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CALENDAR OF LIAFA EVENTS

2022

Vietnam Medal Ceremonies:

Sat., Sep. 24, 2022

Cradle of Aviation
Charles Lindbergh Blvd.
Garden City
11:30 AM

Women's Military Service Ceremony

Oct. 15, 2022

Cradle of Aviation
Charles Lindbergh Blvd.
Garden City
11:30 AM

81st Anniversary Annual Pearl Harbor Memorial Ceremony—Dropping of the Roses

Wed, Dec. 7, 2022

American Airpower Museum
1230 New Highway
Farmingdale
10:30 AM

President's Message

The Long Island Air Force Association is instituting a new program for Long Island **women veterans and those currently serving**, with the initial ceremony scheduled for October 15, 2022.

The requirements are:

- Female veteran **or** currently serving in any branch of the military as per DD Form 214 for veterans, or ID or other documentation for those currently serving
- Currently living in Nassau, Suffolk, Brooklyn, Queens or Staten Island
- Can attend the ceremony (awards are presented **only** at the ceremony; they are not mailed)

You will find an award application towards the end of this newsletter. You can also download one from our website at LIAFA.org.

Please look to the LIAFA Facebook page and/or our website at LIAFA.org for future notices regarding any upcoming events.

Recent Events



The annual Shootout for Soldiers 24-hour lacrosse tournament took place on July 21-22 at John J. Burns Park, 4990 Merrick Road in Massapequa Park; the usual venue, Oyster Bay Field of Dreams, was undergoing construction. There are twenty-four 1-hour games in a row and a running score is kept between the two teams, Stars and Stripes. Participating teams play in a 1-hour slot during the event and the event is open to men's and women's teams of all ages. The mission of the Shootout is to use lacrosse as a platform to support American veterans and foster good community relations. Long Island Chapter 202 of the Air Force Association is proud and grateful to be one of the four local charity beneficiaries that share in a portion of the net proceeds (after expenses) raised from this event. Shootout for Soldiers is a registered 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Shootout for Soldiers has raised over \$5 million since its inception in 2012. **This year, the Long Island event raised \$201,132, a record amount for our veterans!**





A member of the U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute Team landing on the field



The 3 members of the U.S. Army Golden Knights Parachute Team who parachuted onto the field during a break in the games

LIAFA held its 36th Vietnam medal ceremony at 5 PM on July 21 during the Shootout. **Seventeen Vietnam veterans** were presented with Vietnam 50th Anniversary Commemorative Medals and Certificates of Appreciation. Distinguished guests included Nassau County Executive **Bruce Blakeman**, Town of Oyster Bay Supervisor **Joseph Saladino**, National Executive Director Shootout for Soldiers for Team RWB **Erik Mineo**, Shootout for Soldiers Co-Chairmen **Mike Nelson** and **Tom Campolettano**, Nassau County Veterans Service Agency Director **Ralph Esposito**, 106th Rescue Wing Director of Staff **Lt. Col. Jesse Fritz** and Rabbinic Chaplain **Joni Brenner**.

Thank you to our sponsors, Shootout for Soldiers Long Island, Telephonics Corporation and Long Island ABATE (American Bikers for Awareness, Training and Education), as well as special thanks to the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Band, American Legion Riders from Greenlawn Post 1244, Patriot Guard Riders, Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) Chapter 82 Color Guard and Blue Star Mothers.



Christopher De Luca of Massapequa holding up his "Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans" sign.



Colonel (Ret) Bill Stratemeier, LIAFA Treasurer and Master of Ceremonies at the 36th Vietnam medal ceremony.

Nassau County Annual Salute to Veterans

This event took place on August 6 at Eisenhower Park, Harry Chapin Lakeside Theater, East Meadow. In front of hundreds of people in attendance, Salute to Veterans honored five people in the veteran community who have devoted their time and lives to helping Long Island veterans. After the honorees received their recognition and awards, the concert started, which featured Lamar Peters (Elvis Presley tribute singer), American Bombshells and The Allmost Brothers.

