Memorial Day, 2023

It's so easy to forget

- Are you forgetful?
- What helps you remember?

Memorials help us Remember

- 18 'memorial' verses in NIV
- 161 'remember' verses in NIV
- We need reminders because we forget

Joshua 4.1-7

JOS 4:1 When the whole nation had finished crossing the Jordan, the LORD said to Joshua, ² "Choose twelve men from among the people, one from each tribe, ³ and tell them to take up twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan from right where the priests stood and to carry them over with you and put them down at the place where you stay tonight."

JOS 4:4 So Joshua called together the twelve men he had appointed from the Israelites, one from each tribe, 5 and said to them, "Go over before the ark of the LORD your God into the middle of the Jordan. Each of you is to take up a stone on his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, ⁶ to serve as a sign among you.

 In the future, when your children ask you, What do these stones mean?' 7 tell them that the flow of the Jordan was cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD. When it crossed the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. These stones are to be a memorial to the people of Israel forever."

Genesis 9.15-16

Gen 9.15 I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life. 16 Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth."



Ecclesiastes 12

in the days of your youth,
before the days of trouble come
and the years approach when you will
say,

"I find no pleasure in them"--

er cord is severed,
or the golden bowl is broken;
before the pitcher is shattered at the spring,
or the wheel broken at the well,

When we forget . . .

- Who God is
- Who we are
- How we were reconciled
- OUR PURPOSE for being here!
- Then all is meaningless

Reminders

Remember your Creator

 I will remember my covenant between me and you

God's Covenant with us:

- What is the new covenant?
- Jesus paid the penalty for all sin
- Our relationship with God is restored
- Jesus offers:
- Forgiveness
- Freedom
- · Love

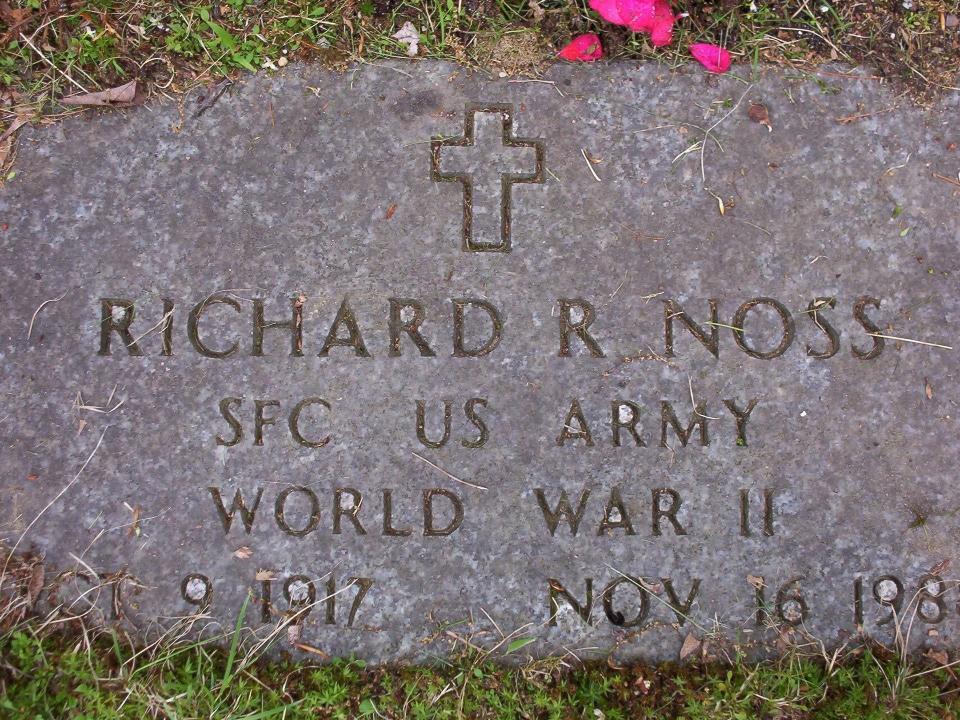
- We remember those who sacrificed for our freedom
- We remember Him who Sacrificed for our freedom























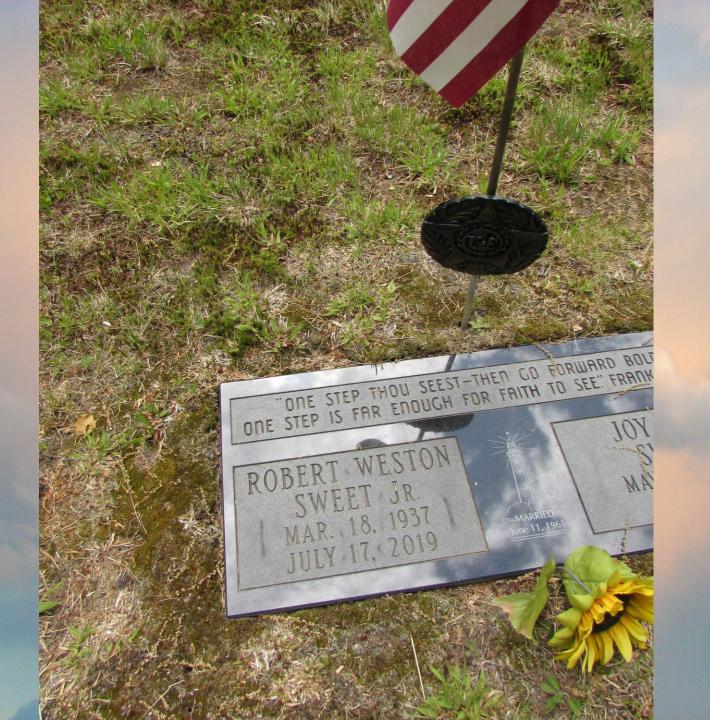




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Jesus made the ultimate sacrifice so we might be free

- Mark 10. ⁴⁵ For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."
- Jn 15.13 Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command.

Remember:

- God loves you!
- Jesus died for you!
- Freedom was or is never free!