

You Can Help Memorialize the 100 Year Anniversary of Armistice Day 11/11/1918



Sunday, 11AM, 11/11/2018 Centenary United Methodist Church, Church of the Annunciation, First Presbyterian Church and St. James Episcopal Church will join other churches of Shelby County in commemorating the end of World War I, 100 years before; 11AM, November 11, 1918. “The Bells of Peace” are to ring 21 times across

America and around the world. Organizations and individuals are encouraged to solemnly remember all veterans as they ring a bell for peace throughout the world. Shelby County lost 29 young men during ‘The Great War’. Many more served in the ‘war to end all wars’; their sacrifice was great, too.

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post (VFW) 1179 and Friends of Grove Hill are hoping everyone, group or individual, who has a bell to ring will take a minute to sound appreciation for all our veterans on the 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day. The goal is for Shelby Countians to be part of the worldwide tribute honoring those who have served in any war, but especially those who served during World War I.

If your church or group would like more information or plan to participate, please message Friends of Grove on their facebook page.

You are also invited to join Friends of Grove Hill and the local VFW Post 1179 at **2PM, November 11th in the Centenary United Methodist Church Sanctuary** to continue the **Armistice Commemoration**. Stories of those Shelby Countians who served in WWI will be told as part of “Friends’ Stories behind the Stones” series and feature stories from Calvary Cemetery recognizing those veterans who served in the famous 369th Infantry Regiment, too.

The popular duet, Sarahbeth Farabee and Stanton Garr accompanied by Tom Seacat, will honor the WWI era in song. A tribute video, honor roll call, VFW displays, and refreshments donated by Four Moores’ Catering and Shelby Life magazine will be included in the program. A brief tour of nearby veterans’ resting place led by Grove Hill historian Mike Harrod will follow.

Over 4.7 million Americans served in WW I, over 116,700 died, 204,000 were wounded. Communities across the world are expected to participate in the November 11th commemoration. You can ring a Bell of Peace from your smart phone.

In the weeks ahead, message Friends of Grove Hill’s Facebook page for more information and to let us know if you or your church will be participating. Any group or individual wishing to join Shelby Life in helping sponsor the event may also message us on Facebook.