



## **Remembrance Day**

This year we celebrate 75 years from the end of the Second World War and it will go down in history as the first time (and hopefully the last), that we are not able to celebrate with memorial services, parades and gatherings of fellowship afterwards, at the Markham District Veterans Association..

During Remembrance Week, please take time to buy a poppy and wear a poppy....it is a way of showing our appreciation and gratitude to the Armed Forces men and women who served, and to the families of those that gave the ultimate sacrifice, to provide us with the freedom that we enjoy today.

The City of Markham will be lowering the flags to half mast, at Veterans Square on November 7<sup>th</sup> and raising them back up on November 14<sup>th</sup>. During the week please feel free to visit the cenotaph and place a poppy on a wreath.

David Smith  
**President**

## **2020 Markham Remembrance Week** **Saturday November 7<sup>th</sup> to Saturday November 14<sup>th</sup>**

The Markham District Veterans Association will be observing Remembrance Week from Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020, without our usual services, parade and social gathering.

The City of Markham has granted us permission to use Veterans Square on a very limited scale. We will be allowed to place five wreaths on the Cenotaph, early morning, on Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2020. These five, **unattended wreaths**, will be there for the entire Remembrance Week.

We welcome the many groups that have participated in past Remembrance Services and members of the general public to visit Veterans Square during Remembrance Week to place a poppy on the wreaths. "We Will Remember Them".

Please respect all the restrictions that are established to keep COVID-19 from spreading. The MDVA and The City of Markham had to adjust the protocols and procedures this year for all events.

The MDVA and the Royal Canadian Legion are asking their members and general public to stay home on Remembrance Day and watch the services on television.

This year, please go to Veterans Square during Remembrance week, reflect on the sacrifices made by so many and for the MDVA members no longer with us. Place your poppy on a wreath.

**"At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them."**

Our best and most respectful way to honour the men and women we have lost in the many conflicts, peacekeeping and peacemaking roles is to keep safe, wear "our masks" and keep our social bubbles small.

Gary Bowerman

**Parade Marshal**



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