

Code Red White and Blue & Code Amazing Grace

The Mission of Code Red White and Blue / Code Amazing Grace is to bring together Members, staff, family, and volunteers to honor our fallen veterans and their dependents at the Wisconsin Veterans Home – King.

There is a grand tradition in honoring fallen veterans as we recognize and appreciate their service and sacrifice to our great country. In an effort to mirror the tradition of honoring our fallen, the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King has adopted Code Red White and Blue / Code Amazing Grace. When a veteran who lives at King passes away, a Code Red White and Blue announcement will be made notifying everyone a veteran has passed. The veteran will be draped with an American flag and escorted by other members, staff, family, and volunteers to render a final salute.

When a dependent of a veteran passes away, Code Amazing Grace will be announced and he or she will be draped with a dignity blanket and escorted by other members, staff, family, and volunteers to render a final goodbye. This is our way of honoring their sacrifice and recognizing their legacy here at the King Veterans Home.

If you are interested in being a part of the Code Red White and Blue / Code Amazing Grace final salute team, please see your Social Worker or Activity Therapist for further details.

It is our honor to serve you!

Just wanted to say that I think this is a wonderful moment for survivors as well as giving some peace to current veterans. It does them good to know people care and one day they too will have this glorious sendoff. As a veteran, I believe this is an opportunity to give other veterans and spouses more of the respect they deserve.

~ Glenna Peters

I think it is very respectful to give these veterans the sendoff they deserve. Thanks for doing it.

~ Connie Peterson UC OH Float

When I participated in my first Code Red White and Blue yesterday. I thought it was amazing! It was a beautiful and emotional moment. Looking around the room I could see it meant a lot to the veterans and staff.

~ Erin McKay RN

I have been a member of King for 5 years. I am a Korean War veteran. I have been involved in many of the Code Red, White and Blue ceremonies since it began on July 4th, 2015. I have witnessed many times the great respect shown by both staff and members during this ceremony and it is a great honor for me to give my fallen comrades a final salute.

~ James Jolly, King member

Although I am new here and haven't been able to see many sendoffs, the couple that I have seen were very emotional, but not in a way that can easily be put into words. The members who participate in the code Red, White, and Blue, are inspiring because of how serious they take it and the effort they put in to being there, at any hour of the night. They wake up to be there and do their duty. It makes you really appreciate what the members have done for this country, and I want to stress the importance of remaining quiet and respectful while the sendoff is happening, and remaining quiet until the van pulls away.

~ Emily Kirmse