

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 100 and 250 words) on what veterans mean to you. Selected 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.

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ESSAY TITLE: Freedom Fighters

What does Veterans Day mean to you?
I think Veterans Day means happiness and freedom. My Papaw fought in the Vietnam War. My cousins also fought in desert storm. Both of my great grandpaw's fought in World War two. I Love Veterans Day. I like dinners on Veterans Day. It is fun to watch fireworks on Veterans Day. When I think of Veterans Day I think of red, white, and blue. I also think of stars and stripes. I feel proud to be an American and love all the rights and freedoms that so many Veterans fight for so we can live free. So I say it again loud and proud (I'M PROUD TO BE A AMERICAN).