



### **Civic Engagement and Outreach**

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### **WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA**

Merrill Worcester was twelve years old when he first visited our nation's capital and Arlington National Cemetery, which made a lasting impression. A successful business owner of Worcester Wreath Company in Harrington, Maine, the company had, in 1992, a surplus of wreaths. Arrangements were made for these to be placed in one of the older sections of Arlington National Cemetery that had been receiving less and less visitors each year. With the help of a local trucking firm to transport the wreaths, volunteers to decorate each wreath with a patriotic bow and to place the wreaths, Wreaths Across America was born. "The annual tribute went on quietly for several years, until 2005, when a photo of the stones at Arlington, adorned with wreaths and covered in snow, circulated across the internet."

Wreaths Across America's 2020 theme and mission is to *REMEMBER our fallen U.S. Veterans, HONOR those who serve and TEACH your children the value of freedom.* At noon on December 19<sup>th</sup>, "National Wreaths Across America Day" coordinated wreath laying ceremonies are held at Arlington National Cemetery as well as at more than 2,100 additional locations in all fifty U.S. states, at sea and abroad. Eighty-five of these locations are right here in New Jersey. See the enclosed list of all the locations and their WAA codes.

This year this Chairman's focus project is Wreaths Across America with a goal of one wreath purchased for every club within our state. The cost of one wreath is \$15.00 and the purchase is done through the Wreaths Across America website via credit card or PayPal. When your club or individual member wishes to participate in this project, reference the code for the NJSFWC when you log onto the WWA website at [www.wreathsacrossamerica.org](http://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org). For every two wreaths purchased by members of the NJSFWC one additional wreath will be placed at a veteran's gravesite.

Wouldn't it be superb if we managed to have a wreath for every member of NJSFWC?

**Headquarters Delivery Dates for Operation Christmas Stocking: Oct 6, 15 and 28 from 10am-2pm**

## **New Jersey Cemeteries Participating in Wreaths Across America**

Absecon Presbyterian Church (NJAPCA) Absecon  
Adelphia Cemetery (NJACMR) Adelphia  
Ardena Baptist Church (NJABCP) Freehold  
Atlantic View Cemetery (NJAVCM) Manasquan  
Bayview-New York Bay Cemetery (NJNYBC) Jersey City  
Belleville Reformed Church Cemetery (NJBRC) Belleville  
Beverly National Cemetery (NJBNCB) Beverly  
BG William C Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery (NJBGDC) Wrightstown  
Borough of Fair Lawn Municipal Building Veterans Monument (NJFLMB) Fair Lawn  
Brook Valley Cemetery (NJBVCK) Kinnelon  
Brown Cemetery (NJBCBN) Butler  
Cape May County Veterans Cemetery (NJCMCV) Cape May Court House  
Cedar Heights Cemetery (NJCHCM) West Milford  
Civil War Cemetery (NJCWCF) Flemington  
Clove Cemetery (NJCCWT) Sussex  
Cold Spring Cemetery (NJCSPC) Cape May  
Deckertown Union Cemetery (NJDTUC) Sussex  
Denville Cemetery (NJDVCD) Denville  
Elk Point Memorial (NJEPMF) Freehold  
Elmwood Cemetery Association (NJECAB) North Brunswick  
Fair View Cemetery – Red Bank (NJFCRB) Middletown  
Fairmount Rural Cemetery (NJFRCC) Califon  
Fairview Cemetery – Wantage (NJFCWN) Sussex  
Farmingdale Evergreen Cemetery (NJFECE) Farmingdale  
Finns Point National Cemetery (NJFPNS) Pennsville  
First Presbyterian Church – Hackettstown (NJHFPC) Hackettstown  
First Presbyterian Church Cemetery (NJFPCC) Elizabeth  
First Presbyterian Church Cemetery & United Methodist Church Cemetery (NJFPUM) Succasunna  
First Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge (NJFPCW) Woodbridge  
Glenwood Cemetery (NJVGCV) Glenwood  
Gravelly Graveyard (NJGGFW) Brick  
Greenwich Presbyterian Church (NJGWPC) Greenwich  
Greenwood Cemetery (NJGDCB) Brielle  
Greenwood Cemetery (NJGWCR) Manahawken  
Harleigh Cemetery – Camden County Veterans Cemetery (NJHCHC) Camden  
Hendrickson Family Burial Ground (NJHFB) Holmdel  
Historic Osborn Graveyard (NJHGYB) Brielle  
Holy Rood Cemetery – Church of the Assumption – Morristown (NJHRCM) Morristown  
Holy Sepulchre Cemetery (NJHSCT) Kinnelon  
Long Valley Cemeteries (NJWTLV) Long Valley  
Manning Avenue Cemetery (NJMACB) Butler  
Memorial Park Little Silver (NJMPLS) Little Silver  
Methodist Episcopal Cemetery East (NJMEPP) Point Pleasant Borough  
Methodist Episcopal Cemetery West (NJMEPC) Point Pleasant Borough  
Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals & Cremation Service (NJMJVS) Old Bridge  
Miller Cemetery (NJMCNG) New Gretna  
Mount Calvary Cemetery (NJMCCB) Butler  
Mount Evergreen Cemetery (NJMEKN) Kinnelon  
Mount Holiness Memorial Park (NJMHMP) Butler

