

## Memorial Day

Memorial Day. Please take time to remember our war heroes who gave their lives in defense of our country. At Home and overseas they are buried, can you take just a few minutes and visit their grave maybe place some flowers or a flag and say a prayer for their families who have lost their husband, father, brother etc. Remember our freedom is not free it was paid for by our service men and women who fight to keep us in the most wonderful country in the world.

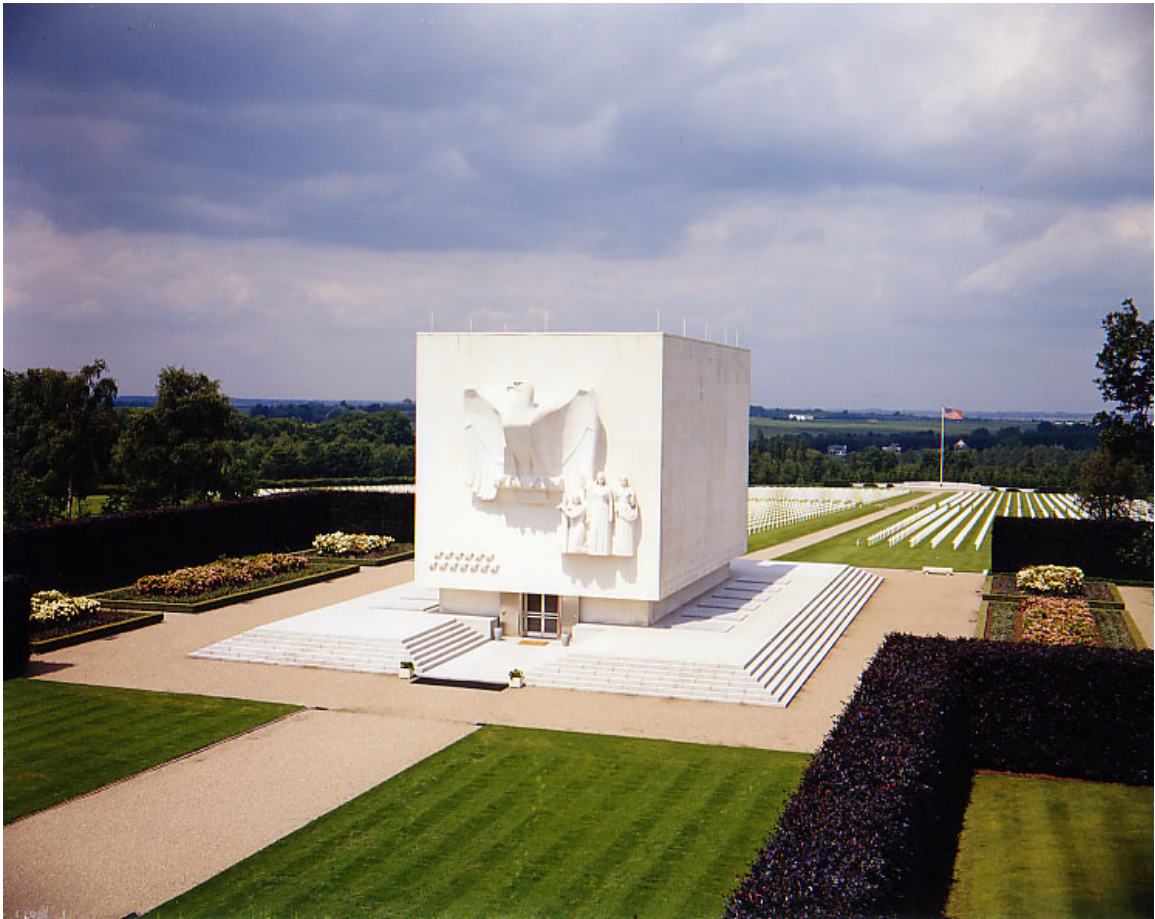
Freedom isn't Free.....

