

## **REMEMBRANCE DAY**

### **ORIGINS OF VETERAN'S NIGHT**

Originally, the "Ritual and Ceremonials" defined "Veteran's Night" as a ceremonial occasion to be observed by a Camp of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

"VETERAN'S NIGHT - Commemorating the anniversary of the delivery of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address, November 19 (1863), to be observed in memory of Lincoln and the Soldiers, Sailors and Marines of 1861 - '65."

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With the passing of Comrade Albert Woolson in 1956, the Grand Army of the Republic ceased to exist. A monument was dedicated by the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic to the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic near the copse of trees on the Gettysburg Battlefield and a parade and ceremony, now known as "Remembrance Day", has continued to be observed in Gettysburg on the Saturday closest to November 19th ever since.