

CEREMONIES

Our annual ceremonies continued to strengthen our relationships with our Veterans community, legislators, and the NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. Due to gathering restrictions in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, our spring ceremonies looked very different this year as we produced our first-ever all virtual ceremonies broadcast live on YouTube and Facebook, allowing our content to be accessed across the state and beyond.

Veterans Day Ceremony

This year, the New Jersey Vietnam Veterans' Memorial was selected to host the official Veterans Day Ceremony for the State of New Jersey. In partnership with the NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, we were honored to welcome guest speakers NJ Governor Phil Murphy and Susan Barker Rilliet, Gold Star sister of Medal of Honor Recipient Jedh Barker.

Thank you to the General Anthony C. McAuliffe NY-NJ Chapter 101st Airborne Division Association & VVA Chapter 200 for their support of this year's ceremony.



NJ Vietnam Veterans Remembrance Day

Our first virtual ceremony was produced for New Jersey Vietnam Veterans Remembrance Day, honoring the more than 200,000 New Jersey residents who served during the Vietnam era, from 1959 to 1975. This year's ceremony also commemorates the 25th anniversary of the dedication of the New Jersey Vietnam Veterans' Memorial. The annual awarding of the New Jersey Service Medals was read by Elizabeth Schofield of the NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

Memorial Day

Our virtual Memorial Day Ceremony honored the brave men and women who sacrificed their lives to protect our rights and defend our freedoms. This year's ceremony invited Vietnam Veterans to share the meaning of Memorial Day and included members of the community from across New Jersey who joined us as "We Remember" the sacrifices of those who lost their lives serving in our Armed Forces.

