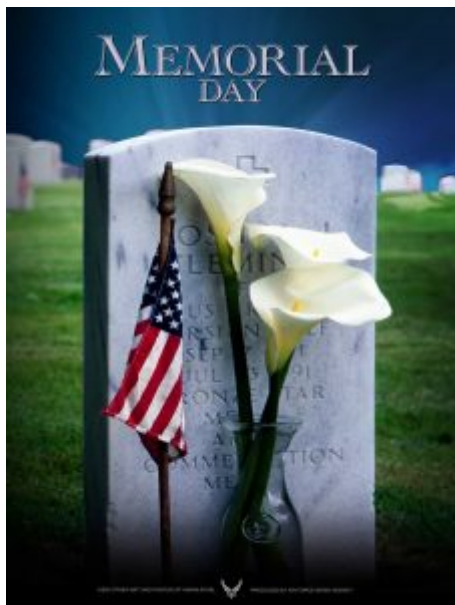


This Memorial Day 2020 weekend, the traditional kickoff to summer, will be different than we're used to.



Usually, my wife and I attend a nice solemn ceremony held by our Legion post. Our plans have changed. Whatever your tradition is, it's likely impacted somehow by the COVID19 crisis.

This, from [NPR.org](https://www.npr.org):

U.S. government buildings, military posts and embassies will fly the flag at half-staff through Memorial Day weekend in memory of the nearly 100,000 people who have died of COVID-19, President Trump announced Thursday night. The decision comes after Democratic leaders in Congress sent a letter to the president requesting the gesture.

"I will be lowering the flags on all Federal Buildings and National Monuments to half-staff over the next three days in memory of the Americans we have lost to the CoronaVirus," [Trump said via Twitter](#).

Flags will be lowered from Friday through Sunday's sunset. Trump added that flags will again be flown at half-staff on Monday to honor the men and women who died while serving in the U.S. military.

The national flag is dropped to half its normal height at times when the nation is in

mourning or [after a national tragedy](#). The U.S. is currently in the throes of a pandemic that has killed about 95,000 people in the country and derailed normal life for millions of people.

Wherever you find yourself on Monday, Memorial Day 2020, please take a moment to remember and honor those who died while serving our country.

Be safe, and be healthy.

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