In alphabetical order. ....and this is just **Europe!**

1. The American Cemetery at Aisne-Marne, France. A total of 2,289 of our military dead. We SHOULD Apologize?



2. The American Cemetery at Ardennes, Belgium. A total of 5,329 of our dead.  
We are arrogant?



3. The American Cemetery at Brittany, France. A total of 4,410 of our military dead



4. Brookwood, England - American Cemetery. A total of 468 of our dead



5. Cambridge, England. 3.812 of our military dead.



6. Epinal, France American Cemetery. A total of 5,525 of our Military dead



7. Flanders Field, Belgium. A total of 368 of our military



8. Florence, Italy. A total of 4,402 of our military dead.



9. Henri-Chapelle, Belgium. A total of 7,992 of our military dead.



10. Lorraine, France. A total of 10,489 of our military dead



11. Luxembourg, Luxembourg. A total of 5,076 of our military dead.



12. Meuse-Argonne. A total of 14,246 of our military dead



13. Netherlands, Netherlands. A total of 8,301 of our military dead



14. Normandy France. A total of 9,387 of our military dead

15. Oise-Aisne, France. A total of 6,012 of our military dead.



16. Rhone, France. A total of 861 of our military dead.



17. Sicily, Italy. A total of 7,861 of our military dead.



18. Somme, France. A total of 1,844 of our military dead



19. St. Mihiel, France - A total of 4,153 of our military dead.



20. Suresnes, France, a total of 1,541 of our military dead.



**(IF I ADDED CORRECTLY, THE COUNT IS 104,366!)**



### American Revolution (1775-1783)

|  |         |
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| Total U.S. Servicemembers <sup>1</sup> | 217,000 |
| Battle Deaths                          | 4,435   |
| Non-mortal Woundings                   | 6,188   |

### War of 1812 (1812-1815)

|                           |         |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers | 286,730 |
| Battle Deaths             | 2,260   |
| Non-mortal Woundings      | 4,505   |

### Indian Wars (approx. 1817-1898)

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers (VA estimate) | 106,000 |
| Battle Deaths (VA estimate)             | 1,000   |

### Mexican War (1846-1848)

|                           |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers | 78,718 |
| Battle Deaths             | 1,733  |
| Other Deaths (In Theater) | 11,550 |
| Non-mortal Woundings      | 4,152  |

### Civil War (1861-1865)

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Union)                      | 2,213,363 |
| Battle Deaths (Union)                                  | 140,414   |
| Other Deaths (In Theater) (Union)                      | 224,097   |
| Non-mortal Woundings (Union)                           | 281,881   |
| Total Servicemembers (Conf.) <sup>2</sup>              | 1,050,000 |
| Battle Deaths (Confederate) <sup>3</sup>               | 74,524    |
| Other Deaths (In Theater) (Confederate) <sup>3,4</sup> | 59,297    |
| Non-mortal Woundings (Confederate)                     | Unknown   |

### Spanish-American War (1898-1902)

|                                       |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) | 306,760 |
| Battle Deaths                         | 385     |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) | 2,061   |
| Non-mortal Woundings                  | 1,662   |

### World War I (1917-1918)

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) | 4,734,991 |
| Battle Deaths                         | 53,402    |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) | 63,114    |
| Non-mortal Woundings                  | 204,002   |
| Living Veterans                       | 1         |

### World War II (1941 -1945)

|                                       |            |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) | 16,112,566 |
| Battle Deaths                         | 291,557    |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) | 113,842    |
| Non-mortal Woundings                  | 671,846    |
| Living Veterans <sup>5</sup>          | 2,306,000  |

#### NOTES:

- Exact number is unknown. Posted figure is the median of estimated range from 184,000 – 250,000.
- Exact number is unknown. Posted figure is median of estimated range from 600,000 – 1,500,000.
- Death figures are based on incomplete returns.
- Does not include 26,000 to 31,000 who died in Union prisons.
- Estimate based upon new population projection methodology.

### Korean War (1950-1953)

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) | 5,720,000 |
| Battle Deaths                         | 33,739    |
| Other Deaths (In Theater)             | 2,835     |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) | 17,672    |
| Non-mortal Woundings                  | 103,284   |
| Living Veterans                       | 2,307,000 |

### Vietnam War (1964-1975)

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) <sup>6</sup> | 8,744,000 |
| Deployed to Southeast Asia <sup>7</sup>            | 3,403,000 |
| Battle Deaths <sup>8</sup>                         | 47,434    |
| Other Deaths (In Theater) <sup>8</sup>             | 10,786    |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) <sup>8</sup> | 32,000    |
| Non-mortal Woundings <sup>9</sup>                  | 153,303   |
| Living Veterans <sup>5,10</sup>                    | 7,125,000 |

### Desert Shield/Desert Storm (1990-1991)

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Total U.S. Servicemembers (Worldwide) | 2,322,000 |
| Deployed to Gulf                      | 694,550   |
| Battle Deaths                         | 147       |
| Other Deaths (In Theater)             | 235       |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater) | 1,590     |
| Non-mortal Woundings                  | 467       |
| Living Veterans <sup>5,10</sup>       | 2,269,000 |

