



Centennial of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier (TUS100)

2021 Event List

Last Updated: **August 15, 2021**

The following events are being planned by the Society of the Honor Guard, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier (SHGTUS) in connection with various non-governmental, governmental, and non-profit organizations within the United States and abroad with the intent to highlight the many people tied to the Tomb and America's sacred duty to never forget or forsake all those who have served and sacrificed on behalf of America in times of war or armed conflict.

While most events are planned for in-person as well as virtual attendance, COVID restrictions at each location will dictate how the event will continue. These will be updated with more information, timelines, and links as they become available.

If you have questions on any of the events listed, *or are hosting a TUS100 event and would like it listed here*, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org

- ***Postponed to a later date*** @ The Dalles, OR
 - Dedication of a Never Forget Garden at the St. Paul's Episcopal Church
 - Location: 1805 Minnesota St, The Dalles, OR
 - Start Time: 2pm
 - For more information, please contact LCDR (Ret) Jerry Frazier at jerry1.frazier@gmail.com
- ***Postponed to a later date*** @ Parkdale, OR
 - Dedication of a Never Forget Garden in the Parkdale Memorial Park
 - Hosted by the Parkdale Garden Club
 - Start time: 12pm
 - For more information, please contact Trudie97041@gmail.com

August 2021

- **New** **August 1-31** @ Tyler, TX
 - Commemorative Display of 100th Anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
 - Location: Robert R. Muntz Library, 3900 University Blvd, Tyler, TX
 - For more information contact: <https://www.uttyler.edu/library/>

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September 2021

- **New September 1-30 @ Tyler, TX**
 - Commemorative Display of 100th Anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
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- **(Under Development) September @ Lowell, MA**
 - Dedication of a Never Forget Garden in honor of the 23 graduates of Keith Academy killed in WWII of which 7 are still listed as Missing In Action. This event is hosted by the United States Marine Corps Reserve Association and the Young Marines.
 - Location: 1251 Gorham Street in Lowell, MA
 - Time: **TBD**
 - For more information, please contact COL (Ret) Bob Donaghue at IP350HAVEN@comcast.net
- **September 4 @ Chief Plenty Coups State Park, MT**
 - Annual Day of Honor with special focus on commemorating the life of Chief Plenty Coups and his involvement during the burial of the World War I Unknown Soldier in 1921.
 - Location: Chief Plenty Coups State Park
 - Start time: 1pm
 - For more information, please contact Arron King at akind@mt.gov
- **September 9-10 @ Memphis, TN**
 - A CALL TO HONOR: The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Replica will be on display for the public to visit and ask questions. This ½ scale traveling replica is maintained by the Exchange Club of Rome (GA) who has partnered with the Society to help educate citizens about the Tomb and each of the Unknown Soldier buried on the east plaza of the Memorial Amphitheater in Arlington National Cemetery.
 - Location: Exchange Club National Convention in Memphis, Tenn. at the Peabody Hotel, 149 Union Ave., Memphis, TN 38103
 - September 9: 8:30am – 5pm
 - September 10: 8:30am - 10:30am
 - <https://tomb.romeexchangeclub.com/>
 - For more information, please contact kingglfnt@yahoo.com
- **September 13-15 @ Lincoln, IL**
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 - Location: American Legion Hall located at 1740 5th Street, Lincoln, Ill. 62656
 - September 13: 9am – 7pm
 - September 14: 9am – 7pm
 - September 15: 9am – 5pm
 - <https://tomb.romeexchangeclub.com/>
 - For more information, please contact kingglfnt@yahoo.com
- **September 18 @ White City, OR**

