

Ste. Rose de Lima Parish
15 Chapel St.
Chicopee, MA 01020
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Dear Parishioner,

We are pleased to announce that Ste. Rose de Lima Parish is in the planning stages of erecting a Veterans' Memorial Park at the Ste. Rose Cemetery. This memorial will be constructed to honor all six branches of our military, past, present, and future; as well as those who are POW/MIA. At the center of the Veterans' Memorial there will be three monuments featuring inscribed bronze plaques that pay tribute to the men and women of the armed forces and provide our heartfelt thanks for their service and sacrifice. There will also be a flag walkway and a memorial brick walkway.

While this is an ambitious project, we believe it to be a worthwhile endeavor. You may be interested to know that there are presently 1,572 veterans buried in our cemetery including three from the Civil War. We are committed to ensuring this Veterans' Memorial will honor all our veterans, past and present while providing a quiet place for reflection and prayer.

There are two ways you can support this project:

1. Through a one-time donation in any amount.
2. The purchase of an engraved brick for a donation of \$100. The bricks will be used to construct the memorial walkway to the three monuments. The veteran to be honored does not need to be buried in the Ste. Rose Cemetery.

Please consider being a part of this honorable undertaking by completing the reverse side of this letter and returning it to the Pastoral Center. Make your check payable to: Ste. Rose Cemetery Fund and mail to Ste. Rose de Lima Church, 15 Chapel St., Chicopee, MA 01020.

Our new Cemetery Committee has devoted time and resources to refurbishing and beautifying Ste. Rose Cemetery. To date, they have coordinated the repointing of the stone pillars at the main entrance, repair and repainting of the perimeter fence, the replacement and relocation of an unsightly container by securing new fencing and cutting and removal of several fallen trees and cleanup of leaves and debris.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Rev. William A. Tourigny
Pastor,
Ste. Rose de Lima Parish
Chicopee, Massachusetts

Yes, I would like to honor our veterans with a donation.

One time donation in the amount of \$_____.

Sponsor a Veteran Memorial Brick for \$100. Cash _____ or check number _____. (Please complete a separate form for each brick.)

Brick inscription is 3 lines, up to 18 characters on each line, including spaces and punctuation. Please print clearly.

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Your full name: _____

Phone number (in case we have questions regarding your inscription): _____

*PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL INSCRIPTIONS WILL BE APPROVED BY THE STE. ROSE PAVER COMMITTEE.

Sample Brick Inscriptions (You may choose your own inscription.)

Example 1

Thank you for
your service
The Smith Family

Example 2

Edward P. Smith
U.S. Army, WWII
June 17, 1973