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The Wallingford Veterans Memorial Committee, under the direction of Co-Chairpersons Ruth Palmer and Michael Kudrick, has announced the schedule for ceremonies on Memorial Day weekend 2021.

Activities begin with the placement of American flags on all the graves of the deceased veterans on Saturday, May 29th at 9:30 a.m. at each of the town's cemeteries by volunteers from VFW and American Legion Posts.

An important part of the Wallingford Memorial Day Program is the Sunday evening Church Service, at which time we honor the memory of those who gave their lives in service to this country. Open to the general public, this service will be held at the Most Holy Trinity Church at 84 North Colony Road in Wallingford on Sunday evening, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. In order to make this Service as inspirational as possible, all Veterans Posts with their Auxiliaries and all other groups are asked to attend with their colors and standards. During this service, the names of all deceased servicemen from Wallingford will be read. There will also be the presentation of the ceremonial American flag to the Memorial Day Marshal, SSGT Roy Cannon, USMC.

There will unfortunately be no parade this year; there will however be a ceremony, also open to the public, to be held in front of Wallingford Town Hall, starting at 10 am on Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. The committee is pleased to announce that the Master of Ceremonies will be Major George Messier, U.S. Marines Ret.; Memorial Day Marshal will be SSGT Roy Cannon, USMC; and the Guest Speaker will be Col. Dennis Mannion, USMC.

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