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**Before it was known as Veterans Day, what name did it previously have?**

Answer: Armistice Day.

**What historical event occurred on November 11th?**

Answer: The end of World War I.

**Who was the President who signed the bill into law designating November 11th as Veterans Day?**

Answer: Eisenhower

**What time is it recommended to have two minutes of silence in honor of veterans?**

Answer: 2:11 PM ET

**Why is Veterans Day observed on November 11?**

Answer: That is the date on which World War I ended

**What organizations urged for Armistice Day to be changed to Veterans Day?**

Answer: U.S. veteran organizations.

**While Veterans Day is celebrated in America, what other holiday is celebrated in countries such as the United Kingdom and Canada?**

Answer: Remembrance Day.

**How does Memorial Day and Veterans Day differ?**

Answer: Veterans Day celebrates living veterans. Memorial Day celebrates fallen veterans.

**What date is Women Veterans Day?**

Answer: June 12

**What does Women Veterans Day celebrate?**

Answer: The anniversary of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act.

**Between 1971 and 1977, what day was Veterans Day celebrated before it was moved back to its original date?**

Answer: Fourth Monday of October.

**What was the act that moved the Veterans Day holiday?**

Answer: Uniform Monday Holiday Act

**What state has the highest number of veterans?**

Answer: California

**In what year was Armistice Day changed to Veterans Day?**

- a. 1972
- b. 1980
- c. 1954

Answer: 1954

**Who was the President who signed the 1954 bill proclaiming November 11 Veterans Day?**

President Reagan  
President Eisenhower  
President Lincoln

Answer: President Eisenhower

**How many living veterans are there?**

1 million  
23 million  
750,000

Answer: 23 million

## **Facts About Veterans**

- “In 1938, Armistice Day was officially made into a legal holiday.”
- “It’s not “Veteran’s Day” or “Veterans’ Day”—Veterans Day is actually spelled without an apostrophe.”
- “2 million veterans served during the Korean War.”
- “7 million veterans served in the Vietnam War.”
- “There were approximately 20.3 million living veterans in the United States in 2018, according to data from the Department of Veterans Affairs.”
- “In 1926, Congress passed a resolution to make Veterans Day an annual occurrence, but it didn’t become a federal holiday until 1938.”
- “According to the Pew Research Center, “About three-quarters (77%) of veterans in 2016 served during wartime and 23% only served during peacetime.”

- “In 2017, the states with the highest percentage of Veterans were: Alaska, Maine and Montana.”
- “The District of Columbia, Virginia and Alaska had the highest percentage of Veteran women in 2017.”
- “In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower changed the name from Armistice Day to Veterans Day so it would honor all veterans rather than commemorate the end of a single war.”
- “According to 2016 data, at the time, 91% of veterans were men, while 9% were women.”
- “Veterans Day honors people who served in the U.S. military. Compare that with Armed Forces Day, which celebrates America’s troops, particularly those currently serving. It’s held on the third Saturday in May.”
- “President Joe Biden brought back National Atomic Veterans Day on July 16, 2021. And in December of that year, he signed legislation into law making it an annual commemoration of atomic veterans’ service.”
- “7% of U.S. adults were veterans, down from 18% in 1980,” according to the Census Bureau in 2016.”
- “One of the possible factors for the declining number of United States veterans? The military draft ended in 1973.”
- “The Veterans Affairs department believes that by 2045, “there will be around 12 million veterans, a roughly 40% decrease from [2017] numbers.”
- “By 2045, it’s expected that the number of female veterans will double to 18%.”
- “Since 1954, the Veterans Day National Committee has overseen executive planning for the annual holiday. Members meet in Washington, D.C., three times a year to prepare for Veterans Day.”
- “On Veterans Day in 2020, the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C., unveiled the National Native American Veterans Memorial.”
- “Veterans Day honors all American troops who served honorably—regardless of whether they did so during war or peacetime.”
- “Although the nation honors deceased members of the Armed Forces on Veterans Day, the government created the holiday to honor and thank living veterans. Keep reading for more Veterans Day facts many people don’t know.”
- “The New York City Veterans Day Parade—which takes place along Fifth Avenue—is both the largest and oldest Veterans Day parade in the country. The first one was held in 1919.”
- “Although the poppy is a symbol of Memorial Day, the American Legion Auxiliary distributes red crepe paper poppies on Veterans Day as well.”
- “Arlington National Cemetery holds an annual memorial service every Veterans Day and Memorial Day.”
- “Based on statistics from the Department of Veterans Affairs, 325,574 of the 16 million Americans who served in World War II were still alive in 2020.”
- “It’s not “Veteran’s Day” or “Veterans’ Day”—Veterans Day is actually spelled without an apostrophe.”

- “Originally, Veterans Day was known as “Armistice Day,” which began to be celebrated on the one-year anniversary of when the agreement to cease fire was made to end World War.”
- “Veterans Day differs in meaning from Memorial Day—the United States holiday which honors specifically those who lost their lives while serving in the military.”

## **Veterans Day Trivia For Seniors**

**In which year did Germany make their final World War I Reparation Payment?**

Answer: “In 2010.”

**Where can you find the tomb of the unknown person?**

Answer: “Arlington National Cemetery.”

**Which country, along with the U. S. stood along South Korea in the Korean War against communism?**

Answer: “United Kingdom.”

**What is the largest U. S. military base according to the size of the population?**

Answer: “Fort Bragg.”

**Whose words are these, “It is fatal to enter a war without the will to win it”?**

Answer: “General Douglas MacArthur.”

**In which state is the Arlington National Cemetery?**

Answer: “Virginia.”

**In what state is the United States Naval Academy?**

Answer: “Maryland.”

**When did the last of US troops leave Vietnam?**

Answer: “In 1973.”

**WAC is an abbreviation for?**

Answer: “Women’s Army Corps.”

**What was the name of the pilot who dropped the bomb in Hiroshima?**

Answer: “Col. Paul Tibbets.”

**What was the name of the Treaty that marked the end of the Second World War?**

Answer: “Treaty of Versailles.”