



16th Infantry Regiment Association
1734 Ellenwood Drive
Roswell, GA 30075-3145
15 December 2012

MEMORANDUM FOR the 16th Infantry Regiment Association

SUBJECT: Regimental Memorials Program Plan

Reference: Article 2, Section 2: A., Constitution, 16th Infantry Regiment Association, 3 August 2012

1. Purpose. The purpose of this plan is to provide the Governing Board of the 16th Infantry Regiment Association with a long range plan for emplacing memorials at appropriate locations around the world to perpetuate the history of the 16th Infantry Regiment and to remind the public about the blood, sacrifice, and service of the regiment in defense of freedom and liberty.

2. General. In accordance with the reference above, the 16th Infantry Regiment Association is responsible for implementing ways to “Honor, communicate, and perpetuate the Regiment’s past history and present service.” One way that this Association has accomplished this is through placing memorials at locations significant in the regiment’s history. In the past, the effort to memorialize the regiment’s past has been effective, but there has been no plan on what to memorialize. This plan provides guidelines on identifying, acquiring, and emplacing markers of various types to memorialize the history and service of the regiment. This plan is part “wish list,” as some of the locations may not be possible to access, due mainly to national or local laws and regulations. It does, however, provide the Board will a general plan of effort for future memorials.

a. Types of Markers. Generally speaking there are four types of markers that will be created and purchased by the Association for the Memorials program. A description of those markers are provided below. This plan, however, does not limit the Association to only these types of markers. Sizes will vary according to the occasion and what is being memorialized.

1. Bronze Plaque. Bronze plaques will typically be about 18’ x 24” in size and placed at conspicuous locations, where possible. The plaques can be larger if the event or occasion memorialized is particularly significant. A great deal of information can be placed on a large bronze plaque so they are best used for the most historically significant events or locations in the regiment’s history.

2. Paver. Pavers are usually about 4” by 8” in size, but can vary significantly. These are usually located at places such as museums or historically significant buildings and institutes. Typically the information on pavers are limited to a person or the unit designation with dates.

3. Stone Marker. Stone markers are typically granite with engraved lettering. They typically contain more information than pavers, but less than bronze plaques. They are best used for marking locations on or near battlefields.

4. Bronze Plaque on Stone/Brick Base. This is a combination of markers 1 and 3. This is used when the plaque may not be placed on a historical structure due to regulations or fears of damage to the structure or altering its historicity.

b. Plan for Future Memorials. Currently, the Association desires to place memorials to the regiment at the locations provided below. These are not all inclusive and are subject to local laws, regulations, and requirements. This list provides a desired menu of locations and markers, but does not constitute an approved plan on the part of any other government, business, or private entity. These are not listed in any priority.

1. Fort Independence, MA. Large bronze plaque. Commemorates the birth of the regiment in 1861.

2. National World War I Museum in Kansas City. Paver (part of a larger proposed effort by the Society of the 1st Infantry Division during the World War I centennial activities in the summer of 2017).

3. National Infantry Museum at Fort Benning. Legacy Tree and bronze plaque.

4. Selected Civil War battlefields (some of these may be placed jointly with other Regular Army regimental associations which participated concurrently).

- Gaines Mill. Stone marker.
- Second Bull Run. Stone marker.
- Antietam. Stone marker.
- Fredericksburg. Stone marker.
- Chancellorsville. Stone marker.
- Wilderness. Stone marker.
- Weldon Railroad (Petersburg). Stone marker.
- Libby Prison/Camp Grant, Richmond, VA. Bronze plaque.

5. Fort Concho, TX. Bronze plaque.

6. Fort Douglas, UT. Bronze plaque.

7. Fort Sherman, ID. Bronze plaque.

8. San Juan Hill, Cuba. Stone Marker.

9. Fort William H. Seward, AK

10. Fort William McKinley, Luzon, Philippines

11. Columbus, NM (Punitive Expedition). Stone marker.

12. Fort Jay at Governors Island, NY. Bronze plaque.
13. Fort Devens, MA. Bronze plaque.
14. Gela, Sicily. Bronze plaque on stone marker.
15. Colle-sur-Mer Cemetery, France. Bronze plaque on stone marker and bronze plaques to 1LT Jimmie Monteith and Henry T. Pinder at the new museum.
16. Mons, Belgium. Bronze plaque on stone marker.
17. Hamich, Germany. Bronze plaque on stone marker.
18. Franzensbad, Czechoslovakia. Bronze plaque on stone marker.
19. Monteith Barracks, Nurnberg, Germany. Bronze plaque.
20. Conn Barracks, Schweinfurt, Germany. Bronze plaque.
21. Göppingen / Böblingen, Germany. Bronze plaque.
22. USAR Center, Worcester, MA and/or USAR Center, Scarborough, ME. Bronze plaque.
23. An appropriate location in Vietnam. Bronze plaque on stone marker.

3. Responsibilities.

a. Board President/Governing Board

- Coordinate efforts of the Governing Board to identify which memorial(s) will be established in a given fiscal year.
- Select and approve the type and intent for each memorial to be established.
- Coordinate Association fund raising efforts for each memorial.
- Ensure that the ceremonies associated with the dedication of the memorial is well advertised for maximum attendance by Association members and other significant individuals.
- Ensure that invitations are sent out to appropriate key individuals and attendees for the memorial ceremonies.
- Ensure that requests for participation from our active duty battalions are made when feasible.
- Ensure that each ceremony is planned and executed efficiently and with the appropriate honors and solemnity of the occasion.
- Ensure that maximum publicity and advertising is undertaken for the event to increase local public knowledge of and participation in the event.

b. Regimental Historian.

-Conduct historical research and prepare historically accurate inscriptions for each marker.

-Provide recommended inscriptions to the Board for approval.

-Provide recommendations to the Board on appropriate site for each memorial at the intended location for establishment of the memorial.

c. Association Quartermaster.

-Coordinate with appropriate vendors for the creation of each memorial.

-Arrange for transportation and installation of the memorial at the selected site.

d. Treasurer.

-Coordinate with vendors on the payment of services for the memorial.

4. Effective Term. This policy letter is in effect until 31 August 2014 unless superseded prior to that date.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Humphries". The signature is stylized with a large, looping flourish at the end.

Robert Humphries
President
16th Infantry Regiment Association