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# National Park Service and U.S. Navy prepare for upcoming National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Events

**HONOLULU** – The National Park Service (NPS), Navy Region Hawaii, with the support of Pacific Historic Parks are hosting a series of events December 5 through December 9 as part of the 80<sup>th</sup> National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Commemoration to honor the 2,390 American lives lost during the attack on Pearl Harbor and the island of O`ahu on December 7, 1941.

The week's long events are summarized below and more information may be found on-line at [www.pearlharborevents.com](http://www.pearlharborevents.com) and [www.facebook.com/PearlHarborNPS](https://www.facebook.com/PearlHarborNPS)

### **USS *Nevada* BB-36 Memorial Ceremony**

- Scheduled from December 5 2021 1 p.m. HST/ 3 p.m. PST/ 6 p.m. EST
- Base access is required
- Live-streamed at [www.pearlharborevents.com](http://www.pearlharborevents.com)

The USS *Nevada*, the oldest battleship on Battleship Row when the attack on Pearl Harbor occurred, managed to get underway during the attack, but was subsequently damaged and grounded herself near Hospital Point. Family and friends will gather at historic Hospital Point to honor the crew and the legacy of the USS *Nevada*.

### **USS *UTAH* SUNSET MEMORIAL CEREMONY**

- December 6 2021 5 p.m. HST/ 7 p.m. PST/ 10 p.m. EST
- Open to the Public, base access required
- Live-streamed at [www.pearlharborevents.com](http://www.pearlharborevents.com)

The ceremony honors the loss of the USS *Utah* and 58 crewmen after the ship was torpedoed during the attack on Pearl Harbor. The USS *Utah* was the first ship torpedoed in the attack; it sank 12 minutes later.

### **80TH REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY**

- December 7 2021 7:40 a.m. HST/ 9:40 a.m. PST/ 1:40 p.m. EST
- Invitation Only
- Live-streamed at [www.pearlharborevents.com](http://www.pearlharborevents.com)

About 150 World War II Veterans, including approximately 40 Pearl Harbor survivors will be present at Kilo Pier for the Main Ceremony. 800 members of the public were awarded seats to view the live-stream at Pearl Harbor National Memorial's Visitor Center in the National Park Service hosted Recreation.gov lottery. Please visit [www.nps.gov/perl](http://www.nps.gov/perl) for additional information.

This year's ceremony -- "Valor, Sacrifice, and Peace" -- honors the sacrifices of those who died in the attack while paying tribute to the allies' ultimate victory in WWII.

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7:45 a.m. HST Live-stream will start

7:50 a.m. HST Ceremony will start and include remarks by National Park Service- Pearl Harbor National Memorial Superintendent Tom Leatherman, RADM Kott Navy Region Hawaii, and including keynote speaker, the Honorable Carlos Del Toro, Secretary of the Navy. The event will also feature the Pacific Fleet Band, a wreath presentation, and a fly over.

9:30 a.m. HST Approximate conclusion of ceremony and live-stream

#### **USS OKLAHOMA: REINTERMENT OF THE UNKNOWNNS**

- December 7 2021 11 a.m. HST / 1 p.m. PST/ 4 p.m. EST
- Invitation Only
- Will be live-streamed at [DVIDS - Webcast - USS Oklahoma: Reinterment of the Unknownns \(dvidshub.net\)](https://dvidshub.net)

On December 7, 2021, The U.S. Navy, in partnership with the Department of Defense Pow/MIA Accounting Agency and the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, will host the reinterment for the 33 remaining unknown sailors of the USS *Oklahoma*. Through the six-year effort of Project Oklahoma, 355 of 388 sailors and marines have been identified.

#### **USS OKLAHOMA MEMORIAL CEREMONY**

- December 7 2021 2 p.m. HST/ 4 p.m. PST/ 7 p.m. EST
- Open to the Public, Base Access Required
- Will be live-streamed at [www.pearlharborevents.com](http://www.pearlharborevents.com)

World War II veterans, U.S. and allied service members, friends and family pay tribute to the 429 crewmembers of the USS *Oklahoma* killed Dec. 7, 1941, in the attack on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, during a ceremony on Ford Island. The casualties included 415 sailors and 14 Marines, who continued to fight even after the ship was struck by 8 torpedoes. A ninth torpedo hit the ship as it sank and had begun to capsize.

#### **USS ARIZONA INTERMENT OF LT. HARVEY MILHORN**

- December 7 2021 4 p.m. HST/ 6 p.m. PST/ 9 p.m. EST
- Invitation Only
- Will be live-streamed at [www.pearlharborevents.com](http://www.pearlharborevents.com)

Pearl Harbor National Memorial in partnership with U.S. Navy Region Hawaii, will conduct the 45th interment of a USS *Arizona* Survivor. Lt. Harvey Milhorn was a GM3 on December 7 1941, and was blown off the back of the ship, swam to safety on Ford Island where he received medical care. He was eventually reassigned to the USS *Tennessee* and served on various ships throughout World War II. Mr. Milhorn retired from the U.S. Navy as a fully commissioned Lt. after a long and rewarding career. Mr. Milhorn passed away in 2002.

#### **COMMISSIONING OF DDG 118**

- December 8 2021 9:45 a.m. HST/ 11:45 a.m. PST/ 2:45 p.m. EST
- Invitation Only
- Will be live-streamed at [DVIDS - Webcast - Commissioning of DDG 118 \(dvidshub.net\)](https://dvidshub.net)

The U.S. Navy will commission DDG118 The USS *Daniel Inouye* in Pearl Harbor. The ship is named for the late Medal of Honor recipient and longtime Senator from Hawaii.

#### **USS UTAH LIVE DIVE**

- Dec 09 2021 11 a.m. HST/ 1 p.m. PST / 4 p.m. EST
- Will be live-streamed at [www.facebook.com/PearlHarborNPS](https://www.facebook.com/PearlHarborNPS) and available on screens at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center

Pearl Harbor National Memorial in partnership with the National Park Service – Submerged Resource Center, will conduct the first ever virtual interactive live-dive of the USS *Utah*, the only other ship that was left where she capsized on December 7 1941. Divers from the National Park Service will be supported and accompanied by U.S. Navy Region Hawaii – Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit One divers as viewers are able to virtually dive along the underwater remains of the USS *Utah*.

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*About Pearl Harbor National Memorial: Pearl Harbor National Memorial is a fee-free site and no reservations are required to enter the Visitor Center, museums, or walk the park grounds. Pearl Harbor National Memorial and its partners preserve, interpret, and commemorate the history of World War II in the Pacific from the events leading to the December 7, 1941, attack on O`ahu, to peace and reconciliation. For more about the memorial, please visit [www.nps.gov/pearlharbor](http://www.nps.gov/pearlharbor) and [www.facebook.com/PearlHarborNPS](https://www.facebook.com/PearlHarborNPS).*

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