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Windber Veterans Association continues to seek contributions and volunteers.

"Comrades"

Comrades, not the cry of vanquished foes,
But a term of honor among "G.I. Joes"
Who, serving our country in uniforms of different hues
Were veterans that weathered wars and paid their dues.

And now at the end, we saluting, stand,
To honor one on the way to the promised land.
Like Gabriel's horn, the bugler's taps fade away
While memories of our comrades will forever stay.

William A. Jablon

MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION WINDBER, PA May 31, 2010

Sponsored by the Windber Veterans Association

American Legion Windber Post No. 137
Windber VFW Post No. 4795
WW II 50th Anniversary Commemorative
Committee

Memorial Day Events

- The parade forms at the American Legion Post No. 137 at 9:30 AM
- Parade begins at 10:00 AM
- Parade proceeds from 14th Street to Graham Avenue to 18th Street to Somerset Avenue to 13th Street to Graham Avenue to 14th Street to Jefferson Avenue to Veterans Park.
- Memorial Day services in Veterans Park after the parade.
- Dedication of the Memorial Wall in Veterans Park.

"Think not only upon their passing
Remember the Glory of their Spirit"

Inscription in the chapel,
Normandy American Cemetery

MEMORIAL DAY 2010 PROGRAM

Welcome and Opening Remarks.....	Master of Ceremonies Gene Shaffer Windber Borough Mayor Red Ohler
Raising of the Flag of the United States of America.....	VFW
National Anthem.....	WAHS Band
Invocation.....	VRev Voytek St Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church
Greetings and Introduction of Honored Guests.....	Master of Ceremonies
Wreath Laying.....	VFW Commander Perry Mock American Legion Commander Nick Pasovlich
Musical Selection.....	WAHS Band
Introduction of Guest Speaker.....	Master of Ceremonies
Keynote Address.....	Brigadier General Ray Palumbo
Unveiling of the Memorial Wall.....	Brigadier General Ray Palumbo Tom Gelger, Chairman WVA VFW Commander American Legion Commander Jim Turcato, WVA
Rifle Salute and Taps.....	Windber VFW Ritual Team
Benediction.....	Chaplain Michael J. Cerula Jr. 1LT USAR, 458th Engineer Bn.
Closing Remarks.....	Master of Ceremonies
God Bless America.....	WAHS Band

Brigadier General Raymond P. Palumbo

Brigadier General Raymond P. Palumbo is currently the Deputy Commanding General of the United States Army Special Operations Command at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He is the son of the late Arthur Palumbo (former Mayor of Windber) and the late Maryann Chervenak of Johnstown. Ray was born in Windber and graduated from Windber Area High School in 1977. He went on to attend the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. After graduating in 1981 he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Infantry and went on to complete helicopter flight training at Fort Rucker, Alabama. For the last 29 years Ray has served in numerous command and staff assignments throughout the United States and overseas to include combat duty in the Persian Gulf, Panama, Somalia, the Balkans, Iraq, Afghanistan and other locations around the world. He has commanded Army Aviation organizations from the platoon through brigade levels and most recently commanded a Special Operations Task Force in Afghanistan. Brigadier General Palumbo has a Bachelor of Science Degree in General Engineering from West Point, a Master of Science in Administration from Central Michigan University, and a Master of Strategic Studies from the United States Army War College. He is married to the former Alice Sweet of El Paso, Texas, and they have four grown children: Hilary, Raymond Jr, Anthony and Amanda.