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**Nebraska Air National Guard
Releases Abbreviated Memorial
Day Salute Schedule**

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LINCOLN, Neb. – The Nebraska Air National Guard released its schedule for its annual Memorial Day Flyover Salute today.

According to Col. Rick Evans, coordinator for the annual Memorial Day salute, the 155th Air Refueling Wing will perform flyovers over 66 separate locations beginning on the morning of Memorial Day in a mission that is expected to last approximately two-and-half-hours. Larger cities to receive salutes include Lincoln, Omaha, Blair, Crete, Fairbury, Papillion, South Sioux City, Wayne, Norfolk, Grand Island and Hastings. Most of the flyovers will take place over a cemetery at or near the named locations.

Evans said that this year's flyover mission will be somewhat smaller than recent years due to a previously scheduled overseas deployment of the 155th Air Refueling Wing. Instead of a two aircraft salute, a single aircraft and volunteer crew will fly this year's salutes. The unit hopes to go back to its larger salute in a few years.

Evans said the unit is proud to be able to continue its tradition of flying Memorial Day salutes for Nebraska's veterans. That feeling is magnified considering the nature of current missions overseas in such places as Iraq and Afghanistan where hundreds of members of the Nebraska National Guard continue to serve, and at home where nearly three-quarters of the state's National Guard force continues to train for potential overseas or homeland defense missions.

"The Nebraska Air National Guard is honored to pay tribute to the many brave Americans who have served and continue to serve their country so well," said Evans. "These flyovers salute their courage and sacrifice in the face of danger."

The KC-135 Stratotanker is a military refueling version of a Boeing 707 aircraft. The aircraft is widely used around the world by the Air Force for aerial refueling and to transport cargo and personnel. The Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve are the reserve components of the Air Force and both operate the KC-135 aircraft.

The 155th Air Refueling Wing is based at the Lincoln Air National Guard Base, which is co-located with the Lincoln Municipal Airport. The unit has nine KC-135R aircraft, although only one will actually fly on Memorial Day. The aircraft has a crew of two pilots and a boom operator. A navigator has been added for the flight. Crew chiefs also support these special missions from the ground, providing servicing, launch and recovery of the aircraft. All participants are volunteers.

Following is an alphabetical list of the communities involved in this year's flyovers. Times are to the nearest minute and all flyovers are subject to change or cancellation due to weather or other factors.

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KC-135 FLYOVER PROGRAM
FLYOVER LOCATIONS BY TIME**

#	LOCATION	TIME	#	LOCATION	TIME
1	Malcolm	9:09	34	Winnebago	10:15
2	Hallam	9:15	35	Homer	10:17
3	Pickrell	9:17	36	South Sioux City	10:19
4	Beatrice	9:19	37	Jackson	10:20
5	Blue Springs	9:21	38	Hubbard	10:22
6	Wymore	9:22	39	Emerson	10:24
7	Odell	9:23	40	Wakefield	10:26
8	Lanham	9:25	41	Wayne	10:28
9	Steele City	9:27	42	Winside	10:30
10	Endicott	9:28	43	Hoskins	10:32
11	Fairbury	9:29	44	Norfolk	10:33
12	Plymouth	9:32	45	Madison	10:37
13	Dewitt	9:34	46	Newman Grove	10:41
14	Wilber	9:35	47	Bradish	10:43
15	Crete	9:38	48	Albion	10:44
16	Milford	9:40	49	Spalding	10:48
17	Pleasant Dale	9:42	50	Greeley	10:51
18	Emerald	9:43	51	St Paul	10:57
19	Lincoln Wyuka	9:45	52	Grand Island	11:01
20	Waverly	9:48	53	Doniphan	11:03
21	Ashland	9:51	54	Hansen	11:05
22	Louisville	9:54	55	Hastings	11:06
23	Richfield	9:56	56	Glenville	11:08
24	Papillion	9:56	57	Fairfield	11:10
25	Ralston	9:57	58	Edgar	11:12
26	Omaha Memorial Park	9:58	59	Davenport	11:14
27	Omaha Forest Lawn	10:00	60	Carleton	11:16
28	Fort Calhoun	10:01	61	Bruning	11:18
29	Blair	10:03	62	Ohiowa	11:19
30	Herman	10:05	63	Milligan	11:21
31	Tekamah	10:07	64	Dorchester	11:25
32	Decatur	10:11	65	Denton	11:28
33	Macy	10:13	66	Lincoln Memorial Park	11:30

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