To whom it may concern:

Washington Township is proud to announce that we are creating a Veterans Wall to honor those who have worn the uniform of the United States Military. This wall will honor Veterans who have completed honorable service in the United States Armed Forces during times of conflict and/or non-conflict. Washington Township is proud of our Veterans and we want to acknowledge their dedication and sacrifice. With the generous assistance of local donors, we will be able to give recognition to their honorable service to our country.

The wall will be located inside the Washington Township Municipal Building at 523 Egg Harbor Road, Sewell, NJ 08080. Each Veteran can have his/her military services, including conflict/campaigns serves, peace-time service, medals awarded and other information recognized. The wall will consist of a plaque for each Veteran containing a 5X7 picture along with a brief description of his/her military service.

We would like to honor you and/or any member of your immediate family who has served in the United States Military. **(Immediate family includes: spouse, parent, sibling, child)**

If you would like to participate, please complete the enclosed form and return it along with a **5X7** photograph of the Veteran - preferably in uniform. **Photographs and verification of service documents will not be returned.**

The initial unveiling of the Veterans Wall occurred on December 5, 2019; however, this will be an ongoing mission of my administration. You will be notified of future debut ceremonies, when known, for anyone who may wish to attend the event.

Forms, photographs, and documentation should be sent to:

Jason Gonter
Washington Township Business Administrator
523 Egg Harbor Road
Sewell, NJ 08080

If you have questions or need additional information, you may contact Jason Gonter via email at jgonter@twp.washington.nj.us or by phone at 856-589-0520 ext. 239.

Sincerely,

Joann Gattinelli, Mayor
Washington Township

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP VETERANS WALL

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LOCATION:

The wall will be located inside the Washington Township Municipal Building at 523 Egg Harbor Road, Sewell, NJ 08080. Each Veteran can have his/her military services, including conflict/campaigns serves, peace-time service, medals awarded and other information recognized. The wall will consist of a plaque for each Veteran containing a 5X7 picture along with a brief description of his/her military service. There will be a separate area dedicated to those Veterans who were Killed in Action and Missing in Action.

ELIGIBILITY:

Washington Township will be opening eligibility to the following individuals:

- ALL current residents of Washington Township.
- Veterans who lived in Washington Township at the time of entry into the service, but who do not live here now.
- Deceased Veterans of above categories regardless of whether the deceased Veteran died in combat or years later.
- Those who are Missing in Action.
- Veteran family members: parent, spouse, child, or sibling (including step relatives in those categories).
- Merchant Marine Service – WWII.
- Service in the U.S. Coast Guard.
- Retired Reservists with 20 years documented service.

SPONSORSHIP:

We are searching for sponsors who are willing to donate to this patriotic project. We feel that honoring our Veterans is extremely important. This is a way to acknowledge their sacrifices and thank them for their service to our country.

All sponsors will be recognized on the Wall with their own plaque, acknowledging their generous donation.

Attached is an application for the Washington Township Veterans Wall of Honor. **Please note that eligibility is limited to persons who have completed ACTIVE DUTY service in the United States Military and have been honorably discharged. National Guard members who were deployed overseas in a combat zone are also eligible.**

Please fill in as much information as possible.

If you can include the Veteran's DD 214, or some other form of discharge paper, it is extremely helpful.

In order to have a plaque made, the following information is **required**:

- Name + Rank – **Example: Sergeant, Petty Officer 1st Class** + Branch of Service
- Years of Service: **Example: 1960-1964**
- Job performed while in service. **Example: Combat Soldier; Radioman; Hospital Corpsman or Medic**
- Era which the Veteran served. **Example: WWII, Vietnam War or Korean War Era**

Please be sure to specify whether the Veteran was actually stationed in the country of conflict or served during a war-time period in a different place. For example, if the Veteran served during the time of the Vietnam War, was the Veteran actually in Vietnam or were they stationed somewhere else such as in the United States or Germany, etc.

- At least one unit, location or ship where Veteran was stationed.

Veterans who are not able to provide the above information will have their names added to a special plaque honoring those for whom information is not available.

Please submit a 5 X 7 photo of the Veteran, preferably in uniform. If no picture is available, a photo of the American Flag will be used instead.

Please note that eligibility for a Veteran to have a plaque on the Wall is limited to the following:

- A Veteran who is a resident of Washington Township at the time of entrance into the military.
- A current resident who is a Veteran.
- A member of a current resident's immediate family (parent, spouse, sibling, or child)
- Persons who state they resided in Washington Township at the time of entrance into the military must show proof.

When completed, please submit the application, photo and any documentation to the address on the bottom of the application. Please **DO NOT EMAIL** the information. **The email address is only attached to a cell phone and there is no way to print the information.**

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
VETERANS WALL OF HONOR APPLICATION

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Please fill in as much information as possible. Inclusion of a DD 214 or other form of discharge is extremely helpful.

Name of person submitting information:

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Phone: _____ Email: _____

Relationship of submitter to Veteran: _____

PROOF OF SERVICE – Acceptable proof is a DD 214; newspaper article; picture in uniform or other item that verifies person's service.

INFORMATION REGARDING VETERAN:

NAME: _____

BRANCH OF SERVICE: _____ **RANK:** _____

MOS/RATING: _____ **JOB PERFORMED IN MILITARY:** _____

TERM OF SERVICE: _____ (Example: 1969-1972)

CONFLICT/CAMPAIGN SERVED: _____
(Example: Korean War or Korean War Era/. Please specify if you were actually in combat or in war zone.)

MILITARY UNIT OR DESIGNATION: _____
(Example: Ship that you served on or unit to which you were attached. If more than one, please choose one.)

IS VETERAN CLASSIFIED AS MISSING OR KILLED IN ACTION? MIA _____ KIA _____

IF YES, PLEASE GIVE DATE OF DEATH OF DISAPPEARANCE: _____

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MEDAL/ AWARDS: _____

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If you were awarded the Silver Star or higher ranked medal, please include proof of receipt. If more space is needed to list awards, you may write on the back or attach another sheet of paper.

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PERSONAL REMEMBRANCE:

If you wish to include a brief paragraph of personal comments by or about the Veteran.

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Additional information or submissions may be submitted on a separate sheet of paper.

PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE A 5 X 7 PHOTO OF THE VETERAN, PREFERABLY IN UNIFORM.

Please return form to:
Washington Township Wall of Honor
c/o Municipal Building
523 Egg Harbor Road
Sewell, NJ 08080

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or via phone at (856) 589-0520 ext. 239.