The five honorees in the below photo are in the back row and to the right of **Nassau County Legislator Steven Rhoads**. Left to right, they are:

1. **Howard Kalachman**, Disabled American Veterans (DAV)
2. **Maureen Early**, Senior Community Affairs Specialist, Covanta
3. **Syd Mandelbaum**, CEO at Rock and Wrap It Up!
4. **The Honorable David Goodsell**, Judge, Nassau County Veterans Treatment Court
5. **Kevin Tirman**, Director, Elmont American Legion Riders



Photo credit: Katrina O'Brien/LI Herald

Paul Zadoff, a 101-year-old World War II veteran, sang "God Bless America" during the event. To the left next to him is Ralph Esposito, Director of the Nassau County Veterans Service Agency.

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Upcoming Events

POW-MIA Night Vigil Remembrance Ceremony

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 7 PM at Veterans Memorial Plaza at Eisenhower Park in East Meadow. The vigil is to honor the POWs and MIAs from Nassau County by reading the names of these local heroes. Hosted by Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) Chapter 82. For more information, contact Ralph Esposito, Director of the Nassau County Veterans Service Agency, at 516-572-6565.

Vet Fest

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 10 AM TO 2 PM at Nassau Community College in Uniondale. The event will be held at the Quad across from the Veteran Center; in case of inclement weather, it will be held in the CCB (College Center Building). This is a resource-sharing event held to benefit veterans, service members and their families and will include information on housing, food security, substance abuse, naloxone training, mental health, health care and suicide prevention. Sponsored by the Veteran Suicide Prevention Coalition, admission is free and there will be food and refreshments.

Walls of Honor Ceremony

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 10 AM TO 11 AM at Veterans Memorial Plaza at Eisenhower Park in East Meadow. The ceremony will feature the unveiling of additional veterans' names placed on the honor walls.

The Walls of Honor is a place of remembrance within Veterans Memorial Plaza at Eisenhower Park. Please note—these are honor walls, not memorial walls, and are open to all currently serving and to all veterans with an honorable discharge, living or deceased. There is a \$100 application fee for each name to be engraved. For more information and for application forms, please contact Allison Ridam Krivosheiw at 516-236-3245 or alliridam@gmail.com.

United Veterans Organization of Nassau County (UVO) Annual Veterans Day Ceremony

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 10 AM TO 11 AM at Veterans Memorial Plaza (Parking Field 6A) in Eisenhower Park, East Meadow.

Long Island National Cemetery Memorial Organization (LINCMO) Annual Veterans Day Ceremony

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2 PM TO 3 PM at Long Island National Cemetery located at 2040 Wellwood Avenue in Farmingdale.

Veterans Annual Winter Stand Down

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 9 AM TO 1 PM at the Freeport Armory, 63 Babylon Turnpike, Freeport. Due to ongoing building renovations, it will be a drive-through-only event; the only items distributed will be clothes, boots, toiletries and nonperishable foods.

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Announcements and Programs

COVID Test Kits

All veterans organizations can request 10 free COVID test kits by contacting the Nassau County Veterans Service Agency. Please call Ralph Esposito at 516-572-6512 or Paul Vista at 516-572-6521.

New Suicide and Crisis Hotline Phone Number

Effective July 16, 2022, **988** is the new Suicide and Crisis Lifeline number, which offers 24/7 call, text and chat access to trained crisis counselors who can help people experiencing suicidal, substance use, and/or mental health crisis issues, or any other kind of emotional distress. People can also dial 988 if they are worried about a loved one who may need crisis support.

Veterans can use this new option by dialing 988 and then pressing 1 to contact the Veterans Crisis Line.

Veteran Functions at Eisenhower Park

All veterans organizations that wish to hold an event, ceremony or other function at the park must contact the Nassau County Veterans Service Agency to get a permit. This requirement protects the organization as well as the park since the NCVSA holds an insurance policy covering any accidents or injuries that may occur during such events. Please call Ralph Esposito at 516-572-6512 or Paul Vista at 516-572-6521.

