



# Bells of Peace: A World War I Remembrance

*On November 11, 2018 at 11:00am local time...  
Americans across the nation will toll bells  
in remembrance of those who served and  
sacrificed in The Great War.*

This observance will mark the centennial of the armistice that brought an end to hostilities in what Americans fervently hoped had been “the war to end all wars.” WWI ended by an armistice agreement at 11 a.m. on Nov. 11, 1918.

Chatham County will participate in the nationwide program, which is designed to honor American men and women who served 100 years ago during World War I--especially the 116,516 who died. On Sunday, Nov. 11, 2018 at 11:00 am, the chimes in the bell tower of the Historic Chatham County Courthouse will ring.

The Chatham County Historical Association is encouraging other groups, churches, and individuals to participate. **Wherever you are at 11:00 am on Sunday, Nov. 11, 2018, let a bell sound to honor Armistice Day.**

The nationwide observance is supported by the World War One Centennial Commission, which has a page [on its website](#) –where you can find information and suggestions for conducting the bell tolling, and ideas for meaningfully commemorating the service of our local World War I veterans.

## **Other 2018 WWI Commemorative Activities in Chatham:**

The *Chatham Historical Museum* will display a special WWI exhibit during the month of November and several WWI artifacts are on display in our permanent exhibits. The museum is open Wed, Thurs, and Fri from 11 to 4, and will be open on First Sunday, November 4 from 11 until 4:30.

A WWI exhibit will also be on display at the *Chatham Community Library* during October and November—a joint project of the library and CCHA—highlighting local WWI resources.

Also on First Sunday, Nov 4, *museum volunteers will scan photographs of Chatham County veterans* (from all wars) for addition to the museum’s Valor display. [More info.](#)

*Learn more about Chatham County’s WWI Experience* [here](#) on CCHA’s website.