

The Flag of the United States Army was dedicated and unfurled to the general public on 14 June 1956 at Independence Hall, Philadelphia, on the 181st anniversary of the establishment of the U.S. Army by the Continental Congress in 1775. The flag is of white silk with a blue embroidered central design of the original War Office seal. "United States Army" is inscribed in white letters on a scarlet scroll, with the year "1775" in blue numerals below.



The Flag of the United States Marine Corps is the flag used to represent the Marine Corps. The official flag is scarlet with the Corps emblem in gray and gold. It was adopted on January 18, 1939. The emblem with the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor is the official emblem and insignia of the United States Marine Corps.



The Flag of the United States Navy consists of the seal of the US Department of the Navy in the center, above a yellow scroll inscribed "United States Navy" in dark blue letters, against a dark blue background. The flag was formally introduced to the public on April 30, 1959 at a ceremony at Naval Support Facility Carderock in Maryland. It replaced the Infantry Battalion flag which had been used as the unofficial Flag of the United States Navy for many years.



The Flag of the United States Coast Guard is white with a dark blue Great Seal of the United States. The shield on the eagle's breast has a blue chief over vertical red and white stripes. Inscribed in an arc above the eagle is "UNITED STATES COAST GUARD;" below the eagle is the Coast Guard motto, "SEMPER PARATUS" ("Always Ready") and beneath that the numerals 1790 the year in which the service's ancestor, the U.S. Revenue Cutter Service, was founded.



The Flag of the United States Air Force consists of the coat of arms, 13 white stars and the Air Force Seal, on a blue background. The 13 stars represent the 13 original colonies. The crest includes the American Bald Eagle. The flag was officially adopted by President Harry S. Truman on March 26, 1951.



## Town of Burlington Office of Veterans Services and the Allied Veterans Council



Veterans Day  
Monday  
November 11, 2013  
9:00 a.m.



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## 9:00 A.M. FLAG RAISING ON TOWN COMMON

- Opening Comments:** Robert Hogan, Director  
Burlington Veterans Services
- Flag Raising:** Disabled American Veterans ~ Cmdr George Garland
- Call to Colors:** Raising US Flag, Bugler ~ BHS Marching Band
- Pledge of Allegiance:**
- National Anthem:** Burlington High School Marching Band  
and the Marching Band Singers
- Invocation:** Reverend Francesco Passamonte  
Chaplain, Maj. USAF (Retired)
- Speaker:** State Representative Ken Gordon
- Comments and Raising of Flags:** History of Service Flags, Raising of Service Flags  
Local veterans from each branch
- Music:** BHS Percussion Section ~ Freedom Strong
- Wreath Placement:** One for all five branches of military services  
Executive Officer, Commander Lara Allison USCG,  
and Jarrod Brothers

**Bell Toll ~ 5 Times:** One toll for each of the 5 service branches  
Dick Hogan

**Music:** BHS Marching Band ~ Armed Forces Tribute

**Remarks:** Dan Grattan, Board of Selectmen

### **Wreath Placement in Honor of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the end of Korean War:**

For three years, while truce negotiations dragged on, a war of attrition was waged. By the time the truce was signed on July 27, 1953, more than a million Americans fought in Korea.

One of Burlington's young men died as the war was winding down, and his name, William Hurley, is listed on the Burlington Korean War Monument on Burlington's Town Common.

**DAV - William Hurley Chapter, 113**

**Speaker:** Executive Officer, Commander Lara Allison US Coast Guard

### **Raising of POW/MIA Flag in Honor of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the release of 591 POW's from Vietnam & Burlington MIA:**

**Vietnam:** Richard Harper

**WW II:** Henry Crogan, Ernest Everett, Wallace Oldford, Lennart Rabenius, Robert Miller

**Bell Toll ~ 11 Times:** 11<sup>th</sup> hour, of 11<sup>th</sup> day, of 11<sup>th</sup> month  
Dick Hogan

**Rifle Volley:** American Legion Rifle Squad

**Music:** BHS Marching Band ~ Salute to Freedom

**Music:** Joseph McGrath, Bagpiper

**Closing Prayer:** Chaplain Francesco Passamonte