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- Dedication of the Never Forget Garden at the Southern Oregon Rehabilitation Center.
- Time: TBD
- For more information, please contact Janis Coder, Chair, Never Forget Garden Committee: janiscoder@msn.com
- **New September 21 @ National Archives Foundation**
 - Here Rests in Honored Glory: National Archives Records Related to Arlington National Cemetery and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Part 1.
 - In commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the internment ceremonies officiated by President Warren G. Harding at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the National Archives, in partnership with Arlington National Cemetery, presents the first of two programs about records related to the cemetery and tomb. Part one will feature motion picture, cartographic, and photographic records. **Timothy Frank**, a historian at Arlington National Cemetery, will moderate the discussion with National Archives staff members: **Daniel Rooney**, Director, Special Media Records Division; **Amy Edwards**, archivist; **Alexandra Geitz**, supervisory archivist; and **William Wade**, supervisory archivist.
 - Time: 3:00 pm – Online
 - Link to register for FREE: <https://www.archivesfoundation.org/event/here-rests-in-honored-glory-part-1/>
 - For more information please contact: events@archivesfoundation.org
- **New September 24 @ Pryor, MT**
 - Dedication of a Never Forget Garden at the Chief Plenty Coups State Park.
 - Location: 1 Edgar/Pryor Road, Pryor, MT
 - Start time: 12pm
 - For more information, please contact the Spokane Daughters of the American Revolution at raeannav@comcast.net
- **September 27 @ Independence Seaport Museum, PA**
 - The Society of the Honor Guard, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier has created a special Flag with transport case to be flown at key locations surrounding the World War I Unknown Soldier selection and journey home to the United States during the national commemoration of the Centennial of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. This special case provided by Pelican Case Company includes a US Flag, Framed Photo of TUS prior to 1931, Special Coins to commemorate TUS100, Small piece of wood decking from USS Olympia, and four special vials.
 - The Centennial Flag was first flown at Arlington National Cemetery on Memorial Day, May 31, 2021 by members of the Tomb Guard Platoon.
 - This date aboard the USS Olympia marks the exact time 100 years ago in 1921 when the USS Olympia started the voyage to bring home the Unknown Soldier from World War I.
 - Time: 11:45am – 12:00pm
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **New September 28 @ National Archives Foundation**
 - Here Rests in Honored Glory: National Archives Records Related to Arlington National Cemetery and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Part 2.
 - In commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the internment ceremonies officiated by President Warren G. Harding at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the National Archives, in partnership with Arlington National Cemetery, presents the second of two programs about
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records related to the cemetery and tomb. Part two will feature textual records. **Allison S. Finkelstein**, a historian at Arlington National Cemetery, will moderate the discussion with National Archives staff members: **John Deeben**, archivist, **Eric Kilgore**, supervisory archives specialist.

- Time: 3:00 pm – Online
- Link to register for FREE: <https://www.archivesfoundation.org/event/here-rests-in-honored-glory-part-2/>
- For more information please contact: events@archivesfoundation.org

