



# Maywood Bataan Day 2013 71st Annual Memorial Service



Sponsored Jointly by  
**The Maywood Bataan Day Organization**  
And  
**The Village of Maywood**

**Sunday, September 8, 2013**  
**3:00 PM**  
**Veterans Memorial**  
**Maywood Park**  
**(Corner of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue & Oak Street)**  
**Maywood, Illinois**

## **Keynote Speaker**



### **Captain Lionel Gonzalez**

**Battalion Adjutant, 1-178<sup>th</sup> IN, Chicago, IL and ARNG Liaison to the 3<sup>rd</sup> ROTC Brigade in Great Lakes, IL.**

CPT Lionel Gonzalez initially enlisted into the Illinois Army National Guard (ILARNG) in 2003 as an Infantryman. While in college, he participated in ROTC and accepted a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the ILARNG and was branched Infantry upon graduation in 2006. As a platoon leader, First Lieutenant Gonzalez mobilized with Co C/1-178th IN to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom during 2008-2009. Shortly after returning from this deployment, 1LT Gonzalez volunteered for another mobilization from 2010-2012, but this time with First Army out of Ft. McCoy, WI as an Observer Controller/Trainer, helping to train and mentor Soldiers and Airmen, deploying to Iraq, Kuwait, and Afghanistan. CPT Gonzalez has commanded Co D/1-178th IN and currently serves as the Battalion Adjutant for the 1-178th IN in Chicago, IL and fulltime as an ARNG Liaison to the 3rd ROTC Brigade in Great Lakes, IL.

# Programme

## Navy Ceremonial Band Great Lakes

MU1 Garrett Stephan, Leader  
2:30 PM

## Bugle Call Assembly

3pm

## Massing of Color Guards

Posting of Military Colors

## Welcome

Edwin H. Walker IV, Major, US Marine Corps,  
Master of Ceremonies

## Pledge of Allegiance

## National Anthems

The Philippine National Anthem -

*“Lupang Hinirang”*

The National Anthem -

*“The Star-Spangled Banner”*

## Memorial Prayer

Bishop Dr. Reginald J. Saffo, Pastor  
United Faith Missionary Baptist Church Maywood  
President, United Faith Christian Institute and Bible  
College, Maywood

## Introduction of Distinguished Guests

Col. Richard A. McMahon, Jr., President  
Maywood Bataan Day Organization

## Remarks

Edwenna Perkins, Mayor  
Village of Maywood

## Welcome from the Philippine Community

Honorable Leo M. Herrera-Lim  
Philippine Consul General In Chicago

## Memories of World War II

Leticia Jimenez, RN

## Keynote Speaker

Illinois National Guard Captain Lionel Gonzalez,  
Battalion Adjutant, 1-178<sup>th</sup> IN,

## Monument Ceremony

DuPage Chapter of VietNow Color Guard  
Jeff Agonath, Chairman

## Guest Speaker

Manong Jaime Pesongco, Past Commander  
Filipino-Americans Veterans of Illinois

## Rifle Squad Gun Salute

Howard H. Rohde American Legion Post #888,  
Northlake

## Playing of Taps

## Wreath Laying

Army—Colonel Robert F. Bracki  
Navy—Commander Joseph E. Troiani  
Air Force  
Marine Corps—GySgt Leo Armwood, Cpl Marcus  
Davis  
Coast Guard  
American Legion Filipino Post #509 & Auxiliary  
Philippine Campaign Survivors  
Filipino American Historical Society of Chicago  
Merchant Marine Veterans Association Chicago  
Veterans Assistance Commission of Cook County  
Daughters of the American Revolution  
George Rogers Clark Chapter, River Forest  
Village of Maywood  
Maywood Bataan Day Organization

## *“God Bless America”*

## Benediction

Chaplain Vitas Paskauskas  
The American Legion, Department of Illinois

## Release of Rifle Squad and Color Guards

## Maywood Bataan Day Organization

President – Col. Richard A. McMahon, Jr.

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**Honorary Director:** Edwenna Perkins  
Mayor, Village of Maywood

## Village of Maywood

Mayor - Edwenna Perkins

Village Manager - William P. Barlow III

Village Clerk - Viola Mims

### Village Trustees

Antonette “Toni” Dorris

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## IN MEMORIAM

**PFC Silas LeGrow** – Silas LeGrow, Co. C, 192nd Tank Battalion, died on January 15, 2013. He was 90 years old. We join his family and friends in honoring his service and mourning the loss.

**Pvt Thomas Peter Motosko** – Pvt Thomas Peter Motosko, the last survivor of HQ Co., 192nd Tank Battalion, passed away on February 20, 2013 at the age of 93. We honor his service and mourn his loss.

**Pvt. Joseph Donald Lajzer** – Pvt. Joseph Donald Lajzer, Co. B, died on Saturday, March 16, 2013, aged 94. Mr. Lajzer was born in Clinton Ohio, and volunteered to go with the 192nd Tank Battalion when it was shipped out to the Philippines in 1941.



### **MBDO Director, Goran E. Anderson—70 Years of Legion Service**

MBDO Director, **Goran E. Anderson** received a certificate from the Illinois American Legion, marking 70 years of service to The American Legion. Please join us in thanking Goran for his service to The American Legion, to veterans, and to the Maywood Bataan Day Organization throughout his life. We wish him continued good health and many more years of service.

### **Guest Speaker—Leticia Jimenez, RN**

Leticia Jimenez was brought to our attention by MBDO Director Estrella Alamar, who told us of Ms. Jimenez's poem about her life during World War II in the Philippines. The Directors were so moved by the story, told by the beautiful poem, that we asked Leticia to join us today to read her poem and tell her story of living in the Philippines during World War II.

### **Guest Speaker—Manong Jaime Pesongco**

Manong Jaime Pesongco is a 94 year-old WW2 USAFFE Guerrilla veteran, and a Past Commander of FAVI (Filipino American Veterans of Illinois). Mr. Pesongco is today receiving medals from the Philippine government in recognition of his service in WWII.



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