











Kent County Servicemen Who Died in Vietnam

ROBERT PAUL ACHER JR DONALD RAY BAILEY

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LAWRENCE EDWARD HITCHENS DONALD RUSSELL HOSKINS

WAYNE CLIFFORD JESTER JAMES HAROLD JOHNSON JR

DONALD E KENTON GRAHAM NORRIS LOWDON JR

WILLIAM LOUIS LOWMAN JOHN MURRAY MARTIN

PAUL OSWALD MEDER MARK WENDELL MINEAR

ABRAHAM LINCOLN MOORE WILLIAM LEE NELLANS

ALEXANDER J PALENSCAR LARRY FLETCHER POTTS

NOLAN REED RAY EDWIN HAROLD SORNSON

Kent County Servicemen Who Died in Korea

JERRY C BLEEN PAUL L BRITTINGHAM

CLIFTON ELMER BROOKS WILLIAM J CLARK

KENNETH FLAMER JOHN M GODWIN

RICHARD HITCHINSON TIMOTHY E KIMBALL

HOWARD J MORGAN HENRY S MORTON

JAMES PHILLIP PERNELL

Kent County Servicemen Who Died in the Middle East

RICHARD C. CLIFTON TRAVIS L. GRIFFIN

SEAN W. MULLEN JARRETT B. THOMPSON

CARL J WARE JR.



Memorial Day 2 p.m. Monday, May 29, 2023

Kent County Veterans Memorial Park

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Vietnam Veterans of America
Kent County Chapter 850

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Emcee

Dave Skocik

VVA Life Member, Chapter 850

President, Delaware Veterans Coalition

Presentation of the National Colors Caesar Rodney H.S. AF Jr. ROTC

> National Anthem Lori Christiansen

Pledge of Allegiance
Child from the Audience

Invocation
Rev. Bill Downing, VVA Chapter 850

Greetings

Mayor Robin Christiansen, City of Dover

Welcoming Remarks

Joe Startt Jr., President, Chapter 850 VVA Paul Davis, President DE State Council VVA

Keynote Speaker
CMSgt (Ret) Herbert E. Welday III

Presentations

Placement of Wreaths & Reading of Names

Benediction Rev. Bill Downing, VVA Chapter 850

Closing Remarks

Dave Skocik

Bugler TapsJim Frazier

"Amazing Grace"

Delaware Celtic Society Pipe Band

Retired Chief Master Sergeant Herbert Earl Welday III is a



Mortuary Control Center Specialist who serves as the Dignified Transfer Coordinator of Friends of the Fallen at Dover AFB.

Friends of the Fallen are volunteers who work with Air Force Mortuary Affairs Operations (AFMAO) Command. The mortuary mission in Delaware dates to 1955, when the Port Mortuary was established at Dover AFB. It tracks the information related to Dignified

Transfers from aircraft tracking to family arrival and communicates up and down the chain of command, including the 436 Airlift Wing in support of the mission.

Chief Welday grew up in Baltimore, Md., and after graduating from Baltimore City College H.S. he entered the Air Force in August 1983 and after service across the globe, retired in 2012.

His background includes fuels management, special duty assignments as NCOIC fuels element of the Joint Communications Support Element, NCOIC of the Air Combat Command Air Transportable Fuel Systems School, and Eagle Flag Flight Superintendent and Program Manager Fuels Operations, 421st Combat Training Sq., U.S. Air Force Expeditionary Center at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J.

His assignments included bases in Delaware, Florida, and New Jersey. He also served tours in Guam, South Korea, and England.

Chief Welday holds a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from Saint Leo University; a BA in Sociology from Saint Leo University; and a BA in Media Design Photography from Wilmington University, Delaware.

His current duties include coordinating with AFMAO to make certain volunteers are always there to support every Dignified Transfer that family members attend. He's been a volunteer for almost 9 years and his team has never missed supporting a Dignified Transfer, even during the entirety of the COVID pandemic.

The Dover Port Mortuary became the sole port mortuary in the continental U.S. after the mortuary at Travis Air Force Base in California closed.

It became a named activity of the Headquarters Air Force, Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel, Services and Manpower in December 2008 and became a Field Operating Agency on May 1, 2014, for all branches of service.