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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE U.S.
AN ORGANIZATION OF VETERANS
WHO HAVE FOUGHT
AMERICA'S FOREIGN WARS
ON LAND AND SEA
AND IN THE AIR

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Important Dates to Remember

- August 1 Air Force Day**
- August 2 Carillon VFW Post 12059 Members Meeting 7PM**
- August 4 U.S. Coast Guard Established (1790)**
- August 6 Carillon VFW Post 12059 Picnic, 12PM Lockport AL Post 18**
- August 7 Purple Heart Medal Established (1782)**
Vietnam War Began (1964)
- August 14 Japan Surrendered Ending WWII (1945)**
National Navajo Code Talkers Day
- August 16 National Airborne Day**
- August 19 National Aviation Day**
- August 26 Womens Equality Day**
- August 30 Carillon VFW Post 12059 E-Board Meeting 7PM**

Words to Move You

The Old Veteran

**The old veteran listened, not saying a word,
You could tell he did not like a thing he had heard.
He had just asked some children what grades they were in,
And upon learning, asked, "How does each day begin?"**

**He was stunned by their answers, their innocent tone,
But he furrowed his brow and let out a small groan.
If the Pledge of Allegiance is not said at all,
Can the next generation hear liberty's call.**

**If saluting the flag is not being allowed,
How can they be expected to grow proud?
If our children are not shown a patriot's guide
How can they be a party to American Pride?
We have let our political guidelines destroy
These American tenets we used to enjoy.
We're America! Founded in Freedom's broad reach
That is value unmeasured, a mandate to teach.**

**There are three generations from my time till now,
That will know what I'm saying, and echo my vow.
Let our pride in American values run deep;
We have Freedoms to safeguard, and Honor to keep!**

**Richard Williams
Dover Resident**

Carillon VFW Post 12059 wished to acknowledge the passing of one of its' members, Ray Lisching . Ray served his country with honor and distinction during the Korean War. He is survived by his wife Laura and his children. Ray was a very active member of the post and always had a smile for everyone. He will be missed by all who knew him.

This past month was busy one for Post 123059. We attended 4 burials at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery for homeless veterans and also the Quarterly Burial for Veterans who were dropped off at the cemetery and no honors ceremony was requested. We also we asked to participate in the ceremony at Joliet City Hall for the Flags of Valor. This ceremony was for The Illinois Veterans who died in Afghanistan and Iraq this past year. It was moving ceremony and well attended. We also made one trip to Manteno Veterans Home with the donations from the community. Thank you and God Bless You for your generosity.

**James Singler, Commander
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