THE QUEEN ELIZABETH HOSPITAL

Building a healthier future together and joining others in celebration of 80 years of peace



"At The Queen Elizabeth Hospital (QEH), we take great pride in our longstanding tradition of honouring our veterans and our strong connections with the armed forces community.

"As part of the 80th anniversary celebrations of VE Day on 8 May 2025, we are committed to recognising and remembering the immense sacrifices made by those who served during the Second

World War, including healthcare workers who risked their lives to care for both military personnel and civilians.

"We will raise the VE Day 80 Flag at 9am, followed by lighting a Lamp Light of Peace and singing "I Vow To Thee My Country" at 9.30pm on 8 May, as a tribute to the veterans who protected our freedom and to those who gave their lives for the cause of peace.

"This moment provides us with the opportunity to reflect on the courage, resilience, and spirit of unity that defined those pivotal years. At QEH, we remain dedicated to supporting the veterans and the wider community, and we invite all those who serve and care for others to join us in this significant commemoration."



Alice Webster CEO The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn NHS Foundation Trust

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above
Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love
The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test
That lays upon the altar, the dearest and the best
The love that never falters, the love that pays the price
The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice

And there's another country, I've heard of long ago
Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know
We may not count her armies, we may not see her king
Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering
And soul by soul, and silently her shining bounds increase
And her ways are ways of gentleness, and all her paths are peace

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