



# City of Peterborough

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### CITY TO HOST D-DAY SERVICE

The 67<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day (Allied Invasion of the beaches of Normandy) will be marked by a special ceremony in Ashburnham Memorial Park on top of Armour Hill in Peterborough.

Veterans from WWII will be participating as well as members of the Legion and children from local schools.

The service will begin at 9:30 AM on Monday, June 6, 2011. The ceremony will include a March of the Colour Parties, the Rhema Christian School Choir, guest speaker the Honourable John Turner and the Prayer of Commemoration read by Reverend Frank Patrick. His Worship, Mayor Bennett will be making closing remarks.

Peterborough units who participated in the 1944 Invasion include:

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Field Park Company Royal Canadian Engineers
- 4<sup>th</sup> Light Anti-Aircraft Royal Canadian Artillery
- Merchant Navy
- Royal Canadian Air Force
- Royal Canadian Navy
- Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry Highlanders

The Ashburnham Women's Patriotic League bought Armour Hill in 1923 as a park to be dedicated to the fallen of WWI. In 1937 the League donated Ashburnham Memorial Park to the City of Peterborough.

All events will take place at Ashburnham Memorial Park, on top of Armour Hill, Museum Drive at Hunter Street East. Parking will be provided at the top of the hill and at the Museum. All are welcome to attend.

For more information please contact the Peterborough Museum & Archives at 705-743-5180.

This information is also available on our City of Peterborough website at [www.peterborough.ca](http://www.peterborough.ca)

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