

On Memorial Day we'll have a LARGE ceremony starting at 11AM, hosted by the Dept of NH Disable American Veterans (DMV).  
Crowds of 600-800. That will last 1 hour.

I invite your group to come, be part of that ceremony as observers and to be observed. Arrive by 10AM or so to be briefed and ready to stage.

Do you have a color guard? Be one of the many groups in uniform or their organization colors who are formed around the amphitheater like incline below the 20 Points of Military History. That way the gathered crowd can see you and enjoy the diversity of veteran groups and military..

For your ceremony dedicated to Pvt. Nute, that could start at 12:30 in Section 3 (we'll try to work the traffic flow so departing cars circle around Section 4 vs. right beside the ceremony.

It may be your ceremony delays starting until 12:45. Then you can do what you want, short speech, volley, taps.

Good morning,

I was happy to hear from the 5th NH Quartermaster Jim Feindel that the Civil War bugle was loaned and delivered to Mr. Hirtle this weekend. Many members of the 5th NH will be attending the May 8th event and we look forward to hearing him play! Actually, the bugle was much more than just a ceremonial instrument during the Civil War. In combat, most commands, including advance and retreat, commence firing, and cease firing, were given by bugle because it was impossible to hear vocal commands from officers through the deafening gunfire. Although we do not currently have a bugler in the regiment, we have used it at many reenactments over the years and it is highly effective. The trouble is getting all of us "fresh fish" to remember what each bugle call means! I'm sure they had this same problem with the troops early on in the Civil War. :)

I also wanted to touch base with you concerning the schedule for Memorial Day ceremonies at the NHSVC? I was wondering how this will work since we have not been before. We would like to fire a volley in Private Nute's honor if at all possible and a short speech. We will also have our reproductions of the state and national colors of the 5th NH there. I have forwarded on the photo of Pvt. Nute's memorial stone to our membership and we are all proud that he has finally been remembered. I would like to pass on the details of the Memorial Day event on to them as soon as possible. Thanks again for all your assistance and I look forward to meeting all of you.

This email is to introduce you to MSgt (ret) Lee Hirtle who is like family here, playing the bugle for military honors for many, many interment services.  
His military career was in both the Army and Air Force so he has uniforms in both services, wearing what fits the occasion.

He was by this morning and mentioned that he will be part of the military honors team (sounding taps) on May 8<sup>th</sup> at the re-interment ceremony of the Civil War veteran in Rochester .  
He's going to borrow a WWI bugle we have in our display case, unless he's able to find a bugle from the Civil War era to use.

That's why I'm emailing you – perhaps you know of someone who has such a bugle and might be willing to loan it to him to play that day.  
Please feel free to correspond with his directly.  
I thought this email introduction would help connect the two of you.

Regards,  
Mike

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Joyce,

This is wonderful. While Mr. Nute gave his life nearly 150 years ago, his sacrifice has not been forgotten. The fact that one of our members has his original backpack from the Civil War makes this really special. I look forward to working with you and Mike Horne to plan our participation at the Memorial Day ceremony at the cemetery on May 30th.

-Chris

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