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HONORING ALL WHO SERVED  
**VETERANS**  
DAY  
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Town of Spring Lake

*Veteran's Day and Mural  
Dedication Ceremony*

November 10, 2023  
11:00 am

## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

**Welcoming Remarks** **Dr. David Dickerhoff**

**Invocation** **Pastor Kyle Chavis**

**Posting of Colors** **Harnett County Composite  
Squadron Color Guard**

(Audience is asked to stand and remain silent)

**National Anthem** **Cumberland County Choral Arts**

(Audience may be seated)

**Recognition of Special Guests** **Mayor Kia Anthony**

**Recognition of Veterans** **Alderman Marvin Lackman**

**Relationship between Spring Lake  
and Fort Liberty** **Dr. David Dickerhoff**

**Recognition of SFC Shane Burroughs** **Dr. David Dickerhoff**

**Special Guest Speaker** **General (Retired) Dan Allyn**

**Unveiling of Mural** **General (Retired) Dan Allyn**

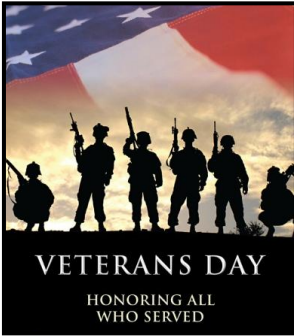
**Closing Remarks** **Alderman Raul Palacios**

**Retiring of Colors** **Harnett County Composite  
Squadron Color Guard**

(Audience is asked to stand and remain silent)

**Closing Prayer** **Pastor Mike Baker**

# THE ORIGINS OF VETERANS DAY



In 1921, an unknown World War I American soldier was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. This site, on a hillside overlooking the Potomac River and the city of Washington, D.C., became the focal point of reverence for America's veterans. Similar ceremonies occurred earlier in England and France, where an unknown soldier was buried in each nation's highest place of honor (in England, Westminster Abbey; in France, the Arc de Triomphe). These memorial gestures all took

place on November 11, giving universal recognition to the celebrated ending of World War I fighting at 11 a.m., November 11, 1918 (the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month). The day became known as "Armistice Day." Armistice Day officially received its name in America in 1926 through a Congressional resolution. It became a national holiday 12 years later by similar Congressional action. Later, U.S. Representative Edward Rees of Kansas proposed a bill that would change Armistice Day to Veterans Day. In 1954, Congress passed the bill that President Eisenhower signed proclaiming November 11 as Veterans Day.

## VETERANS NOW SERVING AS LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS



KIA ANTHONY  
US ARMY 1999-2006  
MAYOR OF SPRING LAKE



MARVIN LACKMAN MSG (RET)  
US ARMY 1998-2012  
SPRING LAKE ALDERMAN



ADRIAN JONES THOMPSON SFC (RET)  
US ARMY 1995-2016  
SPRING LAKE ALDERWOMAN

## ABOUT THE MURAL ARTIST



### Max Dowdle

Max Dowdle comes from a family of artists and craftspeople, so artistic pursuits were always very much a day-to-day endeavor when he was growing up. His family was always very supportive, which meant that he got a good early start on his career.

Max is the director of NC Public Art as well as the primary muralist. After studying a variety of media in undergraduate studies at the College of Charleston, he eventually settled on painting as his main focus. Afterward, he attended and taught in the classical vein at Charles H. Cecil Studios in Florence, Italy. He considers the function of artist as communicator timeless; and the ability to artfully represent what resides in the mind as an incredibly powerful, and necessary role.

Beyond Max's own broad-stroke ideas of where to begin when approaching a new project, his absolute favorite part of the process is the design phase, when he collects feedback offered from those community members and stakeholders that are intimately involved in the project, and begins to synthesize those needs into a lasting work of art with visual impact.



This amazing mural required help from the community.

### **Thank you to our volunteer mural painters:**

The Hein Family - Rebecca, Phillip, Raymond, Alexander & Lucas

The McLaughlin Family - Jami, Grady, Greer, Grace Caroline & Graham

Kathleen Welloffman-Larson & Christopher Larson

Janine Lackman                      Barbara Lewis

Beth Plankers                        Deanna Rosario

Patrick Morrison                    Mary C. Jackson

Riley Baker                            Angel & Akiya McLeoud

Tabitha Redding                    Penelope & Jayna Trammel

Buffy Taylor                          Cynthia Wilt

Devin Newton                        Sue Daley

Brittany Douglas                    Iris Smith

Mayor Kia Anthony & Family

## SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER



### **GENERAL DANIEL B. ALLYN (RETIRED)**

General Daniel B. Allyn retired on June 30, 2017, after serving as the 35th Vice Chief of Staff of the Army. General Allyn is a native of Berwick, Maine, and a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. He previously served as the Commander of the United States Army Forces Command, Fort Bragg, NC. He also

served as the Commanding General, XVIII Airborne Corps, and Commanding General, 1st Cavalry Division, “America’s First Team,” including duty as Commanding General, Combined Joint Task Force-1, and Regional Command East in Afghanistan. General Allyn has also served as the Chief of Staff, and later, Deputy Commanding General of XVIII Airborne Corps, including duty as Chief of Staff, Multi-National Corps Iraq.

