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Remembering This Memorial Day

Dear Catoctin residents,

On this upcoming Monday, May 30, our nation will celebrate Memorial Day. We have set this day aside to honor the men and women who have died while serving in our military.

Memorial Day has been a federal holiday [since 1971](#). But its origins go back to the aftermath of the Civil War, where the loss of life was so great that our country had to establish [its first national cemeteries](#). Annual ceremonies and tributes quickly became common in a number of cities, and were held on various days throughout the spring.

In 1868, [General John A. Logan](#) called for May 30 to become a national day of remembrance, when these memorials could be combined into a single event. This day became known as [Decoration Day](#), since the ceremonies often involved decorating the soldiers' graves with flowers and flags. Over the years, it grew into a more general Memorial Day, honoring those who died in our country's service in all of our wars and conflicts.

So this Monday, we remember each soldier who made the ultimate sacrifice on our behalf. We remember their loss with grief, and also with more gratitude than our words can adequately express.



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Memorial Day Ceremonies in Loudoun

A number of Loudoun towns and villages will be commemorating Memorial Day over the weekend and on Monday. Here are some of the main events, with details on when and where they'll be held, and on what to expect.



Image Credit: Round Hill town [seal](#) / Town of Round Hill

Town of Round Hill - May 28

- **When:** Saturday, May 28. For time, see details below.
- **Where:** Loudoun Street Park (aka "Town Park" to many residents), 3 Loudoun St, Round Hill, VA
- **Details:** Round Hill's Hometown Festival opens at 8:00 AM with a 5K run, followed by a parade at 9:00 AM. Then at 10:45, they will hold a flag-raising and wreath-laying ceremony, accompanied by music courtesy of the Round Hill Elementary School chorus. Afterwards they will have a children's fair, live music, and other events throughout the afternoon.

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Town of Lovettsville - May 30

- **When:** Monday, May 30, at 11:00 AM
- **Where:** Town Square (aka "[Zoldos Square](#)"), 1 West Broad Way, Lovettsville, VA
- **Details:** The town will assemble at the Town Square for their annual Memorial Day Ceremony, to honor the military personnel who died in the service of their country.

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Town of Hamilton - May 30

- **When:** Monday, May 30. For time, see details below.
- **Where:** Hamilton, VA
- **Details:** The town's Hamilton Day celebration starts with a fun run event at 8:00 AM, followed by a town parade at 11:00 AM, and then by a party at the town park from noon to 2:00 PM.

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Town of Purcellville - May 30

- **When:** Monday, May 30, at 11:45 AM

- **Where:** Purcellville Town Hall, 221 South Nursery Ave, Purcellville, VA
- **Details:** The ceremony will start with remarks at Town Hall, followed by a procession to the Teardrop intersection for a wreath-laying ceremony, a 21-gun salute, and the raising of the American flag.

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Boulder Crest Foundation - May 30

- **When:** Monday, May 30. For time, see details below.
- **Where:** Christian Fellowship Church, 44505 Atwater Drive, Ashburn, VA
- **Details:** Registrants can run, walk, or jog in a 10K, 5K, or 1K event. The 10K starts at 8:00 AM, the 5K starts at 8:10 AM, and the 1K fun run starts at 9:30 AM. Check out their [event page](#) to

- register and to learn more about the events (including potential prizes).
- **Cost:** \$50 for the 10K, \$45 for the 5K, \$15 for the 1K fun run

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Sincerely,

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