Veterans Day 2026 at Arlington: Day-of Timeline

Tram, prelude and national observance, Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2026 (Eastern Time)

DATE (ET)	ET	CT	MT	PT	EVENT
Wed., Nov. 11	8 a.m.	7 a.m.	6 a.m.	5 a.m.	**Free Welcome Center parking opens (cemetery hours begin)**
Wed., Nov. 11	8:30 a.m.	7:30 a.m.	6:30 a.m.	5:30 a.m.	**Tram starts at the Welcome Center (approximate)**
Wed., Nov. 11	9:45 a.m.	8:45 a.m.	7:45 a.m.	6:45 a.m.	**Arrive at the tram no later than this time**
Wed., Nov. 11	10:20 a.m.	9:20 a.m.	8:20 a.m.	7:20 a.m.	**Online webcast starts (runs to 1 p.m.)**
Wed., Nov. 11	10:30 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m.	7:30 a.m.	**Prelude by the Coast Guard Band and Air Force Singing Sergeants**
Wed., Nov. 11	11 a.m.	10 a.m.	9 a.m.	8 a.m.	**73rd National Veterans Day Observance, Memorial Amphitheater**
Wed., Nov. 11	4 p.m.	4 p.m.	3 p.m.	2 p.m.	**Free Welcome Center parking ends (cemetery closes)**

Eastern Time (ET), Central Time (CT), Mountain Time (MT, Denver; most of Arizona keeps standard time), Pacific Time (PT). Times are converted from the start time the source gives.

Not yet confirmed

Tram resumes and returns attendees: ANC says it resumes immediately after the ceremony and gives no clock time

Wreath-laying time and speakers: The Oct. 8, 2026 notice gives no time for the wreath-laying and names no speakers

My notes

Source: Arlington National Cemetery (notice of Oct. 8, 2026 and visitor page); Defense Visual Information Distribution Service (DVIDS) webcast page.