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Thanksgiving is a traditional time of remembrance and gratitude for the year's harvest. As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches and we prepare to gather around the table with friends and family to offer thanks for the many blessings we have as Americans, we would like to acknowledge and thank all those who have pledged their support to Ike's Memorial. Your contributions have made it possible for us to

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move ever closer to dedication of the Eisenhower National Memorial in the heart of our nation's capital by May 8, 2020, the 75th anniversary of Victory in Europe in World War II.

We are grateful for all that you do and wish you and your families a very Happy Thanksgiving!



The Eisenhower family at Thanksgiving following his 1952 election, image courtesy of [Getty Images](#)

Happy Birthday Mamie!

On November 14, 1896, Mamie Geneva Doud was born in Boone, Iowa. A trendsetting First Lady, in 1957, Mamie Eisenhower became the first First Lady to accept the traditional gift of a turkey annually presented to the presidential family.

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Mamie Eisenhower on her sixtieth birthday, 1956, image courtesy of the [National Archives](#)

Mamie Eisenhower's Deep Dish Apple Pie

Pie is as essential to the Thanksgiving meal as the turkey! From traditional Sweet Potato to trendy Bourbon-Toffee-Pecan, there are a plethora of recipe options. And when it comes to pie, we subscribe to the "if some is good, more is better" theory. As you plan your Thanksgiving menus and gather your recipes, you would be remiss not to include a version of the classic American Apple Pie. So in addition to your tried-and-true recipes, we recommend adding Mamie's famous Deep Dish Apple Pie to the assortment at this Thanksgiving's dessert table.

Deep Dish Apple Pie:

6 tart apples
 ½ cup sugar
 ½ cup brown sugar
 ½ teaspoon nutmeg
 Grated rind of 1 lemon
 Grated rind of 1 orange
 3 tablespoons butter or margarine

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Pare and core apples; cut into eights. Place in deep, greased baking dish. Combine sugar, brown sugar, nutmeg, lemon rind and orange rind. Sprinkle over apples. Dot with butter or margarine. Top with thin sheet of pastry, pricked in a design. Bake in hot oven. (425 degrees) Serves six.

Pastry:

2 cups flour
¾ teaspoon salt
⅔ cup shortening
cold water

Sift flour; measure. Mix and sift flour and salt. Cut in shortening with 2 knives or pastry blender until flour shortening particles are about the size of small peas. Sprinkle 1 tablespoon cold water over mixture and mix in lightly with a fork. Continue adding water in this fashion until pastry gathers around fork in a soft ball. Divide pastry in half and roll each half separately on lightly floured board to 1/8" thickness. Handle rolling pin very lightly. Makes enough for two-crust 9" pie.

Note: Make ½ this recipe for deep dish or one crust pies.

Recipe courtesy of the [Eisenhower Presidential Library](#)

Ike's Timeless Legacy



In November 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the 11th of the month to be Armistice Day, exactly one year after hostilities in World War I ceased between Allied nations and Germany at [“the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month.”](#)

Understanding the immeasurable sacrifices of American soldiers during World War II and the Korean War, President Eisenhower signed legislation on June 1, 1954, replacing the word “Armistice” with “Veterans,” thereby marking the day as an honor to American

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veterans of all wars.

As Eisenhower stated in the first Veterans Day Proclamation, "On [this] day let us solemnly remember the sacrifices of all those who fought so valiantly, on the seas, in the air, and on foreign shores, to preserve our heritage of freedom." We thank all those who have served and are currently serving for their dedication to defending the liberties we hold as Americans.

We encourage you to [donate](#) today to help us construct the National Memorial to General and President Eisenhower and the troops who fought under his command, so our World War II and Korean War veterans can visit in their lifetimes. To learn more about Eisenhower's role in the designation of Veterans Day, click [here](#).

"Each of you bears upon his body the permanent, honorable scars of dangerous service: service rendered in order that our great nation might continue to live according to the expressed will of its own citizens."

- Dwight D. Eisenhower, Speech at American University to the graduating class of National Service Officers from a program for disabled veterans, February 10, 1946

(engraved on the Disabled American Veterans for Life Memorial in Washington, DC)

Test Your Ike'spertise

Trivia Question: What national crisis caused the Eisenhowers to serve applesauce at their Thanksgiving dinner in 1959?

(See answer below)

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Trivia Answer: The Great Cranberry Scare of 1959. On November 9, 1959, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, Arthur S. Fleming, informed the public that a batch of cranberries from the Pacific Northwest had tested positive for the herbicide aminotriazole. Households throughout the country opted to play it safe, and waited with relish to see what the President and First Lady would do. On Friday, November 27, the Associated Press reported: "No Cranberries for President." Happy Thanksgiving!

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