

# Veterans of Foreign Wars Prayer



We opened this ceremony mentioning that our grateful government was proud to present the American Flag to the next of kin.

Our nation's emblem is a living memorial of the courageous thoughts of our comrade. The one you came here to honor this day.

The blue field represents the sky that overlooks our land and denotes the watchfulness of the Eternal God.

The red stripes tell us of the blood, sweat and tears that have been offered and conquered by our comrade's devotion to the freedom of his country.

The white stripes boldly proclaim the peace and love that he helped to bring to our future generations.

This is his flag... This is our spiritual heritage, receive it with the tears of our minds and the faith of our hearts.

Let us pray! Almighty and Merciful God! Father of all!  
Amidst these monuments of the dead we see thy hand.  
In the depth of our sorrow, we realize the truth of the inspired words:

"I am the Resurrection and the Life; he that believeth in Me though he were dead, yet shall he live." As comrade after comrade departs, we march on with the ranks grown thinner.

We beseech thee, look in mercy upon all of us assembled here, and with Thine own tenderness, console and comfort those bereaved by the hand of death.

Heavenly Father, bless our country with freedom, peace and righteousness,  
And through Thy Sovereign and Holy Spirit's favor.

May we all meet at last before thy throne of Grace in Heaven.  
And to Thy Great Name shall be praise forever and ever. Amen.