Veterans Traffic Court (Nassau County)

The Nassau County Traffic and Parking Violations Agency (NCTPVA) holds monthly traffic court sessions (on the third Thursday afternoon of each month) dedicated to assisting veterans and active-duty military members with resolving violations. NCTPVA will work with the District Court to bundle all traffic violations together. This program is a one-time-only opportunity so don't waste it on minor violations. For more information, please call the Nassau County Veterans Service Agency at 516-572-6565. Also see the following links: www.nassaucountyny.gov/4917/Veterans-Traffic-Court www.nassaucountyny.gov/1928/Traffic-Parking-Violations-Agency

Volunteer Drivers Wanted for Veterans

The Nassau County Veterans Service Agency is looking for volunteers to transport veterans to and from the Northport VA, East Meadow VA Clinic, Valley Stream VA Clinic and Hicksville Vet Center. Please donate any time you have to give, Monday–Friday from 7 AM to 5 PM. You pick whatever times and dates work for you. Nassau County will provide the vehicles; a valid New York State driver's license is required. To volunteer, please call Jessica DeLisa at 516-572-6526. ***The need is urgent so please help if you can!***

Food Donations Requested

The Vet Mart food pantry at the Nassau County Veterans Service Agency needs your food donations. Please bring your canned and other nonperishable goods to them at 2201 Hempstead Tpke., Building Q, East Meadow. Please call 516-572-6565 for more information and to find out which kinds of food are most needed on any given day. No amount is too small!

Iraq/Afghanistan Veterans Monument for Eisenhower Park

A fund-raising effort is currently underway to fund the construction and installation of a monument to honor the veterans of Desert Storm (1990-1991), the war in Afghanistan (2001-2021) and the war in Iraq (2003-2011). It will be installed near the Vietnam veterans monument in Veterans Memorial Plaza in Eisenhower Park in East Meadow. This effort is being spearheaded by the Nassau County VFW Council in partnership with a committee of veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan.

The website for the committee is IraqAfghanistanmonument.com. It also has a Facebook page—just do a Facebook search for *Iraq/Afghanistan* and the page will be listed first in the search results.

If you or your organization want to send a donation to support the project, please see the attached donation form at the end of this newsletter. You may also donate through the website.

Veterans Legal Assistance Program

Receive a FREE consultation with attorneys who specialize in elder law, taxes, wills and estates, family law, VA benefits and claims, disability, discharge upgrades, employment, housing, bankruptcy, debtor/creditor matters, Medicare/Medicaid, landlord/tenant disputes, immigration and criminal law. For more information, contact the Hofstra Legal Assistance Project at VLAP@hofstra.edu or call 516-463-7302.

General Needs Ltd.

Located in East Northport, this is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that distributes NEW clothing as well as personal items such as toiletries to homeless veterans. If you would like to donate, volunteer, sponsor a distribution or if your business or organization would like to assist General Needs (or if you would just like more information), please call them at 631-266-1672 or email them at Info@GeneralNeeds.org. You can also visit their website at www.GeneralNeeds.org or go to their Facebook page to see any upcoming events.

Veterans Project by Long Island Cares

This project encompasses several veterans' service programs such as a mobile pantry, job search assistance and Military Appreciation Tuesdays hosted at pantries located in Huntington Station, Bethpage, Hampton Bays, Lindenhurst and Freeport. For more information, please call Michael Haynes at 631-582-3663, extension 202 or email him at mhaynes@licares.org.

Their website is www.licares.org/what-we-do/feed-long-island/veterans-project.

Joseph P. Dwyer Veterans Peer Support Project

A joint initiative of the Suffolk County United Veterans and the Suffolk County Veterans Service Agency, it serves veterans, service members and their families with post-service transitional issues such as PTSD and TBI (traumatic brain injury); a diagnosis is NOT required for attendance. All groups are confidential and anonymous. Weekly group meetings are held in Amityville (Mondays), Bay Shore, Yaphank, Sag Harbor (Tuesdays), East Patchogue, Riverhead, Patchogue (Wednesdays), and Mount Sinai (Thursdays). Snacks and light refreshments are served at all meetings. They also provide services to student veterans at numerous Long Island college campuses and monthly community outreach in Sachem, Huntington Station, and Patchogue. For more information and exact meeting locations, please call 631-853-8345 or send an email to vetspeertopeer@suffolkcountyny.gov. They also have a Facebook page.

