

# Ceremonial Wreaths



The national Wreaths Across America organization donates 7 ceremonial wreaths each year to be placed in a special location within the Cemetery. These wreaths honor the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Merchant Marine and Prisoners of War/ Missing In Action.

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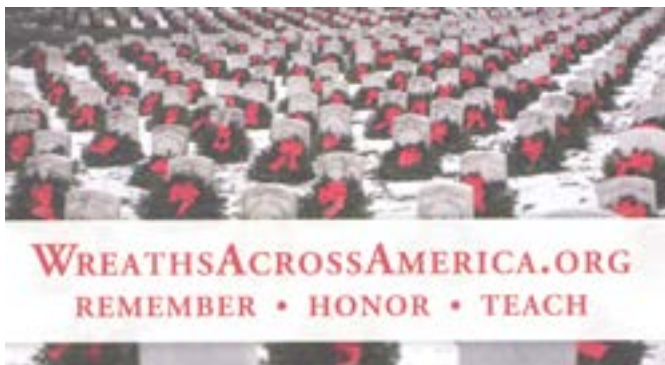


# Greenwood Cemetery

## Presents



# Arlington Wreath Project



Worcester Wreath Co. and its involvement with the Arlington project was inspired when at the early age of 12 years old, as a Bangor Daily News paperboy, Morrill Worcester won a trip to the Nation's Capital. It was a trip that he would never forget, and Arlington National Cemetery made an indelible impression. In later life, he recognized that his success as a businessman was in large part, due to the values of this Nation and the Veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.

In 1992, Worcester Wreath Company of Harrington, Maine found themselves with an excess of wreaths nearing the end of the holiday season. Seeing an opportunity to make a boyhood dream a reality, efforts to do something special with those wreaths began in earnest. With the help of Maine Senator Olympia Snowe and the Maine State Society of DC, arrangements were made for the wreaths to be placed in Arlington. Again an impression was made and he vowed to bring the wreaths every year.

In 2006, in response to thousands of e-mails and letters, Worcester Wreath expanded its wreath donations nationwide. With the help of the Civil Air Patrol and many others, ceremonies were held simultaneously at 230 locations. From the snowbanks of Alaska to the sands of Iraq our Nation's heroes were honored. From here, Wreaths Across America was born.

# Greenwood Veterans

Greenwood Cemetery is pleased to announce that we are an approved Wreaths Across America approved cemetery since 2013.

There are currently 1500+ veterans buried here at Greenwood Cemetery; men and women who have participated in wars from the time of the Mexican/American War which began in 1846 to the Iraq War which began in 2003. We seek to honor each one of our veterans each December by placing a wreath from Wreaths Across America on their grave.

When you donate, you may specify the veteran on whose grave you would like the wreath placed, or you may let the Cemetery decide for you.

For every 2 wreaths that are ordered the cemetery will receive an additional one to be placed on a veteran's grave. We will determine the placing of the additional wreath.

Each year a ceremony is held in December followed by the placing of the wreaths. We would love to have you come for this ceremony whether you have purchased a wreath or not. The wreaths remain on the graves until Spring of the following year.

The sponsorship form must be returned to the Cemetery no later than November 24th, 2018. Please call the Cemetery office at (231) 347-6531 if you have any questions.

The wreaths will be delivered to, and are only allowed to be placed in Greenwood Cemetery. You will not be able to pick up your wreath to place at another location.



# How Do I Help?

## Donate

\$15.00 per wreath

\$30.00 for 2 wreaths

\$150.00 for 10 wreaths

\$1,500.00 for 100 wreaths

Contact the Cemetery Office for donation forms or to donate over the phone. To ensure that the wreath is placed on the veteran of your choice please make all donations to Greenwood Cemetery.

## Ask Others To Donate

You may wish to contact friends, business associates and family to encourage them to give to this project. We will be happy to supply brochures to help you with appropriate information.

## Attend The Ceremony

The ceremony will be held on Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 11:45 A.M. (sharp). Veterans will be present and a speaker will give a patriotic talk. At this time the ceremonial wreaths will be placed and shortly after that we will place the wreaths on the graves of the veterans throughout the Cemetery.

While we supply transportation from the parking area to the ceremony site and back to the parking area we will not provide transportation to individual gravesites nor will the Cemetery be open to individual vehicles. We do make allowances for groups from care homes.

## Help Place Wreaths

It normally takes one to two hours to place the wreaths depending on how many volunteers we have. In previous years service clubs have come as a group to place wreaths. It is a very special time to honor these men and women, living and deceased, by placing a wreath that will mark their grave until the following March.