



Penjahame District Spring Camporee Cedar Pass, Badlands National Park Flag Retirement, May 16th, 2010



No disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United States of America; The Flag, when it is in such a condition it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.

I AM YOUR FLAG

I was born on June 14, 1777.

I am more than cloth shaped into a design.

I am the refuge of the the world's oppressed people.

I am the silent sentinel of Freedom.

I am the emblem of the greatest sovereign nation on Earth.

I am the inspiration for which American Patriots gave their lives and fortunes.

I have led your sons in to battle from Valley Forge to the blistering desert of the Arabian Peninsula.

I walked in silence with each of your honored dead to their final resting place beneath the silent white crosses, row upon row.

I have flown through peace and war, strife and prosperity, and amidst it all I have been respected.

"OLD GLORY"

is my nickname; proudly I wave on high. Honor me, respect me, defend me with your lives and fortunes.

Never let my enemies tear me down from my lofty position lest I never return. Keep alight the fires of patriotism, strive earnestly for the spirit of democracy.

Worship Eternal God and keep his commandments, and I shall remain the bulwark of peace and freedom for all people.

FOR I AM YOUR FLAG!

My red stripes symbolize the blood spilled in defense of the glorious nation. Let us retire the Red Stripes--Salute!

My white stripes signify the burning tears shed by Americans who lost their sons. Let us retire the White Stripes--Salute!

My blue field is indicative of God's heaven under which we fly. My stars, clustered together, unify 50 States as one for God and Country. Let us retire the Blue Field with Stars--Salute!

