



## Veterans Day Nov 11 2025 Tuesday

Veterans Day is coming up. The day is the annual holiday in November honoring men and women who have served in all U.S. wars, past and present.

The annual day of remembrance for veterans has been observed since after World War I, when it was first known as Armistice Day. It became one of 10 [federally recognized holidays](#) in the 1930s. Veterans Day is often recognized with parades and memorial services. Many businesses also offer special deals to thank veterans for their service.

Veterans Day is observed on Nov. 11 every year, regardless of the day of the week it falls on. This year, it falls on a **Tuesday**.

**NOTE:** What is closed during **Veteran's Day**? While some federal services have been affected by the ongoing government shutdown, the federal holiday will close many federal and state buildings.

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### **What was Veterans Day originally called?**

The Nov. 11 day of remembrance wasn't always known as Veterans Day. It was initially called "[Armistice Day](#)," marking the day that fighting ceased in World War I in 1918. Armistice Day was recognized as an official holiday by Congress in 1938, first used to honor veterans of World War I, according to the [U.S. Department of Defense](#). In 1954, following both World War II and the Korean War, the word "armistice" was changed to "veterans" to honor veterans of all American wars.

The day Veterans Day was celebrated moved a few times over the years, but President Gerald Ford [moved it](#) back to its annual observance on the Nov. 11 date by 1978.

### **Is Veterans Day different from Memorial Day?**

Besides being observed in two different months and two different seasons, the set purpose of Veterans Day and [Memorial Day](#) is not the same.

Memorial Day is observed annually on the last Monday of May and is meant to honor all who have served and given their lives for their country.

Veterans Day is observed in November and honors all veterans, both living and deceased, who have served in any war, past or present.

[When is Veterans Day 2025? What to know about the federal holiday - MSN](#)

### **How many federal holidays are there?**

Each year, there are 11 federal holidays in the United States:

- **New Year's Day** (Jan. 1)
- **Martin Luther King Jr. Day** (Third Monday in January)
- **Presidents' Day** (Third Monday in February)
- **Memorial Day** (Last Monday in May)
- **Juneteenth** (June 19)
- **Independence Day** (July 4)
- **Labor Day** (First Monday in September)
- **Columbus Day** (Second Monday in October)
- **Veterans Day** (Nov. 11)
- **Thanksgiving Day** (Fourth Thursday of November)
- **Christmas Day** (Dec. 25)