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Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2026 4:07 PM
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Subject: Fw: Veterans Day Parade

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Sent: Monday, August 24, 2026 6:10 PM
To: Nicki Na [REDACTED]
Cc: Mickey Bro [REDACTED]; Clint Mack <manager@townofrobbins.com>; Cameron Dockery <cdockery@townofrobbins.com>
Subject: Re: Veterans Day Parade

Good Afternoon,

Thank you for taking the time to read through this email and consider establishing the Robbins Veterans Day Celebration & Parade. While I had the honor of serving my country, I am proposing this event not for myself, but for the heroes within our community who truly deserve public acknowledgment. This celebration would offer local families a meaningful way to honor their fallen heroes, give veterans an opportunity to reminisce about their time in service, and provide a supportive space for those who find the day deeply emotional. Even though we are a small town, a parade would be a wonderful, unified way to express our shared gratitude for everyone who has worn the uniform.

There are currently two events scheduled for November 7th for Veterans Day in Moore County. I do not want to detract from those celebrations, but rather give our veterans an opportunity to be highlighted in our hometown as well. If we establish this as an annual event, I see two scheduling options: hosting it on Veterans Day proper (November 11th) or during the first week of November.

Since the Robbins Christmas Parade takes place on the first Thursday of December, perhaps we could model this after it by hosting an evening parade in November. While I would love to hold the event on Veterans Day itself, I know some families may travel out of town. However, I still believe November 11th would yield the largest turnout. If we held it on this day, maybe it could be an earlier parade since many places of business will be honoring the holiday.

Vision: Robbins Veterans Day Celebration & Parade. (I'm not sure if this would be the first one for Robbins or not).

Possible Dates: November 3rd, 4th, or 5th. **November 11th**

The parade could consist of many different groups. Although I know not all of them would be able to attend, I thought these would be appropriate.

Parade Possible Participants:

- Mayor & Town Manager
- Board of Commissioners
- Robbins Planning Board
- Other Local Elected Officials & Local Government Leaders
- NMHS Marching Mustangs

- Wagon Master
- Winners from the Farmers Day Parade (that way we wouldn't have a ton of horses etc. but enough to highlight the community).
- Trailers to pull different War Veterans (especially the elderly)
- Local First Responders: Robbins and Moore County
- Local VFWs
- American Legion Posts (12, 72, 177, 296, etc.)
- Disabled American Veterans
- Moore County Veterans Council
- Veteran Golfers Association
- Children of Fallen Heroes
- United Homefront
- Local Recruiting Offices of all branches of service. (I know that at least Aberdeen and Sanford serve Robbins).
- America's Gold Star Families
- Moore County Veterans Affairs
- Toys for Tots Float
- Old Antique Cars & Trucks
- Motorcycles & Organizations
- Jeep Club(s)
- Local Churches/Schools/Organizations
- School Sports Teams and Clubs
- Dance Impressions and/or other Dance Companies
- Any local pageant queens
- Moore County Board of Education

Patriotic Decorations for the Parade could be on the vehicle or on a trailer pulling a float:

Red/White/Blue

Different Branches of Service

Different War Eras

Small ceremony following the parade to acknowledge our local veterans.

- The NMHS Band could play a short patriotic concert for the Veterans and their families.
- Mayor & Town Manager Greeting and Introduction
- National Anthem performed by NMHS Band
- Pledge of Allegiance (Hope Academy might be interested in having their students lead this).
- Honorable Guest Speaker to give a speech to our community about our Veterans. (could be one or both listed above).
- Taps would need to be played. (Band)
- If the parade had judges: small awards to highlight the most decorated participants in the parade.
- The town could sing a couple of patriotic tunes together (Local church choir directors could help with this).
- Band performs final piece for dismissal.

Other things to consider:

Food and drink could be provided by local businesses and food trucks.

More Entertainment:

- Local band/vocal group might like to perform following the ceremony
- There are a few military musician ensembles within a couple of hours of Robbins.
 - The 82nd Airborne "All American" Band & Chorus in Fayetteville (they are outstanding)
 - Task Force Rock - Fayetteville (active duty rock band Fort Bragg).
 - Camp Lejeune and Cherry Point Marine Bands (I know this would cost \$\$ just to get them here)
- The Moore County Community Band might be interested in performing for the event as well before or after the parade.

It would be nice to either have a small fee or no fee at all for Veteran Organizations. I believe there will be a bigger turn out if the money out of their pockets can be invested in travel to get to the parade and the decorations for trailers/floats.

Thank you again for your time, consideration, and leadership. I am sure there are details I failed to consider or remember, so I welcome any additional ideas, comments, or questions you may have. I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss how we can make this event a success.

Thank you for all that you do for our town. Have a wonderful day.

Sincerely,

Nicki Nall Parsons

On Mon, Aug 24, 2026 at 4:43 PM Nicki Nall [REDACTED] wrote:

Good Afternoon,

First off, thank you Mr. Mickey Brown for listening to my idea and for helping to hopefully make this vision a reality. It has been on my heart for a long time to do something to celebrate our veterans and their families.

Thank you all for taking the time to consider this. I will be responding shortly with my school/work email since I'm planning to involve the NMHS band in the event.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nicki Nall Parsons

I'm going to forward all of this to my work email [REDACTED] to make everything easier involving the band.

Thank you for your consideration of this idea and for your patience. I will reply shortly.

VR,
Nicki N. Parsons

On Thu, Aug 20, 2026 at 10:20 AM Mickey Brown [REDACTED] wrote:

Nikki, good morning what would you propose for the parade to consist of?

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ALL GOOD WITH ME, but that'll need board approval. I'll send it up the COC.

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From: Mickey Brown [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, August 19, 2026 7:30 PM

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Subject: Veterans Day Parade

Brother Clint

I have copied Nikki Nall Garner (maybe a new last name now as she is married) on this mentioned to me today why don't we have a Veterans Day parade ?

She is a former Marine and as you may know the NM Band Director!

What do you think ?

Thank you

Mickey

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