

Hospice of Redmond Seeks Community Support in Rebuilding their Veterans Wall of Honor

*When someone who can barely speak uses what little energy they have to tell tales of their time in the military, we honor them by listening. When someone in the last stages of their life requests a companion they can relate to, we honor them by providing one. When someone can only communicate in gestures, **we salute them.***

At Hospice of Redmond, We Honor Veterans.

Since 1981, a brick building on the corner of 23rd and Highland Avenue has been a steady presence in the Redmond community. It is the home to Hospice of Redmond. Physicians, Nurses, CNAs, social workers, chaplains and the rest of the team operate out of the distinctive administrative building – they check in, gather supplies, chart patient notes and ultimately hit the road to serve the terminally ill. Hospice of Redmond is proud to offer the highest level of compassionate care and bereavement services in Central Oregon. Support is offered wherever patients call “home.”

Hospice of Redmond is a 501c3 nonprofit organization, and they offer a myriad of other programs *aside from hospice* free of charge. This includes free veteran support. **Hospice of Redmond is part of the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization’s We Honor Veterans program as a Level IV partner.**

Maintaining a Level IV We Honor Veterans certification means that **Hospice of Redmond makes an effort to thank veteran patients in meaningful ways.** They offer a wide range of resources for veterans and families, and one way the organization proclaims its support for Veterans is through the Veterans Wall of Honor.

Veterans Wall of Honor

In November of 2013, Todd Springer of B&M Construction designed and created a large Veterans Wall of Honor on the Hospice of Redmond property. The Wall of Honor was provided through the generosity of Hospice of Redmond and Artyce Hawman. This stunning monument celebrates both living and deceased veterans who have honorably served in the Armed Forces of the United States, with some connection or link to the state of Oregon. The Honor Wall stands 30 feet long and 6 feet high. Granite panels are engraved with the veteran’s name, branch of service, years of service, and military conflict (if applicable). An American Flag and POW/MIA flag wave proudly over the wall.

Hospice of Redmond is proud to host Taps at the Wall on the third Wednesday of the month. Any community member can thank a veteran by adding their name to the Wall of Honor; each panel is installed independently once 61 names are collected. 671 names are currently engraved, and 44 of the 61 available slots have already been reserved for the next panel. The Wall of Honor is open to the public 24 hours a day, 7 days per week. Built on a promise to honor our service members, **Hospice of Redmond faces one problem with the Honor Wall.**

The Wall of Honor needs to be repaired.

Due to unforeseen conditions, bricks have tumbled to the ground and more will soon follow. Hospice of Redmond has some funds allocated to this repair, but to do the Wall of Honor justice, competitive bids suggest investing an additional \$10,000 to remove and replace the crumbling brick.

As a nonprofit organization, Hospice of Redmond asks for the community’s consideration to contribute to the Veterans Wall of Honor. Every dollar which goes towards this project will directly repair the exterior so it can stand proud. A financial donation to the Wall of Honor is a salute to veteran neighbors and friends. Thank you for your consideration and support.





Check can be made payable to Hospice of Redmond
(please note in the memo line: "Veterans Wall Repair")

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