

# Parkville's First Veteran About George Park

George Shepherd Park (October 28, 1811 – June 6, 1890) was a Texas War of Independence hero and founder of Parkville, Missouri, Park College (now Park University) and Manhattan, Kansas (what would later become Kansas State University).

Park formally moved back to Magnolia in 1874. He donated part of his land on the bluffs for a college to be headed by John A. McAfee. The school founded in 1875 which became known as Park College (now Park University) was initially aimed at preparing students for missionary life for the Presbyterian Church, which he established in Parkville, Missouri.

Park is buried on the Park College (now Park University) plot in the Walnut Grove Cemetery in Parkville.

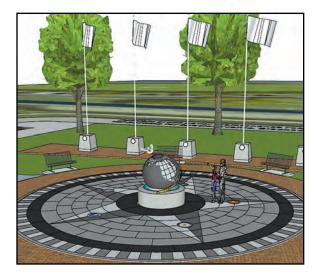




**CITY HALL** 8880 Clark Avenue Parkville, Missouri 64152







# **HONOR OUR HEROES!**

From the Pioneering Days to the Battlefields of Afghanistan, some of our greatest American Heroes have hailed from Parkville and the surrounding areas. Our Memorial will be a landmark where Patriots and families can gather, reflect and pay homage to our Heroes, both past and present. The Sphere, a beacon of Light and Hope, and a Star emanating the Five Branches of our Armed Forces will pay respect to our brave men and women.

The City of Parkville, in conjunction with the Veteran's Memorial Committee, sought public input for designs for this monument. The campaign offered an opportunity for citizens to honor Veterans by submitting design concepts. The public voted on the top candidates and the above design was selected by the committee.

Donations are being accepted through the City of Parkville for the construction and completion of the monument.

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# About the Veterans Monument in Parkville, Missouri

The Parkville Veterans Monument will be located on the current site of Ballfield #1 in English Landing Park. The City of Parkville has designated this land as a Veterans Memorial.

The Monument and Memorial will reflect the following:

# Honor – "a privilege"

Most Veterans consider it a high privilege to have served our nation. So as we honor and thank them for their service, let us recognize that they considered their service a privilege.

It becomes our privilege to honor the servicemen and women represented by this monument and memorial.

Honor also eludes to "fulfilling an obligation". Since our veterans fulfilled and are continuing to fulfill their obligations, this memorial and monument serves to satisfy our obligation to them. Although only partially, as we owe them all we can provide to them.

# **Reflection** – "serious thought or consideration"

This memorial and monument will hopefully provide a place of solace for the veterans and relatives to reflect on service and duty of those we honor.

It will be a place of thought, consideration, and reflection here in downtown Parkville. This will provide us with a serious way to permanently enshrine the memory of our heroes in our collective minds.







# Remembrance -

"convey greetings from one person to another"

How we remember is important. How we memorialize our veterans is critical. This memorial and monument will provide a permanent and positive habitat to enshrine in our memory the lives of our veterans.

Memories are essential in a free society. Again, this perpetual memorial will endure through the ages to assure that we will not forget.

# **Recognition** – "appreciation or acclaim for an achievement, service, or ability"

Saying our veterans deserve acclaim for their achievements is one of the great understatements of our time. Our very existence as a nation has depended upon our armed services.

This memorial and monument echoes the deep appreciation of our community to these service men and women.



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# Presenting Partner: \$25,000

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