

2018 Denver Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony



On Monday, May 28, 2018, the Denver area will celebrate Memorial Day with our annual parade and services in the Denver Memorial Park, 801 Main Street, Denver. The Memorial Day Parade will start at 9:00 a.m. at the Denver Fire Company Hall located at North 4th Street and Locust Street. The Centerport Band will again lead the march with any other group that would like to fall in line. As last year, a short service of tribute will take place alongside the cemetery at North 4th Street with a special hymn dedicated to the veterans buried there. A representative from the Orioles Woman's Club will place a floral tribute on the grave of a veteran representing all veterans buried in our cemeteries.

Upon conclusion of this abbreviated service, the parade will resume on North 4th Street to Walnut Street, and then turn west on Walnut Street to the bandstand in the Denver Memorial Park for the balance of the ceremony. This year the parade and ceremony will honor Paul R. Studenroth, a tail gunner on a B-29 which was shot down near Tinian over the Pacific Ocean in March, 1945.

The 2018 Program speaker will be former Army Sargent Richard Kachel who served in Vietnam (December, 1966 through November, 1967) with the 9th Infantry Division and the 1st Infantry Division following his training at Fort Riley, Kansas. Mr. Kachel received expert Rifle M-14 and M-16 citations; two (2) Presidential Unit Citations; and medals for Good Conduct, Army Commendation, Vietnam Service, Vietnam Campaign, and National Defense. Mr. Kachel's career includes 45 years in the trucking industry. He has served as the past commander of V.F.W Post 6759 Reinholds, and, as the current post Chaplain. He and his wife, Verna, are active members of Salem E & R Church, and he currently serves on the church council.

The procession then will move to the Denver War Memorial to hear the "Roll of Honor" and "Salute the Dead" with the rifle squad of the Reinholds VFW Honor Guard. Denver Junior Councilperson Katie Carrasco will read "It Is the Soldier." Representatives from the Boy Scouts Venture Crew and the Denver Cub Scouts will place a cross for each veteran from Denver Borough whose life was taken in the service of their country.

Residents are asked to come enjoy the parade and ceremony and to thank those men and women who have served our Country.