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133rd Annual Memorial Day Parade

Vietnam War Memorial Service to Follow

Portsmouth, VA - Hosted by the Portsmouth Mayor's Military Affairs Committee and the City of Portsmouth, the nation's oldest continuous Memorial Day Parade will take place on Monday, May 29h at 10:00 am. Captain Scott M. Brown, Commander Norfolk Naval Shipyard, will be the Grand Marshal.

The parade route will begin at I. C. Norcom High School, travel along High Street to Crawford Street, and end on Crawford and Columbia Streets. The reviewing stand will be located at the corner of High and Court Streets.

The units in the parade this year will include approximately 10 marching band units consisting of high school and community bands; veterans organizations such as the DAV, VFW, Fleet Reserve Associations, and American Legion groups; Boy Scouts of America troops; high school ROTC units; military and antique vehicles; church youth groups; local pageant contestants, City of Portsmouth public safety officers, and more!

The Portsmouth Mayor's Military Affairs Committee is an official commemorative partner in the United States Vietnam War Commemoration Program. Immediately following the Memorial Day Parade, they will hold a service to honor and memorialize Portsmouth's Vietnam Veterans who were killed in the line of duty. This solemn ceremony will be held in the courtyard of the Portsmouth Art & Cultural Center, located at the corner of High and Court Streets, at 400 High Street.

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