# Ceremony Honoring and Remembering Our Fairfield County Veterans and Living WWII Veterans

(Saturday, 9<sup>th</sup> of November, 2019, 10:00am, WWII Monument at Mt. Zion Memorial Park)

### Master of Ceremony (MOC) – Major Melvin Wittenburg, USA Retired

- MOC says please stand for posting of our Colors (by the Benedict College Army ROTC Color Guard)
- MOC says please remain standing for our National Anthem (played by Bob Michalski)
- MOC says please remain standing for our Invocation (by Major Reverend Richard Hodges, USAF Retired)
- MOC says please be seated for Winnsboro Welcome (by Mayor Dr. Roger Gaddy)
- MOC welcomes and introduces our Living WWII Honored Guests (use list of honorees on back)
- MOC welcomes and introduces our special guests:

Town of Winnsboro Mayor Roger Gaddy, S.C. House Representative Annie McDaniel, Fairfield County Council Chairman Sgt. Neil Robinson, USMC, Fairfield County Administrator Jason Taylor Reverend Richard Hodges,

- Any other special guests
- MOC introduces our Guest Speaker (Reverend Richard Hodges)
- MOC mentions each honoree will receive a packet containing letters from: (read letter or certificate)
   U.S. Senator Lindsey Graham,
   U.S. Congressman Ralph Norman,
   Governor Henry McMaster,
   Mayor Roger Gaddy
- MOC requests assistance in giving of packets (Reverend Richard Hodges & Judi Gatson or Susanne Johnson)
- MOC asks veterans attending to stand and be recognized as their branch of service is played
- MOC mentions by Monday, flags will be posted on Fairfield County veterans graves
- MOC says you may be seated for concluding remarks (by Fairfield County Administrator Jason Taylor)
- MOC request attendees to please stand for laying of wreath at the World War II Monument
- MOC request Reverend Richard Hodges & Mayor Roger Gaddy to assist with laying of wreath
- MOC will be met by Colonel Johnson handling the wreath;
   Special guests Reverend Richard Hodges & Mayor Gaddy to walk closely behind to monument
- Once wreath has been placed, remain at attention and salute while taps are played
- MOC says please remain standing for Benediction (by Fairfield County Council Chairman Neil Robinson)
- MOC says please remain standing for retiring of our Colors (by Benedict College Army ROTC Color Guard)
- MOC states: pictures of veterans and special guest will be taken at the monument Please join us for light refreshments at the hospitality tent This concludes our special honoring of veterans ceremony

# **Our Fairfield County**

# **Living WWII Veterans & Honorees**

#### George L. Alexander - 98 - USMC - Pacific

Son Carlos Alexander, his wife Sherry Alexander Grand-Daughter Karen Niklason, her husband Gary Niklason

#### Palmer Davis Boulware – 99 – USA - Europe, Purple Heart

Nephew Allen Boulware

#### William C. "Claude" Marthers, Jr. – 94 – USA - Pacific

Friend Pelham Lyles

#### Mrs. Lavinia S. Lyles Peltosalo – 98 – USMC - Camp Lejeune (Lt. Women's Reserves)

Son Bob Seibels

#### Robert Warren "Bobby" Rutland – 92 – USN - Pacific

Niece Mary Catherine Cathcart Wilson

## Sidney Squirewell – 101 – USA - Pacific

Son \_\_\_\_\_ Squirewell
Daughter \_\_\_\_ Squirewell

#### Thomas Harvey Weir – 93 – USA - Pacific

Friend Pelham Lyles

#### Aubrey Whitfield – 96 – USA (Air Corps) - Europe

Son Swain Whitfield

# David Campbell "Pete" Wylie – 95 – USA – European - Bronze Star, Combat Infantry Badge,

Son David Wylie Son Robert Wylie Battle of the Bulge, POW Stalag XIII-C

Since invitation sent, these heroes have been reunited with their Band of Brothers

## 7th October Robert Augustus "Bobby" DesPortes – 92 – USMC - Pacific

**Cousin Sara Bryant** 

### **23rd October** Samuel Robert Ramsey – 94 – USA - European

Nephew James Joyner