

## COLCHESTER VETERAN'S MILITARY HONOR SQUAD

When a veteran dies the family can request military honors by providing evidence of military service to the funeral home. One volunteer service organization that aids in providing “military honors” is the Colchester Veterans Honor Guard. It was established in 2004 in association with the CT National Guard to provide military funeral honors for veteran's families and friends. Since its formation, the Colchester unit has performed at more than 2,700 honor ceremonies.

The twenty-member unit is actively looking for veterans to become members, so that we can continue to provide funeral honors to all deceased veterans. The Honor Guard meets the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month from 7 to 8 PM in the Veteran's Room of the Colchester Senior Center at 95 Norwich Avenue. The next Meeting is January 16<sup>th</sup>. Most funeral honors are performed between 9 AM and 2 PM Monday to Saturday. If you are a veteran that can give a few hours during the week or on weekends, we would be happy to have you stop by and visit us during our Tuesday meetings.

The Colchester Military Honor Guard provides the highest level of memorial service for those who have steadfastly given service to our nation. Veterans can come to our next meeting and join us in this vital mission. Contact Al Letendre at 860-537-6516 or [letendrej@sbcglobal.net](mailto:letendrej@sbcglobal.net) if you need more information.