Lincoln Rotary Club / City of Lincoln
Hometown Heroes
Military Tribute Banner Program

As of Jan. 15, 2019 all current banner locations have been filled. If you wish to be placed on a waiting list, submit the application but do not send a check. When we are ready to start the rotation out, you will be contacted!

Each individual banner will be unique and will honor a soldier. The banner will include the soldier’s photo, branch of service, and era of service. Any soldier active, living, or deceased is eligible for placement on the banner. We will be taking orders over the next few months, but the banners will be on a first come first serve basis. The project is non-political and non-partisan. This is a living memorial to those soldiers who served or are serving our country. Each banner will be approximately 22” wide by 65” high, and will display the sponsor name at the bottom. The cost of the banner will be $ 95 which includes the banner, attachment hardware, and installation. The banners will be displayed throughout the town.

If you would like to sponsor a banner, please fill out the enclosed form and provide a photo of your soldier along with payment. Applications should be made payable to:

Lincoln Hometown Heroes Program
C/O Kirby Rodgers, Sec./Tres.
34 Illini Drive, Lincoln IL 62656

Questions and concerns may be directed to the following steering committee members:

Carrie Pethy, Chair 217-828-2995
Jim Harnacke, Marine Corps League 217-737-4557
Kirby Rodgers, Secretary/Treasurer 217-737-1657
Don Jordan, Lincoln Rotary 217-732-4024
Ron Keller, City of Lincoln, Alderman 217-732-5476

Notes:

1. IF YOUR SOLDIER IS IN ACTIVE DUTY or IN A SENSITIVE POSITION, please get direct permission from them to have them placed on the banner in public view. The active-duty individual may need to get approval from their command to have it done.
2. Banners may be removed for seasonal decoration around the square and parks. Exact locations may be changed when they are re-hung.
3. Banner cost is projected between $95 each.
4. Financial assistance based on hardship may be requested by sponsor if applicable.
5. Once the locations have been filled, a waiting list may be generated.
6. When banners are taken out of rotation, the sponsor will be presented the banner.
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Full Name of Person in Photo: ________________________________
Era of Service (see Below) ________________________________
Branch of Military ________________________________
Include and rank or Honors if known ________________________________
Is the Veteran? Alive _____ Deceased _____ KIA _____ POW/MIA _____ Active Duty Today _____

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Name of Sponsor(s) will be printed on the bottom of banner
(Example: Wife Jane Smith or The Smith Family)

Name of Person Submitting Information ________________________________
Relationship to Hometown Hero ________________________________
Address ________________________________
City ________________________________ State __________ Zip __________
Phone Number ________________________________ E-mail ________________________________
Amount Enclosed $ __________ (application fee $ 95) Do not send until requested

Photo Release Form

I hereby grant the City of Lincoln and the Lincoln Rotary Club to use the enclosed photo (which includes a likeness of myself or my relative) in the Hometown Heroes Program. In addition, I take full responsibility that all the information provided about the veteran being honored is accurate and true.

Printed Name ________________________________ Signature ________________________________
Date __________

Eras of Service – Official DOD Dates

• WWI – April 6, 1917 – November 11, 1918
• WWII – December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946
• Vietnam Era – February 28, 1961 – May 7, 1975
• Cold War – September 2, 1945 – December 26, 1991
• Persian Gulf – August 2, 1990 – August 31, 1991
• Global War on Terrorism – September 11, 2001 – Present

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