Cape St. George Lighthouse

Veterans Day Program
Saturday, November 11, 2017
11 AM at Lighthouse Park, St. George Island

Welcome ———————————————Jim Kemp
St. George Lighthouse President

Posting of Colors ————Port St. Joe Navy JROTC Color Guard

Pledge of Allegiance ———————— Balfour Lancaster
US Navy Veteran

National Anthem ———————Karina & Josh Hollingworth

Invocation ——————————————David Allen
US Air Force Veteran

Introduction of Guests ————————————Jim Kemp

Recognition of Veterans ——————Rear Admiral John Stewart
US Navy Retired

Keynote Address ——————Major General James E. Donald
US Army Retired

Military Medley ——————————————————

Moment of Silence, Taps ———————Melody Hatfield

Benediction ——————————Reverend Brian Brightly
Pastor, SGI UMC

Honoring Those Who Served

Veterans Day

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice **Day**" on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and Nov. 11 became a national holiday beginning in 1938.

Veterans Day is an official United States public holiday, observed annually on November 11, that honors military **veterans**; that is, persons who served in the United States Armed Forces.

While those who died are also remembered, **Veterans Day** is the **day** set aside to **thank** and honor ALL those who served honorably in the military - in wartime or peacetime.

American **veterans should** be **honored** for helping our country have so many rights and freedoms. Our rights as Americans have been preserved each time brave men and women fight for us. **Veterans** protected our freedom of the press, freedom of speech and every other right in the Constitution.

Veterans are **special** because they have spent part of their lives, from a few months to many years, serving our country in the military. This is very important because it means that without **veterans**, we wouldn't have the freedoms we often so carelessly enjoy.

Veterans Day Event Sponsored by St. George Lighthouse Association, Inc.
Refreshments furnished by Doc Myers' Island Pub & Sports Bar
and SGI Resident, Kelly Rowland