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## The Greater Olney Community

### Remembering fallen heroes on Memorial Day in Brookeville

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A small crowd gathered at Salem United Methodist Church Cemetery in Brookeville on the morning of May 30 to remember those who have fallen in service to their nation.

Bill Thomas, a native of Sandy Spring whose great-great grandfather was Caleb Bentley, Brookeville's first postmaster, gave the keynote speech.

Thomas thanked all who served and remembered the veterans buried at the cemetery.

He recalled that as a child more than 60 years ago he was a member of Boy Scout Troop 264 and had played taps at the same cemetery.

He also remembered that for many years he participated in placing American flags on the graves of the veterans with other members of American Legion Norman Price Post 68.

"Memorial Day represents one day of national awareness and reverence, honoring those Americans who died while defending our nation and its

values," he said. "While we should honor these heroes every day for the profound contribution they have made to secure our nation's freedom, we should honor them especially on Memorial Day."

During his talk, Thomas spoke of Brookeville resident Bob Van Druff, a Pearl Harbor survivor, and listed the names of veterans who are buried at Salem United Methodist Cemetery.

They include: Charles Musgrove, Rev. Charles Muradian, George Stetser, Albert Torbeck, David Martin, Stanley Burroughs, Walter Fennington, Charles Moulden, Joseph Powell, Harry Benson, Leonard Musgrove, Wesley Pearce, Robert Suddath, Daniel Grimes, Francis Linton, William Hardester, William Whipp, James Partlow, Thomas Carroll, Roy Rea, Martin Speck, Samuel "Bud" Speck, Charles R. Hawkins, Jr., John Wesley Ray, Elgar Parsley, Louis Clagett, Svend Jordan, Clyde Unglesbee and Dick Ranshaw.

American Legion Norman Price Post 68 presented the colors at the ceremony;



Julie Thomas

Bill Thomas, a member of Sandy Spring Lions Club and American Legion Norman Price Post 68, addresses the small crowd gathered at a Memorial Day ceremony at Salem United Methodist Church Cemetery in Brookeville.

the Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-Sterling, the church pastor, read scripture and offered prayers for the fallen and the nation; Margaret Flanagan sang "America the Beautiful," and Jacob

Weinberger of Boy Scout Troop 264 played taps.

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