



Memorial Day Message 2020

This Memorial Day, we honor those Americans who have put their lives on the line to bravely defend our country's freedom. I ask you to take a moment to remember the men and women who sacrificed their lives to protect our great Nation. We are indebted to our Fallen Heroes and their Gold Star families.

Memorial Day weekend also marks the beginning of summer where many of our Soldiers, Civilians and Families will take advantage of the warm weather. As your communities begin to re-open and you enjoy water sports, grilling with family and friends, and motorcycling, I encourage you to relax, but please do so with safety and health in mind. Please do not drink and drive. Any accident or injury to a 143d ESC teammate is a shared tragedy to us all.

Even though this year's Memorial Day events will be considerably different, I do hope that you and your family still may pause and honor our Fallen Heroes through online ceremonies or another special way of remembrance. I'm heartened to know that Americans will always carry on with commemorations, and will never forget the ultimate sacrifices that have been made for our freedom.

If you choose to gather with others, continue to take appropriate measures to reduce COVID-19 spread – maintain physical distances, wash your hands frequently, clean and disinfect surfaces, and use face coverings.

Have a safe, enjoyable, and meaningful holiday -

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