Preamble

The Federal Government established National Indigenous Veterans Day on Nov. 8th, 1994, to honour the thousands of Indigenous soldiers killed or wounded in war.

This day also acknowledges that veterans benefits and rights were unevenly distributed to the survivors, and highlights the importance of working to rectifying this injustice.

In 1995, the first wreaths to honour Indigenous Veterans were laid at the National War Memorial.

And so today, on National Indigenous Veterans Day, we pray for Indigenous people who served to protect Canada.

So let us begin in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Remembering: Indigenous Veterans Day Prayer, Nov. 8th

God of Love and Justice,

Today we remember Indigenous people who died or were wounded in defence of this country and its freedom.

Help us all to honour these sacrifices through prayers and actions for peace in the world.

Send your Spirit to eliminate misunderstandings, hatred, and prejudice so that we may grow together as one family.

Guide our steps in the way of peace, truth and reconciliation.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We close in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

