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AFS SUPPORTS LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS TO HELP OUR COMMUNITIES

Alternative Financial Services contributed to local organizations in support of those in need through inspirational outreach programs. With a donation of toys to a local church, AFS helped spread Christmas cheer to local needy families and their children. And, with the purchase a dozen wreaths, they supported **Wreaths Across America** whose mission it is to **REMEMBER** our fallen U.S. veterans, **HONOR** those who serve, and **TEACH** our children the value of freedom.

“This wonderful organization was especially helpful during this difficult and divisive year,” says AFS founder Lisa Corcoran. “It’s so important to honor those men and women who made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of preserving our freedom.”

On December 17, 2016, AFS and 40 others gathered at Greenwood Cemetery in Brielle, NJ. Final resting place of 1501 veterans, it was just one of 1100 cemeteries nationwide that participated in the laying of Remembrance wreaths. After a brief welcoming ceremony, commemorative wreaths were placed for each branch of the military, POWs, and MIAs, then at veteran’s headstones.

“I was particularly moved by the manner in which the wreaths are laid,” notes Corcoran. “Volunteers carefully searched for the gravesites of veterans, respectfully clearing headstones of snow and slush from the previous night’s storm, then spoke the veteran’s names aloud as a wreath was laid to honor them and keep their memory alive.”

Wreaths Across America teaches that “A person dies twice: once when they take their final breath, and later, the last time their name is spoken.” This ceremony is not intended to decorate the veteran’s graves, nor to remember their deaths, but rather to commemorate the lives they lived. For more information on honoring fallen veterans through the national wreath-laying program, visit www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org.

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