October 2021

- **New October 1-31 @ Tyler, TX**
 - Commemorative Display of 100th Anniversary of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
 - Location: Robert R. Muntz Library, 3900 University Blvd, Tyler, TX
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- **(Under Development) October @ Shreveport, LA**
 - The National History Academy in Louisiana will present a virtual workshop for high school students on the Unknown Soldier and the Medal of Honor. This workshop will take place in two two-hour sessions, with speakers, student interaction, and student projects.
- **October 5-9 @ Rome, GA**
 - A CALL TO HONOR: The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Replica will be on display for the public to visit and ask questions. This ½ scale traveling replica is maintained by the Exchange Club of Rome (GA) who has partnered with the Society to help educate citizens about the Tomb and each of the Unknown Soldier buried on the east plaza of the Memorial Amphitheater in Arlington National Cemetery.
 - Location: Coosa Valley Fairgrounds, 69 Church Street, SE, Rome, Ga. 30162
 - Daily 5pm – 10pm
 - <https://tomb.romeexchangeclub.com/>
 - For more information, please contact kingglfnt@yahoo.com
- **October 14-15 @ Covington, LA**
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 - Location: St. Tammany Justice Center Veterans Plaza 701 N. Columbus Street
 - Daily 10am – 7pm
 - <https://tomb.romeexchangeclub.com/>
 - For more information, please contact kingglfnt@yahoo.com
- **(Under Development) October 18 @ Paris, France**
 - Walking tour of key American monuments and sites in Paris, followed by a wreath ceremony at the American Legion Mausoleum in Paris.
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **October 19 @ Paris, France**
 - Dedication of a Never Forget Garden at the American Cathedral.
 - The Memorial Cloister is the first memorial in France to American fallen in World War I.
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- Start time: 5pm
- For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **October 21 @ St. Mihiel Cemetery, France**
 - Wreath ceremony and educational walking tour by the American Battle Monuments Commission focusing on the associated battlefield and the World War I Unknown Soldier candidate selection process in 1921.
 - Ceremony starts at 2:20pm
 - <https://www.abmc.gov/cemeteries-memorials/europe/st-mihiel-american-cemetery>
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **October 22 @ Aisne-Marne Cemetery, France**
 - Wreath ceremony and educational walking tour by the American Battle Monuments Commission focusing on the associated battlefield and the World War I Unknown Soldier candidate selection process in 1921.
 - Ceremony starts at 9am
 - <https://www.abmc.gov/aisne-marne>
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **October 22 @ Somme Cemetery, France**
 - Wreath ceremony and educational walking tour by the American Battle Monuments Commission focusing on the associated battlefield and the World War I Unknown Soldier candidate selection process in 1921.
 - Ceremony starts at 2:30pm
 - <https://www.abmc.gov/cemeteries-memorials/europe/somme-american-cemetery>
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **October 23 @ Meuse-Argonne Cemetery, France**
 - Wreath ceremony and educational walking tour by the American Battle Monuments Commission focusing on the associated battlefield and the World War I Unknown Soldier candidate selection process in 1921.
 - Ceremony starts at 9am
 - <https://www.abmc.gov/Meuse-Argonne>
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **October 23 @ Hôtel de Ville, Châlons-en-Champagne, France**
 - Commemoration on the 100th Anniversary of arrival of the four World War I Unknown Soldier candidates in 1921 from American cemeteries in the region, and the honor guard of French Soldiers that assumed the death watch, when six American Soldier from the Army of Occupation joined them to conduct a joint honor guard through the night until the ceremonies the next day.
 - Vigil starts at 5pm
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **October 24 @ Hôtel de Ville, Châlons-en-Champagne, France**
 - Commemoration and tribute on the 100th Anniversary of selection of World War I Unknown Soldier by SGT Edward Younger in 1921, while honoring our allies and the citizens of France who embraced him as their own.
 - Ceremony starts at 11am with speeches, followed by a parade to a war memorial and concluded with a wreath ceremony.

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- **October 24 @** Williamsville, NY
 - Dedication of a Never Forget Garden at the Amherst State Park.
 - Location: 390 Mill Street Park, Williamsville, NY 14221
 - Start time: 2pm
 - For more information, please contact the Williams Mills Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution at kasey0988@verizon.net
- **October 24 -25 @** Newcastle, IN
 - A CALL TO HONOR: The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Replica will be on display for the public to visit and ask questions. This ½ scale traveling replica is maintained by the Exchange Club of Rome (GA) who has partnered with the Society to help educate citizens about the Tomb and each of the Unknown Soldier buried on the east plaza of the Memorial Amphitheater in Arlington National Cemetery.
 - Location: **TBD**
 - October 24: 10am – 7pm
 - October 25: 10am – 6pm
 - <https://tomb.romeexchangeclub.com/>
 - For more information, please contact kingglfnt@yahoo.com
- **October 25 @** Le Havre, France
 - Commemoration ceremony on the 100th Anniversary of the departure of the World War I Unknown Soldier from Le Havre, France to the United States in 1921 and the USS *Olympia*'s mission to bring the Unknown Soldier home.
 - Ceremony starts at 3pm
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **October 25 @** USS *Olympia* (C-6), Independence Seaport Museum, Pennsylvania
 - Commemoration ceremony on the 100th Anniversary of the departure of the World War I Unknown Soldier from Le Havre, France to the United States in 1921 and the USS *Olympia*'s mission to bring the Unknown Soldier home.
 - For more information please contact afurlong@phillyseaport.org
- **October 25 @** Normandy American Cemetery, France
 - Wreath ceremony and educational walking tour by the American Battle Monuments Commission focusing on the associated battlefield and the World War II Unknown Soldier candidate selection process in 1958.
 - Ceremony starts at 9:30am
 - <https://www.abmc.gov/normandy>
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **October 26 @** The Flame under the Arc de Triomphe, Paris, France
 - Members of the Society of the Honor Guard, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier will render honors and pay tribute to the French Unknown Soldier, standing with French and American veterans.
 - Ceremony will start at 5:30PM
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org

