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Arlington Pays Tribute to Arlington Veteran Mary Foley on April 8, 10:30AM

Good Afternoon, This is Arlington Town Manager, Adam Chapdelaine.

I am reaching out today to tell you about Mary Foley, a proud Air Force veteran, and long-time Arlington resident who passed away this past Saturday. Unfortunately, she does not have any living family members. Ms. Foley was a Korean and Vietnam era veteran. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the military has halted the Military Funeral Honors Program that provides graveside honors to our veterans with TAPs and the ceremonial flag folding. This, coupled with the lack of surviving family members, does not allow for the proper recognition of Mary's military service.

Arlington is paying tribute to Mary with a procession from the DeVito Funeral Home down Mass Ave to the Cambridge Line, to her final resting place at the Holy Cross Cemetery in Malden. The Arlington Police will be providing a funeral escort to Malden and Arlington Fire will be rendering honors. We are asking residents to line Mass Ave (maintaining social distancing) on Wednesday, April 8th at 10:30am to acknowledge and thank Mary for her military service.

During these trying times; we, as a community, must not forget the service and sacrifice of others.