Nassau County Joseph P. Dwyer Vet2Vet Peer Networking Groups

Vet2Vet consists of small groups of veterans who meet weekly to share knowledge, provide mutual support and share resources. Confidential and open to all veterans regardless of discharge status. Free to attend; no pre-registration is required. Meetings are at: Mental Health Association, 16 Main Street in Hempstead at 5:15 PM on Mondays and 6:30 PM on Wednesdays; Levittown Public Library, 1 Bluegrass Lane in Levittown at 2 PM on Thursdays (biweekly); First Presbyterian Church, 178 South Ocean Avenue in Freeport at 6:30 PM on Thursdays. There are also spouse/partner meetings at 6:30 PM on Tuesdays and women-only meetings at 6:30 PM on Wednesdays, both at Mental Health Association, 16 Main Street in Hempstead. No pre-registration is necessary. For more information, please contact Brent Russell at 516-489-2322, ext. 1213 or email at brussell@mhanc.org; Audrey Lewis

at 516-489-2322, ext.1260 or email at alewis@mhanc.org. Also check out their website: veteranshealthalliance.org.

Veterans Defense Program

Justice-involved veterans often do not have the funds to hire an attorney and are represented by public defenders. Public defense attorneys are rarely trained to adequately represent veterans who suffer from the invisible wounds of war or to translate the combat experience of their clients to explain resulting criminal behavior. This program provides training, support and legal assistance to promote trauma-informed effective representation of veterans and service members. The Veteran Defense Program (VDP) is a project of the New York State Defenders Association (NYSDA), a statewide nonprofit organization working to improve the quality and scope of publicly-supported legal representation for people who cannot afford a lawyer. For information and assistance, please call Director Gary A. Horton at 585-219-4862 or email him at ghorton@nysda.org. Their website is nysda.org/page/AboutVDP.

Donate a Bicycle to Beacon House to Help a Veteran

Beacon House provides housing in 42 locations throughout Nassau and Suffolk counties. On any given day, over 255 men, women and children from the tri-state area benefit from programs that address homelessness, physical disabilities, PTSD, TBI, mental health issues and addiction. Non-veterans, too, have access to housing, drug/alcohol addiction services and job skills/readiness development programs. Contact Ed Aulman at mardiv1@optonline.net or call him at 516-921-0595. A charitable donation receipt will be provided by Beacon House.

Long Island Vets Help

The Economic Opportunity Council of Suffolk, Inc. and The Long Island Coalition for the Homeless have partnered to produce a resource directory devoted specifically to the needs of veterans navigating civilian life on Long Island. For more information, go to their website at longislandvetshelp.org.

Local Website for Veterans

We-Are-Vets.us is a local Long Island website presenting a mix of information, history and memories for active-duty troops, veterans and interested civilians. Eric Spinner is the webmaster while Gary Glick, Marvin Gold, Pat Yngstrom, Paul Grieco and Jack Holzman make up the rest of the team. Check it out!

Did you know . . .

The GAU-8/A Avenger 30mm Gatling gun for the Fairchild Republic A-10 Thunderbolt II (Warthog) **close air support attack aircraft** had to be destabilized a bit to get more bullet dispersion because it was too precise. It's designed so that 80 percent of the rounds fired will hit within a cone with an angle of five milliradians; this equates to a 40-foot (12-meter) diameter circle at the weapon's design range of 4,000 feet (1,200 meters).

The two YA-10 prototypes were built at the Republic factory in Farmingdale and first flown in 1972. Production A-10s were built by Fairchild in Hagerstown, Maryland. Production ceased in 1984.



Photo credit: Staff Sergeant Justin Parsons

A USAF A-10 flies over the U.S. Central Command area of responsibility in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel, June 29, 2020.