## **New Jersey Cemeteries Participating in Wreaths Across America (cont.)**

Mount Rest Cemetery (NJMRCB) Butler  
Mount Calvary (NJMCVY) Neptune City  
New Calvary Cemetery (NJNCCP) Parlin  
New Jersey Viet Veterans Memorial (NJVVMM) Holmdel  
Northern New Jersey Veterans Memorial Cemetery (NJNNJM) Sparta  
Old Baptist Cemetery & Methodist Cemetery (NJOBCEM) Manahawkin  
Old Free Church Cemetery (NJOFCC) West Long Branch  
Old Newton Burial Ground (NJONBG) Newton  
Old Tennent Cemetery (NJOTCM) Manalapan  
Our Lady of Magnificent Cemetery (NJOLMC) Kinnelon  
Princeton Battlefield State Park (NJPBSP) Princeton  
Quaker Meeting House (NJQMHS) Shrewsbury  
Rahway Cemetery (NJRWCR) Rahway  
Redeemer Cemetery (NJRCMN) Mahwah  
Riverside Cemetery (NJRCTR) Toms River  
Rosemont Cemetery (NJRCRN) Rosemont  
Sacred Heart Cemetery (NJSHCP) Parlin  
Sacred Heart Cemetery – St. Peter & Paul & Holy Ghost Hillsborough (NJSHCH) Hillsboro  
Scotch Plains Baptist Church (NJSPBC) Scotch Plains  
Somerset Hills Memorial Park (NJSHMB) Basking Ridge  
St. Mary's Cemetery (NJSMCM) Manahawkin  
St. Peter Cemetery (NJSPCB) Belleville  
St. Ann's Roman Catholic Church Cemetery (NJSARC) Hampton  
St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery & Mausoleums (NJSJTR) Toms River  
St. Joseph Cemetery (NJSJCM) West Milford  
St. Magdalen's Catholic Cemetery (NJSMCF) Flemington  
The Presbyterian Church of Basking Ridge Cemetery (NJPBRC) Basking Ridge  
Union Cemetery – Hackettstown (NJUCHN) Hackettstown  
Valleau Cemetery (NJRWVC) Ridgewood  
Wampum Veterans Memorial Park (NJWVMP) Eatontown  
West Creek Cemetery (NJVCCG) West Creek  
West Milford Presbyterian Church Cemetery (NJWMPC) West Milford  
White Lawn Cemetery (NJWLPP) Point Pleasant  
Woodland Cemetery (NJVCLW) Lakewood