## NEW JERSEY SUPPLEMENT

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## Fraters,

November brings two of my favorite "holidays"; November 10<sup>th</sup>, the Marine Corps Birthday and November 11<sup>th</sup>, Veterans Day. Both days have one thing in common and if I have to explain why they are so important to me; you wouldn't understand.

Veterans are an ever- shrinking group. As those from WWII and Korea move on to "Fiddlers Green" to regroup. The "Greatest Generation" gets smaller and smaller every day; and those of the "Frozen Chosin" move on to warmer pastures. Those of us who survived the "Jungle" slowly fade into the Dawns early light. The Desert Fighters and the Dust Eaters are slowly slipping away without much hoorah.

These men and women answered the call to serve both God and Country. In times good and bad, Americans have always answered the call, to defend our way of life. It is said that less than 10% of Americans have served in our military and the numbers of those currently serving grow smaller with every passing year. So take a few minutes to reflect on the sacrifices they have made so we can do what we do.

God Speed my Brothers and Sisters, God Speed.

On November 5<sup>th</sup>, at 12:15PM, the York Rite of New Jersey; will lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington Cemetery. Those who wish to join us, need to be at Penns Grove-Excelsior Lodge before 7:30AM.

Yours in Christ, NEWLIN November 1-OV- Crusade Commandery November 5- Wreath Laying - Arlington November 9- Honor Guard/ Color Guard- Grand Lodge - A.C. November 10- OV-Atlantic Commandery November 18-OV-Helena Commandery November 22-OV-Hugh de Payens Commandery

Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30AM at Burlington Lodge TOP 3 MEETING and Christmas program