Dedicated to All

Dedicated in 1991, the All Veterans Memorial Park, honors all Veterans from the Civil War through today The first feature placed at the Memorial was a World War II M-4A3 Sherman tank, similar to the tank used by Emporian Sgt Grant Timmerman, Marine Tanker and WWII Pacific Theater Veteran who heroically gave his life and saved his tank crew resulting in his award of the Medal of Honor. Sgt Timmerman is honored at the Timmerman Medal of Honor Alcove in the park.

Circle of Honor & Monuments

The Circle of Honor, located in the center of the Memorial, encompasses the Military Order of the Purple Heart Monument for the State of Kansas. The Circle of Honor consists of original fieldstone monuments for every major conflict fought since the founding of the City of Emporia. In addition, these monuments support flag mast that, on special military dates, fly every branch of service flag. The Gold Star Families Flag is flown on Memorial Day, Veterans Day and Gold Star Mothers Day. The POW/MIA is flown directly below our Nation's Colors all day - every day.

In 2001 the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was dedicated and located under a Huey helicopter from the Vietnam War.

2022 saw the latest monument placed - the "Battle Field Cross" for fallen Warriors. Discover additional monuments when you visit.

Major Park Events

Please join us annually at one of our three major events.

Emporia Freedom Fest - First Saturday every November. Discover Emporia Freedom Fest at <u>emporiafreedomfest.org</u>

The All Veterans Day Service and Parade -Local Veterans Service Organizations host this moving service, dedicated to all Veterans and their families , and the Parade annually. Details for the Parade and service are found each year at visitemporia.com

Memorial Day Service - held on-site, this moving service reminds all of us of the sacrifice many have made to protect our freedom and liberty. Annual service details are found at visitemporia.com



The Emporia All Veterans Memorial Park

https://allveteransday.org

Location: 931 S. Commercial St, Emporia, KS



The All Veterans Memorial is a beautiful memorial park that honors all Veterans and their families year round, all hours, with no admission fees.



Support the Park!

The park is managed by a group of hard working volunteers and sustained through donations of time treasure and talent. The park grounds are maintained by staff from the City of Emporia and volunteers. Donations to support the park may be sent to: Soden's Grove All Veterans Memorial Association, PO BOX 1632 - Emporia, KS 66801



Tablets of Honor

In 2016, the park dramatically expanded with the Tablets of Honor Program. Each Tablet honors 80 service members recognized and honored by family members and friends from across the region.

The Tablets of Honor Walk weaves through the park and you may find many familiar names on each Tablet.

To dedicate a plaque or nameplate please visit our Tablets of Honor page at <u>allveteransday.org</u> You can also take a virtual tour and <u>download a directory</u>.

Flags are Flown In Honor of....

Throughout the year, flags are posted in honor of important military holidays, branches of the Military and Agencies. Volunteers put flags up at 8am and take them down at 4pm. This special recognition exemplifies the community's dedication to our Veterans and their families.



Discover the Park

The park contains numerous monuments & over 1000 nameplates, multiple plaques and benches to remember, reflect and honor all who served. Each monument has been carefully selected to represent the service of our Veterans through the history of our community.

Monument Information and Park Updates

While you are walking the park grab your phone and read about each monument at our web site. On the WEB: <u>allveteransday.org</u> OR through Social Media: https://www.facebook.com/allvetsmemorial