

# Town of Wayland

## 2023 Wayland Memorial Day Events



The Wayland Public Ceremonies Committee is pleased to announce the 2023 Town of Wayland Memorial Day Program to be held on Monday, May 29, 2023.

### **EARLY MORNING CEREMONIES:**

Brief tributes in remembrance of Wayland's fallen veterans will be offered as follows:

- 8:30am Ceremony – Wayland Veterans Memorial (Wayland Town Building)
- 8:50am Ceremony – Wayland North Cemetery (Old Sudbury Road / Route 27)
- 9:00am Ceremony – Biet Olam West (60 Old Sudbury Road / Route 27)
- 9:15am Ceremony – Wayland South Cemetery (Cochituate Road / Route 27)
- 9:45am Ceremony – WWII Memorial at Lokerville Green (Route 30 and East Plain Street)
- 10:00am Ceremony – St. Zepherin's Cemetery (Bent Avenue)

***NOTE:*** The Wayland Council on Aging van will depart from the Wayland Town Building rear parking lot – at the rear door of the Senior Center – at 8:00am for all early morning ceremonies.

### **PARADE:**

Wayland's annual Memorial Day Parade will form at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, May 29, 2023, at Wayland Middle School (201 Main Street). The parade will step off from the Wayland Middle School at 11:00 a.m. and proceed along Main Street (Route 27 South) to Commonwealth Road (Route 30 West) and end at Wayland's Lakeview Cemetery in Cochituate (off Commonwealth Road).

## PARADE SCHEDULE

*(All times are approximate)*

10:30am Form Parade at Wayland Middle School (201 Main Street):

- Color Guard of Flags & Scout Master
- Wayland Police Escort
- Richard P. Turner USN Retired, Grand Marshal
- LTC Andrew White Commander, USAG Natick Soldier Systems Center  
Keynote Address Speaker
- Veteran Marchers and Veteran Riders (in COA van)
- Wayland High School Band
- Girl Scouts
- Scouts BSA
- Vintage Police Cruiser – Mass. State Police Museum and Learning Center

*(50 feet of space)*

- Wayland Fire Department
- Wayland Town Officials, Guests, and Clergy
- Former Town Officials
- Wayland Committees and Departments

*(50 feet of space)*

- Wayland Middle School Band
- Parade Staff

11:00am Parade steps off to Lakeview Cemetery

- Main Street (Route 27)
- Commonwealth Avenue (Route 30)
- Lakeview Cemetery

### MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE:

Hosted by the Wayland Public Ceremonies Committee at Lakeview Cemetery (off Route 30 / Commonwealth Avenue). Master of Ceremonies: Richard P. Turner, USN RET, Chair of the Public Ceremonies Committee, and Purple Heart Recipient.

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11:30am **Welcome** – Given by Donna Bouchard, Emcee

**Opening Remarks** – Given by Richard P. Turner, USN Ret. and Parade Grand Marshal

**Invocation** – Given by Deacon Cynthia Miller

**National Anthem** – Instrumental music performed by the Wayland High School Band, followed by an a cappella rendition – to sing along – performed by Victoria Gitten

## **Recognize:**

- Scouts BSA
- Girl Scouts
- American Legion Post 133 Color Guard and Firing Detail
- Richard P Turner USN Ret, Purple Heart Recipient, Parade Grand Marshal

**Memorial Tribute** – Given by Wayland Select Board Chair, Bill Whitney

**You're A Grand Old Flag** – Performed by the Wayland Middle School Band

**Gettysburg Address** – Given by Wayland High School Student, Alexander Irwin

**Keynote Address** – Given by LTC Andrew White, Commander, USAG NSSC

**America the Beautiful** – Performed by Victoria Gitten

**12:00 PM Raising of the Flag** – Performed by LTC Andrew White and Grand Marshal Richard Turner

**Eternal Father, Strong to Save (The Navy Hymn)** – Performed by the Wayland High School Band

**Rifle Salute** – Performed by the American Legion Firing Detail

**Echo Taps** – Performed by Wayland High School Trumpeters

**Benediction, Closing Prayer** – Given by Deacon Cynthia Miller

12:30pm      Parade returns to Wayland Middle School via Pemberton Road to West Plain Street to Main Street (Route 27 North). The parade will form in the same order as outlined above.

**In the event of rain**, the parade will be canceled and the Memorial Day Ceremony of Remembrance will take place indoors, at 11:00am in the Wayland Middle School Gymnasium. For confirmation of cancellation, please contact Richard Turner at (508) 358-4294 after 9:00am on Monday, May 29, 2023.

**NOTE:** The Wayland Council on Aging van will depart from the Wayland Town Building rear parking lot – at the rear door of the Senior Center – at 8:00am for all early morning ceremonies. **Non-marching veterans may board the van at the Wayland Middle School parade staging area by 10:45am.**