

Memorial Day

Memorial Day is a special day when we honor those who served in the U.S forces. This holiday is usually celebrated on the last Monday in May. Some flags will be raised half-mast as a symbol of respect.

Memorial Day became a legal holiday in 1971. Waterloo, New York was the birthplace of Memorial Day. They would put poppies on gravestones. Most celebrations include reading the Gettysburg Address.

On Memorial Day Americans only used to honor people who served in the Civil War. Memorial Day shouldn't just be once a year because people are always at war. Luckily there are no wars around this area.

What Memorial Day means to me is that we don't just get a day off from school, we get a chance to thank those who have served in the war to make our country free. Every Memorial Day I see people along with my family go down to the cemeteries and put flags or flowers on people's gravestones and thank them so much for what they have done. Thanks to them our country is free.

Hopefully Memorial Day will always be celebrated. Not everyone will understand what the forces have done to help this country. But I know that I do.