The American's Creed

I believe in the United States of America as a Government of the people, by the people, for the people; whose just powers are derived from the consent of the governed; a democracy in a republic; a sovereign Nation of many sovereign States; a perfect union, one and inseparable; established upon those principles of freedom, equality, justice, and humanity for which American patriots sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

I therefore believe it is my duty
to my country to love it;
to support its Constitution;
to obey its Laws;
to respect its Flag;
and to defend it against all enemies.

Independence Day

July 4th, 2011



Ceremonies Held At Site Of Rancho Bernardo Veterans Memorial

(Located in Webb Lake Park)

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Brigadier General Terry Ferrell, USA Commanding General, National Training Center, FT Irwin, CA



Brigadier General Terry Ferrell is a native of West Virginia and was commissioned an Armor Officer in 1984, through the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at Marshall University. Brigadier General Ferrell's key assignments include Commander, A Company, later Commander, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2d Battalion, 68th Armored Regiment, 8th Infantry Division, Baumholder, Germany; Mechanized Infantry Observer/Controller on the Scorpion Team National Training Center, Fort Irwin, California; Small Group Instructor Infantry Officer Advanced Course, Fort Benning, Georgia; Squadron S3, Regimental S3, and Regimental Executive Officer, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Carson, Colorado..

Brigadier General Ferrell Commanded 3rd Squadron, 7th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart,

Georgia from January 2001 to May 2003, During this time period he deployed the squadron in support of OPERATION JOINT FORGE (SFOR 9) in Bosnia-Herzegovina and combat operations in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Following his assignment as the Deputy Chief of Future Operations Division, J3, North American Aerospace Defense Command, Peterson Air Force Base, Colorado, he commanded 2d Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Georgia from March 2006 to August 2008 and deployed the brigade in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in South Central Iraq. Following command, Brigadier General Ferrell served as the Chief of Staff, 3rd Infantry Division. Brigadier General Ferrell's previous assignments were as the Assistant Division Commander (Support) later Assistant Division Commander (Maneuver), 2d Infantry Division, Republic of Korea

Brigadier General Terry Ferrell holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Counseling and Rehabilitation from Marshall University, a Master's of Business Administration from Central Michigan University, and a Master's of Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College. His military schooling includes the Armor Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Combined Services Staff School, Command and General Staff College, and the United States Army War College.

Brigadier General Ferrell's awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, and the Combat Action Badge.

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Schedule of Events

—10:45 a.m. Introduction by Master of Ceremonies —

Colonel Timothy J. Swann, ARNGUS (Ret)

Past Commander, 79th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, California National Guard Senior Army Instructor, Kearny High School JROTC

Invocation — Chaplain (Captain) Dave Korinek, State Military Reserve Chaplain Corps

Presentation of the Colors — Color Guard, 79th IBCT, San Diego

Pledge of Allegiance — Navy Veteran, Donald W. Schmidt Commander, VFW Post 7766, Rancho Bernardo

National Anthem

Bell Ringing Ceremony — Lieutenant Bill May, USN (Ret)

Past Commander, Constitution Camp, Heroes of '76, National Sojourners, Inc. and his Lady, Rose, in Colonial attire. Flag bearers are from the 79th IBCT

Introduction of Principal Speaker — Commander Thomas F. Lettington USN (Ret) President, Rancho Bernardo Veterans Memorial Association

Remarks — BRIG GEN Terry Ferrell, US Army

Recognition of Legion of Valor members —

LtCol Tom Richards, NC, USMC (Ret)

Director of Membership and Past National Commander, Legion of Valor

Retire the Colors — Color Guard, 79th IBCT, San Diego

Benediction — Chaplain (Captain) Dave Korinek, State Military Reserve Chaplain Corps

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS:

Our sincere thanks go to all members of the 79th Infantry Brigade Combat Team, CA ARNG, San Diego, for participating in today's ceremony as the Color Guard and for presenting the flags of the 13 original colonies during the Bell Ringing Ceremony. Thanks to Mr. Rossi Rizzo of the Rancho Bernardo Winery for supplying the bell, and of course, to LT and Mrs. Bill May for ringing the bell in colonial attire and representing Constitution Camp, Heroes of '76, San Diego Chapter No. 45, National Sojourners, Inc.. We thank our local Boy Scouts for their assistance with logistics and in distributing these programs at our ceremony.

A limited number of 4" x 6" bronze plaques are available for installation at the Veterans Memorial site for recognition of individual veterans. Donations to the Veterans Memorial are tax deductible.