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**ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME-GULFPORT
Veterans Day Ceremony & Open House – Open to the Public**

Gulfport, Miss– (November 8, 2019) To celebrate Veterans Day the Armed Forces Retirement Home is hosting a ceremony and having an Open House on Friday, November 8, 2019 starting at 0800. This event is open to the public.

- **AFRH Resident Art Exhibitors will be in the Main Hall & Art Room areas. Resident's art work and crafts will be available for purchase.**
- **0800** - Gates Open to the Public
- **0830** - Patriot Guard Motorcycles Arrive (Weather Permitting)
- **0830** - Helicopter Landings (Weather Permitting)
- **0900** - Gulfport High School Band Performance (Weather Permitting)
- **0930** - Veterans Day Ceremony
*Keynote Speaker CMSgt David Pizzuto, Commanding Officer, 81st Training Wing, KAFB
Featuring Musical Performance by Anniston Elementary 4th Grade Students*
- **1015** - Harrison County Sheriff K-9 Unit Demonstration
- **1030 & 1130** - M.D.O.T. Rollover Demonstrations (Weather Permitting)
- **1030 - 1300** – Static Displays & Presentations
Displays: U.S. Coast Guard, Gulfport Police & Fire Departments, Gulfport SWAT Team, Biloxi Police Department, U.S. Army National Guard, U.S. Air National Guard, NCBC, Harrison County Sheriff's Department, AMR, U.S. Coast Guard, MDOT and much more!
- **1030 - 1300** – Veterans Day Tribute Video (Continuously Playing in the Theater)
- **1030 - 1300** – Resident Art Displays
- **1030 - 1300** – AFRH tours every 30 minutes (Meet at Security Desk)
- **1030 - 1200** - Camp Shelby Night Vision Experience (Rm 1021)
- **1230** - AFRH-G Gate closes to Public Access
- **1300** - AFRH-G Veterans Day Conclusion

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WHO: Local Media & Community

WHAT: AFRH-G Veterans Day Ceremony & Open House

WHEN: Friday, November 8, 2019 from 0800 – 1300

WHERE: Armed Forces Retirement Home
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HOW: Media planning to attend should contact Becki Zschiedrich at 228-897-4429.

MORE ON AFRH-GULFPORT

The AFRH-G is located on 47 acres of prime waterfront land on the Mississippi Sound. It features a multi-tower complex with full amenities such as dining, social, recreational, and therapeutic activities, plus a swimming pool, hobby shops, a wellness center with basic dental and eye care, a bank, a barber and beauty shop, bowling center, movie theater, a computer room, library, and a pedestrian bridge to the beach. Formerly called the U.S. Naval Home, this facility merged with the Soldiers' Home in Washington, D.C. in 1991 – and both were renamed the AFRH. Prior to 1976, the Naval Home was located in Philadelphia, PA and from 1833-1899 it was called the Naval Asylum. The AFRH is the oldest continuing care retirement community in the United States. To learn more about AFRH-Gulfport contact Becki Zschiedrich, Public Affairs, at 228-897-4429 or e-mail at becki.zschiedrich@afrh.gov.

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