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VIRTUAL MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY PLANNED FOR MONDAY, MAY 25

PURCELLVILLE, Va. May 22, 2020— The Town of Purcellville is planning a virtual Memorial Day Ceremony that will be on the [Town of Purcellville Facebook page](#) on Monday, May 25. The virtual ceremony ensures compliance with the Governor’s Executive Order 62 which restricts gatherings of 10 or more people, while still offering residents the opportunity to join together to honor members of the military who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. The ceremony will be two separate Facebook posts. The first will be a Facebook Live event at 11:45 a.m. with Mayor Kwasi Fraser giving his opening remarks. At 11:50 a.m., a video of the recorded ceremony will be published on the Town’s Facebook page. The video includes the following:

- Invocation by Purcellville Police Chaplain Larry Brooks
- Remarks by Colonel Tip Stinnette, United States Air Force, Retired; Purcellville Vice Mayor
- Remarks by Congresswoman Jennifer Wexton
- Remarks by Purcellville Police Chief Cindy McAlister
- Memorial Ceremony at the Tear Drop with American Legion Post 293; Bradley Quin, President of the Purcellville Volunteer Fire Company and father of one of our local heroes; and Rick Reaves, Director of Bands, Loudoun Valley High School. This portion of the ceremony includes the presentation of the military wreaths, presentation of the local hero wreath, “Taps,” and raising the American flag
- Proclamation, Mayor Kwasi Fraser
- Benediction by Purcellville Police Chaplain Larry Brooks
- Closing remarks by Mayor Kwasi Fraser

The Town of Purcellville encourages all citizens to honor our Fallen Veterans by watching the ceremony from the safety of their homes on Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, 2020. Thank you for helping honor those who have lost their lives while serving our country.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

“Purcellville-your small Town, where history and progress intersect and people prosper,” is an award-winning town of over 10,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 50 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 12th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is recognized as one of the safest towns in Virginia. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, which has been converted to a multi-use trail from Alexandria, VA to Purcellville, the Town has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiques, equestrian activities, farmer’s markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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