

# American Overseas Memorial Day Association Belgium

Memorial Day Ceremony For  
Cook Herman Riffart



Community Cemetery of Antwerpen

Tuesday 28 May 2023

16.30

## **From a letter to the US Army from Laurent Riffart (Herman's father)**

“Our son is a native of Antwerp and all his relatives are living in this town, we trust that you will do everything possible to satisfy the only and last wish of a poor mother who lost the dearest being in the world.”

# Program

Welcome  
*Verwelkoming*

The Story of Herman Riffart  
*Het verhaal van Herman Riffart*

Placing of the National Flags  
*Plaatsen van de Nationale vlaggen*

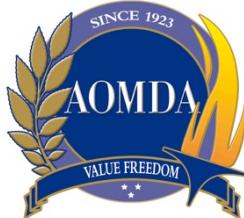
Floral Tribute  
*Bloemen neerlegging*

Speech of President Barack Obama  
on 15 December 2015  
*Toespraak van President Barack Obama  
op 15 december 2015*

Taps

Moment of Silence  
*Moment van Stilte*

The National Anthems of the  
Kingdom of Belgium and the United States of America  
*Nationale volksliederen van België en  
de Verenigde Staten van Amerika*



Since 1923, the mission of the American Overseas Memorial Day Association Belgium is to perpetuate the remembrance of the members of the American armed forces who died in the defense of freedom and who are buried in Belgium. We organize and conduct Memorial Day ceremonies at the three American cemeteries in Belgium. We commemorate and preserve the graves of the American servicemen buried in isolated graves outside of these cemeteries. We engage in youth outreach and other projects and activities to perpetuate remembrance. Please visit our website: [www.aomda.org](http://www.aomda.org).

Sinds 1923 is de missie van de "American Overseas Memorial Day Association Belgium" het bestendigen van de herinnering aan de leden van de Amerikaanse strijdkrachten, gestorven in de verdediging van de vrijheid en in België begraven. AOMDA organiseert en leidt Memorial Day ceremonies op de Amerikaanse begraafplaatsen in België. Wij herdenken en bewaren de rustplaatsen van de Amerikaanse militairen begraven in geïsoleerde graven buiten deze begraafplaatsen. Wij ijveren voor jeugdbetrokkenheid en het promoten van projecten en activiteiten om de herinnering te behouden. Bezoek onze website alstublieft: [www.aomda.org](http://www.aomda.org)