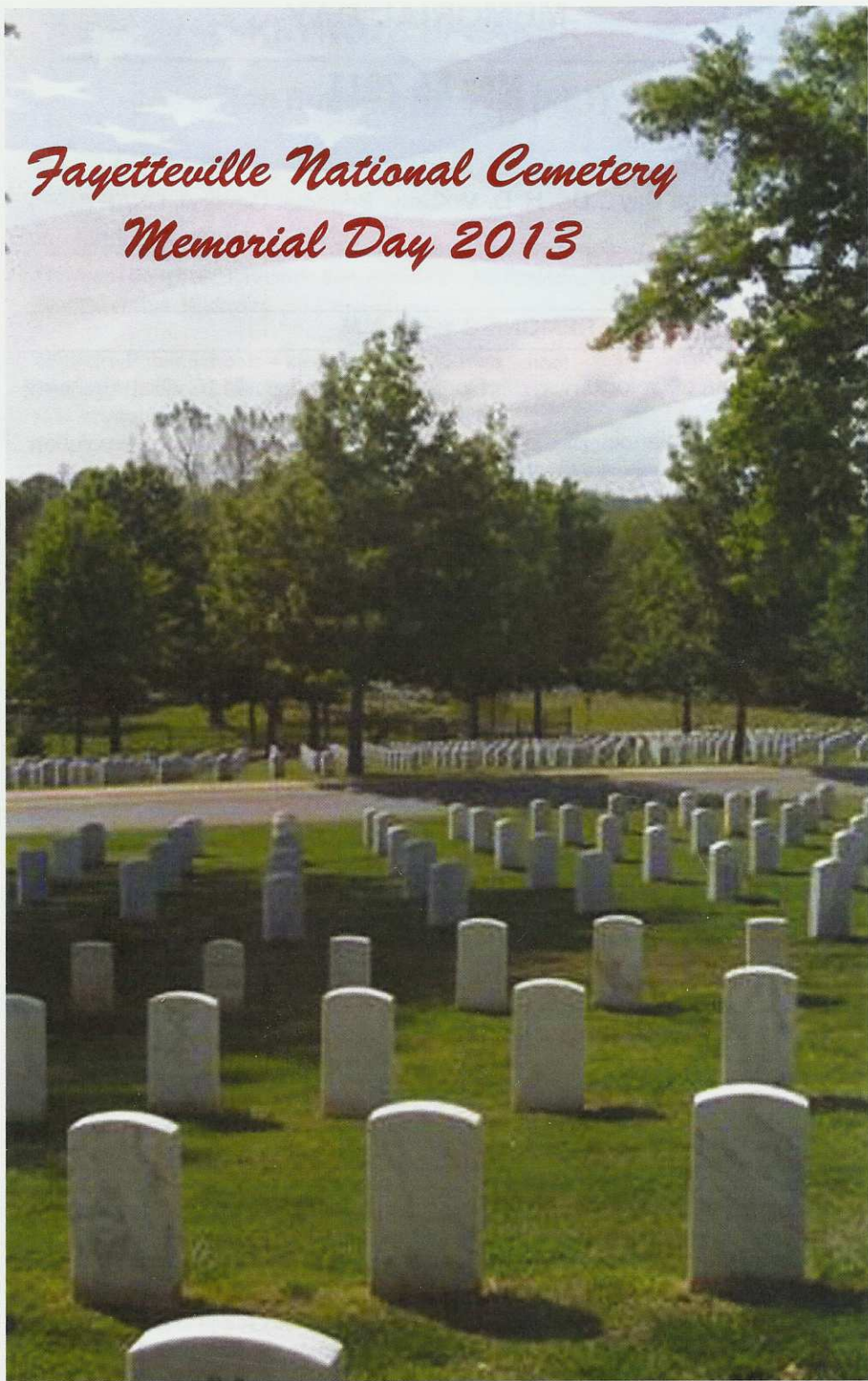


*Fayetteville National Cemetery
Memorial Day 2013*



MEMORIAL DAY

May 27, 2013

Marshall of the Day ...Dr. H. D. McCarty, Brigadier General, USAF (RET)
President, Ventures for Christ, Inc.

CEREMONIES 10:00 A.M.

Recognition of Colors.....Composite Squadron #115, Civil Air Patrol
Pledge of Allegiance.....Sons of the American Revolution
Invocation.....Chaplain Christopher Gueydan, CPT, US NG, LA ARNG
National Anthem.....Mr. Rufus Herndon
Flag Etiquette.....Ms. Sara Gardner
Memorial Wreath Presentation.....Gold Star Mothers
Keynote Speaker.....Ron Butler, LTC. USA (RET)
NWA Economic Development Grant Presentation to Mr. Merle Williams,
VP Regional National Cemetery Improvement Corporation, Inc., (RNCIC)

SALUTE TO THE HONORED FALLEN

Honor Details & Buglers.....VFW Post 3031, Rogers, AR.
Bagpiper..... Ozark Highlanders Pipe Band

