



Town of Porter Hometown Hero Banner Program 2023

Program Description

Communities throughout the state are taking the opportunity to thank our military service members by displaying patriotic street side banners with their photos. The Town of Porter is pleased to announce that we are offering our own Hometown Hero Banner Program as a way to recognize the sacrifice and commitment of those who served or presently serve in the military. The banners can be purchased by friends, families, community organizations or businesses. The banners are prominently displayed from Memorial Day through the fall along main roads in the community.

Banner Information

The full-color banners are 66" by 30", double-sided, made of durable vinyl, with a patriotic theme and include the Veteran's photo. They contain the Veteran's **name, branch of service and conflict or era of service**. They can include their rank and special honors (KIA, DIS, MIA, POW, Medal of Honor, Purple Heart, Bronze or Silver Star), although less lettering allows us to more prominently show their name and photo so they are more clearly visible from a distance.

Military Requirements

All service member banners must meet these requirements:

1. The sponsoring family/business/organization should be a resident of the Town of Porter, New York (includes the Village of Youngstown/hamlet of Ransomville). The service member to be recognized can also be a town resident, but this is not a requirement.
2. Did serve or are serving our country in Army, Marine, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Space Force, National Guard or National Reserve.
3. Must be serving currently, or be an honorably discharged veteran, MIA, or died in the line of service.

Banner Pricing

Each banner will cost the family or sponsor a total of \$190. This includes the banner, hardware for hanging, installation and storage. The banner is the property of the family and can be returned to them if requested at the end of the season, but it must be returned to the Porter Town Hall prior to May 1 if it is going to be rehung the next season. If the banner is stored by the Town of Porter, it will be hung each year until it wears out, or the family takes it. The manufacturer and other communities estimate the banners can be displayed for about 3 years depending on conditions.

Sponsorship/Donations

For individuals or businesses who would like to be a sponsor without purchasing a banner, monetary donations will be used for expenses beyond the cost of the banners and hardware.

Questions/Additional Information

For additional information/questions please e-mail: TownHistorian@townofporter.net



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- Please **print** clearly. This information is provided for the Hometown Heroes Banner.

Name of Military Member to be Honored:

Please PRINT the name exactly as you would like it to appear on the banner. We recommend first and last name. Use the middle name, initial or Sr/Jr only if it is needed for clarity – additional lettering requires that the print size be reduced, making the name less visible from a distance.

Military Branch:

Military Rank:

Years Served/Start Date to Finish Date:

Era of Service (see list next page):

Medals Awarded: Purple Heart Gold Star Silver Star other:

Is your veteran: Living Deceased KIA POW MIA Died in Service

Other details/information -- or you can also email or attach:

Sponsor's Name/Organization:

Relationship to Veteran:

Sponsor's Address:

Sponsor's Phone Number:

Sponsor's E-mail:

Date of Banner Form Submission:

I would like to purchase:

Banner \$190 _____

Do you have a preference where the banner is placed:

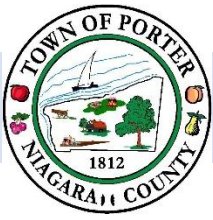
Village of Youngstown ; Hamlet of Ransomville ;

Town of Porter, eastern area to town line ;

Town of Porter, southwestern area to town line .

Signature _____

Date _____



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Eras of Service: Official Department of Defense dates: (Please choose the era of service you would like highlighted on the banner)

- Global War on Terror- September 11, 2001, to present
- Gulf War- August 2, 1990 – January 2, 1992
- Cold War- September 2, 1945 – December 26, 1991
- Vietnam –August 5, 1964 -May 7, 1975
- Korean War – June 27, 1950 – January 31, 1955
- WWII – December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946
- WW I – April 6, 1917 – November 11, 1918
- Civil War 1861 – 1865
- Peacetime (enter dates of service)_____

Veteran Approval

If the service member you are honoring is still living, please check with them to make sure they approve of the placement and information on the banner.

Photo for the Banner

Please supply the best quality photo you have of the veteran in uniform that you wish to appear on the banner. Electronic digital photos are requested to be 600 DPI for optimal reproduction use. Photos can be mailed, left at the Town Hall to be scanned, or you can digitally scan the photo and attach it as a jpg in an email. If you provide an original picture, it will be scanned and returned to you. Please attach a self-addressed envelope to return the photo to you.

Sponsorship

Any person, business or organization can help support the Hometown Hero program as a sponsor by making a donation. Contributions can be sent or dropped-off at the Town of Porter, 3265 Creek Road, Youngstown, NY 14174, note the contribution is for the Hometown Heroes Program.

Payment

Please make check payable to the Town of Porter, with the memo "Town of Porter Hometown Heroes Program." Remit physical checks (paper checks) only; no electronic payments accepted. Mail the check and application to Town Hall, 3265 Creek Road, Youngstown, NY 14174 or drop it off at the Town Hall.