

THE NATIONAL FLAG TRUCK

Will be coming to the Mercer County Court House Monday, May 28th for the half hour Flag Program that begins at 9 a.m. at the east side. Three 90' Flags, each weighing 300 # , will be ceremonially unfurled with the aid of Color Guards, Patriotic Music. and Three Hundred Citizens to hold them for an Historic Picture with the Court House in the background. Please be present at 8:30 if you want to help! In addition to the historic picture there will be readings about each one. One flag coming is a newly commissioned one that has never been seen by the public before. Another, a commemorative World War 2 Flag.

Specifications:

Engine: DT 466 International (original engine)
Serial Number: #1
Bed Serial #: D-Day 50th
Transmission: Allison MT 643-original-never touched
Fuel Capacity: 256 gallons
Mileage: 520,000 land miles, 40,000 sea miles & 6,800 air miles
Based: U.S.S. Constitution, Boston, MA
HDQT: Mass. State Police HDQT, Troop D, Middleboro, MA
Homed: Waltham, MA
On the road: 300 days a year & on-call 24 hours a day, worldwide
Strobes: 30
Halogens: 20
One Drive: Marc Valentine
Website: www.nationalflagtruck.org

The National Flag Truck has taken America's Colors around the world 5 times. It has been to every battlefield where Americans have spilled their blood. It was the first American truck to travel through the Chunnel underneath the English Channel; has been up Pike's Peak, the Artic Circle, the Australian Outback, Buckingham Palace, Mount Rushmore, Honolulu, all 50 states, inaugurations, Rose Bowl, Winston Cup and is equipped with railroad wheels.

The National Flag Truck Mission

The flag is to be carried by the people. It will be the people that accept the challenge of getting the Truck through and the "honor" of helping to keep our flag flying high around the world.

We, as Americans, have fallen into the bad habit of cheering before the end of the National Anthem. The word **BRAVE** was added in part in memory of the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence. Six never even made it home, were instantly seized and tortured to death, four had sons grabbed and imprisoned, twelve had their homes and barns burned, nine were killed on the battlefield.

Remember this the next time you start to cheer over top of *the brave!*

