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## Flag Retirement Ceremony

While there are many different reasons to hold a flag ceremony, they all share one essential thing – **respect for the flag**. One of the most meaningful ways to show respect for the flag is by participating in a flag retirement ceremony.

This is a perfect way to involve the entire family of Auxiliary and VFW Members.

Invite your community!!

## How To Retire A Flag

- \* The flag should be folded in its customary manner.
- \* It is important that the fire be fairly large and of sufficient intensity to ensure complete burning of the flag.
  - \* Place the flag on the fire.
  - \* The individual(s) can come to attention, salute the flag, recite the Pledge of Allegiance and have a brief period of silent reflection.
- \* After the flag is completely consumed, the fire should then be safely extinguished, and the ashes buried.
- \* Please make sure you are conforming to local/state fire codes or ordinances.

**Start making Veterans Day Celebration plans! Remember... We are here to serve and support our Veterans!!**

IT'S FALL IN FLORIDA.  
DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS?  
NOTHING!  
ABSOLUTELY NOTHING.  
IT'S STILL 90 DEGREES OUTSIDE.

**PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTORS**

Continue to educate our members, communities and youth on the importance of Patriotism



**Auxiliary Patriotism**