICAN MILITIAMEN, LAID DOWN THEIR LIVES TO PROTECT SAMUEL ADAMS AND JOHN HANCOCK AS THEY TOOK REFUGE IN PASTOR JONAS CLARK'S HOME AND THE CONGREGANTS OF THE CHURCH OF LEXINGTON STOOD FAST AGAINST OVER 800 BRITISH SOLDIERS.

YES, PLEASE REMEMBER ROBERT MUNROE, JONAS PARKER, SAMUEL HADLEY, JONATHAN HARRINGTON Jr., ISAAC MUZZY, CALEB HARRINGTON AND JOHN BROWN... ALL OF LEXINGTON AND Mr. PORTER OF WOBURN, MA; WHO STOOD FAST ON LEXINGTON GREEN AND BECAME THE FIRST TO SACRIFICE FOR INDIVIDUAL AMERICAN LIBERTY AND JUSTICE.

IT IS FITTING THAT WE TAKE TIME TO REMEMBER ALL THOSE WHO HAVE LAID DOWN THEIR LIVES SO THAT WE MIGHT HAVE OUR SO MANY BLESSINGS.

TODAY, LET US INFORM, REFLECT AND INSPIRE AS WE SEEK TO HONOR THEM AND ALL THOSE WHO HAVE FOLLOWED THEIR FOOTSTEPS.

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