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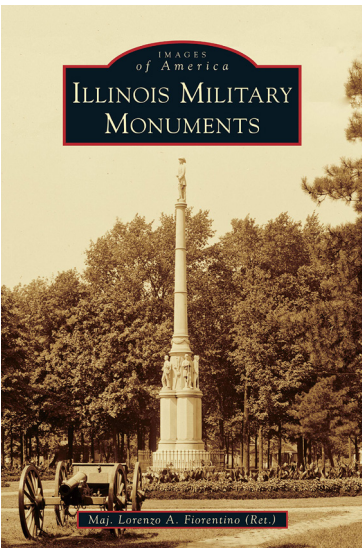
SUNDAY, JUNE 27 @ 3 P.M.

Solemn Duty:

The Old Guard and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

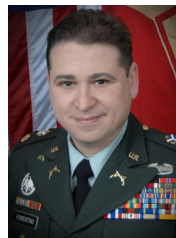


On June 27, **Michael Holub** will offer a revealing look at one of the U.S. military's most elite units, the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment. Holub will highlight all the duties and Special Units within the Regiment, including its pivotal involvement in the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. The Tomb was erected in Arlington Cemetery in 1921 to commemorate deceased service members whose remains haven't been identified. Since 1948, soldiers from the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment have been charged with standing watch over this storied shrine, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. As a member of the fabled Old Guard, Holub upheld that sacred trust throughout his tour of duty from 1972-74. Heartfelt experiences and thought-provoking history are combined in the former Army Specialist's illuminating presentation.



SUNDAY, AUGUST 22 @ 3 P.M.

Forgotten Treasures: The Military Monuments of Illinois



On August 22, **Lorenzo Fiorentino** will offer a lively AV exploration of Illinois' military monuments. A retired Army Major with a lifelong interest in military history, Fiorentino watched for decades as Illinois' military monuments faded into obscurity and fell into disrepair. In January of 2018, he decided to do something about it. Traveling the length and breadth of the state to research and photograph these stirring acts of devotion, he assembled the material into a book that was published in the summer of 2019. "It truly was a labor of love," Fiorentino says. A richly illustrated 128-page volume, "Illinois Military Monuments" celebrates 85 of our state's many moving military tributes. Fiorentino's presentation will be followed by a book signing.

The Italian American Veterans Museum is located on the third floor of the Office Center at Casa Italia, 3800 Division St., Stone Park. The museum will be open at 2 p.m. for both events, with light refreshments served. Admission is free, but donations are welcome, and ***RESERVATIONS ARE A MUST***. Attendance is limited to fully-vaccinated individuals, and other requirements may apply. Call 708-338-0690 and leave your name, phone number and the number of people in your party. For directions to the museum, visit www.iavmuseum.org.

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