

**THE COUNCIL OF VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS
MIDDLETOWN, CONNECTICUT**

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE ORDERS

MONDAY, MAY 23, 2026

THE MIDDLETOWN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE WILL BE HELD ON MEMORIAL DAY, AT 10:30AM. THE FOLLOWING ORDERS ARE FOR THE INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF ALL CONCERNED. ALL PARADE PARTICIPANTS SHOULD MAKE NOTE OF THEIR LOCATION IN THE PARADE AND PROCEED TO THEIR ASSEMBLY AREA.

IN THE EVENT OF CANCELLATION DUE TO WEATHER: announcement of the Parade cancellation will be made over WMRD AT 9:00 A.M. The Memorial Day speaking program will be held at The American Legion Hall, 58 Bernie O'Rourke Dr.

FORMATION OF THE PARADE WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

Vehicles and Large Floats in the assembly area	9:00 AM
Barricades erected along Main St.....	9:00 AM
Barricades erected in North End.....	9:30 AM
Assembly of all participants.....	9:30 AM
Formation.....	10:00 AM
Parade starts.....	10:30 AM

ASSEMBLY AREAS:

Vanguard Division.....	Spring St
MHS Band	Spring St at Rome Ave
Division I.....	Rome Ave at Spring St
Division II.....	Pease Ave at Spring St
Division III.....	Pease Ave at Stack St
Division IV.....	Spring St at Pease Ave

Please review the map below. Plan your approach to the assembly area so that you can pull into line without turning around. From Washington Street, proceed north on High Street.

- Division I: Turn right on Stack then turn right on to Rome.
- Division II: Turn right on Stack and then right on to Pease.
- Division III: Stay on High Street, turn right on North Main then turn right on to Pease.
- Division IV: Turn right on Spring Street.

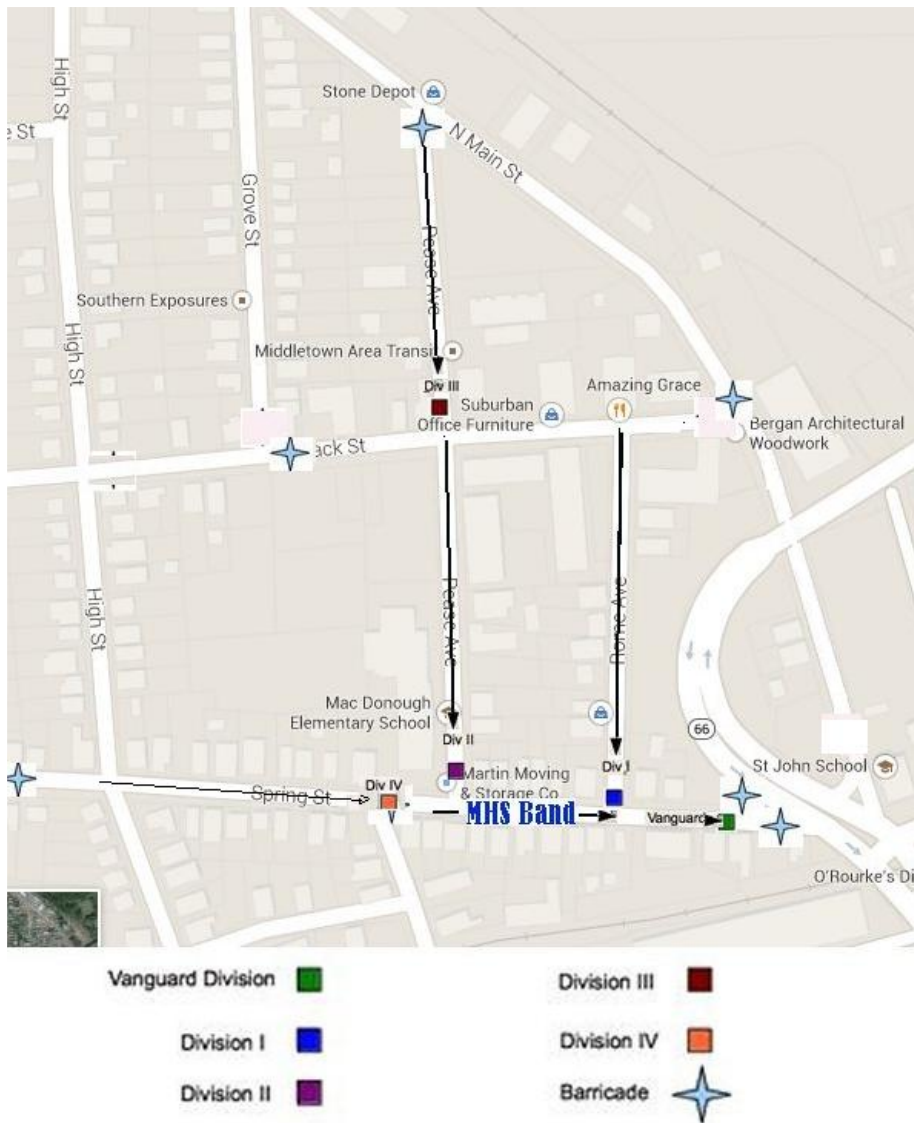
Look for markings for your group on the street.

