



CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

As we end the year and enter 2019, let us give our condolences to the families of the following members who passed on to Post Everlasting during 2018: Claire Lenihan, Roy Griest, Samie Scarpelli, Charles Ashurst, Bernard Weinland, Charles White, Jr., Eugene Reeside, Dennis Mack, Thomas Lank, George Hill, Frank Sullivan, Jack Owens, James Wersick, Richard Mensi, Horace Highsmith, Andrew Hanko, Alfonso Geiger, Howard Mooney, Forest Cox, William McDonald, William White, and Edward Cockerham.

Let us also remember our Brothers and Sisters in assisted living facilities and nursing homes by visiting them whenever possible. And, let us also be more patient with each other and show love for our Sisters and Brothers in this New Year.

The local Veterans Out Patient Center is located at 5801 Allentown Road in Camp Springs, Maryland. It is located across from the Joint Base Andrews (Andrews Air Force Base) Federal Credit Union. The phone number is: 301-423-3700. Do not forget to get your flu and pneumonia shots, especially for our Senior Citizens like your Chaplain. In addition, there is plenty of parking at the Veterans Out Patient Center location.

It has been my pleasure serving you in 2018. As we look forward to 2019, I want to thank all of our members, the management staff and our employees for your support and I hope that each of you will enjoy a blessed New Year filled with happiness and good health.

Prayer for the Bereaved: O Lord, our God, we ask that you comfort all who are bereaved with a spirit of faith and courage. May they remember with thanksgiving the love and joy shared in their earthly relationship and be comforted with the knowledge of a joyful reunion with those we love in Heaven.

God Bless you and God Bless Our Country.

Sincerely,

Harold Bullock
Post Chaplain

“PLEASE CONTACT THE CHAPLAIN IF YOU KNOW OF A COMRADE ILL OR TRANSFERRED TO POST EVERLASTING”

In Memoriam

Howard “Fred” Mooney (1942 – 2018)



The Preamble to the American Legion Constitution contains many aspirations that guide us as Legionnaires. I believe that the one that best describes Fred Mooney’s continuing contribution to our Post is:

“To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.”

Fred was a leader who didn’t mind getting his hands dirty. Whatever the mission, he would quietly jump in and help. He was elected as Second Vice Commander in 2015 -2016 and also served as an At-Large Member on the Post Executive Committee for several years.

However, Fred was most effective behind the scenes. He had extraordinary organizational skills and inspired others to volunteer for a variety of events. What follows are but a few of the activities that he helped to organize.

He enlisted volunteers for the Super Bowl Parties and managed the “Mother Shuckers.” Each year the “Mother Shuckers” shucked over 7 bushels of Maryland oysters for the Oysters Rockefeller served at the Super Bowl Parties

He also enlisted volunteers for major events such as: a very early breakfast at the Post for the Memorial Day “Rolling Thunder” Riders, the 4th of July picnics and the Labor Day picnics.

He and Sandy managed the Post Hospitality House during the annual Maryland Department State Convention in Ocean City.

Represented the Air Force at our annual Post Everlasting ceremonies.

He was a member of the Post Rifle Team that participated in the Memorial Day and Veterans Day Ceremonies held in the Greenbelt Town Center,

Managed the Back Bar football pools that raised “tons” of money for the Heroes to Hometown Program for severely wounded veterans.

Coordinated “TV Watch Parties” for Redskins games and the annual Army – Navy football game. Patrons came for the food and munches that Fred had arranged for as well as the game!

Most importantly, Fred dispensed his own version of wisdom every day in the Back Bar beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Fred was a generous soul who cared greatly for his family, and was deeply committed to serving fellow veterans. He was one of a kind, and he will be greatly missed.

Mike Moore,
Past Commander, Greenbelt Post 136