

VFW Auxiliary, Department of Connecticut

“From our roots to Our Branches, Extending Service to Our Veterans”-National President’s motto

“Never forget the difference you make” - Department President’s motto

Americanism

Bulletin 2

Have you ever been to a military funeral? Two servicemen meticulously unfold and then refold the American flag that draped the coffin. As it is folded, there is meaning to each of the 13 folds:

- 1. This fold is the symbol of Life**
- 2. This fold is our belief in eternal life**
- 3. This fold honors the departed veteran who gave a portion of life to the military**
- 4. This fold is our weaker nature as citizens trusting in God**
- 5. Stephen Decatur quote “Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right, but is still our country, right or wrong.”**
- 6. This fold is where our hearts lie. We pledge allegiance with our heart**
- 7. This fold is tribute to our Armed Forces**
- 8. This fold is for the one entering the Valley of the Shadow of Death, that we might see the light of day. It honors our mother when it flies on Mother’s Day**
- 9. This fold honors womanhood**
- 10. This fold is a tribute to the Father, who gave his child in defense of our country**
- 11. This fold honors the Hebrew Seal of Kings David and Solomon and glorifies the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.**
- 12. This fold honors the Christian Holy Trinity**
- 13. This fold, when completely folded has the stars on top “In God We Trust”**

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