



**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**  
**Calverton National Cemetery**  
**210 Princeton Boulevard**  
**Calverton, NY 11933**

November 16, 2023

North Shore Community Band  
76 North Woods Drive  
Wading River, NY 11792  
c/o Director Jim MacDougall

Dear North Shore Community Band Members,

On behalf of Calverton National Cemetery, I wish to express our deep appreciation for your support of the Memorial Day and Veterans Day ceremonies at our facility. Your performances are always inspiring and make an enormous positive difference to our ability to honor Veterans in the manner in which they deserve.

We are extremely fortunate to have such an incredibly talented group of musicians available locally and willing to play at our ceremonies. Your performance completely elevates the quality of our ceremonies – honor, respect, gratitude, glory, love of country – everything that we endeavor to convey at a ceremony honoring Veterans is more meaningfully and resoundingly conveyed when the North Shore Community Band is able to be with us. Thank you for bringing the splendor!

Please accept our heartfelt thanks for your impeccable and inspirational performances. We are very grateful that you are willing to share your talent with our Veteran community. It matters!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Anne M. Ellis".

Anne M. Ellis  
Executive Director  
Calverton National Cemetery