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Westminster, MD – This fall, Americans will pause to remember the 100th anniversary of the Armistice, which ended World War I. The 29th Division Association, the Business Advocates for Veterans, the City of Westminster, and the Carroll County Public Library invite you to the Jerome L. Day Commemoration & Rededication of the historic Longwell Avenue Armory on **Saturday, October 6, from 2:00 to 4:30 pm.**

Private Jerome L. Day served in H Company of the 29th Division, United States Army. Members of H Company, including Private Day, were assigned to the Westminster Armory and deployed from this location to serve their country during World War I. Private Day was killed in action on October 8, 1918 in the Battle of Malbrouck Hill, France, becoming the first casualty of WWI from Carroll County. Join special guest Deputy Secretary Robert Finn, Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs, in remembering Private Day on the anniversary of his death, as well as all Carroll Countians who served in World War I.

Commemoration Activities include: wreath laying in the Memorial Garden at Westminster City Hall, keynote speaker CSM Thomas B. Beyard at the Longwell Avenue Armory Building, Chas Rittenhouse, Sr. will portray General John Pershing, and Susan Thompson (Command Historian for CECOM, US Army Aberdeen Proving Ground) will discuss the use of carrier pigeons in wartime, and tours of the Longwell Avenue Armory Building. *Refreshments will be available.*

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Please RSVP for this event at rsvp@carr.org. For more information, contact Tony Eckard at 443.293.3129 or saeckard@carr.org.