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- **November 1 @ Online**
 - Virtual presentation by the President of the Society on the history of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier from 1921 through today. This event is open to the public and hosted by the Somerset County Library System.
 - <https://sclsnj.org/>
 - For more information, please contact fkennedy@sclibnj.org
- **New November 4 @ Bullard, TX**
 - Storytime and Crafts at the Bullard Community Library with Rena French reading “Arlington, The Story of Our Nation’s Cemetery”.
 - Location: Bullard Community Library, 211 W. Main Street, Bullard, TX
 - Time: 10:30am
 - For more information visit: <http://www.bullardlibrary.org/calendar.html>
- **November 7 @ Arlington National Cemetery, Virginia**
 - We are partnering with Taps for Veterans as the sponsor the event “*Taps in Honored Glory*” which will commemorate the Centennial of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the buglers who have sounded Taps there over the past century.
 - Location: Tanner Amphitheater (Old Amphitheater)
 - Timeline:
 - 10am - Ceremony at the Tanner Amphitheater, Arlington National Cemetery
 - 12pm - Wreaths at the graves of Frank Withey, George Myers and Patrick Mastroleo
 - A wreath will be presented at each grave and Taps will be sounded by a Bugler from the US Army Band. The graves are located in in section 18 and 34.
 - 1:15pm - Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier
 - 2pm - Reception at the Woman’s Memorial
 - For more information please contact: jari.villanueva@gmail.com
- **New November 7 @ Military Women’s Memorial**
 - A ‘High Tea’ will be offered at the memorial, with tours of both the Women’s Memorial and the Memorial Display Room after watching the Changing of the Guard.
 - Location: Women’s Memorial, Arlington National Cemetery.
 - Time: 11:30am
 - Guest Speaker: Gavin McIlvenna, President of the Society of the Honor Guard, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.
 - For more information, please contact dhoule@womensmemorial.org
- **November 8-10 @ Crystal Gateway Marriot, Arlington, Virginia**
 - Centennial Week begins with displays, multi-media, exhibits and various lectures throughout the week leading up to the 100th Anniversary of the World War I Unknown Soldiers burial in Arlington National Cemetery.
 - Lectures by authors who have written books about the Unknown Soldiers
 - Lecture on the history of Taps and use of bugles in funerals

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- Joint Naval Symposium talking about the contributions of our nations naval forces
 - Presentation of “Voices from the Tomb” with Q&A session
 - For more information, please contact events@tombguard.org
- **New November 9 @ Arlington National Cemetery**
 - The public is invited to lay a flower at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier as the nation begins too officially commemorate the Centennial of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Day 1 of this event, first proposed to Arlington National Cemetery by the Society, will allow the public to come inside the chains and lay an individual flower at the Tomb.
 - Time: 9:00am – 4:00pm
 - For more information, please contact Arlington National Cemetery Public Affairs.
- **November 9 @ National Museum of the Navy, DC**
 - A Centennial of the Arrival of the Unknown Soldier Seminar will be conducted at the historic Naval Gun Factory (Navy Yard) on the 100th Anniversary of the arrival of the World War I Unknown Soldier arrives aboard the USS *Olympia* (C-6). The seminar is intended to provide guests with a deeper understanding of *Olympia* and her career, as well as the role different branches of the Armed Forces have played in interring and guarding the Unknown Soldiers.
 - Time: 12:30pm
 - For more information, please contact Navy History and Heritage Command dale.a.eng@navy.mil
- **November 9 @ Navy Yard, DC**
 - Historical plaque marking the 100th anniversary of the arrival home of the Unknown Soldier from World War I and ceremony
 - Ceremony will start at 3:00pm
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **November 9 @ USS *Olympia* (C-6), Independence Seaport Museum, Pennsylvania**
 - Shadow commemoration ceremony of those at the Navy Yard the 100th Anniversary of the World War I Unknown Soldier arrival to the United States aboard the USS *Olympia* (C-6) in 1921.
 - Time: **TBD**
 - For more information please contact afurlong@phillyseaport.org
- **New November 10 @ Arlington National Cemetery**
 - The public is invited to lay a flower at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier as the nation begins too officially commemorate the Centennial of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Day 2 of this event, first proposed to Arlington National Cemetery by the Society, will allow the public to come inside the chains and lay an individual flower at the Tomb.
 - Time: 9:00am – 4:00pm
 - For more information, please contact Arlington National Cemetery Public Affairs.
- **November 11 @ All across the US at 11:00am (local)**
 - Communities participate in the National Salute to remember all who have served and sacrificed for this nation.
 - <https://tombguard.org/centennial/projects#national-salute>
 - For more information, please contact publicaffairs@tombguard.org
- **November 11 @ Indianapolis, IN**

