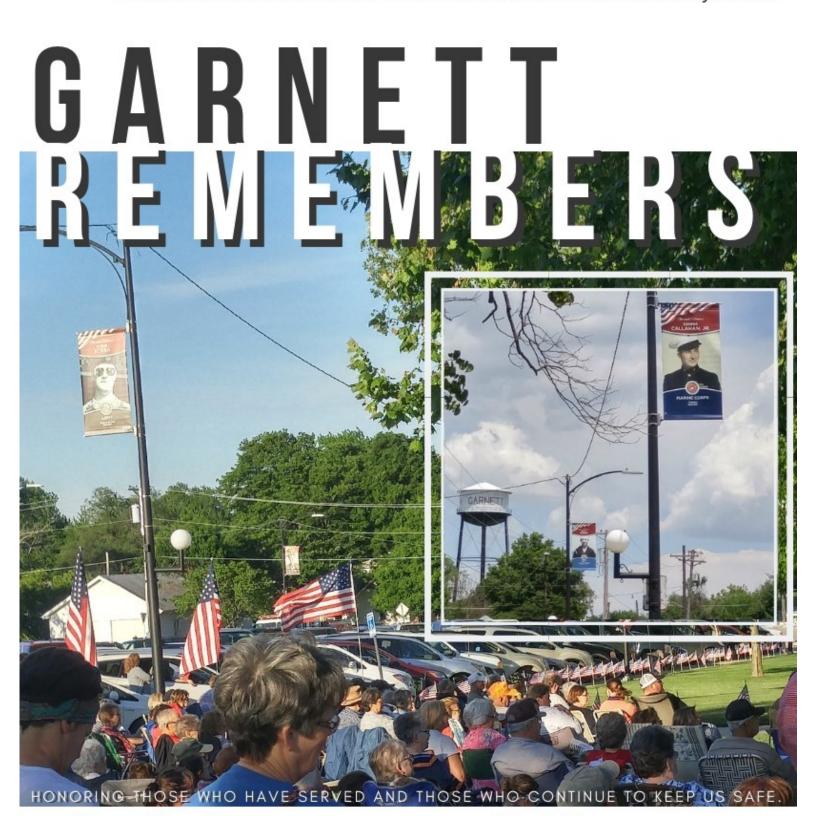


4TH ANNUAL |THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2019 | 7:00 P.M. ANDERSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE LAWN

In the event of inclement weather the event is moved to Garnett Elementary School.



Celebration of Service



Patriotic music provided by Everett Cox; arrival of the American Legion Riders Post 156 and guests.

Opening Ceremony - Presentation of Colors

Garnett American Legion Post 48, Jeffery S. Mersman Memorial VFW Post 6397 (Garnett)

National Anthem

Performed by the Garnett Area Community Band

Invocation

Chris Goetz, Pastor-First Christian Church, former U.S. Army Supply Sergeant and Chaplain

Welcome

Greg A. Gwin, Mayor

Musical Tribute

Garnett Area Community Band

Guest Speaker

Kristi Meid, Retired Veteran, current Department of Kansas VFW Auxiliary President

Recognition of Honorees

VFW Auxiliary District Secretary and local Senior VP Donna Dornes, Garnett city employee and Navy Veteran Gary Giczewski, and Garnett City Clerk Travis Wilson

All Project Garnett Remembers honorees will be recognized.

If each honoree (or representative) present will please rise when your name is announced. Applause is permitted during this celebration.

Closing





HOME OF THE FREE The United States of America LAND OF THE BRAVE

Mayor Greg A. Gwin and Commissioners Jody M. Cole and Brigitte Brecheisen-Huss welcome you to this event. Your Emcee for this evening is City Manager Christopher T. Weiner.

A special thank you to -

- Garnett American Legion Post 48
- Garnett American Legion Auxiliary Post 48
- Jeffery S. Mersman Memorial VFW Post 6397 (Garnett)
- American Legion Riders Post 156
- Garnett Area Community Band
- Everett Cox
- Anderson County and USD 365 for helping the City of Garnett with this celebration.

Thank you for your attendance and showing your support for our military men and women.

