

Pocahontas County Veterans' Monument
99 Court Square, Suite 1
Pocahontas, Iowa 50574-1614

March 8, 2023

Dear veterans, veterans' families and friends of veterans:

The Pocahontas County Veterans' Monument was erected in front of the south entrance of the county Courthouse and dedicated on June 23, 2007. It is an ongoing project in honor and memory of all Pocahontas county men and women who served our nation protecting our freedoms. Applications to have veterans' names sandblasted on the monument are being accepted for active duty veterans and for guardsmen and reservists who meet the eligibility of veteran status as per Iowa Code 35.1 and 38 U.S.C. 101(2).

We invite individuals to apply to have the names of living or deceased, peacetime or wartime honorably discharged veterans and guardsmen and reservists with veteran status who have lived in Pocahontas County sandblasted on their respective monument. Applications may be obtained from the Pocahontas County Veterans Affairs office at 99 Court Square, Suite 1, Pocahontas, Iowa (phone number 712-335-3270), by calling anyone on the committee at their respective phone numbers stated below or from the Pocahontas County Veterans Affairs website. All veterans' names whose applications have been received in the Pocahontas County Veterans Affairs office by March 1st each year will have their names submitted to the monument company for sandblasting on the monument before Memorial Day of that same year, weather permitting. Your donation of \$110.00 will help to pay for the sandblasting of the veteran's name on the black granite tablet under the time frame he or she served. If a veteran served in more than one war, a higher donation of the donor's choice may be made to help cover costs of sandblasting on a second tablet. All donations will help pay for the maintenance of the monument, the sandblasting of Pocahontas County veterans who fought in the Civil War, the Spanish American War and WWI, POW's, MIA's, KIA's, and recipients of a Purple Heart or Medal of Honor and other expenses of veterans whom the committee deems necessary.

Monument coins and pins are available for purchase. Please see information on the order form attached to this application.

We appreciate your participation in this tribute to those who have given their all or a portion of their lives to the service of our country. We thank every veteran for their service to our country and for the freedoms we enjoy every day.

Respectfully,

Pocahontas County Veterans' Monument Committee:
Director Orene Cressler (712-660-0155)
Chair Commissioner Keith Hoffman (712-841-2582)
Commissioner Merete Klocke (712-358-0513)
Commissioner Don Trexel (515-373-6753)

**POCAHONTAS COUNTY
VETERANS' MONUMENT APPLICATION
ALL VETERANS – DECEASED OR LIVING – PEACETIME OR WARTIME**

Eligibility of Veteran status is determined by utilizing Iowa Code 35.1 and 38 U.S.C. 101(2). Please complete the following questions:

1. Was the veteran a wartime Veteran? yes no
If yes, which war? _____
 2. Was the veteran:
Killed in Action yes no Missing in Action yes no
Prisoner of War yes no Purple Heart Recipient yes no
If you answered "yes" to any of the above, which war _____
 3. Was the veteran on active duty during peacetime only? yes no
 4. Did the veteran serve only in the guard or the reserves? yes no
If so, guard or reserves? _____
 5. If the veteran was a Guardsman or Reservist, did the veteran:
 - a. serve at least twenty years and was discharged under honorable conditions?
 yes no
 - b. complete a minimum of ninety days of active federal service, other than training, and was discharged under honorable conditions? yes no
 - c. retire with a physical disability under Title X of the United States Code?
 yes no
 6. Please circle the Pocahontas County, Iowa town that the veteran is/was from:
 - a. Fonda d. Laurens g. Plover j. Ware
 - b. Gilmore City e. Palmer h. Rolfe
 - c. Havelock f. Pocahontas i. Varina
 7. If the veteran meets the eligibility status of a veteran, how would you like the veteran's name sandblasted on the monument? _____
 8. What is the name and phone number(s) of the applicant/donor(s)? _____
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If the veteran's service is after WWI a contribution of \$110.00 per name is required; however, any additional contribution to help defray upkeep costs would be greatly appreciated. Your contribution is tax deductible. Make checks payable to the "Pocahontas County Veterans Monument Fund."

Thank you for applying to have your Veteran's name sandblasted on the monument. Return a completed application along with your check or money order and a copy of the Veteran's discharge to:

**Pocahontas County Veterans Monument Fund
23 3rd Ave. NE
Pocahontas, Iowa 50574**

If you know of a veteran who lived in Pocahontas County, but now resides elsewhere, please provide us their name and address or send them a copy of this application. Thank you in advance!

We still have monument coins for \$7.00 and monument pins for \$2.00 available. An order form is attached to this application.

**POCAHONTAS COUNTY VETERANS MONUMENT
COIN & PIN ORDER FORM**



Picture of front of coin



Picture of back of coin

POCAHONTAS CO



Picture of pin

| Items Available | Number you would like to purchase | Multiplied by price of each | Amount owing |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Pins | | x \$2.00 | \$ |
| Coins | | x \$7.00 | \$ |
| | | | Total \$ |

Please return this completed order form along with your check or money order for the total to:

**Pocahontas County Veterans Monument Fund
99 Court Square, Suite 1
Pocahontas, Iowa 50574**

Name of purchaser: _____

Address of purchaser: _____

Phone number of purchaser: _____