Your group name will be painted on the street where your group starts its' lineup.

Rally points for larger groups: Youth groups who are meeting on-site can use these areas to assemble before moving into parade order. Assembly only – do not park cars in these areas. Drivers dropping off participants should use High Street and Stack Street to enter **and leave** the marshalling area.

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Little League Baseball – MacDonough School



LINE OF MARCH:

Commencing at Spring St & Rome Ave, march south on Main St and ending at Union Park (South Green) SITE OF THE MEMORIAL CEREMONY.

1. **Make sure that ALL participants in your group receive this information, including the rules below, times and line-up locations**
2. **Self-powered vehicles and wagons or trailers longer than 10 feet or wider than 8 feet must be in position in the assembly area prior to 9:30 am. Large vehicles will not be allowed into the assembly area after the streets are blocked for assembly at 9:30 am.**
3. **Only march unit vehicles are allowed in assembly area.**

4. **Do not throw anything to spectators. This is a safety issue. Small children tend to run after these, regardless of vehicles.**
5. **Units with animals are required to clean up after the animals. This is a public health issue.**
6. **At South Green (end of the parade)**
 - A. **Parade Marshalls and city officials will fall out and assemble in the reviewing area.**
 - B. **All other units: continue moving. Marchers should turn right on Pleasant Street after South Green, then move into the park. Large vehicles may continue down Main Street or turn right on Pleasant Street and continue around the corner to Broad Street before stopping. DO NOT STOP ON Pleasant Street. Floats should unload on Broad Street.**
7. **Buses picking up band students should park on Broad Street.**

