

DeKalb Military Hometown Heroes Banners

Purpose and Description of Program:

The DeKalb Hometown Heroes banners is a joint project of the DeKalb American Legion Post 66 and the City of DeKalb. This program was created to pay tribute to the brave men and women from DeKalb, Illinois who are serving, have served, or have given their life to our country in one of the United States Armed Forces.

The Hometown Heroes banners will be displayed on Locust Street in Downtown DeKalb. (All banner locations shall be determined solely by the City of DeKalb).

About the Banners

The Banners will be 18 inches wide and 38 inches tall. They will have a 3 inch pocket top and bottom and will feature the Service's members name, photo image, military branch and rank. Also sponsored by name (family or Business). These banners will be placed on poles for times approved by the City of DeKalb, and will be used for a period of (3) years before they will have to be renewed.

Eligibility

The individual to be recognized must reside or have resided in the City of DeKalb and call DeKalb their hometown. Individuals must have served in any of the following branches (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, National Guard and Coast Guard) and must also meet one of the following conditions

- **Currently be active service member**
- **Be an honorably discharged veteran**
- **Died in the line of duty**

To Register for a Banner

To register for a banner, simply complete the Application Form and the Release Statement. Return your completed forms along with the requested information and your payment (once approved) to:

**DeKalb American Legion Post 66
Attention: Post Commander
1204 S 4th St - DeKalb, Illinois 60115**

Please Note: Due to the limited number of locations available, a selection committee appointed by the Post Commander will accept applications and review the application to include both current serving military and veterans from the various branches.

Applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-served basis by the Military Veteran selection committee. Once the application is verified, the Commander will notify the applicant/family of the approval and have the banner created.

Once a selection is made the military member or veteran family will be contacted and the **\$100.00** fee and other information will be required.

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Honoree Information Name of Service Person*: (Please Print)

First, _____ MI (if used on banner) _____ Last _____ Rank _____

* Spelling of Service person's name will be taken directly from this application.

Is Service Person a resident or have resided in the City of DeKalb? Yes ___ No ___

Branch of the U.S. Military Service: ___ U.S. Army; ___ U.S. Navy;
___ U.S. Coast Guard; ___ U.S. Marine Corps; ___ U.S. Air Force

What you will need to submit: • Completed Application • 5 x 7 (or larger) high quality rez photo
of the Service Person in uniform. (Photo will be returned). • Military

Verification Form required (e.g. Military ID, DD214, etc.)

Applicant Contact Information Please complete the following information to allow us to contact you should we have any questions. Name: _____

Address: _____ Street _____
City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Home Phone: _____
Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship to Service Person name and signature: _____

Print Name

Signature

The Service Person being honored (if living) will need to grant permission to for their name and likeness to be placed on a banner in the City of DeKalb.

Release Agreement for living Service Members:

I hereby agree that my name and likeness may be used:

Signature

Date

This is a project for the DeKalb American Legion to continue to support the advancement of veteran events for a more positive cause to honor current serving military and veterans.

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