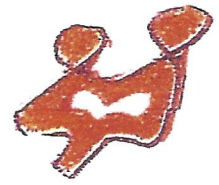


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**“Buddy Poppy”
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Did you know:

“The “Buddy” Poppy has been an integral part of the VFW community for more than 95 years. As the VFW’s official memorial flower, the Poppy represents the blood shed by American service members. It reiterates that we will not forget their sacrifices.” (quoted from our National Ambassador Cathy Farley).

How to Order:

Contact your VFW Department Headquarters to order Poppies. Poppies do not need to be ordered through your Post.

Request the order form from your Department Headquarters at least two to three months (8 to 12 weeks) in advance of your distribution date.

Brochures, “Buddy” Poppy distribution supplies, and promotional items can be purchased from the VFW Store at vfwstore.org or by calling 1-833-839-8387.

Order now to be ready for Veterans Day. You can have many drives throughout the year. Be aware that all these monies go into your Relief Fund.

Start now to plan for your display at your next Department Convention.

Use the “Buddy” Poppy for decoration at all your Post/Auxiliary events. You can wrap them around the utensils, make floral arrangements for your tables. Keep track of how many used and how they were used **and REPORT**.

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