

Governor Maura Healey has ordered that the United States of America flag and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts flag be lowered to half-staff from sunrise until sunset on Tuesday, October 24, 2023, the date of interment, in honor of First Lieutenant Alfred Pezzella, U.S. Army Air Forces (USAAF), who served with the 328th Bombardment Squadron (Heavy), 93d Bombardment Group (Heavy), 9th Air Force (KIA Romania, 1 August 1943), of Natick, Massachusetts. Remains of 1 LT Pezzella, who was killed during the Operation TIDAL WAVE, Bucharest, Romania, 1943, will be laid to rest at the Massachusetts National Cemetery, in Bourne, Massachusetts on this day.