# VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK BLAINE, MN











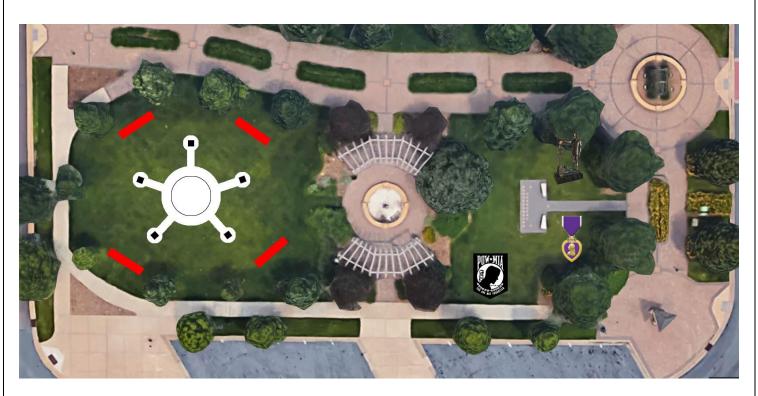




"A NATION THAT DOES NOT HONOR ITS HEROES WILL NOT ENDURE"
- ABRAHAM LINCOLN

**Purpose:** Build an elite level Veteran Park that will honor, Fallen Soldiers, Purple Heart recipients, POW/MIA, 5 Service Branches, and War Memorials.

**Site:** Pre-existing park across the street from Blaine City Hall



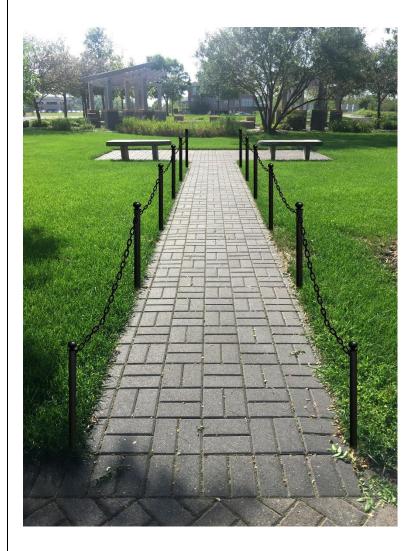
#### Eastern Portion of Park

- ◆ Dedicated to Fallen Soldiers, Wounded Soldiers and POW/MIA.
- ♦ Fallen Soldier Monument
- ◆ Purple Heart Monument
- ♦ POW/MIA Monument
- ♦ Walk of Valor

#### Western Portion of Park

- ♦ Centerpiece Structure
- ♦ Service Branch Monuments
- War Memorials

#### Walk of Valor



Details of who would be qualified to be honored in the Walk of Valor need to be finalized.

#### **Potential Candidates**

- ♦ Fallen Soldiers
- ♦ Purple Heart Recipients
- ♦ Medal of Honor Recipients
- Etc.

Bricks made for each candidate would be placed in the preexisting path. Sample below



# **Purple Heart Memorial**



The Purple Heart Monument in this photo is a monument that is currently in Veterans Memorial Park in Colorado Springs. We would create our own Purple Heart Monument that would go into this area.

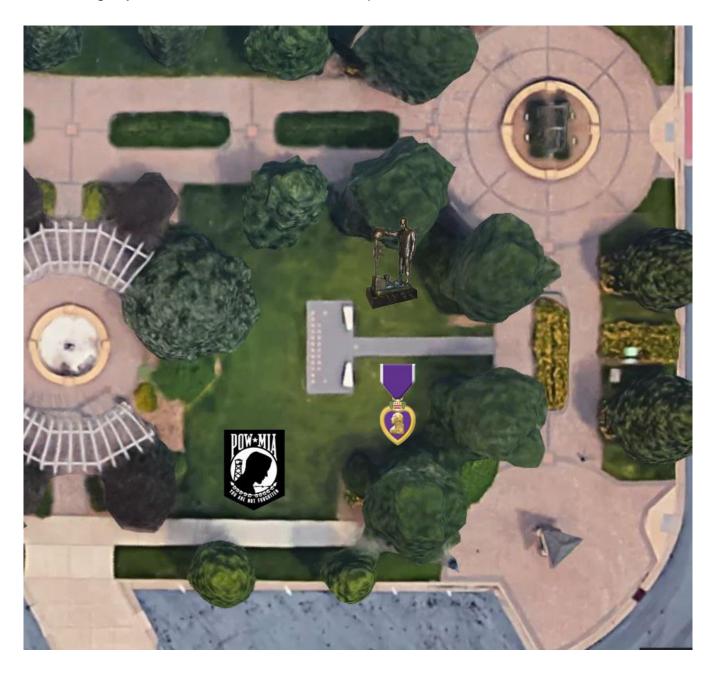
## Fallen Soldier Memorial



This is a perfect setting for a Fallen Soldier memorial. The bushes and opening in the trees in the background allow for the American Flag to be seen in the background.

## **POW/MIA Memorial**

I do not have a photograph of this area. When you look at the main aerial photo. This would be slightly to the south west of the Purple Heart Memorial



## Military Branch / War Memorial Section



This is not an overly accurate depiction. When you look at the aerial photo, There would be a large round cement slab which would be the sight of the key centerpiece structure. Coming off that slab would be 5 short walkways. At the end of each walkway would be a structure (similar to what is pictured) of monuments dedicated to the Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard.

Also in this open field surrounding these service branch monuments would be monuments dedicated to various Wars. WWII, Korea, Vietnam. War on Terror.

## Centerpiece Structure



Key centerpiece structure would need to be designed

This Centerpiece monument is at Veteran Memorial Park in Colorado Springs, CO. This image shows what I was referring to when I spoke about the large cement slab with the 5 short walkways that would be in the Military Branch / War Memorial portion of the park

## Other Park Areas



There is a very nice trellised gazebo type structure that contains a fountain in the middle. There are no plans at this point for this area but it has a lot of possibilities for future ideas.