

# History

In June 1989, over 80,000 people gathered at Antelope Park to view the traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall. The area where the "Wall" was located, originally a ball field, became a sacred area for many people and was never the same.

A citizens advisory committee was appointed by Mayor Bill Harris in 1991 to provide guidance regarding development and management of Lincoln's Veterans Memorial Garden.

## Lincoln's Little Sister of Lady Liberty

Lincoln Boy Scouts donated Lincoln's Little Sister of Liberty in 1951. It is one of about 200 replicas of the Statue of Liberty that were donated to communities in 39 states to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. The statue was originally dedicate at the corner of 27th and A streets. After two moves, it now stands in the Veterans Memorial Garden.



## Honor. Inspire. Educate.

A walking tour of more than twenty military monuments and 5,500 inscribed bricks is available in Lincoln's Veterans Memorial Garden in historic Antelope Park. The Garden is a place of solemn beauty allowing peaceful reflection. It serves as a permanent reminder of the sacrifices veterans have made to preserve our freedom.

- Garden hours are 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily.
- Restrooms are available April to October.
- Parking is available north and south of the garden.
- Admission is free.
- Donations are accepted.

**Veterans Memorial Garden  
Antelope Park  
3200 Veterans Memorial Drive  
(402) 441-7847**

**For more information on the Garden,  
follow this QR code or visit  
[lincoln.ne.gov](http://lincoln.ne.gov) (keyword: Veterans Garden).**



# Lincoln's VETERANS Memorial Garden



*"Honor to the Soldier, and Sailor everywhere,  
who bravely bears his country's cause."*

—Abraham Lincoln





# Lincoln's Veterans Memorial Garden Memorials & Monuments

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|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Lady Liberty and Star Bed | 13. Pearl Harbor               | 23. Marine Corps                     |
| 2. World War I               | 14. Women's Service Pilots     | 24. Tuskegee Airmen/Buffalo Soldiers |
| 3. Pre-1900                  | 15. All Airmen                 | 25. Airborne                         |
| 4. World War II              | 16. Disabled American Veterans | 26. Post 911                         |
| 5. Korean War                | 17. Purple Heart               | 27. Military Medical                 |
| 6. Vietnam War               | 18. K9 Corps                   | 28. US Navy Armed Guard              |
| 7. After 1980                | 19. China, Burma, India        | 29. Military Women                   |
| 8. Family/Peacetime          | 20. Doolittle Raiders          | 30. Ex-Prisoners of War              |
| 9. POW/MIA                   | 21. Special Forces             | 31. Bricks of Honor Path             |
| 10. Silent Death             | 22. US Navy Seabees            |                                      |
| 11. Coast Guard              |                                |                                      |
| 12. Merchant Marine          |                                |                                      |



## EVENTS

Events are held in the Veterans Memorial Garden each year recognizing Memorial Day, Patriots' Day, Veterans Day and Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. On these, and other holidays, all 46 flags are flying in commemoration.

An annual dedication of newly placed Bricks of Honor is held on the second Saturday in June.

## WHAT YOU CAN DO

### BRICKS OF HONOR

"Bricks of Honor" are available for sponsorship to recognize Veterans, living or deceased, who received an Honorable or General Discharge. New inscribed bricks are placed in a brickholder along a walk near the central lawn in the Garden.

Inscribed bricks recognizing Veterans organizations and Auxiliary organizations may be sponsored and placed in the Family Section.

All proceeds from Bricks of Honor sponsorships support an endowment for perpetual care of the inscribed bricks and brick holders.

Contact the Lincoln Parks Foundation at [LincolnParks.org](http://LincolnParks.org) or at (402) 441-8258 to sponsor a Brick of Honor.



## Veterans Memorial Garden Advisory Council

The mission of the Veterans Memorial Garden Advisory Council (VMGAC) is to recommend policy to the Director of Parks and Recreation, the City Council, and the Mayor on issues relating to the development, design, programming, and management of the Garden area, to promote public awareness of the Garden; and to coordinate events presented in the Garden.