His joint assignments include the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization and the Joint Operations Directorate, J-3. Prior to his Joint assignments, he served as Commander, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized), culminating with service during Operation Iraqi Freedom. Prior to serving in the “Marne Division,” General Allyn served two tours of duty with the 82d Airborne Division, two years with the 2nd Infantry Division, and three tours of duty with the 75th Ranger Regiment.

General Allyn’s previous duties include command at the platoon through division level and staff assignments at the battalion through Joint Staff level. He served an overseas assignment in Korea and operational deployments for Operation Urgent Fury in Grenada, two peacekeeping deployments to the Sinai Peninsula in Egypt, Operation Just Cause in Panama, Operation Desert Storm in Saudi Arabia, and Operations Desert Spring and Enduring Freedom in Kuwait, two tours in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, and most recently was deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom XII.

He is a graduate of the Naval War College at Newport, Rhode Island, where he earned a Master of Arts degree in Strategic and National Security Studies.

General Allyn’s awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, the Silver Star, three Defense Superior Service Medals, three Legions of Merit, the Bronze Star Medal, two Defense Meritorious Service Medals, six Meritorious Service Medals, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, four Army Commendation Medals, three Army Achievement Medals, the Combat Infantryman Badge (with Star), the Expert Infantryman Badge, Master Parachutist Badge (with Bronze Star), the Ranger Tab, the Pathfinder Badge, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff Identification Badge.

**HONORING**  
**GYSGT GEORGE REED (RETIRED)**



GYSGT (Ret.) George Reed is a native of South Boston, Massachusetts. He enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in March 1960 and retired in 1984 after 24 years of service. George served in the Supply Department as a Supply Specialist.

George served two tours in Vietnam for a total of five (5) years. He served five (5) tours in Okinawa Japan, Hawaii and Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. He was awarded the Navy Unit Commendation, Vietnam Service Medal (2) stars; Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal Device; Meritorious Mast (2); Navy Sea Service Ribbon; Good Conduct Medals (8 Stars) and many other accolades.

Since retiring, GYSGT (Ret.) Reed continues to serve as a veteran ambassador as a lifetime member of Spring Lake's Memorial VFW Post 4542 and current Trustee; a member of the Cooties and helping veterans at the Fayetteville Veterans Affairs Hospital and the Fayetteville Veteran Center. GYSGT (Ret.) Reed continues to be active and shares his story to advance other veterans during Poppy Drives and VFW recruitment.



## **HONORING HOMETOWN VETERAN SFC SHANE BURROUGHS**

### **USAREC 2023 RECRUITER OF THE YEAR**

SFC Shane Burroughs was born in Trinidad and Tobago and moved to Spring Lake, NC when he was just nine years old. He grew up in the Deerfield subdivision with his mother, Margaret Jobe (Clinical Director of Psychology-Retired) and stepfather, SGM (Ret.) Lennox Jobe, who served as the G-1 SGM for the XVIII Airborne Corps. Shane attended Manchester Elementary School, Spring Lake Middle School, and graduated from Pine Forest High School.

One of his original influences when considering a military career was his stepfather. As he was growing up, SGM (Ret.) Jobe always placed a strong emphasis on the numerous opportunities of serving in the Army, such as unique travel experiences and a college education. In 2006, Shane enlisted in the US Army as a Unit Supply Specialist (92Y) and went on to graduate basic training at Ft. Jackson, SC and AIT at Ft. Lee, VA.

Since 2007, SFC Burroughs has had numerous assignments and duty stations to include a deployment to Salman Pak, Iraq (15mo), two tours in Germany, a peace-keeping mission in Egypt (9mo) and a tour in South Korea, just to name a few.

In 2019, SFC Burroughs was DA selected to recruiting (79R) and since that time, has been assigned to Miami Battalion, Aguadilla Recruiting Company with duty in Saint Thomas, US Virgin Islands. Among his other awards and decorations, he most recently was selected as the 2023 USAREC Active Duty Recruiter of the Year.

USAREC has provided SFC Burroughs more time for his family and the ability to network within the surrounding community beyond the extent of a traditional military experience. He feels that being a recruiter allows him to pay it forward by providing an opportunity to those in need of a better way of life while pursuing their goals and dreams. When not recruiting, Burroughs enjoys volunteering, competitive weightlifting, photography and graphic design.



## SPECIAL THANKS

Town of Spring Lake  
Mayor Kia Anthony  
Spring Lake Board of Aldermen  
Community Appearance & Sustainability Committee  
Military & Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee  
The Beatitude House  
Artist Max Dowdle  
Ryan & Lillian Anderson  
Liz Whitmore, City of Sanford  
First Presbyterian Church, Spring Lake  
Dr. David Dickerhoff, Spring Lake Dental Group

This beautiful and patriotic mural recognizes our support of America, the XVIII Airborne Corps and the Special Operations Command. Fort Liberty is the “Home of the Airborne” and houses America’s Guard of Honor, the 82d Airborne Division. Designed by artist Max Dowdle.



This project is supported through a municipal Arts Allocation by Cumberland County, the City of Fayetteville and the Arts Council.

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