

## Celebrating 27 Years

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## GENERAL PATTON MEMORIAL MUSEUM CELEBRATES 27<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY AT NOVEMBER 11 VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

## Honoring The Four Chaplains & All veterans

**Chiriaco Summit, CA. – (October 19, 2015)** - Share in an historic moment when the General Patton Memorial Museum celebrates its 27th anniversary on Wednesday, November 11th, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The Veterans Day event is free and open to the public and will honor this year the Immortal Chaplains: the Four Chaplains that gave their life to save as many as they could when the ship SS Dorchester sank on February 3, 1943. The Chaplains, from different faiths, personalities and backgrounds, joined arms after helping out soldiers to the lifeboats and after giving their own life jackets when the supply ran out, and as the Dorchester sank, said prayers and sang hymns as they went down with the vessel. The Four Chaplains were Lt. Reverend *George L. Fox* (US Army, Chaplain – Methodist), Lt. Rabbi *Alexander D. Goode (Ph.D.)* (US Army, Chaplain – Jewish), Lt. Reverend *Clark V. Poling* (US Army, Chaplain – Dutch Reformed), and Lt. Father John P. Washington (US Army, Chaplain - Roman Catholic), who met at the Army Chaplain School at Harvard University. A commemorative Pictorial Postmark Special cancellation will be available at the event.

An historic adventure for the entire family, museum exhibits include the Tank Yard with WWII military equipment, uniforms, weapons, medals as well as artifacts used by WWII fighting men and women. The Remembrance Walls (the Defenders of Freedom Wall, the West Coast Vietnam Wall and the Korean War Remembrance Wall) honor the men and women who served. The museum is a testament to the role General Patton and his Desert Training Center played in winning World War II. The museum is among important historic sites for Patton's military training operations, located one mile from his Camp Young Field Operations headquarters and the former Army Airfield.

The General Patton Memorial Museum is in association with the Bureau of Land Management and located at 62510 Chiriaco Road, Chiriaco Summit. For more information, call (760) 227-3483 or visit online at www.generalpattonmuseum.com. The museum is located just off the Interstate-10 at Chiriaco Summit, 30 miles east of Indio.