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Lest We Forget

Remembrance Day commonly known as Armistice Day, marks the date and time when armies stopped fighting World War I on November 11 at 11 A.M. in 1914 (the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month). Some 100,000 Canadian soldiers died in the First and Second World Wars.

Most people have heard or read the poem written by John McCrae "In Flanders Fields." I would like you to read this poem:

Miss Michael was an American lady who was so moved by McCrae's poem that she went out and bought 25 poppies. She wore one herself and sold the other 24 thus starting the poppy fund as we know it today. She also wrote a poem of her own in response to "In Flanders Fields."

Oh you who sleep
In Flanders fields
Sleep sweet to rise anew
We caught the torch you threw
And holding high we kept
The faith who those who died.
We cherish too, the poppy red
That grows on field where valor led
It seems to signal to the skies
That blood of heroes never dies
But lends a luster to the red
Of the flower that blooms above the dead
In Flanders fields.
And now the torch and poppy red
Wear in the honor of the dead
Fear not that ye have died for nought:
We've learned the lesson that ye taught
In Flanders Fields.



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-Days in November-

- November 1 – Daylight Savings Ends
- November 11 – Remembrance Day
- November 27 – Black Friday
- November 30 – Cyber Monday

It is predicted that 45 million people will wear a poppy this year.

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A far fewer, but growing number of people choose to wear a white poppy. Others see the white poppy as disrespectful to the sacrifices of past servicemen and women; though the British Legion sees no conflict. The white poppy distributed by the Peace Pledge Union symbolized an explicit anti-war stance. Many are beginning to wear both, side by side.

-Lloyd Thompson – Veteran-



My father passed away last year at 95 years. He always attended the Memorial Services at the Cenotaph. We will never forget you.

-November in History-

- 1307 – William Tell shoots apple of his son's head
- 1943 – RAF loses 9 aircrafts and 53 airmen in Battle of Berlin
- 1963 – First push button telephone goes in service
- 1993 – North American Free Trade Agreement signed



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