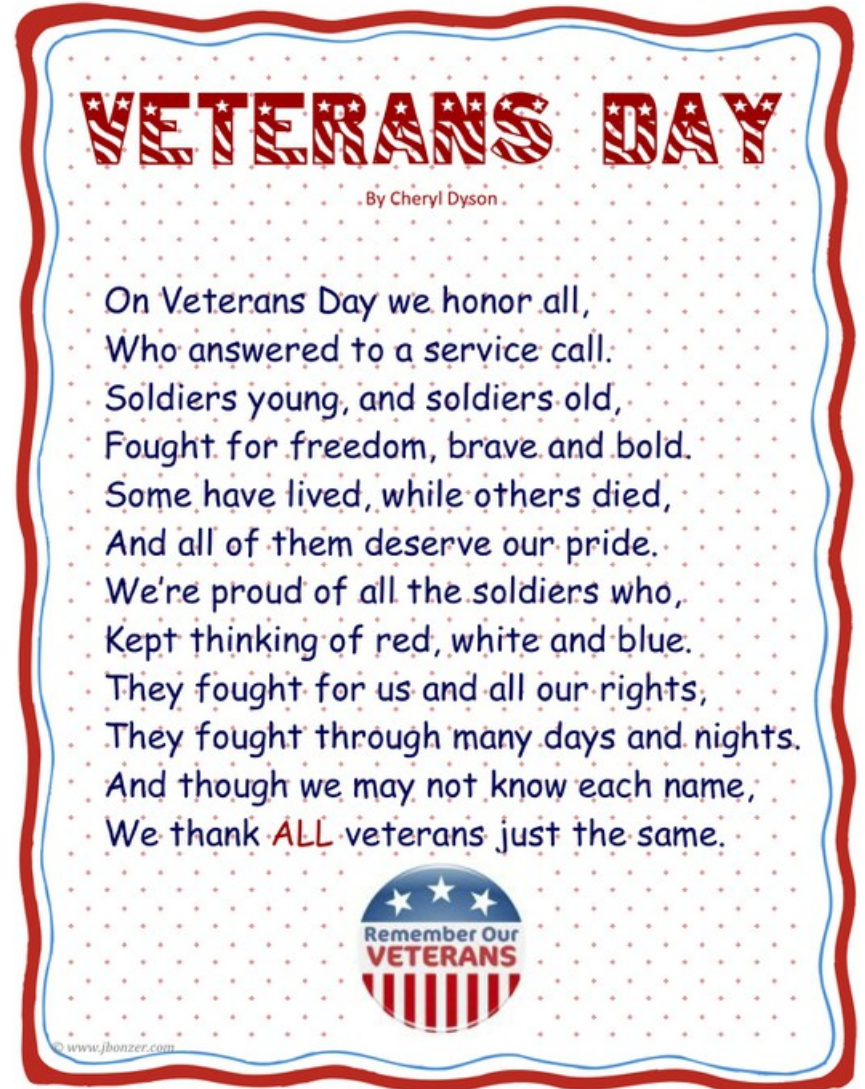




# City of Brockton 2018 Veterans Day Parade



This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armistice of The Great War. It was known as such for 20 years following the cessation of hostilities on Nov 11<sup>th</sup>, 1918. The United States was drawn reluctantly into World War I by the unrestricted submarine warfare of Germany resulting in the sinking of the Lusitania. The German invasion of neutral Belgium. The financial support of Britain and France by JP Morgan. The resultant addition of 4.4 million fresh American troops to the front lines of the trenches in France proved to be the decisive force in bringing the German government to the conclusion they could not win the War. They sued for peace and the Armistice which intended to eliminate future wars, shouldered an unpopular German government with exorbitant war reparations and did little to dissuade Germany that it had been treated fairly by the international community. World War II began 20 years later as a German government centering on nationalism spread its aggressive vengeance both east and west.

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*The Brockton Veterans Services would like to thank VFW Post 1046 and Post 1046 Ladies Auxiliary for their work with the collation and all the parade participants.*

*Co-sponsored by the Brockton Department of Veterans Services - City of Brockton and the Brockton Veterans Council*

**Sunday, November 11, 2018  
Brockton, MA**

## *Schedule of Events*

- 7:00 Wreath Ceremony VFW/WWII Graves  
Melrose Cemetery
- 7:30 Wreath Ceremony Veterans Monument-Legion  
Parkway
- 8:00 Wreath Ceremony KW & Vietnam Park  
VFW Post 1046 Honor Guard
- 9:30 Parade Participants Line up at The War Memorial  
Building
- 10:00 Parade steps off
- 10:30 Parade arrives at Veterans of All Wars  
Monument: Legion Parkway
- 10:45 Ceremony inside War Memorial Building

The Parade route will leave from West Elm Street, South on Newbury Street; East on Belmont Street, North on Main Street, North onto Legion Parkway Ending at Veterans of All Wars Monument

Special Guest: Kennedy Campbell/Miss Teen MA/US

Following the ceremony there will be sandwiches, pizza and hot food at the VFW Post #1046 on No. Quincy Street. All participants are invited to attend.

## *Parade Participants*

- Brockton Police Vehicle and Police Honor Guard
- Brockton Police Main Body
- Brockton High School Cheerleaders |
- Brockton High School Marching Band
- Brockton High School JROTC
- VFW Post #1046 Color Line
- Brockton Emergency Management Agency
- Miss Teen Massachusetts America
- Boston Windjammers Band
- Elected Officials
- DAV #76
- ITAMS #62
- Cub Scouts Pack 117
- South Shore Antique Auto Club
- Girl Scouts
- Boy Scouts Troop 2000
- Brockton Fire Department Honor Guard
- Brockton FireFighters Pipe & Drum
- Brockton Fire Department Members