Proposed Veterans' Memorial at Mount Pleasant Cemetery

Mount Pleasant Cemetery, located in Erie, Colorado is the final resting place of many Veterans of past wars and conflicts. A Veterans' Memorial area or monument, like that featured in other area cemeteries is lacking.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) maintains, as one of its objectives, the promotion of patriotism and performs this in significant efforts across the country, by honoring Veterans.

The Indian Peaks Chapter of the DAR, which serves Erie and the surrounding communities, would like to propose establishing a memorial to honor the interred Veterans of Mount Pleasant Cemetery. This would include the chapter assuming responsibility for the following activities:

- Working with the Town of Erie to determine an appropriate memorial for this unique cemetery (e.g., size, material used, whether all names of interred Veterans should be inscribed, etc.) and appropriate language included on any monument
- Raising the funds necessary to create a memorial/monument
- Coordinating a celebration to unveil the memorial/monument

We believe we will be able to access funding from our National Society in support of this project. Additionally, our group has experience raising funds for area non-profits, including the Lafayette Library for whom we raised \$2,000 to launch their pre-K reading program.

Many options for a memorial are available for consideration. Below are images from the Veterans Memorial within Lafayette Cemetery – a memorial that is far larger than what is envisioned for Mount Pleasant Cemetery:





The Louisville Cemetery features a memorial for a specific conflict:



We eagerly look forward to discussion of this proposal and hope to continue DAR's longstanding tradition of placing historical markers and monuments to honor our Veterans within Erie. Our chapter contact for this project is Allie Golon, agolonDAR@gmail.com.

Thank you for your consideration,

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