



2011 Remembrance Ceremony

DEDICATED TO FALLEN MILITARY MEDICAL PERSONNEL
OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM AND OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM

In order to help make the 2011 Remembrance Ceremony a very special day, please see the helpful information below. If you have additional questions or concerns, email us at MHSRemembers@tma.osd.mil or phone us at 202-681-0328.

Daily Schedule of Events

Time	Event	Location
8:00 am - 10:00 am	Morning Meet & Greet Family Welcome Packet Pick-up	WIMSA Memorial Building
9:00 am - 10:00 am	Pre-Ceremony Reception Hosted by MOAA and The American Legion	WIMSA Memorial Building
10:00 am - 10:45 am	Families, Guests make their way to the ceremony site; family escorts courtesy of American Legion	Travel from WIMSA Memorial Building to Old Amphitheater
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	The 2011 Remembrance Ceremony Dedicated to Fallen Military Personnel OIF/OEF/OND, 2001-2010	The Old Amphitheater, Arlington National Cemetery
12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Families, Guests makes their way back to WIMSA Memorial Building	Travel from Old Amphitheater to WIMSA Memorial Building
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Remembrance Ceremony Luncheon Hosted by TriWest, Health Net, Humana, and Gold Star Wives	WIMSA Memorial Building
3:00 pm	2011 Remembrance Ceremony Day Concludes	
3:00 pm and on	Families free to tour WIMSA, Arlington National Cemetery, and other D.C.-Area sites	D.C. Area

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Information About Arlington National Cemetery

- Tel: (703) 607-8545
- Hours of Operation: 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM
- A map of Arlington National Cemetery is included in the Family Welcome packet; to view and print a highlighted map that includes the Cemetery roads, parking areas, and building locations, please go to www.health.mil/remembers. The pdf is located in the right-side tool pane
- Upon arriving at Arlington National Cemetery, families and guests need only inform the gate guards that you are attending the 2011 Remembrance Ceremony
- Families and guests can park in the Visitors Center parking area. Rates are by the hour: \$1.75 for the first 3 hours; \$3.50 each additional hour thereafter Arlington National Cemetery can accommodate parking at the old Administration building located next to the Old Amphitheater or on the roads adjacent to and around the Old Amphitheater. You may chose to park in the visitor lot to attend the events at the WIMSA building and move your car to the old Administration building for the ceremony.
- The Metro stop for Arlington National Cemetery is via the Blue Line. Escalators will take you to Visitors Center entrance level

Media Awareness

- This annual ceremony is videotaped each year so that we can produce the commemorative DVD for all families
- A photographer will also capture stills of the event
- Be aware that you may appear in the MHS Remembrance Ceremony video or still photos; both the video and photos are for Remembrance Ceremony purposes only
- Outside media are instructed that they are NOT to approach family members for interviews unless the family has given prior consent
- You will have an opportunity to be interviewed or share your remarks for the Remembrance Ceremony DVD during the times we gather at the Women in Military Service for America (WIMSA) Memorial Building (morning meet & greet and post-ceremony reception). Please contact Sandra Abrams at MHSRemembers@tms.osd.mil if you would like to be interviewed for the commemorative DVD.





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Additional Tips & Staying Connected

- Please let us know if you or anyone in your attending family group will need special accommodations or dietary options
- If you have not done so, please visit the Remembrance Ceremony Web site at www.health.mil/remembers. In the right tool pane on the ceremony Web site, you can view and print the following information packets or find links to:
 - 2011 Remembrance Ceremony Frequently Asked Questions
 - Resources for Families
 - Media Consent Form (should you wish to be interviewed/share remarks)
 - D. C. Metro map
 - Wash., D. C. Activities, Museums & Tours Guide
 - Wash., D. C. Area Hotel Guide
 - 2011 Remembrance Ceremony Daily Schedule of Events Guide
 - Arlington National Cemetery map
- Also in the right tool pane under “Get Connected” you can subscribe to follow ceremony updates on Twitter and join the Remembrance Ceremony Facebook Group where you can chat with other families and post letters, pictures, and even videos of your fallen loved one
- Please remember that Washington, D. C. weather in mid-March can be very unpredictable. Attire for the ceremony is appropriate for a memorial service, but watch forecasts for D. C. area temperatures and precipitation. The 2011 Remembrance Ceremony is an outdoor event; as with all ceremonies in Arlington National Cemetery, the 2011 Remembrance Ceremony is rain or shine
- Attire:
 - Army: Army Service Dress
 - Navy: Class A Service Dress Uniform
 - Air Force: Class A Service Dress Uniform
 - Civilian: Appropriate for a memorial service