PARADE LINEUP

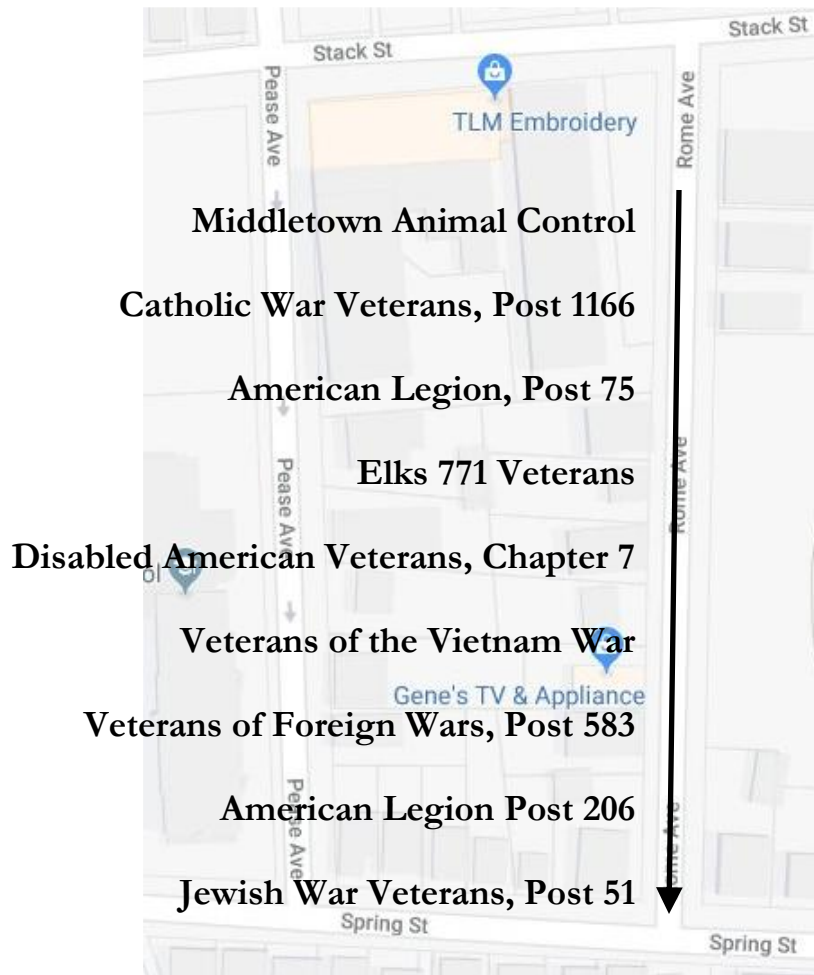
VANGUARD DIVISION (Assembly area, Spring St)



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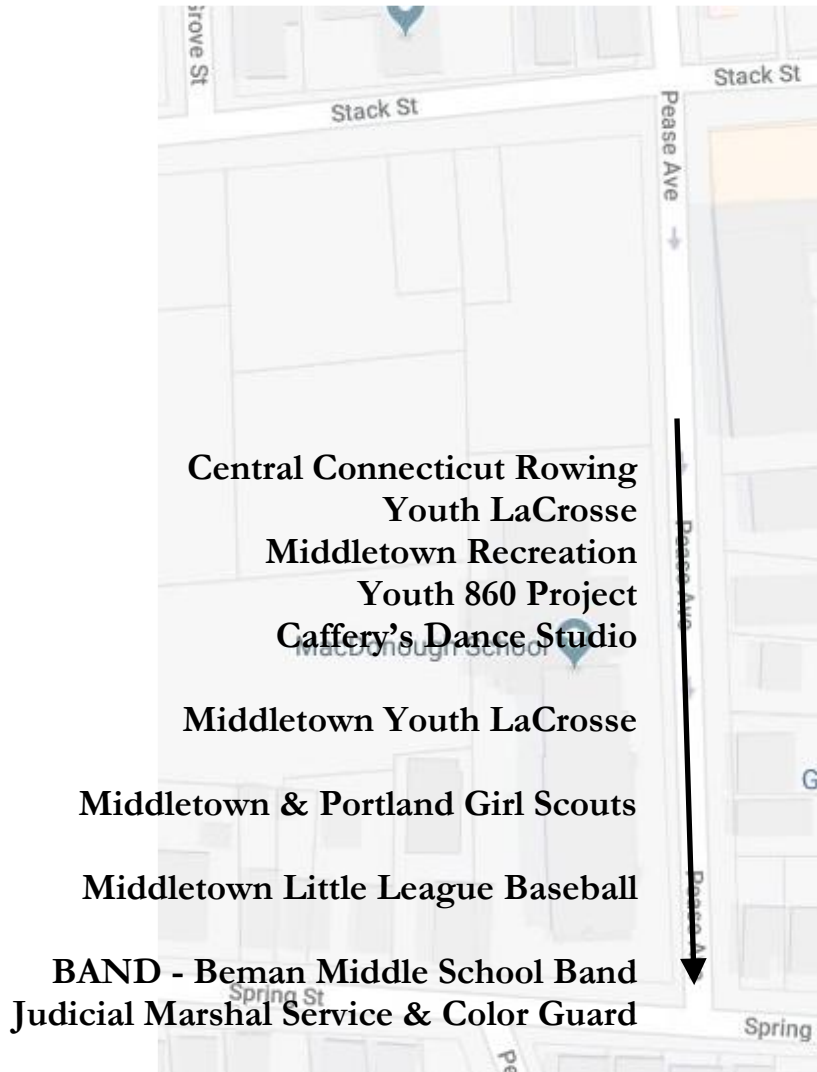
DIVISION I (Assemble on Rome Ave starting at Spring St intersection, if needed, continue east on Stack St if needed). Enter the Assembly Area from High Street to Stack Street to Rome Avenue.

