## ANNUAL GUNNERS' MEMORIAL SERVICE WESTERN PROVINCE BRANCH 10 MARCH 2013

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Maj Gen R.C. Andersen, Chief Defence Reserves, Brig Gen J.S. Mbuli, GOC ADA Fmn and Brig Gen H.G. Holtzhausen, GOC Artillery FMN attended the Annual Gunners' Memorial Service



SSgt Andrew Imrie, CFA Piper



Capt M.A. Goetham from CGA was the parade commander



**Gunners' Memorial** 

Photo's by Maj D. Coetzee and LCpl L. Wessels

On Sunday 10 March 2013 the Annual Gunners' Memorial Service of the Western Cape Branch of the Gunners' Association took place in The Gardens in Cape Town.

This prestigious event on the ceremonial calendar of the DOD and in particular the Reserve Force once again was executed in a professional manner.

The units on parade were the URTP members from Cape Garrison Artillery as well as the Cape Field Artillery. The parade commander was Capt M.A. Goetham and the parade Warrant Officer was WO2 L. Toorn. The SA Army Band Cape Town provided the music for the service.

The service was led by Chaplain A.W. Bethke and the executive Deputy Mayor Alderman Ian Nielsen addressed the members present on behalf of the City of Cape Town.

A troop of the Cape Field Artillery fired two salvos to mark the beginning and the end of the two minutes silence before the wreath laying ceremony commenced. The Troop Commander was Capt T. Mali and the Group Sergeant Major was WO2 K. Laskey. The Piper from Cape Field Artillery, SSgt A. Imrie played the Lament during the ceremony.

It was a beautiful summer's day in Cape Town and the memories of those who died were indeed not forgotten.



**CFA Gun Troop firing a salvo**