

# *Carteret County Veterans Services*

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## **TO THE RESIDENTS OF EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA:**

On behalf of the Carteret County Veterans Services Office, I would like to extend a personal invitation to you to join with us, the Veterans of our county, in a Memorial Day Service. Your presence at this most important service would honor us.

On Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, we will conduct a service to observe Memorial Day, to recognize, to remember, to pay tribute to the men and women who have so gallantly served and lost their lives fighting for our great country. We plan to hold a "Service of Remembrance" at the **Glad Tidings Church, main building, 4621 Country Club Road, Morehead City (across the street from West Carteret High School)**. The ceremony is normally held on the Courthouse lawn in Beaufort, but due to the unpredictability of the weather of this past year and this year, the decision was made by the Veterans Council to hold this year's ceremony indoors. Our guest speaker will be Senator Norman Sanderson. At 9:30 a.m. we will have a "Musical Prelude" presented by the Havelock Community Band. The Memorial Day Service will begin at 10:00 a.m. A sermon is not included.

Patriotic music will feature the award winning songwriter and musician, Angela Baker. Ms. Baker has been recognized by the North Carolina Veterans Association for her volunteer services honoring our North Carolina Veterans.

Also performing patriotic music will be the Carolina East Singers, directed by Susan Bailey.

It was said by President John F. Kennedy, that..."A nation reveals itself not only by the men it produces but also by the men it honors, the men it remembers." These poignant words capture the spirit that is this national holiday.

We do hope that you will be able to join us at this service. We believe that it will be spiritually rewarding.

Sincerely,

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