



D-Day 65 Events in Normandy

Friday 5th June

- 10:00 am Ranville War Cemetery – Royal British Legion wreath laying cemetery
- 2.00 pm Bayeux International War Cemetery wreath laying ceremony where wreaths will be laid by representatives from the military, The Royal British Legion, school children and veterans.
- 4.00 pm 80 children from schools around London and the South East will be travelling to Normandy as part of the Poppy Travel 'Travel and Learn' D-Day 65 excursion. They will plant flags, which have been sent in with messages of thanks, in the beach at Asnelles. D-Day veterans will meet them to talk about their experiences on D-Day.

Saturday 6th June

- 10.15 am Service of Remembrance at Bayeux Cathedral which will be attended by D-Day veterans, The Royal British Legion President Lt Gen Sir John Kiszely KCB MC and other dignitaries. There will be limited space in the Cathedral for the press.
- 1.00 pm D-Day veterans and dignitaries will arrive at Asnelles - Gold Beach - to read messages of thanks on flags planted on the beach. Children who planted the flags will return with the veterans for a photo call on the beach. Veterans will plant their own flags with messages to comrades from 65 years ago.



3.00 pm A joint Royal British Legion and Military ceremony will take place at Ranville War Cemetery near Pegasus Bridge and Sword beach.

5.00 pm Children from the Poppy Travel tour will take part in a parade

Throughout Friday to Sunday, Veterans, their families and locals are invited to plant a flag with a message of thanks on the beach at Asnelles. A Royal British Legion marquee will be present throughout the weekend.

A British Legion stall will be present at the location for the duration.

Directions to Ranville War Cemetery: take D513 north-eastwards out of Caen, after about 9 km turning left at Herouvillette. Go north for one km and then turn left into Ranville Village. The War Cemetery is on Rue des Airbornes.