

QUESTION: What does Veterans Day mean to you?

The Bristol Herald Courier wants to hear from our youngest readers on what Veterans Day means to them. Please write a short essay (between 75 and 200 words) on what veterans mean to you. Select essays may appear with the student's name and school in an upcoming edition of the Bristol Herald Courier. Students are asked to bring their essays to JOE TENNIS - features writer and columnist - who is appearing at this year's Career Fair at Virginia High School on Oct. 19. Any questions? Please email Joe Tennis, jtennis@bristolnews.com. Call or text 276-791-0709. PLEASE LEAVE WITH THE SCHOOL SECRETARY IN THE OFFICE AT YOUR SCHOOL AND COMPLETE NO LATER THAN NOV. 21

NAME Marley Estelle Bishop
SCHOOL Washington Lee Elementary
AGE 10 / GRADE 5th

ESSAY TITLE: Veteran's Day is so important to me.

My pappaw Eddie was a veteran. He was drafted, which means he went to where they were pulling people and they wanted him to come join them. He served as a V.A.R, which is where they help the people who get injured. I'm so thankful for my pappaw Eddie and his service to our country. My other pappaw Paul was also a veteran. He was also drafted, He had always wanted to be in the Navy so he lied about his age just to be in the Navy. He loved to serve in the Navy. Even though Paul has passed away, I am still so thankful for him. I'm so proud to be an American. Veterans let us be free and protect our rights. So you should be thankful for them. I appreciate my pappaws and others so much who were or still are in the military. So now you know Veterans Day is so important to me
-- > Use the back if necessary because my pappaw Eddie and

Paul were veterans and I am so proud
to have all these rights protected by
veterans. Now I hope everyone of you is going to
go home and sing "We the People." Also I
appreciate all veterans and want to thank
them for their service and sacrifice.