

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

70th Mayor's Memorial Day Ceremony



Vincent Verhasselt
Kapolei Middle
School

May 27, 2019

Mayor Kirk Caldwell

MAYOR'S 2019 MEMORIAL DAY MESSAGE



Born out of the human toll that all armed conflict produces, the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific accepted its first interment on January 4, 1949 after a serviceman who was killed during the attack on Pearl Harbor was laid to rest.

Thousands who gave their last full measure of devotion would follow, bringing the number of patriots buried at Puowaina, or the “Hill of Sacrifice,” to more than 53,000.

As we reflect on all that was lost by so many, let us also remember the loved ones who were left behind – mothers, fathers, spouses and children – for they also sacrificed so much.

Memorial Day is a time for us to pause and remember all of those who are buried here at Puowaina and the shared future they were willing to relinquish to be a part of something greater than themselves. However, it is also a day when we recommit ourselves to the ideals of liberty and freedom they fought for so valiantly, principles that continue to illuminate our nation as a beacon of hope for the rest of the world.

With aloha,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirk Caldwell", with a long, wavy horizontal line extending to the right.

Mayor Kirk Caldwell

CNO ADM JOHN M. RICHARDSON



Admiral John Richardson graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science in Physics. He holds master's degrees in electrical engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, and National Security Strategy from the National War College.

At sea, Richardson served on USS Parche (SSN 683), USS George C. Marshall (SSBN 654) and USS Salt Lake City (SSN 716). He commanded USS Honolulu (SSN 718) in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

Richardson also served as commodore of Submarine Development Squadron (DEVRON) 12; commander, Submarine Group 8; commander, Submarine Allied Naval Forces South; deputy commander, U.S. 6th Fleet; chief of staff, U.S. Naval Forces Europe and U.S. Naval Forces Africa; commander, Naval Submarine Forces, and director of Naval Reactors.

His staff assignments include duty in the attack submarine division on the Chief of Naval Operations staff; naval aide to the President; prospective commanding officer instructor for Commander, Submarine Forces, U.S. Pacific Fleet; assistant deputy director for Regional Operations on the Joint Staff; and director of Strategy and Policy at U.S. Joint Forces Command.

Richardson served on teams that have been awarded the Presidential Unit Citation, the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, the Navy Unit Commendation, and the Navy "E" Ribbon. He was awarded the Vice Admiral Stockdale Award for his time in command of USS Honolulu.

Richardson began serving as the 31st Chief of Naval Operations September 18, 2015.

PROGRAM

Monday, May 27, 2019

Prelude Music Royal Hawaiian Band (Hawaiian Melodies)
Hawaiian 'Oli Kahu Dean Kapuni Harvest
Welcome Officer Jason Boquer-Wintjen, Honolulu Police Dept.
Master of Ceremonies

Royal Hawaiian Band "This is My Country"

Posting of the 50 State Flags JROTC Cadets:
Kaiser HS (AF), Kalaheo HS (Navy), Maryknoll School (AF),
Mililani HS (Army), Nanakuli HS (Army),
Roosevelt HS (Army), Waipahu HS (Army)

(Audience, if you're able to, please stand for the posting of the Colors.)

Posting of the National Colors Joint Service Color Guard, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command

Posting of the State Colors Royal Guards of Hawaii

Kainoa Fukumoto "Star Spangled Banner"

Our Lady of Sorrows Church "Hawai'i Pono'i"

Pledge of Allegiance Officer Jason Boquer-Wintjen and Audience

(Audience, you may be seated.)

Invocation Chaplain (COL) Dave Shoffner, U.S. Army Hawaii

First Wreath Mayor's Wreath Presentation

Governor David Y. Ige

U. S. Senator Mazie Hirono

U. S. Senator Brian Schatz

U. S. Representative Ed Case

Sounds of Aloha "You Raise Me Up"

Memorial Day Address Mayor Kirk Caldwell

Guest Speaker CNO ADM John M. Richardson, USN
Chief of Naval Operations

Sounds of Aloha "Navy Hymn – Eternal Father Strong to Save"

Presentation of Memorial Wreaths Veterans and Various Organizations

Royal Hawaiian Band and Sounds of Aloha Medley of Patriotic Songs

U.S. Army 8th Theater Sustainment Command Three Gun Volley Rifle Salute

Daniel Honeycutt, MU3, USN "Taps"

