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Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery  
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## Media Advisory

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### VA Invites Public to Attend Memorial Day Program at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery

**Event:** Memorial Day Ceremony

**Date:** Monday, May 29, 2017 at 11 a.m.

**Place:** Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery (Assembly Area)  
2000 Mountain Creek Parkway  
Dallas, Texas 75211

**Background:** The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and Texas National Cemetery Foundation (TNCF) invite the public to attend a Memorial Day Ceremony at Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery on Monday, May 29 at 11 a.m.

Brigadier General David C. Hill, commander, Southwestern Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, will give keynote remarks. Other program highlights include: music by U.S. Army 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division Band, Fort Hood; Midlothian High School Choir; 21 Volley Cannon Salute by the 14<sup>th</sup> Marines; missing man formation by 301<sup>st</sup> Fighter Wing, 457<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron; and a wreath placement.

The Dallas Vet Center and Taylor County Mobile Vet Center (Abilene) will provide outreach services through the VA's Mobile Vet Center (MVC), a 40-foot "office on wheels," during the event. MVCs are driven to far-reaching rural areas to assist Veterans with counseling and referral services pertaining to Post-Traumatic Stress, Military Sexual Trauma counseling, bereavement counseling, marriage and family therapy, and resources for suicide intervention as well as VA benefits.

The 638-acre cemetery opened May 2000 and is located in the southwestern part of Dallas adjacent to Mountain Creek Lake. Since inception, the cemetery has conducted more than 54,000 interments of veterans and eligible dependents.

**Parking:** All guests are urged to arrive early and use the available parking and shuttle service at The Potter's House due to limited parking at the cemetery. Shuttle service will be provided from 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Designated media and handicap parking are available to those with proper identification. Seating is limited and we suggest you bring lawn chairs or blankets. Bottled water provided. Guest visiting gravesites only and not attending the ceremony are encouraged to visit after 2 p.m. to avoid traffic and congestion due to the ceremony.

**Media Opportunities:** VA representatives, local veterans and special guests will be available for media interviews and photo opportunities before and after the event. Media should plan to arrive via the administration building entrance.

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