

## VFW EVENT COMMITTEE

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Steve Wickstrom, Trustee  
Joseph McMahon, Adjutant (prior Post Commander)  
Shawn Craig, Post Commander

## FOR MORE INFO

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For more information on programs and events of George L. Wood VFW Post 5594, please visit our webpage at [www.uptonvfw.org](http://www.uptonvfw.org) or find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/uptonvfw](https://www.facebook.com/uptonvfw).



**VFW**

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Post 5594

# Loyalty Day CEREMONY

Saturday, May 4, 2019 | 9AM  
Town Common  
Upton, Massachusetts

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## About the VFW

The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. is a nonprofit veterans service organization comprised of eligible veterans and military service members from the active, Guard and Reserve forces. Founded in 1899 and chartered by Congress in 1936, the VFW is the nation's largest organization of war veterans and oldest major veterans organization. Proud to proclaim "NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS," the VFW and its Auxiliary are dedicated to veterans' service, legislative advocacy, and military and community service programs. For more information or to join, visit our website at [www.vfw.org](http://www.vfw.org).

The **Massachusetts Medal of Liberty** is awarded to the next of kin of service men and women from the Commonwealth who were killed in action or who died in service while in a designated combat area in the line of duty or who died as a result of wounds received in action.

## EVENT SCHEDULE

Welcome by Event Chairman Steve Wickstrom

Introduction of Town Selectman Brett Simas  
& State Senator Michael Moore

Opening prayer by Pastor Lourey Savick, The United Parish of Upton

National Anthem sung by Pastor Lourey Savick

Introduction of Distinguished Guests: State Representative David Muradian & VFW District 8 Commander Gregg Gentzler

Presentation of the Medal of Liberty to Lt. Richard Rand's widow, Carol Jantz Rand Varney, by VFW Post Commander and Event Committee

Introduction of Steve Petak, Chairman of the Vietnam The 50th Massachusetts Inc. Committee

Presentation to Lt. Richard Rand's daughter, Tara Rand Fillingeri, by Vietnam The 50th members

"Ballad of the Green Beret" sung by Joe McMahon

Blessing of the Wreath and Those We Remember by Deacon Sagar Gundiga of St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish

Placing of the wreath by Vietnam Veterans

Rifle Salute

Taps by bugler Jackson DesRoches, Nipmuc Regional High School

Closing remarks by Steve Wickstrom