

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 4, 2024, AT 5 P.M.



THE FOUR CHAPLAINS CEREMONY

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A German U-boat fired a torpedo that struck the *Dorchester*, killing 672 of the 902 officers and enlisted men, merchant seamen and civilian workers aboard. Many of those survivors owe their lives to the courage and leadership exhibited by four chaplains of different faiths, who, in sacrificing their lives, created a unique legacy of brotherhood.

As soldiers rushed to lifeboats, **Reverend George Fox**, **Jewish Rabbi Alexander Goode**, **Reverend Clark Poling** and **Father John Washington** comforted the wounded and directed others to safety. One survivor watched the chaplains distribute life jackets, and when they ran out, they removed theirs and gave them to four young men.

As the *Dorchester* sank, the chaplains were seen linked arm in arm, praying.

American Legion 242 will remember Four Chaplains Day on Sunday, February 4, 2024, with a memorial service to pay tribute to the courageous chaplains and the brave young men who lost their lives on that fateful night.



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