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This flag in
well the memory & honor
of Mr. Parry who
nerved this institution
with distinction & loyalty!

Vet - flag represents - home - family - action
flag embodies patriotism - spirit of
the American nation -
flag - flies high, wide & handsome on
joyous occasion - a battle won -
a country freed - a peace remembering
flag - solemn as it drapes casket of a
loved one

flag - waved in joy by children. clutched
in sorrow by widows
To the children it reverent first
attempt to recite something other
than nursery rhymes.

flag - destroyed in anger & rebellion was
our own men guarded & we led
flag - carried in battle to protect our land & liberty

G W - Father of our country.

"We take the stars from heaven & the red from our Mother country, separating it by white stripes, thus showing that we have separated from her and the white stripes shall go down to posterity representing liberty"

Vets - nation of purity - represented by white - that purity bought at the price of red blood with the Stars - a new constellation of sovereign states .. rising on an uncluttered & clear horizon of blue.

- another interpretation of our flag explains - red for Valor, zeal, fervency - white for purity & cleanliness of life + rightness of conduct - blue color of Heaven for reverence to God, loyalty, sincerity, justice & Truth.

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Sept 21, 1945

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+ friends ^{vernon} This celebration honoring the commemoration of 50th anniversary of end of WW II -

along with the

The flag we honor today represents many things to many people . . . and as citizens of this nation, we have our collective traditions . . . and unique ways of paying tribute individually . . . to the symbol of our great nation.

Perhaps the most common of all is reciting the pledge of allegiance on occasions like this . . . when we do that . . . although the words are the same . . . the thoughts about what they mean are as diverse as the numbers of us who are here this afternoon.

- 1.) It is the flag that flies high, wide and handsome on joyous happy occasions - a fight won . . . a country freed . . . a peace remembered.
- 2.) It is the flag that is solemn as it drapes the casket of a loved one or of a comrade fallen in the line of duty.
- 3.) It is the flag children wave in joy, widows clutch in sorrow. To the children, also it represents perhaps the first attempt to recite something other than nursery rhymes or songs.

- 4.) It is the flag that in anger and rebellion that has been desecrated by our own misguided and mislead.
- 5.) It is the flag that was burned by the terrorists in Iran, and that act served only to unite our people.
- 6.) It is the flag carried in battle to protect our land and liberty.
- 7.) It is the flag that symbolized freedom to the oppressed people of Europe - it was carried on the beaches of Normandy - All Americans were reminded on the 50th anniversary of D-day of the sacrifices of brave men who fought and died for our precious freedom.

10.) For the veteran the flag represents home - family - nation. ~~It represents all he sacrificed when he took up arms to protect home, family, nation.~~

George Washington

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Another interpretation of our flag explains that the red is for valor, zeal and fervency; the white for hope, purity, cleanliness of life and rightness of conduct; the blue - - the color of Heaven - - for reverence to God, loyalty, sincerity, justice and truth.

~~The explanation goes on to define the star - - an ancient symbol of civilizations in the east - - as a symbol of dominion and sovereignty, as well as lofty aspirations.~~ The constellation of the stars within the union - - one star for each state - - is emblematic of our federal constitution, which reserves to the states their individual sovereignty, except for rights delegated by them to the federal government.

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Do not all of us have a commitment to preserve our traditions of strength, unity, freedom and independence? Those strengths that have stood for so long and have cost so much in terms of human life and sacrifice . . .

So I join with and salute all who have participated or prepared this program to make certain the Star Spangled Banner continues to wave "over the land of the free & the home of the brave"