

FLAGS FOR FALLEN VETS
Houston National Cemetery
Memorial Day 2023 – FLAG PLACEMENT
SUNDAY – MAY 28th – 9:00 am – RAIN or SHINE

Volunteer Instructions

Protocols –

- **WATER** – is **NOT** provided – Please **bring your own water**
 - **NO CEREMONY** – the **Cemetery** itself, hosts the Memorial Day ceremony on Monday
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PARKING: You may park in the cemetery – **BUT:**

- **DO NOT** block roads – also *Hint* – Parking on **SIDE STREETS** will get you out faster

BRING:

- **Ruler** – to measure **12"** from headstones (**Paint stir sticks** work well, too :)
- **Screw Driver** or sturdy item – **marked for 5"** – to make pilot holes – to sink flags **5"**

9:00 am – BE at your **SECTION: Meet at the yellow “Flag Totes”** – **NO EARLY Starts**

- **LEADERS** hand out **Flags** – **DO NOT** help Yourself – (Yes, we provide the flags)
 - **FIRST** – People with a **Loved One** interred in that section – **ALWAYS Go First**
 - **NEXT** – Volunteers **registered** for that section receive **Flags**
 - **THEN** – Anyone else may receive flags to place
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HOW TO:

- Place **FLAGS 12"** from headstone – **CENTERED** – and **SINK 5"** in ground
 - **Do NOT PUSH down on TOPS of Flags – they WILL BREAK**
 - **FLAGS – ONLY GO** in **FRONT** of headstones – **NEVER** behind – for any reason
 - **COLUMBARIUMS** – 1 **FLAG** in front of each column
 - Sink **Flags** in the edge of the **GRASS**, where it meets the **pavement**
 - **NEVER MOVE** anything at a grave. Place your **FLAG next** to any objects
 - **SAY EACH VETERANS NAME** as you place a flag – **THANK THEM** for their service!
 - Please – **help other areas** until cemetery is complete
 - **RETURN ALL Unused FLAGS & Rubber bands** – We recycle & reuse **all Flags**
 - **GOOD, Unused FLAGS** – put in **one** tote
 - **RUBBER BANDS** – place on top of the Good, unused **Flags**
 - **DAMAGED FLAGS** – put in a separate tote
 - **PLEASE – DO NOT TAKE FLAGS HOME – we pay for every single flag!**
 - Pick up any **TRASH** Please – **ALWAYS** leave our cemetery in **PRISTINE** condition
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****FLAG REMOVAL is Saturday, June 3rd - 9:00 am****
PLEASE COME out to **HELP** (and bring **187** of your closest friends! :)
Watch for instructions and info – coming soon

THANK YOU for helping us **HONOR OUR FALLEN VETERANS**
WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT and YOUR PATRIOTISM