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Local Wreaths Across America Ceremony Postponed Due to Weather

For the safety and enjoyment of the volunteers and participants, the American Legion Cemetery will revise its annual wreath placement.

Tampa, FL — December, 15, 2023 — Due to the inclement weather, the annual wreath-laying scheduled to take place on Saturday, December 16 at the American Legion Cemetery as part of National Wreaths Across America Day, will be revised for the safety of everyone involved. The ceremony will still take place at noon inside the American Legion USS Tampa Post. Wreath laying will begin at 11:00am, weather permitting. If we are unable to lay wreaths because of the weather, we invite all interested community members back at 2:00pm on Sunday, December 17 to complete the process of honoring our military.

We also encourage everyone to check the status of the American Legion Cemetery event to stay updated with the latest weather and information regarding this year's event. Information will be available at Post5Tampa.org or at the USS Tampa Facebook page.

In total, 765 wreaths will be placed at the American Legion Cemetery to Remember the fallen, to Honor their service, and Teach our children the value of freedom. Wreaths Across America is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery begun by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester in 1992. The organization's mission – Remember, Honor, Teach – is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at Arlington, as well as thousands of veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond.