

# PROGRAM

**MUSIC**.....West Jessamine High School  
Band,  
Michael White, Director  
**CASSION REVIEW**.....Camp Nelson Honor Guard,  
A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Camp One  
**CANNON SALUTE**.....Camp Nelson Honor Guard,  
A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Camp One  
**WELCOME**.....Patrick H.  
Lovett,  
Director, Kentucky National Cemetery Complex  
**MASTER OF CEREMONIES**.....Howard  
Howells,  
Chairman, Central Kentucky Veterans Committee  
**INVOCATION**..... Rev. Larry  
Buford, Son Light Church of God, Nicholasville, KY.  
**PRESENTATION OF COLORS**.....Nicholasville Police Dept.  
**NATIONAL ANTHEM**.....Doug  
Diggles, Diggles Family Ministies, Lexington, KY.  
**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**.....Young  
Marines  
**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**.....Patrick H. Lovett  
**POW-MIA Recognition**.....Buddy Rankin  
**INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER**.....Patrick H. Lovett

*Take a 'Moment to Remember', today at 3 PM.,*

*Please stop what you are doing, and remember the sacrifice of our nations war dead..*

*"A veteran is not dead until he is forgotten"*



**GUEST SPEAKER**.....Lt. Gen. Robert G.  
Yerks, U.S. Army (Ret.)  
**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**.....Patrick H.  
Lovett  
**KWVA MONUMENT DEDICATION**.....Patrick H.  
Lovett  
Speaker: Jim Fennell, Lt. Col, USA, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division(Ret.), Korea,  
Vietnam  
**RETIRING OF COLORS** .....Nicholasville Police Dept.  
**PLACING OF WREATH** .....Marge McMillan,  
Gold Star Mother of Cpl. William McMillan III.  
**BENEDICTION**.....Jim Harrison,  
Chaplain, Nicholsaville P.D.  
**RIFLE SALUTE** .....Caswell Saufley Honor Guard,  
American Legion, Post 18, Stanford, KY.  
**CANNON SALUTE**.....Camp Nelson Honor  
Guard,  
A Company, 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment, Camp One  
**TAPS (Echo)**.....West Jessamine County High School  
Band  
**GOD BLESS AMERICA**.....Audience/Doug Diggles  
**CONCLUSION**.....Howard  
Howells

## ~ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS~

We appreciate the many hours of planning that are spent planning Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and the Gravesite Decoration Ceremonies each year by the Central Kentucky Veterans Committee. These are a dedicated group of veterans, and we salute them. It is with great pleasure that we welcome the Blue Star Mothers of Lexington as our newly seated member organization to sit on the Central Kentucky Veterans Committee. If your organization is interested in joining the CKVC please contact Patrick Lovett, Complex Director or Howard Howells, CKVC Chairman, for more information.

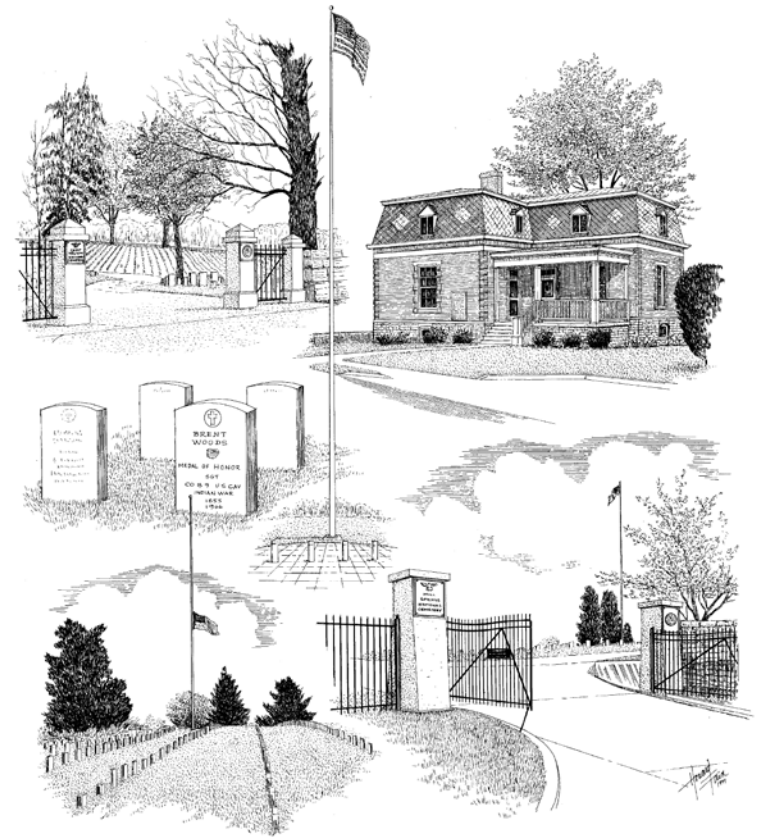
We appreciate the Lexington area Boy and Girl Scout Organizations, under the direction of Bill Gay, who, each year, spend the Saturday, before Memorial Day, placing gravesite flags on every grave. It is this type of dedication that makes our country great. May God Bless America and our Veterans and the scouts! We would like to thank the following organizations for their support : The Association of the United States Army, Cpl. Bill McMillan Lexington Chapter, Lloyd McMillan, President, for the golf carts provided; The Patriot Riders, Steve Verigini; Sons of the Union Civil War Veterans; The Camp Nelson Heritage Park; Jessamine County; Highbridge Water Company for supplying bottled water, Jessamine County EMS, Sheriffs Office and Detention Center for their support; Wilbert Vault of Somerset for the use of the tent awnings for serving the scouts lunch after the Flag Decoration event, and for the use of the medical tent on Memorial Day. We would like to recognize all veterans groups who also participate in our Memorial Day ceremony year after year, we salute you and your service to this great country of ours, again, Thank You!!

