

**VFW Tribute for**  
Name of Deceased

**Welcome**

We, the members of \_\_\_\_\_ Post \_\_\_\_\_, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States are here assembled to pay a lasting tribute to our departed Comrade \_\_\_\_\_.

When the call of our country was heard, Comrade \_\_\_\_\_ answered, and self was forgotten for the cause of a greater good. As a brave man he marched away with the abiding faith in his God, his country and his flag.

The red of country's flag was made redder by his heroism; the white more stainlessly pure by the motives which impelled him and, in the starry field of our nation's glorious banner, the blue has been glorified by the service he has given for our American ideals.

**Prayer**

Chaplain, please offer our prayer. (DETAIL UNCOVER, PARADE REST)

**Chaplain:** "O God, Father of us all, we here extend these final earthly tributes to our beloved comrade. Accept our prayers on behalf of the soul of Thy servant departed. Welcome him to Thy house to rest in peace. Look with mercy upon his loved ones during these early days of separation. Comfort and console them through Thine own tenderness. These things we ask humbly in Thy name. AMEN.

**Obituary:**

**Special VFW Tribute and Remembrance**

\_\_\_\_\_ was a U.S. \_\_\_\_\_ veteran of the \_\_\_\_\_ War. Following his time of service he was honorably discharged and served his community well.

\_\_\_\_\_ On behalf of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, I present this **evergreen tribute** as a symbol of our undying love for our comrade.

*(Step forward and lay a piece of evergreen on the table. Salute [slowly] - - and return to your place in line)*

\_\_\_\_\_ In honor of \_\_\_\_\_ and his Military service, I place this **white flower** as a symbol of pure, unselfish devotion. May each of us seek to emulate such pure unselfish devotion to God, our country, our profession, and our families.

*(Step forward and lay a white flower on the table. Salute [slowly] - - and return to your place in line)*

\_\_\_\_\_ : On top of the evergreen and beside the white flower, I present this **yellow flower** as a memorial to the bright sunny joyful times you have had together. As you get older, and with the aid of your memory, you can relive and enjoy again those happy and special times you had.

*(Step forward and lay a yellow flower on the table. Salute - - and return to your place in line)*

\_\_\_\_\_ On behalf of our glorious republic, for whose integrity \_\_\_\_\_ and his fellow comrades willingly served, we place upon \_\_\_\_\_'s memorial this small **flag of the United States**. It is the emblem of our country and symbol of individual and personal liberty.

*(Step forward and lay flag on the casket. Salute - - and return to your place in line)*

**COMMANDER:** The march of our comrade is over. We are reminded of the frailty of human life and the tenure by which we hold our own.

Our departed comrade, a United States \_\_\_\_\_ veteran, no longer faces enemy fire, or fights off enemy attacks, or provides the needed valiant support of our country's global military efforts.

May each of us, when our voyages, our battles of life and missions are over, find a welcome in that region of the blessed where there are no storm tossed seas, no scorching battlefield, and no dangerous skies. Our comrade is now in the hands of our Heavenly Father.

Let us cherish \_\_\_\_\_'s virtues, and learn to imitate all the good in him. And let us remember the joy of his time with us, and let us celebrate his life.

At this time, Comrade \_\_\_\_\_ will present a brief reading.

**We Will Remember Him**

At the rising of the sun and at its going down – We remember him  
At the blowing of the wind and the chill of winter - We remember him  
At the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring - We remember him  
At the blueness of the skies and in the warmth of summer - We remember him  
At the rustling of the leaves and in the beauty of autumn - We remember him  
At the beginning of the year and when it ends - We remember him  
As long as we live, he too will live on; for Rudy has been a part of us and we will remember him

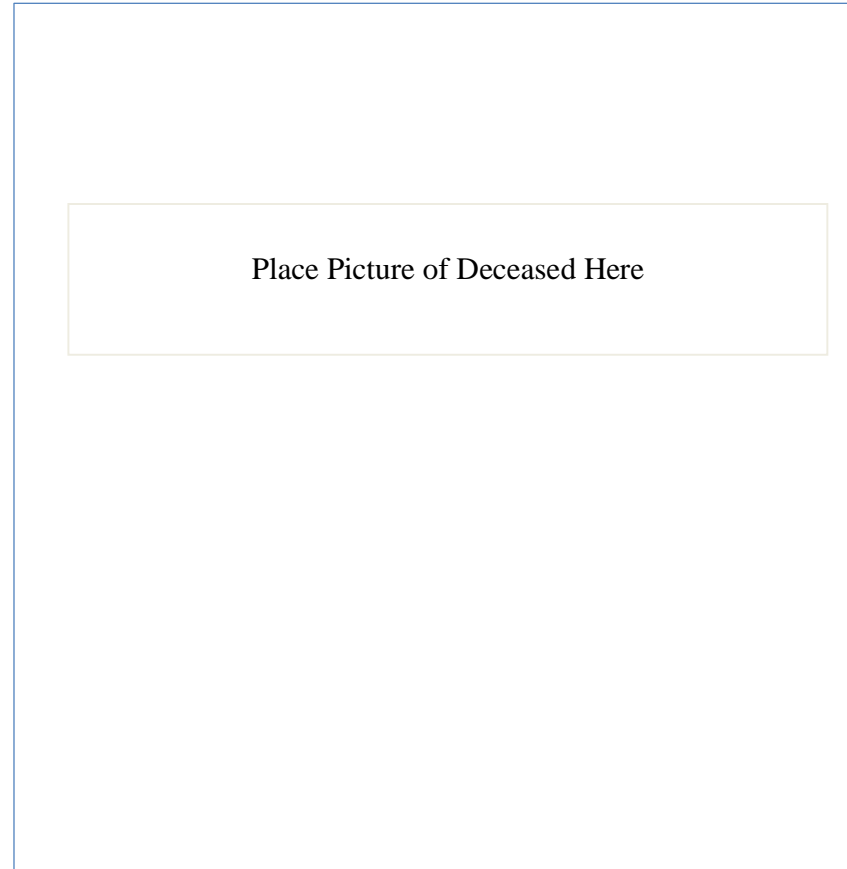
Thank you Comrade \_\_\_\_\_

DETAIL ATTENTION, BUGLER SOUND TAPS. PRESENT ARMS, TWO.

**Folding of Flag and Presentation of Flag** will be done by \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ .

On behalf of a grateful nation, the \_\_\_\_\_ VFW Post \_\_\_\_\_, we present this flag in honor of your loved one.

This concludes our service. On behalf of my comrades I thank you all for allowing us the honor, of honoring, our departed comrade.



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<p>Name of Deceased</p> <p>Date of Birth and Date of Death</p>
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