National Memorial Day Observance Weekend (25 - 30 May 23)

18 MAY 2023
NMDO Weekend
Mission and Intent

**Mission:** Arlington National Cemetery Host National Memorial Day Weekend activities from 25–30 May 2023 to honor service members who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to the nation.

**Purpose:** To deliver a safe and secure environment with clean facilities and landscapes providing a sense of beauty and peace for our guests, honoring those who have served our nation.

**Key Task:**
- Military executes Flags in-Flags Out 25 May and 30 May (0600-UTC ANC/0900-UTC SAHNC)
- Travis Manion Foundation 27 May (0800-170) Memorial Ave/Section 60
- VSO Memorial Day Flag Rehearsal 27 May (1000-1100) Memorial Amphitheater
- Execute Flowers of Remembrance at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldiers on 28 May (0900-1700)
- During this ceremony, the public will be afforded the rare opportunity to walk on the plaza in front of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and place a flower there to memorialize our nation’s military dead.
- Host Memorial Day Weekend Armed Forces Full Honor Wreath Ceremony - Presidential and NMDO at the Memorial Amphitheater on 29 May (1000-1300)

**End State:** National Memorial Day Weekend Activities executed safely and securely with ANC returning to normal operations with minimum disruption to Cemetery operations and visitor experience.
**Sequence**

1. Visitor receives flower near Visitor Entry Point
2. On que from ANC staff, visitor enters the Plaza
3. Visitor stops in front of Tomb and places flower
4. Visitor exits Plaza

The sequence of event will continue until 1700
Memorial Day Concept

**WHO** | **WHAT** | **WHEN** | **WHERE** | **WHY**
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**26MAY23**
ENG | Cleaning | 0800 | Memorial Amphitheater | Contractor Cleaning

**29MAY23**
G2 | Command Post Setup | 0430 | WC | Security Setup
G3 | ANC OPS Setup | 0500 | SC | C2 Checks
JBM | Final Setup Checks | 0430-0530 | MA AOR | NMDO Support
VOS | Mission Set | 0500 | ANC | Positions Set
All | Amphitheater Closed | 0500 | MA AOR | Event Support
G3 | Ops Center Hot | 0600 | SC | Operational
All | ANC COP Checks Complete | 0600 | ANC | Everyone Operational
G2 | Inner Perimeter Sweeps Begin | 0600 | MA AOR | Event Support
All | Comms Check | 0600 | All Positions | Comms Check
G3 | Conditions are set for ANC to open | 0755 | ANC | Decision Point
ED | Make Opening Determination | 0800 | ANC AOR | Decision Point
All | NMDO Start | 1000 | ANC AOR | Event Support
All | Security Freeze | 1055 | SGO Route | Movement Freeze
All | Follow on SGO Visit | 1115 | ANC AOR | Event Support
All | SGO Departs ANC | TBD | ANC AOR | Event Support
All | Site Cleanup | COB | ANC AOR | Event Support
PAO | Satellite Truck Removal | COB | ANC | Event Support
All | NMDO End | 1300 | ANC | Return to Normal OPs
G3 | Closing Report sent | 1600 | Via Email | For ANC Leadership Review

**LEGEND**
- Arrival Route
- Departure Route
- SGO Walking Route
- Mobile Veteran Center
- Drop/Pickup
- AFFHWC
- Outer / Inner Cordon