

## **Memorial Day- “Did You Know?”**

- Memorial Day was originally called Decoration Day
- Memorial Day was officially proclaimed on May 5, 1868 by General John Logan
- Memorial Day was first observed on May 30, 1868 when flowers were placed on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers in Arlington Cemetery
- Waterloo, NY was officially declared the birthplace of Memorial Day
- In Dec 2000, Congress passed the National Moment of Remembrance calling all Americans to stop what they were doing and think about our soldiers at 3 pm on Memorial Day
- Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday in May every year

**To Honor Those Veterans who  
Unselfishly Served our Country**