For the respect of others, please make sure all cellular devices are on silent.

Don't miss...

Avenue of Flags - A Garnett Tradition, May 24-27, 2019: View over 300 American flags, flying with pride, at the Garnett Municipal Cemetery. Each flag represents someone laid to rest within this cemetery who served our country. The Avenue of Flags was created during the country's bicentennial year, 1976, to pay tribute to our community's bravest.

The annual Memorial Day ceremony will be held on Monday, May 27th at 10:00 a.m. at the cemetery hosted by the Garnett American Legion and VFW. The public is invited.



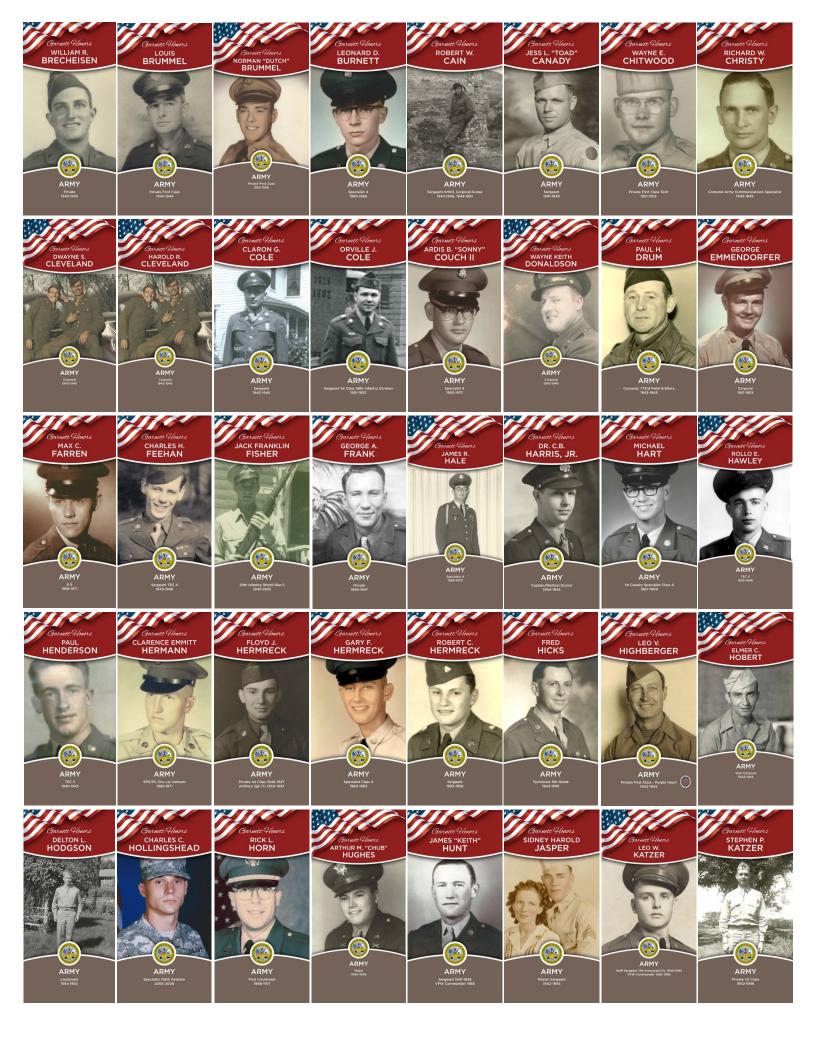
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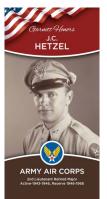




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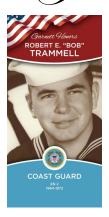


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Coast Guard



The United States Marine Corps



The United States Marine Corps (continued)



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Garnett Remembers

About this special community project -

Project: *Garnett Remembers* is a patriotic pole banner project the City of Garnett has undertaken to recognize and honor those who have, or are currently serving in the United States Military with ties to the Garnett area. Please see the map on page 12 of this program for the location of the project area. These banners fly from Memorial Day Weekend through Independence Day (July 4) annually. There are currently 216 banner honorees. The banners are hung with pride by the three-man crew of the Garnett Electric Distribution Department.

