

RAIDERS SALUTE



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Never Forgotten Honor Flight

is a Wausau - based organization formed in November of 2009.

Our goal is simple: to fly veterans (in our region) who served during World War II, the Korean War or the Vietnam War to Washington, D.C. to visit the memorials erected in their honor. We are an affiliate of the national group Honor Flight Network, which began this activity in 2005, and began flying with commercial charter aircraft in 2006 from Dayton, Ohio.

THE ONLY QUALIFICATION FOR A VETERAN TO TAKE AN HONOR FLIGHT TRIP IS TO HAVE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES MILITARY, IN ANY CAPACITY, DURING THE FOLLOWING TIME PERIODS:

Merchant Marines - 12/7/1941 to 8/15/1945

WWII – 12/7/1941 to 12/31/1946

Korea – 6/25/1950 to 1/31/1955

Vietnam – 2/28/1961 to 5/7/1975

The Never Forgotten Honor Flight Hub has flown 1,828 Veterans

(958 WWII, 840 KOREA, 30 VIETNAM) and 1,106 Guardians. (as of 05-11-2015)

We are supported by private and commercial donors (NO Government funding!). We are also supported by many veterans & civic organizations, schools, churches, employees of corporations, foundations & individuals. We have no paid staff.

Our volunteers organize the veterans for travel, arrange the travel both to and from Washington, and arrange all transportation, activities and meals in Washington.

Wreaths for Veterans Memorial Cemetery

"To be killed in war is not the worst that can happen.

To be lost is not the worst that can happen... to be forgotten is the worst." - Pierre Claeysens

2015 is the 4th year that the AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS DISTRICT 8 led the fundraising to lay wreaths at King. In 2014 they raised enough to cover one half of the 6600 gravesites at the cemetery, and hope to be able to continue to increase their numbers.

Each year the wreath laying ceremony is conducted at the same time that the events take place at Arlington National Cemetery.

The wreaths at King are purchased from Wreaths Across America through donations to the Riders. Each wreath costs \$15, but for each two wreaths purchased the Riders receive one free from WAA.

The wreath laying will take place this year on December 12th beginning at 10:00 AM. The ceremony will be at 11:00 am.

THE PUBLIC IS INVITED.

Anyone interested in donating a wreath may send a check payable to ALRA Wreaths to:

ALRA, 1130 13th Street S, Wisc. Rapids WI 54494.

