

# AMHERST VETERANS COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY TO BE HELD MONDAY, MAY 27

The Town of Amherst Veterans Committee announces a Memorial Day Remembrance and Wreath Laying Ceremony to be held at 1 p.m. Monday, May 27, 2024 at the Williamsville Cemetery, 5402 Main Street, Williamsville, NY 14221. All are welcome to attend.

“On this Memorial Day we will gather as a community to honor and respect our fallen heroes. This service is open to all, and is a time for remembrance. I want to thank everyone involved in organizing this event as we take time out of our day to reflect on the true meaning of Memorial Day,” said Joseph Orzechowski, Chairman of the Amherst Veterans Committee.

This year’s featured speaker is Felice E. Krycia, Director and Service Officer for Erie County Veterans Services. Krycia Served in the United States Air Force at the end of the Vietnam Era, 1973-74 and was honorably discharged as an Airman First Class. Her military occupational specialty was as a corrosion control specialist, she was one of the first women in the field, and the first woman to work in that capacity on the intercontinental missile silos in Montana as part of Strategic Air Command.

“The Town of Amherst Memorial Day service is a very moving ceremony. Our Veterans Committee and local veterans’ posts dedicate a great deal of time and energy to ensure that we honor the brave men and women who lost their lives serving our country. This is a time to pay tribute to these heroes and put aside our differences during a time when our country faces great divide,” said Supervisor Brian Kulpa.

The National Anthem will be performed by Miles Siefert and Taps will be performed by Tyler Mu, both musicians are seniors at Williamsville East High School.

Participants include veterans from the A.J. Jurek-American Legion Post 1672, Amherst Township Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 416, AMVETS Post 49, George F. Lamm American Legion Post 622, the Ismailia Temple Legion of Honor, and Masonic War Veterans-Niagara Frontier Post #10. The ceremony will be held in partnership with the Amherst Police Department Honor Guard and the Forest Lawn Group, which manages the Williamsville Cemetery.

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The [Amherst Veterans Committee](#)’s mission is to honor Amherst Veterans as a valuable community resource through education and recognition. Among its service, the Committee maintains the Amherst Veterans’ Memorial at Amherst State Park on Mill Street and holds a ceremony every August. For information, please visit the Town’s website, under “Government” and find “Boards & Committees” to find the Committee’s page.