Hawaiian Raptors F-22 Flyover

(Active Military and Veterans: Please stand during your service song)

Sounds of Aloha "Service Medley"

Benediction Bishop Eric Matsumoto, Honpa Hongwanji

Retire the Colors Joint Service Color Guard, U.S. Indo-Pacific Command

Royal Guards of Hawaii

Mahalo and Aloha Officer Jason Boquer-Wintjen

Royal Hawaiian Band "God Bless America"

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

CITY & COUNTY OF HONOLULU

Board of Water Supply
Department of Customer Services
Department of Emergency Management
Department of Enterprise Services
Department of Environmental Services
Department of Facility Maintenance
Department of Parks and Recreation
Department of Transportation Services
Honolulu Emergency Services Department
Honolulu Fire Department
Honolulu Police Department
Mayor's Office of Culture & the Arts
Neighborhood Commission Office
Offices of the Mayor
and the Managing Director
Royal Hawaiian Band and Glee Club

STATE OF HAWAII

County of Hawaii, Mayor Harry Kim
County of Kauai, Mayor Derek Kawakami
County of Maui, Mayor Michael Victorino
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Hawaii Air National Guard
Royal Guards of Hawaii
Hawaii Army National Guard
Department of Education
Big Island, Maui, Kauai, Oahu, Molokai
Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps
Lincoln Elementary School
Robert Louis Stevenson Middle School
Office of Veterans Affairs
Office of Veterans Services

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

National Memorial Cemetery
of the Pacific
U.S. Indo-Pacific Command
United States Air Force
United States Army
United States Coast Guard
United States Marine Corps
United States Navy
Office of the Chief of Naval Operations
USINDOPACOM Public Affairs
HQ, US Army Pacific
U.S. Army 8th Theatre Sustainment Command

BUSINESS AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

Aloha Air Cargo
Boy Scouts of America – Aloha Council
Central Pacific Bank
First Hawaiian Bank
Friends of Honolulu Parks & Recreation

Harriet's Lei Stand
HC&D
Matson Navigation Company
Meadow Gold Dairies
Oahu Transit Services/TheBus

Rengo Packaging, Inc.
Robert's Hawaii, Inc.
Sounds of Aloha Chorus
UPS – Hawaii

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Shuttle Service:

Ned Yonemori

Transportation:

Kaipo Beirne, JC Chang, Armando Salazar

Wreath Coordinators:

Steve Santiago, Leland Ribac, Sharon Miyashiro,

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS & MAHALO

Arthur Aiu
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Gayle Aquino
Lieutenant Samuel Arcalas
Darrell Bactad
Irene Banao
Ryan Baqui
Officer Jason Boquer-Wintjen
Shawn Cambra
Brittanie Corpus,
2019 Lei Court, 1st Princess
Una Chan
Joyce Chinen
Alex Ching
Wilbert Ching
Corporal Kinchung Chung
Grace Clark
Mark Conching
Ed Cruickshank
Romeo Garcia
Scott Goto

Shawn Hamamoto
Col. Ronald P. Han, Jr. (Ret)
Dean Kapuni Harvest
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Kira Hayashi
Kaumj Hezekia
MAJ Jeffrey Hickman
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Noah Keaulii
Misty Kela'i
Krysten Kidani
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Terri Koike
Sergeant Matthew Kurihara
Melanie Kuroiwa-Steiner
Naiya Kuwaye-Naehu,
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Derek Lee
Jeff LeFebvre
Dexter Liu
Linda Liu
Gary Loo
Jake Maemori
Gene Maestas
Thomas Mahi
Daryl Mau
Daniel Miller

Marcus Miura
Tyson Miyake
Maureen Mo
Captain Kevin Mokulehua
Ferdinand Morales
Mahdiah Mozafary
Dennis Nagamine
Asst. Chief Allan Nagata
Dan Nakamoto
Nicole Nakamatsu,
2019 Lei Court Queen
Garrett Ogawa
AJ Paresa
Makoa Paresa
Coranne Park-Chun
Harding Parrilla, Jr.
Melissa Pham
Sergeant Kendall Prochnow
Daniel Quindica
Billy Rayl
MSG Christopher Riley
Michael Riley
Angela Sanders

