

22ND ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

PRESENTED BY:
THE AMERICAN LEGION PAUL E. BOLDING POST 7

Date: Monday, May 25th, 2026

PARADE PARTICIPANT GUIDELINES

1. **Expected Schedule:**
 - a. Staging Lots open at 7:00 – ***GET THERE EARLY!***
 - b. All Participants in designated staging areas no later than 8:15.
 - c. Streets will be closed at 8:30.
 - d. Parade will start at 10:00
 - e. Parade concluded by 12:30
2. **All Parade Entrants shall honor or include in the parade a fallen service member or veteran.**
 - a. This will be done with signs or posters recognizing the Service Member or Veteran.
 - b. Please provide this information on the registration application.
3. **Staging Areas:**
 - a. Each participant / group will be assigned a staging area prior to the day of the parade. An email will be sent to you that will include your assigned staging area/parking lot, with numbers and directions.
 - b. If you are **walking** in the parade, you must park your vehicle elsewhere and walk in.
 - c. If you are dropping off walkers, you may not drive your personal vehicle in the staging areas. You may drop off walkers on Holly Drive along the north side of Gainesville First Baptist Church. No Dropping off Walkers in staging areas!!!
 - d. Keep your staging area clean, do not leave trash!
4. **Band Parking:**
 - a. Park in the parking deck at the corner of Spring St and EE Butler. This is at the end of the parade route so you will finish where you parked.
5. **Parade Etiquette:**
 - a. Stay in your assigned sequence.
 - b. Allow 5-10 yards between vehicles or participants
 - c. Do NOT throw candy from vehicles – have walkers pass the candy out.
 - d. Performing Groups, please limit your performances to three (3) 30-second performances.
6. **Car Clubs:**
 - a. A complete list of Drivers, Makes and Models must be provided when registering.
7. **Please be courteous to the volunteers that work to make the parade happen.**

Above all, let us remain mindful of the true meaning of Memorial Day:
Honoring those who gave their last full measure of devotion in service to our nation.