



**DEPARTMENT OF PENNSYLVANIA
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**

P.O. BOX 6687, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania 17112-0687

Indiantown Gap National Cemetery – June 2025

Thanks to a small army of volunteers, the Avenue of Flags is back. As your Detachment or other organizations conduct flag retirement ceremonies, please recover any interment flags that are collected. Contact me for additional information or visit the Memorial Council website at indiantowngapncmc.org. A donation form & instructions are attached to this report.

Members of the League attended the annual Memorial Day Observance at the Pennsylvania Memorial. The program was sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The expansion of the Cemetery continues. 27 acres are being prepared for an additional 15,700 gravesites & niches at a cost of \$38million. The most visible improvements will be seen at the entrance and the Honor Guard facility. Completion is expected in March 2027 with the next expansion planned for 2038.

The Council is actively supporting the Cemetery staff following a fire this spring at the maintenance facility.

The Memorial Council invites all for Lifetime Membership at the cost of only ONE DOLLAR! Find a Membership form attached, along with information on how to obtain the new IGNC Memorial Council PATCH! Also attached is a schedule of activities planned through the year. Additional details of these activities and more may be found on the Memorial Council website indiantowngapncmc.org as planning continues.

The Indiantown Gap National Cemetery Memorial Council usually meets on the second Saturday of the month at the Administration building beginning at 9:30.

A detailed report of interments through 30 April 2025 is attached.

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<https://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/indiantowngap.asp>

<https://indiantowngapncmc.org/>

INDIANTOWN GAP NATIONAL CEMETERY REPORT

Total Interments through 30 April 2025							68,590			
Interment by Branch of Service	ARMY	NAVY	AIR FORCE	MARINES	Coast Guard	Merchant Marine	TOTAL			
	30,000	11,136	6,193	3,749	369	93	51,540			
Dependents							16,997			
Women Veterans							1,142			
Interment by Conflict										
Spanish-American War	1						1			
Civil War	3						3			
World War I	210	36	1	6	1		254			
World War II	14,281	4,939	1,132	846	155	78	21,431			
Korea	4,871	1,384	1,655	730	31		8,671			
Viet Nam	4,979	2,122	1,436	1022	76		9,635			
Peacetime	2,831	1,513	929	466	40		5,779			
Active Duty	21	15	9	2	1		48			
Reserve	5	1	1				7			
Persian Gulf	346	165	142	84	11		748			
Afghanistan	5		1				6			
Lebanon	1						1			
Iraq	20	7	5	4			36			
Multiple Wars	2,426	952	882	589	54	15	1,513			
Fiscal Year 2024	2276	%CR/CA			YEAR	TOTAL	Casket	Cremation	Scattered	%CR/CA
Fiscal Year 2025	1336				FY 23	2392				
October	218				FY 22	2638	554 (thru Apr)	990(thru Apr)	2 (thru Apr)	64% (Apr)
November	185				FY 21	2711	967	1734	10	64%
December	163				FY 20	2193	865	1322	6	60%
January	180				FY 19	2285	872	1407	6	62%
February	141				FY 18	2324	886	1431	7	62%
March	215				FY 17	2260	920	1340	1	59%
April	234				FY 16	2302	955	1345	2	58%
May					FY 15	2176	934	1236	6	57%
June					FY 14	2015	845	1168	2	58%
July					FY 13	2101	951	1150	2	55%
August					FY 12	1853	915	936	2	51%
September					FY 11	1930	1014	912	4	47%

Your donation to the Memorial Council (an IRS 501(c)(3) non-profit PA Corporation) allows it to continue the presentations of the public programs and also provide items and equipment that are used for projects in support of this National Cemetery.

PLEASE PRINT

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Donation Amount \$ _____

Please make your check payable to:

IGNC Memorial Council, Inc.

And mail it to:

IGNC Memorial Council
P.O. Box 58
Annville PA 17003

Join the Indiantown Gap National Cemetery Memorial Council, Inc. by submitting your one-time dues of (\$1.00) for an individual LIFE member or a one-time dues of (\$25.00) for an organization or business LIFE membership.

Complete an application and make your payment or donation on line,



Use this QR Code or go to
Indiantowngapncmc.org
to complete an application and
make your one time
dues payment on line.

Revised January 1, 2025



The Pennsylvania Veterans Memorial is the largest memorial in any National Cemetery. Its unique design is intended to depict "the ruins of a war-torn building centered in a land of solemnity."



