

# FOUR CHAPLAINS INTERFAITH MEMORIAL SERVICE

13TH DISTRICT, THE AMERICAN LEGION  
Coordinated by Willow Glen Post 318

**FEBRUARY 4, 2017**

**10:00 AM**

**Saint Frances Cabrini Church  
15333 Woodard Road**

Between Bascom Ave. and Union Ave.; southside of Camden  
**San Jose, 95124**

This service is open to all veterans organizations, patriotic and fraternal organizations, scouting groups, and individuals who want to share in a tribute to four chaplains of differing faiths who, in brotherhood, gave their life so others may have a second chance at living theirs.

Their act exemplified the meaning of duty to their God and Country, and love of their fellow man. They were truly men of God who, in brotherhood, conscientiously made the ultimate sacrifice for their fellow troops.

The four chaplains of the Catholic, Jewish, and Protestant faiths were aboard the troop ship *ATS Dorchester* in the dark wintery North Atlantic when a torpedo struck in the early morning hour of February 3, 1943. The ship sank within a very short period of time beneath the icy waters along with over 700 of the 900 aboard.

Many of those who survived attributed their survival directly to the assistance and acts of compassion of the four chaplains aboard the ship that night.

Organizations are encouraged to bring their National Colors and unit banner for an opening ceremony procession and posting during the ceremony. Groups must bring their own flag stands for the posting of their colors. This program is open to public participation.

Sharing in this remembrance is also a tribute to all our friends and family who serve today. Let us honor them all; it is an obligation we should, as proud and free Americans, be willing to meet.

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