Memorial Remembrance Ceremony

Friday, May 24, 2019
Program

America the Beautiful sung by Kenny Camara & Joan Stanzione
Welcome - Paul Araujo
Opening Prayer - Mary Beth Reynolds, Chaplain from Hope Health
Meaning of Memorial Day – Paul Araujo
On this Memorial Day – by Emily Toma – Carl Bloom - Tribute to our Soldiers
Reading of Names: Karen Van Gorden & Danielle Nadeau
Placing of Flowers – Paula Broccoli
Lighting of Candles – Joan Stanzione
Butterfly Poem by Jill Haley – MaryEllen Lehman
Release of the Butterflies – Paul Araujo
Amazing Grace – sung by Kenny Camara & Joan Stanzione
Mourner’s Kaddish – Susie Adler JERI Coordinator, Jewish Collaborative Services
Closing Prayer – Mary Beth Reynolds, Chaplain from Hope Health
God Bless America sung by Kenny Camara & Joan Stanzione

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED AND ATTENDED THIS PROGRAM
A Tribute to Our Soldiers

On This Memorial Day

By Emily Toma

Remember those who served before.
Remember those who are no more.
Remember those who serve today.
Remember them as we eat and play.
Remember our protectors who are not home today.

Remember them all on Memorial Day.
The Meaning of Memorial Day

Memorial Day has come to mean the beginning of summer, a time for picnics and barbecues, and a holiday to gather around the family. That happiness and freedom, however, is a product of the real cause for the holiday; the sacrifice made by men and women who have fought and died for the freedoms and liberties Americans hold dear. Memorial Day is a time to remember that the American way of life is not cheap but rather has been purchased by the lives and blood of so many who have sacrificed for us to live free and happily now.
Butterfly Poem

By Jill Haley

As you release this butterfly in honor of me, know that I’m with you and will always be. Hold a hand, say a prayer, close your eyes and see me there. Although you may feel a bit torn apart, please know that I’ll be forever in your heart. Now Fly away butterfly as high as you can go, I’m right there with you more than you know.