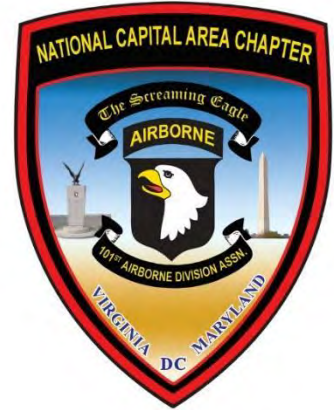




**101st Airborne Division Association
National Capital Area Chapter**

2022

Memorial Day Activities



The Chapter has finalized plans for our Memorial Day activities 2022.

We encourage any Association member or 101st veteran to attend and proudly represent the 101st Division.

May 27th	3:00pm	Hospitality Suite Opens
Friday	3:15pm	Wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknown
		Please <u>arrive before 3:00.</u>

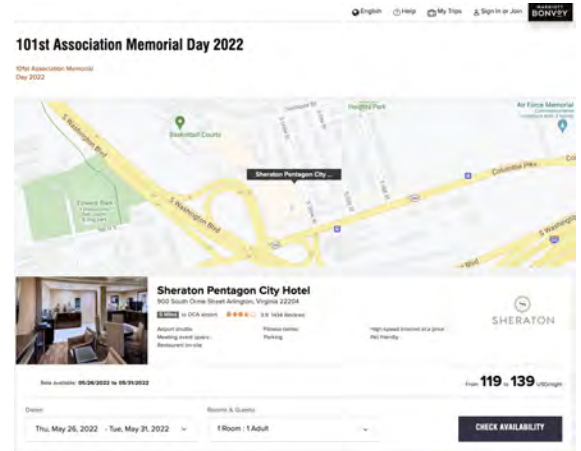
May 28th	9:00am	Memorial Wreath Placements
Saturday		Vietnam Memorial, Korean Memorial, WWII Memorial
		Board the bus in front of the hotel (\$5/person)
	3:00pm	Wreath Laying Ceremony at the 101st Memorial
	5:00pm	Dinner at the Sheraton Pentagon City

May 29th		No Organized Events
Sunday		(see below)

May 30th		Memorial Day Parade
Monday	1:00pm	Rendezvous on Constitution Avenue
	2:00pm	Parade Start

Room Reservations

We have reserved a block of rooms at the Sheraton Pentagon City hotel for May 26th through May 30th. You may call and make reservations or use the link below for \$119 per night. Reservations have a 72 hour cancellation requirement prior to the first night of the reservation. **Reservations must be made by April 29th.** After that date, they may or may not honor that price. Contact Dhusereau@aol.com if you need any assistance. Reservations include double Marriott Points.



Reservations can be made by using this [link](https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1643210645900&key=GRP&app=resvlink)

The Chapter is hosting a Hospitality Suite in the hotel which will open at 3PM on May 27th. It will be open in the evenings and between scheduled events. The room location will be posted in the lobby.

Wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknown

Laying a wreath at the Tomb is an honor for The Chapter. We were fortunate this year but are not always successful in getting a slot in the busy schedule of the Tomb Guards. If you can, please make an effort to attend. The Chapter will designate two members to represent the 101st Association and perform the ceremony. The Honor Guard and our representatives will descend the marble steps from the amphitheater and place the wreath in front of the Tomb. The Guard Bugler will then sound Taps.



War Memorial Remembrance Wreaths

We will visit the Vietnam, Korean and WWII memorial on the morning of the 28th. We have a bus reserved for the ride from the hotel to the plaza. We will collect \$5 per person at the bus to defray the cost somewhat.

101st Memorial Wreath Laying Ceremony and Dinner

We will have a wreath laying at the 101st Memorial on Saturday the 28th at 3 p.m. The Memorial is directly across from the front of the Visitors Center. If you would like to sponsor a wreath for your loved one or a 101st chapter or unit, the wreath order form is included below. Afterwards, dinner will be served at the Sheraton Pentagon City at 5pm. Cost of the dinner \$43 per person.

Sunday May 29th

There are no organized events on Sunday but the hospitality suite will be open with beer, soft drinks and snacks. You are welcome to drop in and visit with other veterans. Typically, veterans of the 82nd Airborne also drop by. They have been very supportive of our group in past years.

As some of you know, the **National Museum of the U.S. Army** opened at Fort Belvoir in November. The Museum is currently open but if you wish to visit you should try to get tickets ASAP. You can find information on the Museum at www.theNMFUSA.org.



Air Force Memorial

The Air Force Memorial is very close to the hotel and can be seen from the East-facing rooms.



Monday, May 30th Memorial Day Parade

We encourage 101st veterans and division association members to participate in the National Memorial Day Parade on Constitution Ave. Members from all chapters are invited to join with us. You will walk the parade route with D. C. Chapter members and give a good showing of support to the thousands of people watching from the sidewalks. In 2019, we had one - a single - chapter member marching in front of our volunteer vehicle escorts, the local Ford Mustang club. We can do better in 2022.



Rendezvous with us at 1p.m. We are usually staged at the East end of Madison Street. The parade steps off at 2.

For those of you that don't want to participate in the parade and only want to watch, there is a National Service at the Vietnam Memorial Wall at 1 p.m. You will have time to walk over to watch the parade afterwards.



2022 Memorial Day Wreath Ordering Form

Name /Organization of person ordering the wreath(s):

Person(s) placing the wreath (if known):

Inscription and color preference for ribbons adorning wreath(s):

Cost is \$90.00 per wreath. Please place orders with Bob Ponzo. 93 Sentinel Ridge Lane, Stafford, VA 22554. Telephone: 540-659-7212 or email at oznopsf@gmail.com.

Orders for wreaths must be received not later than May 20, 2021

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Bob Ponzo email above, or Diane Husereau dhusereau@aol.com

