Remember, Honor, and Teach is the mission of the Wreaths Across America Program. Through this program wreaths are placed on the gravesites of veterans during the holiday season. Ceremonies honoring servicemen and women, both past and present, are held at veterans’ memorial monuments across the nation. These events coincide with the annual ceremony and laying of wreaths at Arlington National Cemetery in our nation’s capital on a Saturday in December.

Once again, we would like to place wreaths on the veterans’ gravesites in Fremont and East Kingston. Approximately 350 veterans are buried in Fremont and East Kingston. With your help we will be able to honor each of them with a wreath of remembrance. Wreaths cost $15 each. Ten dollars pays for the construction and delivery of the wreath. The remaining $5 will be used to support two local Veterans Centers that provide for the needs of our homeless veterans.

Assistance can occur in a variety of ways. Community members and groups are needed to unload the truck when the wreaths are delivered, to place the wreaths on the gravesites in December and remove them in the spring, and to purchase one or more wreaths.

We encourage not only adult participation, but look forward to the participation of our youth. This project provides the opportunity for our children to understand that the sacrifices made by our servicemen and women have secured the freedoms we are privileged to experience in our country today. Their participation ensures that our veterans will be remembered and honored in the years to come.

Please order a wreath or volunteer your services. Your gift will not only remember and honor those veterans who have passed on, but will also provide food, shelter, clothing and training for our homeless veterans.

Please call Gerry Tilley at 603-895-6658 for further information.