

The Ways in Which We Can Thank Our Veterans

Of the many groups who have sacrificed for America as a whole, there are perhaps none as deserving of recognition and celebration than the Veterans of America, a group who dedicated their lives to us as a whole. Without these brave souls we, and most likely the entire world, would not be the same and as such I cannot thank them enough for their service, but it is imperative that we try our hardest to thank and celebrate them for all they have sacrificed. I think one really good way we can thank them is by learning the circumstances that lead them to become veterans, even if the wars they fought were served so long ago it's very important that we understand the context for why they chose to fight. Take our honorable World War 2 Veterans for example, a generation raised in the challenging times of the Great Depression then becoming young men on the frontlines to fight against some of the most evil enemies the world has ever seen. For the youth of today, it's hard to understand why they had to do what they did, so making sure we understand the context behind their service is important. Another way we can celebrate our veterans is to listen to their stories and perhaps host events where those willing veterans can recall stories about their service. We should actively try to preserve the memories and stories of those brave veterans, for their heroics and service is something that should be cherished and kept alive for those later generations, ones who will probably not have veterans around to keep their stories alive. Thus, the stories of those who served need to be kept alive for not only those to listen to and understand now, but for the future generations who will understand the reality of their service less than we do. And finally, I think the City should start holding more events to celebrate the veterans of Sacramento, namely an official parade on National Vietnam Veterans Day to celebrate those that came back and to acknowledge those we lost in the War. I myself am the grandchild of a Vietnam veteran and the stories he told me of how the troops were treated when they returned home was incredibly upsetting to me, no matter how anyone feels about the war I think it's still important to acknowledge that we should have treated our veterans better and as such, believe we need to appreciate them more than we currently do.