

Loyalty Day

Loyalty Day is truly a VFW-inspired holiday, Loyalty Day was created by the organization in 1921. In 1955, VFW Post 3 member and U.S. Rep. Jimmy Van Zandt of Pennsylvania, introduced a bill proclaiming May 1 as Loyalty Day - a time to proclaim patriotism and love of country.

To celebrate this special day, plan a worthy program.

Following is a list of ideas for your program.

- Hold a public ceremony such as the re-dedication of a local memorial or stage a community program at a park or auditorium. Remember our men and women currently serving on active duty and in the National Guard and Reserve. Order a Loyalty Day Poster (item #4413) from the VFW Store online at vfwstore.org or call 833.839.8387.
- Conduct a Loyalty Day poster design contest in local schools.
- Invite recently-naturalized citizens to participate in your Loyalty Day program.
- Request a Loyalty Day proclamation from the mayor or selectmen.
- Participate in the opening ceremony of the March of Dimes March for Babies. You can also call 1.888.274.3711 to find out the location of the nearest March of Dimes chapter.