CONCLUSION

Medley Patriotic Songs.....Mr. Rufus Herndon
Honor of Colors.....All Present
Benediction.....Chaplain Christopher Gueydan CPT, US NG, LA ARNG

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Ron Butler, LTC. USA (RET)

Born- 2 August 1934

Home- Hillsboro, Wisconsin

Siblings- Number 3 of 5 Boys

Background- Raised on a dairy farm in west central Wisconsin

Children- Daughter, Kathleen; Son, Ronald David; Stepsons, Curt & Cris

Marital status- Widower

EDUCATION

Hillsboro Public Schools – Kindergarten thru High School

Harford Jr. College, Bel Aire, MD -1970 thru 1972

U.S. Armed Forces Institute – 1972 thru 1978

U.S. Army Command & General Staff College – Graduate 1972

MILITARY SERVICE

Enlisted- 3 March 1952, Wisconsin Army National Guard, Private E-1
Assigned to Service Btry, 126th FA Bn.

Commissioned- August 1959, Commissioned 2LT, Ord Corps., Aug 1959
thru Nov 1966. November 1966- 30 May 1985- Active Duty,
Ordnance Corps, U.S. Army.

Retired- 30 May 1985

SIGNIFICANT ASSIGNMENTS

Company Commander- 1962-1964 Co. B (FwdSpt) 732d Maint Bn

Adjutant (S-1)- 1964-1966 HQ, 732d Maint Bn., 32d Inf Div

Bn Supply Officer (S-4)- 1967-1968, 725th Maint Bn, 25th Inf Div
(Vietnam)

Company Commander – Hq & MS Co, 198th Maint Bn, Ft Know, KY

Maintenance Officer- Hq, 5th U.S. Army, Ft. Sheridan, IL

Director of Industrial Ops – 1970 – 1972, HQ, Ft. McCoy, WI

Maintenance Adv, RVN: Ofc, Chief of Ordnance- 1972-1973 (Vietnam)

Security Ass't Manager – Military Assist. Command, Thailand, 1977-1979

MAIT Chief, Region II- 1st U.S. Army, Ft. Dix, NJ 1979-1981

Mobilization Planner- HQ, Ft. Riley, KS 1981-1983

Maintenance Advisor- U.S. Army, CE, Saudi Arabia 1983-1985

Maintenance Officer- U.S. Army ARMCOM, Rock Island Arsenal-1985

Retired- LTC, Army of the United States of America, May 1985

POST RETIREMENT EMPLOYMENT & ACTIVITIES

Employment

Program Mgr- TACOM Sample Data Collection, PECO Enterprise
Davenport, IA 1985-1989

Mgr, Support Services Div- Serv-Aire, Inc, Rock Island, IL 1990-1993

Government Property Mgr- Nomura Enterprise Inc, Milan, IL 1993-1998

Activities

President, Military Officers Assn, NW Ark Chap Fayetteville, AR, 2004-2006

President, Regional Nat'l Cemetery Imp. Corp, Fayetteville, AR, 2011-to date.

Volunteer, Fayetteville AR, Veteran's Hospital- 2005 to date.

THIS BULLETIN/PROGRAM IS DEDICATED TO THE RNCIC
Regional National Cemetery Improvement Corporation, Inc.

I am sure you have noticed the expansion project going on here at Fayetteville National Cemetery. This project is due to the continued efforts of the RNCIC (Regional National Cemetery Improvement Corporation), President Ron Butler, Vice President Merle Williams, and all members past and present. Through their combined efforts they are responsible for keeping this cemetery open for future burials until the projected year 2023. There were five World War II veterans who organized the RNCIC in 1984, Mr. Milo J. Cumpston, Mr. John William "Murph" Murphy, Mr. Elvie Heiney, Mr. Ken Gibson, and Col. Larry Brown, Jr. The organization recognized that the cemetery was nearly full and would be closing for new burials, so they began fund raising efforts to purchase additional land. Since 1984 the RNCIC has purchased and donated land, changing the cemetery acreage from 5 to over 15 acres. The RNCIC still accepts donations and continues their efforts for our veterans.

***Please join us in thanking current members of the RNCIC**
for volunteering their service.

Ron Butler
Wes Stites
Lorna Sterrett
Harold Crivello
Budd Saunders
Aubrey Shepherd
Jim Glover
Roger McClain
Peggy McClain
Gary Culp
Jake Lamkins

Merle Williams
Richard F. Richards
Elmer Omohundro
Beverly White
Daniel and Judith Lavine
John D. Wright
Charles and Mary Cotton
Lauren Hawkins
Robert Paschal
Josh Sakon

For additional information please contact the RNCIC @ <http://RNCIC.com>,
P. O. Box 4221, Fayetteville, AR. 72702-4221. Phone: 479-445-8336, Mr. Ron Butler,
President, or 479-267-3838, Mr. Merle Williams, Vice President.

Special Thanks to

**Our hosts and all participants in our Memorial Day Program
Event (many behind the scenes) for their kind donations and
to all who have participated in making our Memorial Day Event
such an honorable tribute to those who have served.**