★★★ Supporters' Corner ★★★

Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) Chapter 82

One would be hard-pressed to come up with the name of another organization that has done as much to support the Long Island Air Force Association than VVA Chapter 82. Their members have been a key part of our annual Pearl Harbor Day ceremony *Dropping of the Roses* as well as every one of our Vietnam 50th Anniversary Commemorative Medal Ceremonies going back to the inaugural ceremony held on April 11, 2015 and continuing right up to the most recent ceremony (our 36th) on July 21, 2022, during the Shootout for Soldiers. Time and again, they have generously donated their time and energy to serve as color guards for these events as well as providing financial support to LIAFA. In addition, they have also given out over 1050 specially-designed gifts to the medal recipients following the ceremonies.

VVA adopted the motto, “Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another generation of veterans.” They take care of veterans from all eras. VVA Chapter 82 covers all of Nassau County and has the most called-upon color guard in Nassau or Suffolk County. Their members also spend time with patients and residents at the VA hospital in Northport and various nursing homes in addition to offering many other outreach programs to veterans.

Founded in 1979 to focus on issues of concern to Vietnam veterans, which were not being prioritized and, in many cases, not even acknowledged by the established veterans groups, Vietnam Veterans of America (VVA) is the only national Vietnam veterans organization congressionally chartered and exclusively dedicated to Vietnam-era veterans and their families. Hindered by an initial lack of legislative support and funding, membership growth was slow at first, but it gained traction with the release of the American hostages by Iran in January 1981 and the dedication of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial (“The Wall”) in November 1982. Today, Vietnam Veterans of America has a national membership of over 85,000, with over 650 chapters throughout the United States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam and the Philippines. VVA Chapter 82 was chartered in November 1983 and will be celebrating its 40th anniversary in 2023.

Membership is open to U.S. armed forces veterans who served on active duty (for other than training purposes) in the Republic of Vietnam between February 28, 1961, and May 7, 1975, or in any duty location between August 5, 1964, and May 7, 1975. Lifetime membership dues (the only option) are \$50. You can join by going to the VVA website at vva.org.

VVA Chapter 82 can be reached at P.O. Box 412, Hicksville, NY 11802-0412. You can also contact President Steve Bonom at 516-286-0662 or email him at bonomsupp@optonline.net.



Steve Bonom (front) with other members of the VVA 82 Color Guard at the 2021 LIAFA Pearl Harbor Day ceremony

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September 18, 2022—U.S. Air Force 75th Anniversary

Taps



Theodore (“Ted”) Shuster of Valley Stream died on August 2 at the age of 93. Ted was most recently the chaplain for the United Veterans Organization (UVO) of Nassau County until age and health issues caused him to step down last year. Ted had also been the UVO president in 1977 and again in 2012. He served in the Army during the Korean War and was stationed at Brooke Army Medical Center at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas as a medic/nurse caring for severely wounded service members. He and his wife Ruth were married for just short of 70 years.

Hershel “Woody” Williams, last remaining WWII Medal of Honor recipient, died on June 29 at the age of 98 in Huntington, West Virginia at the VA medical center that bears his name. In February 1945 during the Battle of Iwo Jima, then-Corporal Williams of the Third Marine Division went ahead of his unit and eliminated a series of seven Japanese pillboxes using satchel charges and flamethrowers. Those pillboxes, along with mines and the rough terrain, had been holding up the American advance. For this action, which took about four hours, he received the MOH.

Bradford Freeman, the last “Band of Brothers” survivor, of Caledonia, Mississippi died on July 3 at the age of 97. After the war, he worked 32 years as a mail carrier. He was a consultant on the 2001 TV miniseries “Band of Brothers” that portrayed the exploits of the members of Easy Company, 506th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division, who fought in the Normandy invasion on D-Day, Operation Market Garden and the Battle of the Bulge, among others. Freeman served as a mortarman in Easy Company and was portrayed by actor James Farmer (in a non-speaking role) in the miniseries.



Nassau County, N.Y. Desert Storm / Iraq / Afghanistan Monument



IraqAfghanistanMonument.com
NCMonumentCommittee@gmail.com

Dear Supporter,

It gives us great pleasure to announce the first **Desert Storm/Iraq/Afghanistan Monument** of its size in Nassau County, NY. This monument will be located at the Veterans Memorial in Eisenhower Park, East Meadow, NY. The Nassau County VFW council is spearheading this project working with other local Veteran associations.

