

## **ARLINGTON'S FIELD OF MEMORIES...**

### **CELEBRATES, COMMORATES & HONORS OVER MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND**

An estimated 10,000 visitors surged into the park over Memorial Day weekend – especially on Sunday and Monday - when the sun reappeared after rainy weather suppressed visitation on Friday and Saturday. While many of the ensuing wave came to carry-on the tradition of decorating graves, a substantially large number of those visitors flocked to the Field of Memories to view the stunning display of one thousand American flags erected primarily as a tribute to those heroes of the military who gave the last full measure of devotion in defense of our freedoms and democratic way of life.

Memorial Day weekend at Arlington made almost a complete comeback following two years of scaled-back activities. In addition to the Field of Memories flag display, the popular “Lunch With A Veteran” returned to its pre-pandemic version with over 400 attending the Sunday afternoon event. Following the Arlington sponsored luncheon, Team Fastrax, a professional skydiving team, performed their stunning patriotic flag jump. The day's events concluded with the annual Flag Raising Ceremony featuring the American Legion Post # 513. Steve Goodin provided additional meaningful context to the service with brief but insightful remarks. Goodin, a current candidate for Hamilton County Clerk of Courts is a veteran of the XVII Airborne Corps and former Cincinnati City Councilman and Assistant Hamilton County Prosecutor.

We now turn our attention to summer activities including three summer Second Sunday concerts featuring some of the more popular and talented local bands! Follow us on [amgardens.org](http://amgardens.org) or on Facebook for details and more information.

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