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## *Remember on Memorial Day!*

One of the most enduring images of the conflict in Iraq is a soldier holding a wounded child to his breast as tears streamed down his face. It was a poignant photograph.

Every conflict seems to generate a picture that encapsulates the sorrows of war. Perhaps many would recognize them:

- The 1991 Gulf War – the night skies of Baghdad lit up with seemingly green gunfire
- Vietnam – a child running, her clothes burned off
- Korea – columns of infantry marching in snow
- World War Two – the Arizona exploding or the flag raising on Iwo Jima
- World War One – the dead tree stumps littering the mud of Flanders' fields

All these and more should make us take pause to remember the ultimate sacrifice paid. Since war scars so many lives, we felt the best way we could urge you to take note of this day would be to say, "Be a living memorial." We honor and value the ultimate sacrifice paid by the brave men and woman of our armed forces. Indeed the ancient saying is true: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."



*Have a safe and happy  
Memorial Day  
Weekend!*

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