

Facts

There is an urgency concerning WWII Veterans.

Did you know that:

- Approximately 640 WWII Veterans die each DAY.
- The average life expectancy for an American male is 74.7 years – while the youngest WWII Veteran is over 85 years old.
- Sky-rocketing healthcare costs have drained the life savings of most WWII Veterans and their spouses.
- Veterans of WWII have waited over 68 years for THEIR memorial. Most of them have been unable to visit it...UNTIL NOW.



The mission of the Honor Flight Network is to transport America's veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor their sacrifices. Top priority is given to America's most senior veterans – survivors of WWII – followed by Korean & Vietnam Veterans and any veterans with a terminal illness who wish to visit THEIR memorial.



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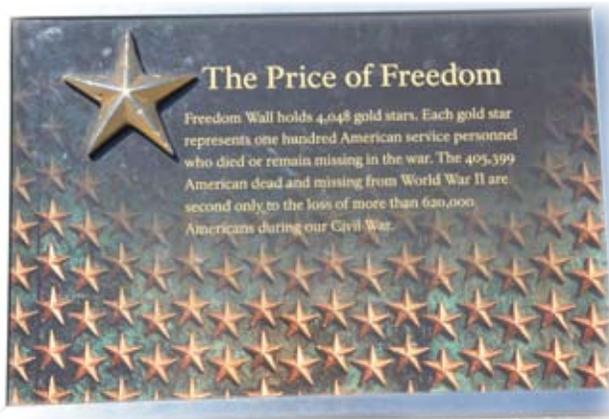
Honor Flight Hub

Dedicated to

AMERICAN VETERANS

Visiting their Memorials





On May 29, 2004

President Bush dedicated the World War II Memorial to honor “The Greatest Generation.” Regrettably, very few of these veterans have the funds or physical stamina to complete a conventional trip to Washington, D.C. on their own.

It is our intention to honor as many of these selfless “ordinary people who saved the world” as we can by providing them a FREE trip to visit their memorial. Our program operates on donations from organizations and individuals. We also provide trained “guardians” who personally escort the veterans on the aircraft and accompany them to the memorials throughout the day. Guardians pay their own way. Medical EMTs are with us on every flight.



The Rhode Island Fire Chiefs Honor Flight Hub began in August of 2012. Since then over 300 RI World War II veterans have been brought to Washington, DC to visit their memorial. Rhode Islanders played an important role in the design and construction of the Memorial. It was designed by Friedrich St. Florian, a professor at the Rhode Island School of Design. Gilbane Building Company provided construction management services for the project and New England Stone Industries, the overall granite sub-contractor, fabricated the Memorial’s stone pillars and vertical walls at its plants in Smithfield and Quonset Point, R.I.

Every veteran deserves to visit his or her memorial. The Honor Flight Network is determined to accomplish this mission as long as funding and volunteers are available. The terminally ill and WWII Veterans are our top priority, followed by those Korean and Vietnam Veterans who have never been able to visit their memorial.

Our flying season is April through November. During the winter months we continue to expand our operations by conducting fundraising and educating the public.



What Can You Do To Help?

- **Help spread the word** about Honor Flight! Inform your local media, clubs and fraternal organizations (i.e. American Legion, VFW, etc.) about our program.
- **Help register a Rhode Island WWII Veteran** by assisting with the application. We transport veterans in the order that we receive the applications.



- **Support our mission through your donation.** RI Fire Chiefs Honor Flight HUB is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization. Honor Flight receives NO government funding. Honor Flight relies on individual, corporate, and organizational donations. All donations are tax deductible and GREATLY appreciated! However, we do NOT accept donations from WWII Veterans; they have given enough. If you wish to submit a donation, contact information is provided below.

For information and applications, visit our website at www.rifirechiefs.com

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