Banner sponsorships and donations for project maintenance is appreciated. Please contact the Garnett Community Development Department or visit *www.simplygarnett.com* for more information on how you can support this project. Tax deductible donations are accepted through the Garnett Community Foundation, P.O. Box 285, Garnett, KS 66032.

Garnett Area Community Band

This band consists of volunteer musicians who reside both inside and outside our community. The Garnett Area Community Band performs at a variety of events, including these upcoming special performance dates:

June 13, 7 p.m. - Ice Cream Social, hosted by Friends of the Library,

Santa Fe Depot. Concert located on north side of depot.

BYOC (bring your own chair).

July 6, 8:30 p.m. - Libertyfest Community Fireworks Display, Lake Garnett.

Concert located on grass near East Shelter House.

Summer concert series, fall and winter concert dates are yet to be announced. Please visit the city's website and social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.) for more information.

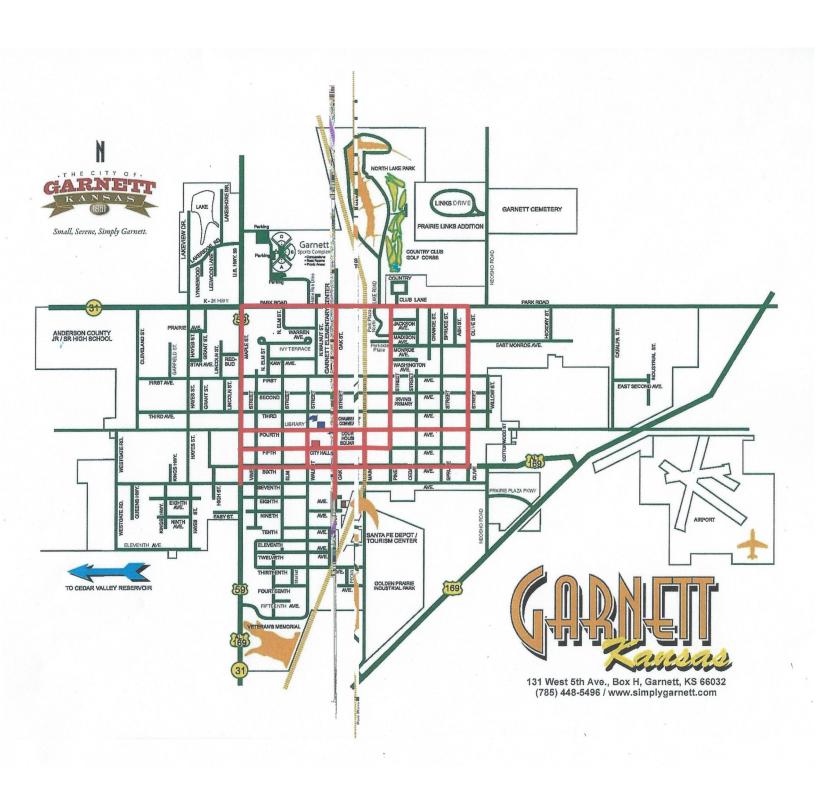
About The Speaker

Special guest speaker is Kristi Kretzer Meid. Kristi joined the Army in June 1978, serving 2 tours overseas in Germany and Korea, returning stateside to serve at Fort Riley and Fort Leavenworth. After serving 22 years, Kristi retired from the military and for the last 20 years has worked at The Guidance Center, a community based mental health center in Leavenworth, Kansas. Kristi joined the VFW and the VFW Auxiliary holding many offices in both organizations and is currently the 2018-2019 Department of Kansas VFW Auxiliary President. Kristi is active in many local, state, civic, and charitable organizations and is a regular volunteer at the Dwight D. Eisenhower Veterans Hospital in Leavenworth. Kristi and her husband Jeff reside in Leavenworth, Kansas.

Find out more about Garnett area projects like this one by visiting:

Website: www.simplygarnett.com Facebook: "garnettks"

Twitter: "getgarnett" Instagram: "garnettkansas"



The location of the Garnett Remembers Patriotic Banner Project is marked on the map above in RED. We encourage you to view all 208 banners representing 216 honorees.