

FLAGS FOR FALLEN VETS

Black Hills National Cemetery

Memorial Day **2021** – FLAG PLACEMENT

SATURDAY- MAY 29TH -1PM

SUNDAY – MAY 30th – 9:00 am – RAIN or SHINE

Volunteer Instructions

2021 COVID Safety Protocols – per the V.A:

- **MASKS ARE NOT REQUIRED FOR FULLY VACCINATED VOLUNTEERS**
- **Maintain a SOCIAL Distance**
- **NO pre-placement Ceremony** – Be in your Assigned SECTIONS – by 9:00am
- **WATER** – we will **not** provide water (to reduce contact) – **bring your own water**

PARKING:

- You may park in the cemetery, or on side streets – **Do not block ANY roads**

BRING:

- **Ruler** – to measure **12"** from the headstones (**Paint stir sticks** work well, too :)
- **Screw Driver** – for pilot holes to sink flags **5"** into the ground – **mark them for 5"**
 - **Or something sturdy** – marked for **5"**

AT YOUR SECTION:

- **LEADERS** hand out **Flags** (1 bundle = 20 Flags) **Please DO NOT help Yourself**
- **FIRST** – People **with a Loved One** in that section **ALWAYS** receive **Flags** first
- **NEXT** – Volunteers registered for that section receive **Flags**
- **THEN** – All others may receive flags

FLAG PLACEMENT:

- Place **FLAGS 12"** from headstone – **CENTERED** – **SINK 5"** in ground
 - **Do NOT PUSH down on the TOP of Flags – they WILL BREAK**
- **FLAGS – ONLY** in **FRONT** of headstones. **NEVER** in back, even if there is a name
- **COLUMBARIUMS** –1 **FLAG** in front of each column, **in the edge of the grass**
- **NEVER MOVE** anything at a grave. Place your **FLAG** next to any objects
- **SAY EACH VETERANS NAME** as you place a flag – **THANK THEM** for their service
- **Please** – When your area is done, **help other areas** until cemetery is complete
- **RETURN** all **Unused FLAGS / Rubber bands** – We recycle & reuse all **Flags**
 - **RUBBER BANDS** to one tote
 - **GOOD, Unused FLAGS** in 1 tote
 - **DAMAGED FLAGS** – in separate tote
- **Any TRASH** – we leave the cemetery in **PRISTINE** condition

FLAG REMOVAL is Saturday, June 5th 9:00 am
PLEASE COME TO HELP (and bring 187 of your closest friends!)
Watch for instructions and info – coming soon

THANK YOU for helping us HONOR OUR FALLEN VETERANS
WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT AND PATRIOTISM

