

VETERAN'S DAY CELEBRATION

















The Veteran's Council of the Golden Isles and
The Rotary Club of St. Simons Island present
Veteran's Day Celebration and
Dedication of Veteran's Walk
12 November 2001

Schedule of Events

10:00 a.m. Form-up for Parade at Mallory Park

10:40 a.m. Parade begins

10:40 a.m. Band begins to play patriotic music at bandstand

11:00 a.m. Opening of Veteran's Day Celebration

Posting of the Colors

Color Guard and Veterans Organizations

National Anthem

Rhonda Hambright

Opening Prayer

Rev. Elliott Foss

Band Selection

Flag Bearers Retire

MIA/POW Ceremony

Rev. Elliott Foss

Theme song for each branch of service

Introduction of Honored Guests

Jack Mefford, Veterans Council Chairman

Presentation of the Veteran of the Year Mike Browning, Veterans Council Vice Chairman

Introduction of Nat Johnson, President of St. Simons Rotary Club

Jack Mefford

Introduction of Guest Speaker: U.S. District Judge Anthony Alaimo

Jerry Mooney

Dedication of the Veteran's Walk

God Bless America

Rhonda Hambright and ALL

The Flag Bearers will come forward and stand by their respective colors.

Benediction

Rev. Elliott Foss

Retire the Colors

Organization Members of the Veteran's Council of the Golden Isles

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 2588
Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 4092
American Legion Post 9
American Legion Post 166
Disabled American Veterans, Chapter 36
Marine Corps League, Detachment 716
Fleet Reserve Association, Chapter 30
Golden Isles Chapter of Retired Officers Association
Golden Isles Council of the Navy League of U.S.

Biographical Information

For

ANTHONY A. ALAIMO, U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE

Judge Alaimo was born in 1920 in Termini, Sicily, came to America in 1922, and became a U.S. citizen in 1928. He grew up in Jamestown, NY, and received an A.B. degree from Ohio Northern University in 1940.

He enlisted in the U.S. Army immediately after Pearl Harbor and served in the Air Corps from December 8, 1941 to February 2, 1946. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant Pilot in September 1942 and served in the European Theater of Operations from 1943 to 1945. His plane was shot down and he was a German prisoner of war from May 1943 until he escaped in February 1945 and rejoined the Allies.

After the war ended, he entered Emory Law School, from which he received his J.D. degree in 1948 and Emory's Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1993. He was engaged in litigation practice in Atlanta until moving to Brunswick in 1961, where he continued to practice until appointed by President Nixon to be a Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia in 1971. He became Chief Judge of that Court five years later and served in that capacity until he took Senior Judge status in 1991. In 1990 he was elected by his fellow judges to the Judicial Conference of the U.S., and the next year was appointed by Chief Judge Rehnquist to be a member of the Executive Committee of that Conference. Despite his status as a Senior Judge, he continues to sit regularly in the District Court.