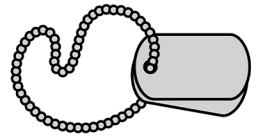




FUN FACTS ABOUT



MEMORIAL DAY

LAST MONDAY

Memorial Day is always on the last Monday in May.

STARTED 1868

The first Memorial Day honored soldiers who died in the Civil War.

RED POPPIES



We wear red poppies to remember fallen soldiers.

DECORATION DAY

It was first called Decoration Day when people decorated soldiers' graves.



DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

Memorial Day honors soldiers who died serving our country.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Americans pause at 3:00 p.m. for a national moment of remembrance

FLAGS HALF-STAFF

The flag is flown at half-staff until noon, then raised to full height.



PLAYING TAPS

The bugle song "Taps" is played at Memorial Day ceremonies.

MEMORIAL PARADES

Many towns hold parades to honor our heroes.

HONORING HEROES

We thank veterans and remember those who gave their lives.



FREEDOM'S COST

Memorial Day reminds us that freedom came at a great cost.

CEMETERY VISITS

Families place flowers and flags on graves of fallen soldiers.