Janelle Saole
Arlene Seredon
Nate Serota
Arlene Spinola
Samantha Sun
Kanoie Takitani-Puahi
Tracy Tanahara
Larry Thornton
Taz Tomota
Greg Tsugawa
Caleb Turner
Sergeant Deric Valoroso
Capt Peter Vanlierribbink
Monica Van Luven
Mayor Michael Victorino,
County of Maui
Maj Love Williamson
Colin Wong
Corp. Roger Wong
Deelite Yamamoto
Jenna Yanagi

“SEW A LEI FOR MEMORIAL DAY” POSTER CONTEST
1ST PLACE ARTWORK



Pai'ea Gersaba
Myron B. Thompson Academy
Grade K-4



Aileen Kang
Punahou School
Grade 5-8



Kyla Mach
Kapolei High School
Grade 9-12

CERTIFICATE FROM HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL

Council of the City and County of Honolulu

Certificate

CONGRATULATING AND RECOGNIZING
STUDENT WINNERS OF THE "SEW A LEI" POSTER CONTEST
ON THE 70TH YEAR OF THE MAYOR'S MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY
AT THE NATIONAL CEMETERY OF THE PACIFIC

The National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, locally known as "Punchbowl" for its naturally formed bowl-shape was constructed in 1948 following the end of World War II and officially opened to the public on July 19, 1949 with services for five war dead, an unknown serviceman, two Marines, an Army Lieutenant and one civilian – noted war correspondent Ernie Pyle. Eventually, over 13,000 soldiers and sailors who died during World War II would be laid to rest in the Punchbowl. The Punchbowl has become one of the area's most popular tourist destination hosting more than two million visits each year who come to pay their respects to the dead and to enjoy the panoramic view from the Punchbowl.

The City and County of Honolulu has coordinated the annual Memorial Day Ceremony as well as the collection of Sew a Lei for each gravesite at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific since the cemetery opened its gates in 1949. Along with the lei, an American flag is also placed by each grave by the Scouts of America prior to the Memorial Day Ceremony. This time honored tradition is but uniquely local display of gratitude for those who made the ultimate sacrifice.

To help the Department of Parks and Recreation gather more than 35,000 lei to accomplish this goal, the poster contest is organized to our talented kids whose can be a part of spreading the word about this annual endeavor. This year's "Sew A Lei for Memorial Day" poster contest also commemorates the 70th Anniversary of the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. This year's contest winners are:

Kindergarten - 4 th Grade:	1 st	Faiva Gensalia	Myron B. Thompson Academy
	2 nd	Madison Mikami	Maunaloa Elementary School
	3 rd	Yu Kuroshi	Royal Elementary School
5 th Grade - 8 th Grade:	1 st	Aileen Kang	Punahoa School
	2 nd	Wendy Yu	Stevenson Middle School
	3 rd	Chloe Hui	Saint Hele's Academy
9 th Grade - 12 th Grade:	1 st	Kyle Moch	Kapolei High School
	2 nd	Crysten Gafcho	Kapolei High School
	3 rd	Wendy Allen	Kapolei High School

All entries were judged on its appeal, originality, and effectiveness in conveying the message of lei making for the Memorial Day Ceremony at Punchbowl and the students were only allowed to use pen and ink, crayons, pastels, and/or paints to express their thoughts with no use of computer enhancements or cutouts.


Therefore, on behalf of the people of the City and County of Honolulu, the Honolulu City Council congratulates and recognizes this year's student artist winners for their exemplary artwork in the city's "Sew a Lei for Memorial Day" poster contest. The Council further acknowledges the historical significance of the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific in Hawaii and congratulates its staff and crew on Punchbowl's 70th anniversary.

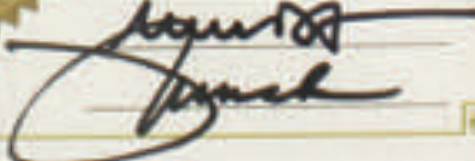
DATED: April 17, 2019


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Hadi Tameyoshi
Don minor
T. H. Hui


Mayor Mufson

*“Those who have long enjoyed such
privileges as we enjoy forget in time
that men have died to win them.”*

Franklin D. Roosevelt