



District 8 - Florida International Order of the Blue Gavel

Yachting Customs and Courtesies

Memorials

Memorial: Past Commodores - Pelican Isle Yacht Club:

A dedicated wall of photographs with engraved plates containing each commodore's name and year(s) of service is provided to remember the men and women who have served Pelican Isle Yacht Club. Taken as a whole, it is a continuing link with our club's past.

Memorial Retreat Ceremony - Venice Yacht Club:

“Armed Forces Salute” - VHSB

The VYC cannon is fired. The Procession marches to the flag pole area while “Call to the Colors” is played. “Call to the Colors”- VHSB

Opening Comments from P/C (Name) – President IOBG

Invocation - Reverend (Name)

Announcement of the 3 Oldest Surviving Veterans

Announcement of Departed Members:

As each departed member is announced, a bell is rung and a plaque is presented to the surviving family members.

“Amazing Grace” - VHSB

Benediction: Father (Name)

“Taps” - VHSB

The VYC cannon is fired:

“The Star-Spangled Banner “ - VHSB

“Retreat” - VHSB

The Flag is lowered by the “Color Guard” P/C (Name) & P/C (Name) as “Retreat” is played.

The Flag is folded in the traditional tri-corner formation.

The meaning of each fold is conveyed by P/C (Name).

The Flag is presented to P/C (Name).

“God Bless America” - VHSB

P/C (Name) announces the end of the ceremony.

The procession is dismissed by the “Sergeant at Arms”- (Name).