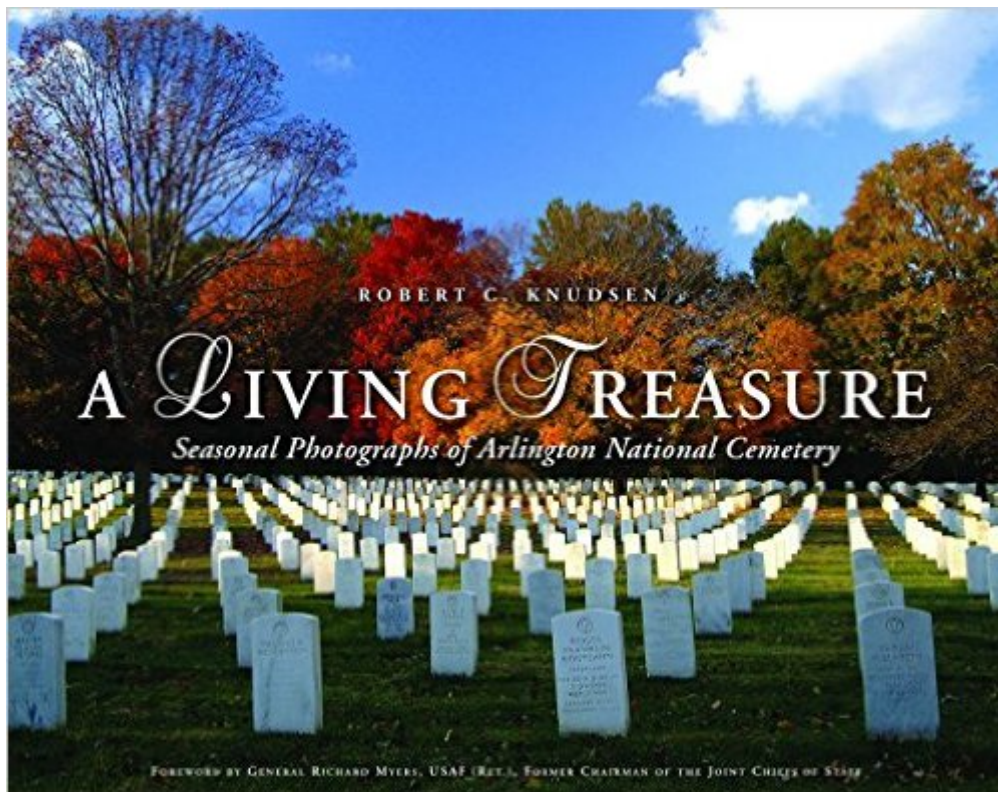


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# A Living Treasure: Seasonal Photographs Of Arlington National Cemetery



## Synopsis

Walking through Arlington National Cemetery is an experience like no other. A quiet sense of respect persists, and the beauty is overwhelming. It is the final resting place of thousands of our nation's war heroes, with more added every day in poignant and moving ceremonies. Robert C. Knudsen presents the majesty and dignity of this national cemetery with over 200 full-color photos of Arlington during each of the four seasons. He highlights the natural beauty that surrounds it, with the vibrant colors of fall foliage, the stark contrast of a winter's snow, the soft pink of the cherry blossoms, and the bright sun of the summer. Every branch of the military is represented as well, with up-close photographs of ceremonies, practices, and many of the unique and interesting gravesites Arlington holds. A Living Treasure showcases the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier; Section 27 and Freedman's Village, where one-time slaves are buried; Kennedy's grave and the Eternal Flame; the honor guards, ceremonial units, and special events for each military branch; and so much more. It includes text sidebars explaining highlights of Arlington's history as well, from the Arlington Ladies to how burial at ANC became such an honor. With a special focus on each branch of the military and each season of the year, A Living Treasure is a unique and beautiful keepsake, whether you've been to Arlington National Cemetery, plan on visiting, or just want to experience the beauty on your own.

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## Customer Reviews

This Book, "A Living Treasure" is a true work of art, and a respectfully done tribute, not only to

Arlington National Cemetery, but to those who are buried there, those who visit, and those who help to support it. I was privileged to meet Mr. Knudsen when he was working on this book, and have been in contact with him and his publisher while waiting for the book to come out. Anyone who has respect for our Troops, our Veterans, our Gold Star Families, should have this book. The photography is excellent, and the layout of the book, by season, is beautiful. Every time I page through it, I see something new! Sincerely, Al Philo Vice President, Friends of the Forgotten, Inc.

I HIGHLY recommend this book if you want to understand how the history of yesterday and the events to today combine to form the backbone of this nation. The grouping of photographs is like none other that I have ever seen. Together, they convey tender insights of caring, courage and the honor given to individuals who served their country yesterday by individuals who continue to serve today. But don't misunderstand me, this isn't a book of sadness or remorse and it isn't full of mushy pictures. No, it is a collection of photographs conveying strength with beauty, dedication with pride, and grandeur with a simple style and fine attention to detail.

a great book to own and the history in writing and photos are remarkable. Every school library and family should own at least one just for the history of it and what it means today. Great honor to those who served in the past and now and into the future ,, a place of respect and tranquility

Arlington National Cemetery is a beautiful and profoundly sacred place. The book *A Living Treasure* perfectly captures the beauty of this national treasure. The book perfectly captures the year round beauty and elegance of the cemetery. The spring section of the book is particularly moving. The activities and decorating in preparation for Memorial Day is moving. The text is well balanced, providing enough information to explain the background of the photographs. The sections detailing history and traditions of the various Honor Guards is moving. For anyone interested in Arlington, this is a well balanced and beautiful book. I highly recommend the book.

I am happy to own this book as a companion to "Where Valor Rests" which I purchased earlier. I don't know why it was offered (new) for 13 cents plus shipping, other than a few misspellings in the text???

This book is a wonderful representation of Arlington National Cemetery. Every American should have a book like this in their library as a reminder of the cost of freedom. Having been to ANC many

times, this book even made me stop and notice the breathtaking beauty of this landmark as if seeing it for the first time. In addition to honoring our fallen, one cannot help but come away from reading this book with a sense of the sacrifice it takes to provide the honors and maintain the beauty ANC, from the soldiers of The Old Guard to the staff of the cemetery. This book is wonderfully done from beginning to end, as it provides crisp, touching images that convey the beauty and importance of one of America's most special places.

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