



FOR THE WELS CONGREGATION:

## Monthly Military Dates

Every Friday – RED “Remember Everyone Deployed” (wear red)

### January

- 1 – New Year
- 16 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day (civil rights)
- 16 – Desert Storm (Persian Gulf) began 1991

### February

- 3 – Four Chaplains Day (USAT Dorchester WWII)
- 4 – USO Birthday
- 14 – Valentine’s Day (focus on support for the spouse/marriages)
- 19 – Coast Guard Reserve Birthday
- (third Monday) President’s Day

### March

- 3 – Navy Reserve Birthday
- 5 – Seabee Birthday
- 13 – K-9 Veterans Day
- 15 – American Legion Birthday
- 19 – Iraqi Freedom began (2003)
- 25 – Medal of Honor Day
- 29 – Vietnam War Veterans Day

### April

- Month of the Military Child
- 5 – Gold Star Spouses Day
- 11 – Desert Storm Cease-Fire (Persian Gulf) 1991
- 12 – Civil War began (1861)
- 14 – Air Force Reserve Day
- 15 – Purple Up! Day

- 23 – Army Reserve Birthday
- 30 – National Military Brats Day

## May

- Month of the Military Caregiver
- National Military Appreciation Month
- 1 – Loyalty Day
- 1 – Silver Star Service Banner Day
- 4 – National Day of Prayer
- 7 – Unconditional Surrender of all German Forces Signed (1945)
- 8 – VE Day
- (Friday before Mother's Day) Military Spouse Appreciation Day
- 13 – Children of Fallen Patriots Day
- Mother's Day
- 21 – Red Cross Founded (1881)
- (third Saturday)– Armed Forces Day
- Memorial Day (Decoration Day)

## June

- PTSD Awareness Month
- 6 – D-Day 1944
- 14 – Flag Day
- 14 – Army Birthday
- 22 – Pledge of Allegiance recognized by Congress (1942)
- Father's Day
- 23 – Coast Guard Auxiliary Birthday
- 25 – Anniversary of the start of the Korean War (1950)
- 27 – National PTSD Awareness Day

## July

- 4 – Independence Day
- 27 – Korean War Veterans Armistice Day (1953)
- 29 – Anniversary of Army Chaplain Corps

## August

- 4 – Coast Guard Birthday (1790)
- 7 – Purple Heart Day
- 7 – Vietnam War began (1964)
- 16 – National Airborne Day
- 29 – Marine Forces Reserve Birthday
- 31 – Iraqi Freedom ended (2010)

## September

- National Service Dog Month
- National Suicide Prevention Month
- 2 – VJ Day
- Labor Day
- 11 – Patriot Day (9/11 remembrance)
- (third Friday) POW/MIA Recognition Day
- 18 – Air Force Birthday
- 18 – Air National Guard Birthday
- (last Sunday) Gold Star Mother's and Family's Day
- 29 – VFW Day

## October

- 6 – Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan) began 2001
- 13 – Navy Birthday
- 26 – Day of the Deployed
- 27 – Navy Day

## November

- USPS deadlines for military Christmas holiday mail
- National Veterans Month
- 10 - Marine Corps Birthday (1775)
- 11 - Veterans Day (originally Armistice Day 1918, Veterans Day 1954)
- Military Family Month (honors and celebrates the contributions and sacrifices of the families of US Armed Forces)
- Thanksgiving

## December

- 1 - Civil Air Patrol Birthday (CAP is USAF Auxiliary)
- 7 - Pearl Harbor Day
- 13 – National Guard Birthday
- 15 – Official End of War in Iraq (2011)
- 16 or 18 – National Wreaths Across America
- 20 – Space Force Birthday
- 24-25 – Christmas
- 28 – Army Chaplain Assistant/Religious Affairs Specialist anniversary
- 31 – Official End of WWII