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- Cornelia Cole Fairbanks Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and American Legion Post #3 are planning a National Salute Ceremony on November 11 and will include utilizing a bell choir to simultaneously ring a chromatic chord 21 times, a Great Silence for 2 minutes, and the playing of Taps.
- Location: **TBD**
- Time: 11am
- For more information, please contact sherribranaman@gmail.com
- **New November 11 @ Tyler, TX**
 - Veterans Day Program and National Salute at Camp V
 - Location: 3212 W. Front Street, Tyler, TX
 - Time 10:30am – 2:00pm
- **November 11 @ Valdosta, GA**
 - Dedication of a Never Forget Garden at the Crescent
 - Hosted by the General James Jackson Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Garden Center, Inc.
 - Location: 904 North Patterson Street, Valdosta, GA
 - Start time: 1pm
 - For more information, please contact misspatti@windstream.net
- **New November 11 @ American Rose Center, LA**
 - Veterans Day Program and National Salute
 - Hosted by the American Rose Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, Barksdale Air Force Base, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Bossier Highschool Band, Bossier Highschool Junior ROTC, Boy and Girl Scouts of America, Louisiana Garden Club Federation, and Octavia.
 - Location: American Rose Center, Shreveport, LA
 - Time: 10am
 - For more information please contact: roseusa@suddenlink.net
- **November 11 @ Helena, MT**
 - Dedication of a Never Forget Garden at the East Helena Montana Cemetery
 - Hosted by the Oro Fino Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.
 - Location: 410 N. Montana Avenue in East Helena, MT
 - Start time: 10am
 - For more information, please contact kramlic@msn.com
- **Updated November 12 @ Shreveport, LA**
 - LSU-Shreveport will host a one-day symposium called “*Unknowns: A Centennial Symposium in partnership with Louisiana State University Shreveport*” where during this one-day public event talk with four main speakers through the day, plus an exhibit of Medal of Honor-related artifacts.
 - Time:
 - 9-9:30 AM: Introduction: The Medal of Honor and the Unknown Soldier; Edward G. Lengel, Chief Historian, National Medal of Honor Museum and author of *Never in Finer Company: The Men of the Great War’s Lost Battalion* (2018)
 - 9:30-10:30AM: Steven Trout, author of *On the Battlefield of Memory: The First World War and American Remembrance, 1919-1941* (2012).
 - 10:30-11:00AM: Break

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- 11:00-12:00PM: Philip Bigler, author of *Tomb of the Unknown Soldier: A Century of Honor, 1921-2021* (2021)
- 12:00-1:30PM: Break and Book Signing
- 1:30-2:30PM: Andrew Richards, author of *The Flag: The Story of Revd David Railton MC and the Tomb of the Unknown Warrior* (2017)
- 2:30-3:00PM: Coffee Break
- 3:00-4:00PM: [Committed] Lisa Budreau, author of *Bodies of War: World War I and the Politics of Commemoration in America, 1919-1933* (2011)
- Conclusion
- For more information, please contact ELengel@mohmuseum.org
- **(Under Development) November 15 -20 @ Salem, IN**
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 - Location: Salem Army National Guard Building at 1100 N. Shelby Street
 - Time: TBD
 - <https://tomb.romeexchangeclub.com/>
 - For more information, please contact kingglfnt@yahoo.com

December 2021

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