BAND - Middletown High School Band, Flags & Cheerleaders (Line up on Spring Street behind the Vanguard)



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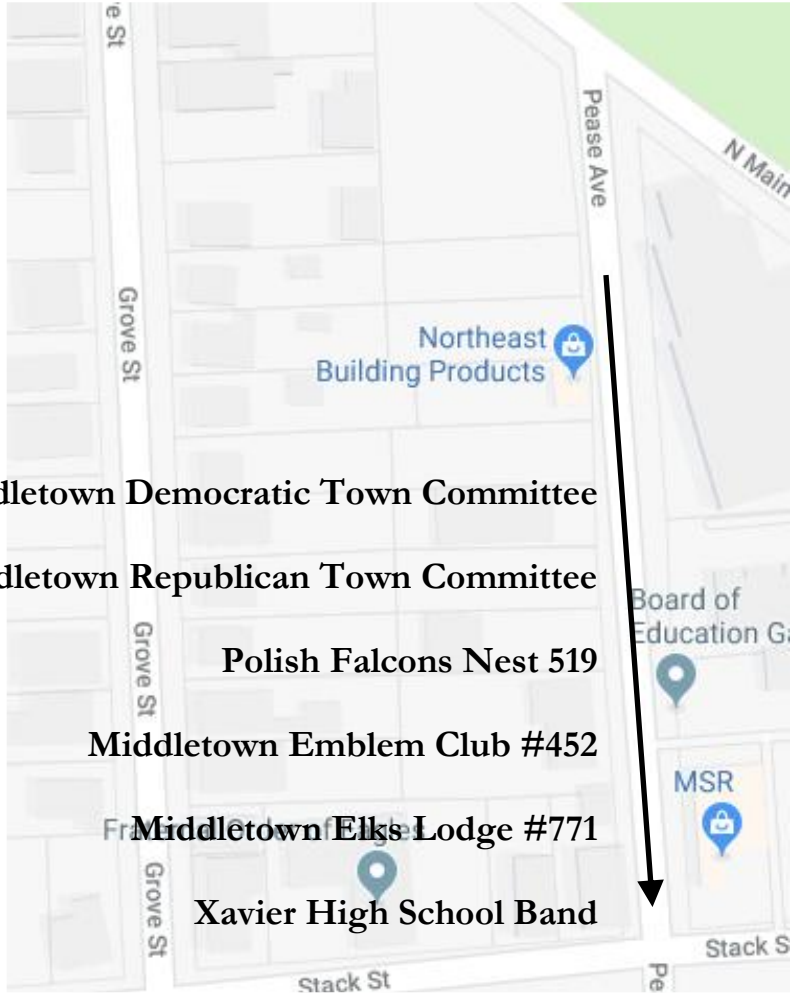
DIVISION II (Assemble on Pease Ave starting at Spring St intersection, if needed, continue east on Stack St if needed) Enter the Assembly Area from High Street to Stack Street to Pease Avenue.



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DIVISION III (Assemble on Pease Ave starting at Stack St intersection)
if needed marchers will form two columns on Pease Ave if needed. Enter the
Assembly Area from High Street to North Main Street to Pease Avenue.

- Middletown Democratic Town Committee
- Middletown Republican Town Committee
- Polish Falcons Nest 519
- Middletown Emblem Club #452
- Middletown Elks Lodge #771
- Xavier High School Band



DIVISION IV (Assemble on Spring St starting at Pease intersection) Use High Street from Spring St. if needed. Enter from High Street to Spring Street.

