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Mechanicsburg Cemetery Announced as an Official Location for the 2019 National Wreaths Across America Day, Volunteers needed

The cemetery will join the more than 1,600 participating locations across the country to Remember, Honor and Teach on Saturday, Dec. 14, 2019 at Noon

Mechanicsburg, PA — December 5, 2019 —The Mechanicsburg Cemetery in Mechanicsburg, PA will be joining in the effort to support the mission to Remember, Honor, Teach, as an official location for the 2019 National Wreaths Across America Day. This is the first year that the cemetery will participate in this national event, made possible by local event sponsors American Legion Post 109, Buhrig Funeral Home and Crematory, and Buhrig’s Gathering Place.

National non-profit Wreaths Across America started as a simple gesture of thanks that, over the last eleven years, has grown into a national movement of dedicated volunteers and communities coming together to not only remember the nation’s fallen and honor their service, but to teach the next generation about the sacrifices made for us to live freely. This year, there will be close to 1,500 participating locations placing wreaths on National Wreaths Across America Day – Saturday, Dec. 14, 2019 – with more than a million volunteers.

“We are thrilled to be bringing Wreaths Across America to our hometown Mechanicsburg where we look forward to remembering, honoring, and teaching our community about the sacrifice and service of our veterans,” said Bob Buhrig, owner of Buhrig Funeral Home & Crematory and Buhrig’s Gathering Place, who is helping to coordinate the event.

Nearly 800 wreaths, all funded by American Legion Post 109, will be laid at Mechanicsburg Cemetery. Their hope now is to gather volunteers to help lay them on the headstones of all the local heroes laid to rest there, to ensure that the individuals who served to protect the freedoms of our country never be forgotten and to bring the community together in patriotic commemoration.



“We are forever grateful for the thousands of supporters who dedicate their time and effort to fulfilling our mission on a local level,” said Karen Worcester, executive director, Wreaths Across America. “These individuals and their communities know the value of remembering the fallen, honoring those who currently serve and teaching the next generation about the sacrifices made for our freedom every day, and without their continued support, Wreaths Across America would not exist.”

Those interested in volunteering for Wreaths Across America should contact Bob Buhrig at 717-766-3421. Volunteers will be provided with instruction on where and how to properly place the wreaths. National Wreaths Across America Day is a free, non-political, community event open to all people of all ages.

The Mechanicsburg Cemetery is located in the Borough of Mechanicsburg at 137 West Marble Street. The ceremony will begin at noon.

About Wreaths Across America

Wreaths Across America is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery begun by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester in 1992. The organization’s mission – Remember, Honor, Teach – is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at Arlington, as well as at thousands of veterans’ cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond. For more information, to sponsor wreaths or to sign up to volunteer, please visit www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org.

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