



Flags of Our Heroes (FOOH) Program Description

"Flags of Our Heroes" is an initiative of the Honor Flight Network, conceived by a Vietnam Veteran and recipient of the Purple Heart the late Dave Bauer. The Rochester version of the program began in 2022.

Too many of our Honored Veterans passed away before they had the opportunity to visit the memorials dedicated to their service and sacrifice. Although, they will never see their memorials, we want to provide those families with opportunity to know their beloved one was shown our highest regard.

Your Honor Flight Rochester hub invites families to submit by email an FOOH application for their deceased Veteran. For support documentation, we encourage the inclusion of a copy of a photo from the era preferably in uniform and an obit. The application is mandatory; however, there is flexibility with support materials.

Upon acceptance, your Veteran's name will be reviewed for entry on the special list carried to Washington by our Hub Chaplain Reverend George McKnight; folded for privacy. This is a solemn, devout sign of respect for the deceased who we feel is spiritually represented.

On the appointed Welcome Home Sunday at the airport there will be an "invitation only" private gathering for the families of the Flags of Our Heroes honorees. This will be held in a conference room prior to the procession of returning flown veterans marching by. Each family will receive a Certificate of Gratitude.

Deceased Veteran Application Flags of Our Heroes Program

Veterans Name: _____ Date of Death: _____
Era(s) Served: WWII__ Korean War__ Cold War__ Vietnam War__ Post Vietnam _____
Branch of Service: _____ Years of Service: (fr)____ (to) _____ Service Activity: _____

Contact Information

Your Name: _____ Relationship: _____
Email Address: _____ Cell #: _____ Alt #: _____

Please submit application by email with attached supporting documents to:

FOOH@HonorFlightRochester.org. MATERIALS WILL NOT BE RETURNED.

Paper submissions through the USPS can be sent to: HFR FOOH Program; PO Box 23581; Rochester, NY 14692. However, email is strongly encouraged for timely and accurate processing. Once again, any materials submitted will not be returned.

Please review carefully.

The undersigned acknowledges and agrees:

- 1) As photographic and video equipment are frequently used at Honor Flight Events and Missions, I understand that images may appear in a public forum, such as media or website to acknowledge, promote or advance the work of Honor Flight.
- 2) I hereby release the photographer and Honor Flight from all claims relating to said photographs. I give my permission for all images captured during Honor Flight activities and waive any rights to compensation or ownership.