*"Who more than self their country loved and mercy more than life!"*



Lieutenant General Robert G. Yerks, U.S. Army (Ret) , is a 1951 graduate of the United States Military Academy. He served from 1951 through 1968 in various command and staff positions to include combat service as a Company Commander in Korea and Battalion Commander in Vietnam. LTG Yerks served from 1968 to 1969 as a staff officer for the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff. He was a student from 1969 to 1970 at the National War College. He commanded, 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade 2<sup>nd</sup> Infantry Division from 1970 to 1974, he also served as the Chief of Staff, 2nd Infantry Division, Korea. LTG Yerks served from 1973 to 1974 as the Chief, Reserve Officers Training Corps, United States Military Academy, Officers Candidates School, Office, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, United States Army. LTG Yerks served as the Assistant Division Commander 9<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, Fort Lewis from 1973 to 1974. He served from 1974 to 1975 as the Deputy Commandant of the Army War College, Carlisle Barracks. He then commanded the United States Army Military District of Washington from 1975 to 1977. He returned to Carlisle Barracks from 1977 to 1978 as the President of the War College. LTG Yerks final assignment was as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, United States Army from 1978 to 1981 when he retired. He was the Director and Senior Vice President, United Services Life Insurance Corporation, Washington D.C. and Chairman of the Board Engineering and Professional Services, New Jersey from 1981 to 1992. He was the Deputy Chairman, International Trust Company, Republic of Liberia from 1992 to 1996. LTG Yerks was the Chairman of the Board Liberty Training Company, Republic of Liberia from 1996-1999, he has been the Chief (LISCAR) Republic of Liberia from 1999 to present. LTG Yerks Education includes, a BS in Engineering United States Military Academy, a BS in History from Ohio State University and a MA in International Relations George Washington University. Military Awards include; Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Star for Valor, Legion of Merit (2 OLC), Distinguished Flying Cross for Valor, Soldier Medal for Gallantry, Bronze Star with V device (1 OLC), Air Medal with V device (11 OLC). Civilian Awards include; Presidential Commendations (Presidents Ford and Carter), Cardinal Cook Award Man of the Year 1976, Who's Who in America, Paramount Chief Republic of Liberia 1995, Knighthood, Liberia 1997, Noble Peace Prize Nominee 2000. LTG Yerks is married to the former Iris Anderson of Ossining, New York. They have 10 children, 26 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

# MEMORIAL DAY



## ***Kentucky National Cemetery Complex***

**CAMP NELSON  
NATIONAL CEMETERY  
Monday, May 30, 2011  
11:00 a.m.**

Sponsored by  
**Central Kentucky Veterans' Committee**  
*(Cemetery Information: 859-885-5727)*

The White House and Interpretative Center at Camp Nelson Heritage Park will be open for tours 11 am- 2:00pm. Please take the time and visit the Interpretative Center, you will not be disappointed, and you find that new exhibits have been added, which make this a must see historic tour.

## **God Bless America**

God Bless America,  
Land that I love  
Stand beside her,  
And guide her,  
Through the night  
With the light from above,  
From the mountains,  
To the prairies,  
To the ocean,  
White with foam,  
God bless America,  
My home sweet home.  
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*(AUDIENCE, PLEASE STAND)*

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