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VIDEO TRAILER – https://youtu.be/C7Vwz4YqsCc

“Please join us for this first-ever video Memorial Day Celebration,” said County Administrator Jerry Cameron. “Our Creative Team worked very hard to ensure that we appropriately honor those who paid the ultimate sacrifice, which is quite challenging given the concerns of the pandemic.”

Flagler County Veterans Memorial app: https://bit.ly/2T8jCo5

Attend online/on-air Memorial Day Ceremony, make submissions to the Flagler County Veterans Memorial

May 15, 2020 – Join Flagler County at its online video and on-air Memorial Day Ceremony at 9 a.m. Monday, May 25, Admiral Mark Boensel, US Navy (retired) as the keynote speaker, and the recounting of the historic first time in U. S. Naval history that an aviator was buried in his aircraft after being killed in action.

“We are challenged by the COVID-19 pandemic,” said Commissioner David Sullivan. “But, it is our fervent desire that we approximate what we would normally do to reflect on the enormity of the sacrifice of the courageous service men and women who paid with their lives to preserve the freedoms afforded by the Constitution.”

In addition to Boensel’s speech and the burial at sea presentation by local historian Sisco Deen, U.S. Air Force Captain, retired, there will be Pledge of Allegiance and the National Anthem, as well as the Last Roll Call – the reading of the names of Flagler County’s departed veterans, as reported by the local military organizations.

The county’s GIS division created an app for the public – Flagler County Veterans Memorial – to showcase the friends and family members who lost their lives during active duty, as well as an online submission form to provide the necessary information and photo to populate the memorial.
“This online memorial is really good, and it will be even better as more people add to it,” said Veterans Service Officer David Lydon. “Once you have ‘entered’ the memorial, you can zoom into a geographic location – like Pearl Harbor – and explore the stories of those who served there.”

This year’s digital Memorial Day is provided by the Flagler County Commissioners and the Flagler County Veterans Advisory Council – American Legion Post 115, Amvets Post 113, Disabled American Veterans 86, Marine Corps League 876, Military Officers Association of America, Military Order of the Purple Heart 808 and, VFW Post 8696 – in conjunction with Flagler Radio.

The audio of the Memorial Day Ceremony can be heard on: WNZF 94.9 FM, Kix Country 98.7 FM, through live streaming at FlaglerBroadcasting.com, and on the Flagler Radio mobile app.

Video can be viewed live at 9 a.m. on Flagler County’s YouTube page, and on its Facebook page Facebook.com/FlaglerCountyGovernment.

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All residents and businesses are reminded to abide by Executive and Emergency Orders, and follow Florida Department of Health and CDC guidance.

Additionally, those who are sick and/or told to self-isolate are to: remain at home unless seeking medical care, cover coughs and sneezes, wear a facemask around others, and disinfect touched surfaces daily.

COVID-19 testing is available for Flagler County residents at a variety of locations, please visit www.FlaglerCounty.org, and following the links for COVID-19 and then select Screening & Testing for the latest options.

COVID-19 health related questions or concerns should be directed to your regular healthcare provider or the Florida Health hotline at 866-779-6121.

COVID-19 business concerns should be directed to the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation at 866-532-1440.

All other COVID-19 government services questions or concerns may be directed your municipality or the Emergency Operations Center at 386-313-4200.

Check for current information on Flagler County’s website www.flaglercounty.org, and follow “Flagler County Government” or “Flagler County Emergency Management” on Social Media. The county’s social media team will provide updates through these official accounts:

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Flagler County Emergency Management
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