



JBLM honors fallen Service Members in Memorial Day Ceremony

May 21, 2014

JOINT BASE LEWIS-McCHORD, Wash. – Joint Base Lewis-McChord will honor the memory of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the defense of the United States with a Memorial Day ceremony Monday, May 26, at 11:30 a.m. at the base cemetery, the Fort Lewis Cemetery.

Brig. Gen. Willard M. Burleson III, deputy commanding general, 7th Infantry Division, will be the guest speaker. He will place a wreath on the marker honoring the Soldiers, Airmen, Civilians, men, and women who have served and made the ultimate sacrifice in the defense of the United States of America.

The I Corps Band will provide the music, and an Army & Air Force Honor Guard will present the colors. A salute battery will fire a 21-gun salute to honor fallen comrades, followed by the playing of Taps.

Visitors who wish to attend the JBLM ceremony will be required to obtain a pass from the base's Visitor Center at exit 120 on Interstate 5. Signs will direct attendees to the cemetery.

In addition, JBLM Soldiers and Airmen will attend and support more than 30 Memorial Day observances in the region with guest speakers, firing details, Army or Air Force Honor Guards, and the I Corps Band. JBLM will participate in the following Memorial Day weekend events -

Thursday, May 22

- St. Vincent De Paul Memorial Day Observance, 9 a.m., Federal Way, Wash.
- Highline Community College Memorial Day Observance, 11:45 a.m., Des Moines, Wash.
- Tribute to Our Troops- University of Washington Tacoma Memorial Day Observance, 12 p.m., Tacoma, Wash.

Sunday, May 25

- Vaughn Bay Cemetery Memorial Day Observance, 12 p.m., Vaughn, Wash.
- Fir Lane Memorial Park Memorial Day Observance, 12:30 p.m., Spanaway, Wash.
- Yelm Cemetery Memorial Day Observance, 1 p.m., Yelm, Wash.
- Roy Cemetery Memorial Day Observance, 3 p.m., Roy, Wash.

Monday, May 26

- Sumner Cemetery Memorial Day Observance, 10 a.m., Puyallup, Wash.
- Bethany Lutheran Cemetery Memorial Day Service, 10 a.m., Spanaway, Wash.
- Northwest Folklife Memorial Day Observance, 10 a.m., Seattle, Wash.
- Gethsemane Catholic Cemetery Memorial Day Observance, 10:30 a.m., Federal Way, Wash.
- Acacia Memorial Park Memorial Day Service, at the Acacia Memorial Park 11 a.m., Seattle, Wash.
- Joint Base Lewis-McChord Memorial Day Observance, Fort Lewis Cemetery, 11:30 a.m., JBLM, Wash.
- Bread of Life Mission's Memorial Day Ceremony, 12 p.m., Seattle, Wash.
- Seattle Mariners Memorial Day Game, 1:10 p.m., Seattle, Wash.
- DuPont Memorial Day Ceremony at Ross Circle, 2 p.m., DuPont, Wash
- Pierce County Memorial Day Ceremony, at the Mountain View Cemetery, 2 p.m., Lakewood, Wash.
- Tumwater American Legion, Post 166, Memorial Day Commemoration, Mills and Mills Memorial Park, 2 p.m., Tumwater, Wash.
- Evergreen-Washelli Memorial Day Observance, 2 p.m., Seattle, Wash.

Tuesday, May 27

- Tacoma Community College Memorial Day Observance, 8 a.m., Tacoma, Wash.
- Tacoma Community College Memorial Day Observance, 12:30 p.m., Tacoma, Wash.
- Seattle Symphony Memorial Day Observance, 7:30 p.m., Seattle, Wash.

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