### America's Wars Total (1775 -1991)

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| U.S. Military Service during Wartime     | 41,891,368 |
| Battle Deaths                            | 651,030    |
| Other Deaths (In Theater)                | 308,800    |
| Other Deaths in Service (Non-Theater)    | 230,279    |
| Non-mortal Woundings                     | 1,431,290  |
| Living War Veterans                      | 17,456,000 |
| Living Veterans (Periods of War & Peace) | 23,442,000 |

### Global War on Terror (Oct 2001 - )

The Global War on Terror (GWOT), including Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF) and Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF), are ongoing conflicts. For the most current GWOT statistics, visit the following Department of Defense Website: [http://siadapp.dmdc.osd.mil/personnel/CASUALTY/gwot\\_component.pdf](http://siadapp.dmdc.osd.mil/personnel/CASUALTY/gwot_component.pdf)

- Covers the period 8/5/64 - 1/27/73 (date of cease fire)
- Department of Defense estimate
- Covers period 11/1/55 – 5/15/75
- Excludes 150,341 not requiring hospital care
- VA estimate, as of 5/08, does not include those still on active duty and may include veterans who served in Iraq and Afghanistan.

**Source:** Department of Defense (DOD), except living veterans, which are VA estimates as of Sep 2008.

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|---|---|
| <p><b>American Revolution</b><br/>                 Last Veteran, Daniel F. Bakeman,<br/>                 died 4/5/1869, age 109<br/>                 Last Widow, Catherine S. Damon,<br/>                 died 11/11/06, age 92<br/>                 Last Dependent, Phoebe M. Palmetoer,<br/>                 died 4/25/11, age 90</p> | <p><b>Mexican War</b><br/>                 Last Veteran, Owen Thomas Edgar,<br/>                 died 9/3/29, age 98<br/>                 Last Widow, Lena James Theobald,<br/>                 died 6/20/63, age 89<br/>                 Last Dependent, Jesse G. Bivens,<br/>                 died 11/1/62, age 94</p>                |
| <p><b>War of 1812</b><br/>                 Last Veteran, Hiram Cronk,<br/>                 died 5/13/05, age 105<br/>                 Last Widow, Carolina King,<br/>                 died 6/28/36, age unknown<br/>                 Last Dependent, Esther A.H. Morgan,<br/>                 died 3/12/46, age 89</p>                  | <p><b>Civil War</b><br/>                 Last Union Veteran, Albert Woolson,<br/>                 died 8/2/56, age 109<br/>                 Last Confederate Veteran, John Salling,<br/>                 died 3/16/58, age 112<br/>                 Last Union Widow, Gertrude Janeway,<br/>                 died 1/17/2003, age 93</p> |
| <p><b>Indian Wars</b><br/>                 Last Veteran, Fredrak Fraske,<br/>                 died 6/18/73, age 101</p>   | <p><b>Spanish-American War</b><br/>                 Last veteran, Nathan E. Cook,<br/>                 died 9/10/92, age 106</p>  |

VA estimates the number of living World War II U.S. veterans will be:\*

|                       |                       |                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 9/30/08.....2,306,000 | 9/30/09.....2,024,000 | 9/30/10.....1,761,000 | 9/30/11.....1,517,000 |
| 9/30/12.....1,294,000 | 9/30/13.....1,092,000 | 9/30/14.....911,000   | 9/30/15... ..750,000  |
| 9/30/16.....611,000   | 9/30/17.....490,000   | 9/30/18.....388,000   | 9/30/19.....303,000   |
| 9/30/20.....233,000   | 9/30/21.....176,000   | 9/30/22.....131,000   | 9/30/23.....96,000    |

\* Estimates have changed based on new population projections.

**U.S. Veterans and Dependents on  
 Benefits Rolls as of  
 September 2008**

|                       | VETERANS  | CHILDREN | PARENTS | SURVIVING SPOUSES |
|-----------------------|-----------|----------|---------|-------------------|
| Civil War             | -         | 2        | -       | -                 |
| Indian Wars           | -         | -        | -       | -                 |
| Spanish-American War  | -         | 94       | -       | 90                |
| Mexican Border        | -         | 15       | -       | 60                |
| World War I           | -         | 3,169    | -       | 4,873             |
| World War II          | 274,052   | 14,403   | 117     | 223,895           |
| Korean Conflict       | 156,842   | 3,170    | 257     | 60,948            |
| Vietnam Era           | 1,015,151 | 8,843    | 2,932   | 165,376           |
| Gulf War <sup>1</sup> | 896,288   | 13,688   | 926     | 15,945            |
| Non service-connected | 315,763   | 18,103   | 2       | 182,236           |
| Service-connected     | 2,951,587 | 28,016   | 5,385   | 320,979           |

<sup>1</sup> For compensation and pension purposes, the Persian Gulf War period has not yet been terminated and includes veterans of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.