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“THE LITTLE POST THAT DOES”

ADDRESS LABEL

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Thank you to those who have renewed their membership. To those who have not, please remember to renew your membership for the new year. Your membership is important to allow us to continue our work to provide programs to help our fellow veterans and work with the youth in the community

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COMMANDER'S CORNER

Greetings Fellow Patriots,

Let me start by saying, Happy New Year! Welcome 2021 and good riddance to 2020. I'm sure you'll agree.

Please be advised there is **NO meeting scheduled for January**, we will reconvene in February.

I'm hoping that gives everyone time to consider getting more involved with the post, running for office or helping to bring new members in.

We are a post family and it's up to us to stay strong and ready for the upcoming needs of our veterans as we move through 2021.

2020 has certainly done its share of damage for Veterans and their families, we need to stand ready to assist as we have for the last 102 years. I hope you will join the effort.

We lost two members to post everlasting, Mr. Tom Young and Mr. Tom Fallon. May the souls of our departed rest in peace.

God Bless all of you, stay safe and positive.

For God and Country,
John Brouse Commander
US Army Gulf War Veteran

REMEMBERING THOSE

WHO SERVED

On Saturday Dec. 19 a small group of veterans and volunteers gathered at a snow cover Camden County Veterans



Cemetery at Harliegh to place Wreaths on the graves of veterans. This effort was part of the nationwide “Wreaths Across America” program. Each December on National Wreaths Across America Day wreath-laying ceremonies take place at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 2,100 locations in all 50 US states, at sea and abroad.

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UNIT 68

Hi Ladies and Legionnaires,

Happy New Year!! Here's to a hopefully better, kinder year. As we start the year off I think it is going to be a continuation of last year, but I am hoping by summer we will be able to continue our fund raising for our Veterans, Community Service and Children and Youth.

I am so looking forward to seeing everyone face to face. Please think of ways to raise money for these causes.

I would like to wish the following people a Happy Birthday this month: Mildred Baines, Denise Brouse and Marian Daly. Enjoy your day ladies! One of our own members could use some cheer. Please send a card to Phyllis Mroz who is recuperating. Send them to her daughter Denise Brouse.

Please keep an eye out for new members. Let them know that they don't have to make all the meetings, just help out whenever they can.

Let's all try to help Elizabeth Brouse with her project to make cards for the veterans, frontline and essential workers. Without them who knows how we would have gotten through this mess of a year. Great job Elizabeth!!

It is with a heavy heart that I ask you to keep the family of Mr. Thomas Young, a Post member and World War II veteran, in your prayers. Mr. Young left this world on December 25, 2020. We send our condolences to his daughter, Valderia Webster and niece, Dr. Sharon Hunter Nikolaus and families.

By taking one day at a time we will get back to our "so-called" normal and be there for our veterans. Thank you for all you do.

Carol Weaver

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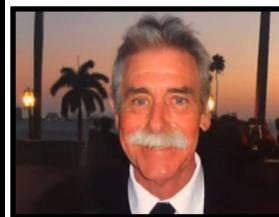
POST EVERLASTING

Thomas D. Young (February 3, 1923-December 25, 2020)

Some called him dad, some uncle, some friend, some comrade. Thomas D. Young was a WWII Army private who was a light truck driver in the Quartermaster Corp. He was awarded the American Campaign Medal, World War II Victory Medal, Good Conduct Medal, European Africa Middle East Campaign Medal. Prior to entering the service Mr. Young worked at The Kieckhefer Container Co. In 1990 he retired from Local 222 Labors Union Camden. He was a 29-year member of Post #68. Several years ago, the Post honored him by voting to make him an Honorary Life member of the American Legion. His most recent position was Sergeant-At Arms.



Thomas Owen Fallon (1950-2020)



Tom was a graduate of St. Peter School, Merchantville H.S. and Camden County Community College. He and his former wife, Patricia (nee Cinelli), owned and operated several businesses, including Fallon ARCO and Shell service stations in Merchantville.

(Remembering Those Who Served)

The local effort is organized by Post 68 member Dave Martin. Several years ago, Dave created Camden County Mason Veterans as the lead organization for the efforts. Dave, an Air Force veteran, saw the need and took the lead. Wreaths may be purchased thru the Wreaths Across America website. The number of graves that can be honored depends on how many are purchased by the public. This year 120 wreaths were placed.

