



STATE OF TEXAS
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

A Message from the Governor in honor of:

Memorial Day

May 26, 2025

As Governor of Texas, I am proud to join my fellow countrymen in paying tribute to the courageous men and women who gave the last full measure of devotion to our nation.

Memorial Day serves as a solemn reminder of the exorbitant cost of freedom and those who made the ultimate sacrifice, giving their lives to protect our homeland. As we gather across the country to honor the men and women who courageously fought to defend our founding ideals, we must ensure it was not done in vain by upholding the values and legacies of America's fallen heroes. Veterans, active-duty service members, and military families know all too well the pain and agony of losing a loved one in war and are our leading examples in how to spend today in remembrance.

We must also recognize that the sacrifices made to defend the founding ideals of democracy extend well beyond the loss of life. Veterans and active-duty service members who answered the honorable call to serve our nation on the frontlines of freedom are owed a great debt from American citizens. As a country, we are truly blessed to have a military with our magnitude of strength and power, which we shall never take for granted. We must never forget all who have fought for our security, influence, and freedom on this day of remembrance—and well beyond.

Nobody has given more to our nation or to the cause of freedom than the men and women of the U.S. military—especially those who made the ultimate sacrifice. At this time, I join my fellow Texans in saluting their memory.

First Lady Cecilia Abbott joins me in honoring our fallen service members and in praying for them, their loved ones, and the cause for which they died.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Greg Abbott".

Greg Abbott
Governor of Texas

