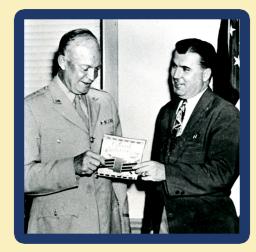
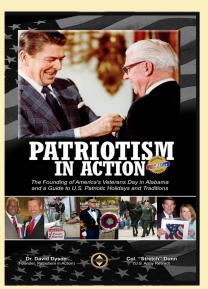


America's Veterans Day Started In Alabama In 1947



November 11, 1946: General Dwight D. Eisenhower receives a program announcing *National Veterans Day 1947* to be presented in Birmingham and directed by Raymond Weeks



Patriotism in Action book cover: President Ronald Reagan honored Raymond Weeks with the Presidential Citizens Medal on national TV in 1982 as the "driving force" for establishing America's Veterans Day.

U.S. history: Birmingham, Alabama hosted the first national celebration honoring all veterans in 1947 and started America's National Veteran Award in 1954, the year President Eisenhower signed Veterans Day into law as a federal holiday. The U.S. Senate passed a resolution proposed by Patriotism In Action in 2012 recognizing Birmingham as "home to the first and longest running celebration of Veterans Day."

Alabama: a national leader organizing Veterans Day events and educational resources to honor veterans, celebrate freedom of liberty and rights, and teach character traits to build good citizenship.

Character traits and values to teach, learn, and use related to the national movement for Veterans Day

Patriotism - Courage - Perseverance - Loyalty - Citizenship Freedom - Peace - Honor - Trust - Leadership



