

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE
SUNDAY MAY 27th & MONDAY MAY 28th 2018
HAMILTON, MASSACHUSETTS PARADE INFORMATION

Police Escort, Chief Marshal, Colors & Firing Squad, A.P. Gardner Post 194, American Legion Veterans, AP. Gardner Post Auxiliary, Sons of the American Legion, Fire Department, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Hamilton Wenham Regional High School Band, Sons of the Revolution Color Guard, State Police Mounted Team, Myopia Riders, American Legion Riders

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE 2018
Greg McKenna, A.P. Gardner Post 194
Commander / Chairman

Anthony Duignan • Anthony Heath • Bill Martin
• Mary O'Neil • Joseph Hanson • Ed Dolan

INVITATION TO ALL VETERANS

Memorial Day is one of the days in the year that gives all Veterans and community members an opportunity to pay tribute to those who served their country at war and have passed on.

The exercises this year will begin with the assemblies to be held at the various schools on Friday, May 25th. On Friday evening at 4:30 PM we shall put out flowers at the cemetery and place flags on all the veterans grave markers and line the down town streets / town hall with American flags.

There will be a breakfast at Patton Hall on Sunday May 27th at 8:00 AM followed by a Memorial Service at Christ Episcopal Church, 149 Asbury Street. Veterans will assemble at the church at 10:00 AM.

Sincerely,
Greg McKenna
Commander, A.P. Gardner Post 194
American Legion, Hamilton, MA

SCHOOL EXERCISES

Friday, May 25, 2018

Buker Elementary School	0900-0925 AM
Cutler	0930-0955 AM
Winthrop School	1010-1040 AM
HW Middle School	1245 PM - 115 PM (Held at HS Auditorium)
HW High School	125 PM - 200 PM (Held at HS Auditorium)

SUNDAY, MEMORIAL SERVICE

MAY 27, 2018

Gathering at Patton Hall 37 School Street beginning with Coffee at 8:00 AM and breakfast to follow at 8:30 AM. Church service will be held at Christ Episcopal Church, 149 Asbury Street. Veterans, Sons, ALR and Auxiliary will assemble at 9:50 AM.

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PARADE INFORMATION

GENERAL ORDER NO. 1

Comrades and marchers will assemble at Town Hall at 8:30 AM. Line will form promptly at first call at 8:45 AM. Automobiles for those unable to march.

ORDER OF EXERCISES

GENERAL ORDER NO. 2

8:30 AM Band Assembles
8:45 AM (Bugler) First call, once up Bay Road, once down Bay Road
8:45 AM Parade forms
8:50 AM (Bugler) Once towards Bay Road, once toward assembly area
8:55 AM (SHARP) Parade starts from Town Hall

1. March to Soldier's Monument

Decoration

2. March into Cemetery.

On entering cemetery, the Hamilton-Wenham Regional High School

Band will play at a slow drum beat.

- a. Welcome by Board of Selectmen, Chair.
- b. Flower placement by Brownies on Veterans' graves

MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES (continued)

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- c. Decoration of Grave Ceremony – Greg McKenna, Commander
After wreath is placed, units take up the position of attention.
- d. Prayer and Benediction 2018.
- e. Raising of Flag by Greg McKenna, Commander
- f. Volley by the Post 194 Firing Squad
- g. Taps

3. March to Honor Roll monument at Town Hall.

Decoration – Wreaths will be placed at Town Hall steps for WWI Veterans and at the Honor Roll monument for the WWII, Korean, and Vietnam Veterans. Resume march down Bay Road.

4. March to the HW Community House, turning on Asbury Street.

The Rifle Squad will fall out and form an Honor Guard. Raising of the Wreaths by Legion Auxiliary. Salute. On way out, Firing Squad will come to attention as Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts raise the flag at Community House, and a Police and Fire representative raise the flag at the Public Safety Building. Rifle Squad will re-join Parade and continue on Asbury Street, and turn onto back road to Patton Park.

5. Parade will form around the tank. Wreath placed at Flag Pole by Vietnam Veterans. The Regional Band will play “Green Beret March” (Volley by Post 194 Rifle Squad). Wreath placed at tank in memory of General George S. Patton’s 3rd Army. Flag raised as Officer Andrew Neill sings the National Anthem.

6. Legionnaires, and guests, return to Post 194 for Decoration of Leland Thompson plaque and Memorial Day Ceremony. Reading of deceased members/veterans. Volley by Post 194 Firing Squad. Taps.

7. End of Service and disband.

Flowers for Memorial Day provided by “The Singing Flower” 52 Railroad Ave
Having a “Special Event” consider Patton Hall



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

**Town of Hamilton
Memorial Day Program**

2018

American Legion Post 194 Centennial 1919-2019