How many veterans do you know that have served in Desert Storm, Iraq and Afghanistan?

This monument will be a permanent way to honor the courage, dedication and bravery of United States servicemen and women who have served in these wars. Thousands of these veterans continue to serve their country and communities alike. Many have also made the ultimate sacrifice and many others continue to suffer with physical and/or mental injuries/illnesses (PTSD) due to the wars. This monument will provide a much-needed sanctuary and reflection space for veterans along with their families.

To help make the monument a reality, we need your help and we kindly request that you consider donating. Your generosity will be recognized on our website, IraqAfghanistanMonument.com

Monument Sponsorship Levels and Pricing (All Donations tax deductible- NC VFW Council- 11-2774017)

Sponsorship Level

5 Star Sponsor	\$20,000
4 Star Sponsor	\$19,999 - \$10,000
3 Star Sponsor	\$9,999 - \$5,000
2 Star Sponsor	\$4,999 - \$1,000
1 Star Sponsor	\$999 - \$150
½ star Sponsor	\$149 - \$1

Fundraising Goal- \$125,000



Please make checks out to **Nassau County VFW Council** and they can be mailed to
112 Lambert Ave, Farmingdale, NY 11735

Please don't let these veterans' sacrifices be forgotten. You have the power to make a difference.

Thank you for supporting our veterans and please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions. (Email above)

Sincerely,
The Iraq/Afghanistan Monument Committee

Nassau County Iraq/Afghanistan Monument Committee Members

Chris Peterkin (Committee Chair, NC VFW Council Commander); **Ralph Esposito** (NC Veterans Service Agency Director); **Pat Iulucci** (NC VFW Council Treasurer); **Virginia Cervasio** (Gold Star Mother & Heroes Among Us Executive Director); **Matthew Schmidt** (Nassau Police Veterans Association President & Founder & Iraq War Veteran); **Rick Gales** (VFW Trustee); **John Carter** (Senior Vice-Commander VFW Post 516 & Iraq War Veteran); **Phoebe Erwin** (Desert Storm War Veteran); **Kevin Colon** (VFW Post 9592 Post Commander & Iraq War Veteran); **John Chiara** (Afghanistan War Veteran); **Steve Latus** (L.I. National Cemetery Memorial Org.); **Morris Miller** (UVO Committee Member); **Andy Booth** (UVO President)



Want to receive our

WOMEN'S MILITARY SERVICE MEDAL



Are you a veteran or currently serving?

The Long Island Air Force Association proudly presents this award to honor women and their families for their commitment and service.
(Awarded to women currently serving and veterans of all services)

APPLICATION

Name _____

Phone # _____ Cell # _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Branch of Service _____ Rank/Grade _____

Service dates _____

Verification of service is required: DD-214 for veterans, ID or other documentation for women currently serving (black out your Social Security Number)

Fred Di Fabio, President
67 Pacific Dunes Court
Medford, NY 11763

For information call:
631-754-6383

- Check out our web page at: LIAFA.ORG and visit us on Facebook: **The Long Island Air Force Association - LIAFA**
- Attendance is **FREE**. Bring your family, friends and neighbors.

You will be contacted to be scheduled for an upcoming ceremony.

Medal is not awarded posthumously

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LIAFA proudly presents the Vietnam 50th Anniversary
Commemorative Medal to thank and honor Vietnam War
veterans and their families for their commitment and service.
(Awarded to living Long Island Vietnam Vets of all services)



COMMEMORATIVE MEDAL APPLICATION

Name _____

Phone # _____ Cell # _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Branch of Service _____ Rank/Grade _____

Vietnam service dates _____

Units assigned and location during war _____

Please send a copy of your DD-214 (block out your Social Security Number) and
this application to:

Fred DiFabio, President
67 Pacific Dunes Ct.
Medford, NY 11763



For information call:
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- Visit our web page at **LIAFA.ORG** to view a video of the ceremony.
- Attendance is **FREE**. Bring your family, friends and neighbors.
- You will be contacted to schedule you for one of our upcoming ceremonies upon receipt of your application.