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**MATAWAN BOROUGH ANNOUNCES SELECTION OF
MEMORIAL DAY PARADE GRAND MARSHALL**

The borough of Matawan will be holding its annual Memorial Day Parade on Sunday May, 24th, 2015. All veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces are invited to march in the parade.

We are pleased to announce that the Grand Marshall for this year's parade is Matawan resident John A. Donegan a veteran of the United States Air Force. Mr. Donegan served in the United States Air Force 1961 – 1965 Active Duty, was honorably discharged in February 1965, and Inactive Reserve 1965 – 1967. He was stationed at:

- 3407 School Squadron, Kessler AFB, Mississippi – Advanced Electronics Testing
- 907 Radar Squadron, Bucks Harbor, Maine – Ground Communications Equipment Repairman NORAD
- 680 80th Radar Squadron, Palermo, NJ – Ground Communications Equipment Repairman NORAD

Mr. Donegan Graduated from the NJ State Police Academy in 1971, and was assigned as a Road Trooper in Central NJ. He retired as a Sergeant in 1996. He also received his Associates Degree in Criminal Justice from Brookdale Community College in 1995. Mr. Donegan has served as a substitute teacher in the Matawan School District, was a volunteer Fireman with Haley Hose Company, Matawan, President of the Holy Name Society, St. Clement Church, 2002 – 2006, and has been an Usher at St. Clement since 1968. He is a member of American Legion Post 0023, Knights of Columbus, and the Association of Former NJ State Troopers.

The parade steps off from the St. Clement Church parking lot at 1:45pm and marches along Rte. 79 to Main Street Matawan ending at Memorial Park where there will be a brief ceremony.

We invite all Matawan residents and residents of surrounding towns to line the parade route to honor those men and women who have made the supreme sacrifice for our glorious nation.

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