

Florida National Cemetery Freedom Memorial Plaza Project





Florida National Cemetery Background

- **Established in 1987 in Bushnell Florida**
- **Executive Director Tony Thomas**
- **Second busiest VA cemetery in U.S.**
- **Encompassing 600+ acres with expansion to 762**
- **Over 500,000 visitors**
- **Over 165,000 interments**
- **Average 30 Interments daily & 7,000 annually**
- **105,000 flags placed on graves on Memorial Day**
- **30,000 wreathes placed in December**
- **Over 70 participate in volunteer program**



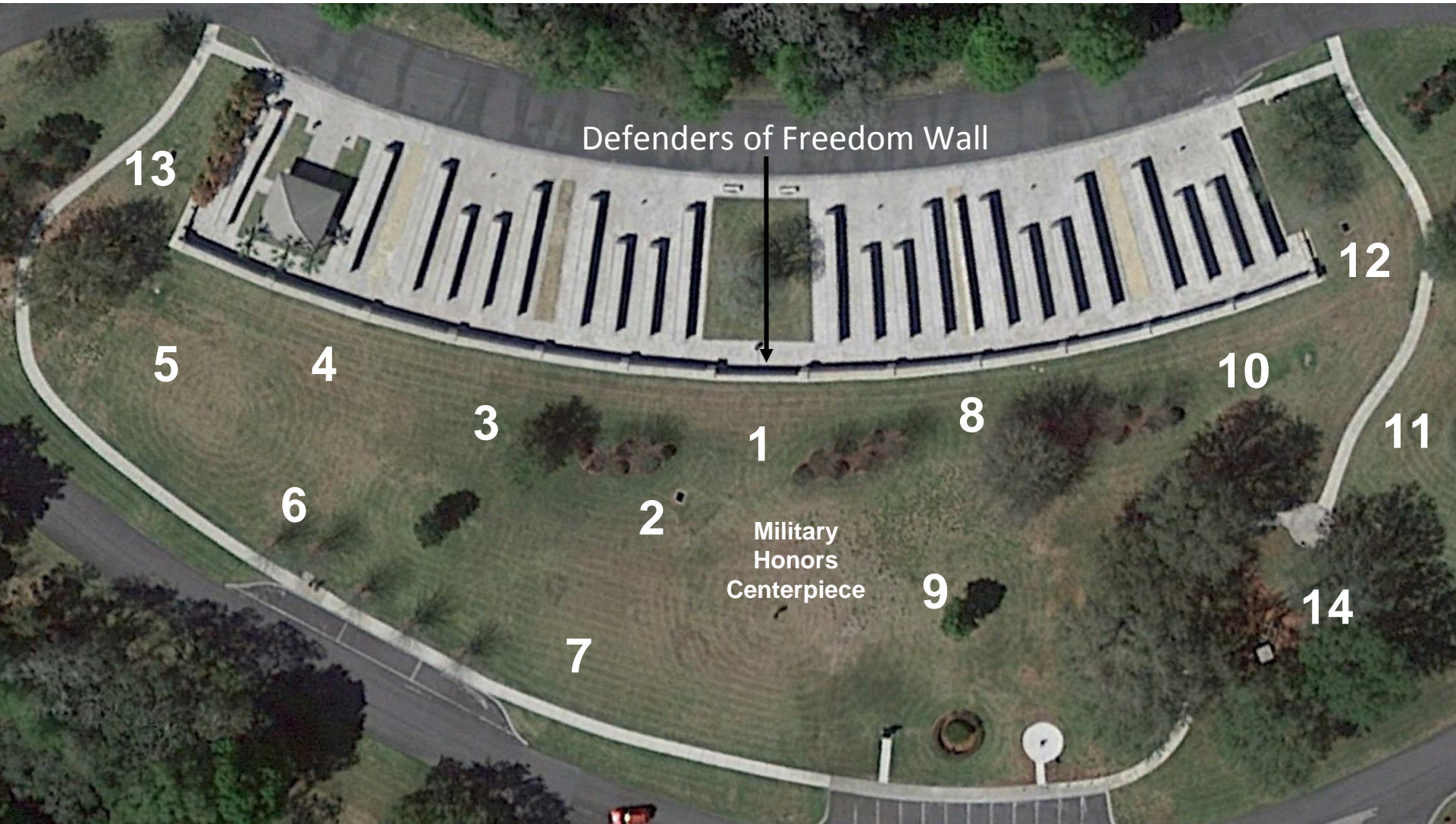
FNC Freedom Memorial Plaza Committee

- **Sole mission/purpose – raise funds for the creation of Freedom Memorial Plaza at Florida National Cemetery**
- **Non-profit 501 c (3) Organization EIN83-209343**
- **Joint veterans support committee (JVSC)**
- **100% volunteer organization**
- **All funds go direct to Freedom Memorial Plaza**



Freedom Memorial Plaza

Defenders of Freedom Wall &
Centerpiece with 14 Surrounding Monuments





Freedom Memorial Plaza Envisioned Memorials

1. Vietnam
2. Native American
3. POW – MIA
4. Purple Heart
5. Medal of Honor
6. Gold Star Families
7. Women Veterans
8. Special Forces
9. WW II
10. Korea
11. Iraq/Afghanistan
12. TBD
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Defenders of Freedom Wall



3' X 470' Wall Covered With Etched Black Granite Panels Depicting Scenes From Every U.S. Conflict Since The Revolutionary War



Burial with Honors Centerpiece Memorial

Centerpiece of life-size Army and Marine soldiers bronze statues conducting military honors and folding flag above casket

Surrounded by 3'x7' gray granite columns with 24"x18" porcelain on steel plate photos of the following:

- **Air Force firing detail presenting arms**
- **Coast Guard member playing taps**
- **Army funeral honors**
- **Marine funeral honors**
- **Navy funeral honors**
- **Soldier presenting awards**
- **Soldier presenting folded flag**
- **Widow and child accepting flag**



Centerpiece Monument Example

LIFESIZE BRONZE
FIGURE

LIFESIZE STAINLESS STEEL FLAG
POWDER COATED COLORS

LIFESIZE BRONZE
FIGURE



LIFESIZE BRONZE CASKET

LIFESIZE BRONZE BASE



Surround Monument Examples

3' x 7' gray granite

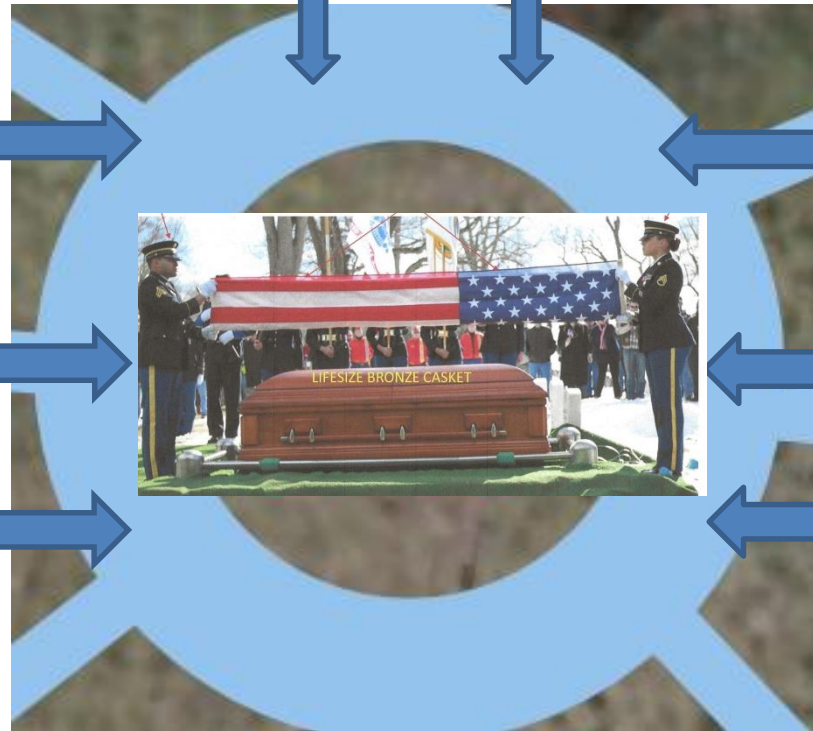
18" x 24" porcelain on steel plate color photo insert

18" diameter branch of service badge





Centerpiece Memorial Plot Plan with Surrounding Gray Granite Columns



40' diameter area with (8) 3' x 7' columns equally spaced around parameter



Freedom Memorial Plaza Cost Estimates:

Centerpiece & Wall - \$750,000

Total - \$10 Million

Can we count on your support?

Thank You