**INDIANTOWN GAP
NATIONAL CEMETERY
MEMORIAL COUNCIL, INC.**



**Volunteer Members Dedicated To
Serving the National Cemetery
That Serves Our Veterans**

Please, visit our Website:
<http://indiantowngapncmc.org>

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Indiantown Gap National Cemetery
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The Memorial Council

The Indiantown Gap National Cemetery Memorial Council was originally organized on March 10, 1983, for the purpose of supporting this National Cemetery and coordinating and conducting memorial and veteran recognition programs to honor our veterans, past and present. The National Cemetery's dedication ceremony and a Memorial Day observance were both held on May 29, 1983. Two years later, May 26, 1985, the Memorial Council presented its second Memorial Day Program and displayed a small but dignified Avenue of Flags presentation.



The Memorial Council was incorporated in June 2011 and is an IRS 501(c)(3) Non Profit PA Corporation.

The all-volunteer Memorial Council meets monthly at 9:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month (except July and August) at the National Cemetery's Administration Building.

Meetings are open to the public and Council membership requirements can be found on the website or by attending a meeting.

The Memorial Council does not receive any federal funding for its public programs. Organizations or individuals having an interest in helping with the public programs or seeking information about sponsoring or hosting an event may receive information at a Memorial Council meeting.

Information about placing a monument to commemorate the members of an organization who worked or died in service to our nation can be obtained by directly contacting the Director of this National Cemetery.

The Programs

Admission is free to any of the public events.

The Memorial Day program is held on the Sunday before the observed date at the PA Veterans Memorial at 2 p.m.

The Veterans Day program is also held at the PA Veterans Memorial at 2 p.m. on the Sunday before November 11th or on Sunday if it is the 11th.

The Wreaths Across America program is held on the 2nd or 3rd Saturday in December at noon. Individuals, groups and companies can sponsor wreaths through the Memorial Council.

Parking and a shuttle bus is free for the above three events from several off site parking lots.

The Holiday Candlelight Service is held at the PA Veterans Memorial at 4:30 p.m. on the same day as the Wreaths Across America program. Shuttle buses are for the Wreath program and attendees must shuttle back for their cars and then return to the Cemetery for the Candlelight service. Since 1997, this program has provided an opportunity for family members to share heart-felt memories and testimonies about their deceased veteran. "Candles" are provided free.

The Avenue of Flags has more than 350 donated interment memorial flags set up by volunteers on the 1st Saturday in May that are flown until after Veterans Day. The only flags allowed are those families received at their veterans funeral.

Bugles Across America's "Echo Taps" is at 11:00 a.m. on Armed Forces Day in May.

The **Honor Guard** units will perform military honors by providing the three rifle volleys and the playing of "**TAPS**" at the request of the deceased's family.



Indiantown Gap National Cemetery

This is the eighth largest of the 155 National Cemeteries administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs National Cemetery Administration and the largest of the five located in Pennsylvania.



The National Cemetery was dedicated on May 29, 1983. Its mission is to provide a military burial in a dignified and respectful manner for those qualified, as provided for by the 37th US Congress (March 4, 1861 – March 4, 1863) and the National Cemeteries Act of 1975.



This 677 acre National Cemetery has 225 acres developed. With over 2,300 interred annually, more than 68,000 veterans and their dependents have been placed in their final resting place here at Indiantown Gap National Cemetery.

The Indiantown Gap National Cemetery is open from dawn to dusk. Exit Interstate 81 at Exit 85 (South) or 85-B (North) and follow PA Route 934 North (Fisher Avenue) from Annville, PA.

This form is designed to record two separate donations.

Donated Interment Flag Register

Name of Donor: _____

Donor's Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

In Memory of: _____

Rank: _____ Relationship of Veteran to Donor: _____
(If Known)

Circle United States of America Service Branch:

(IF KNOWN)

Army Marine Corps Navy Air Force Space Force

Coast Guard Merchant Marines Public Health Service NOAA National Guard

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-----ONE DONATION PER FORM-----CUT APART ON THIS LINE-----

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Summary of 2025 Memorial Council Events

Read through this Summary carefully, there have been some date changes – Revised 03-03-2025.

Rev. 03-03-2025	Dates and events in BOLD italics are NOT Memorial Council sponsored events.		
For 2025	Time	Location	Events listed here are free and open to the public.
<i>January 11</i>	<i>9:00 a.m.</i>	<i>PA Vet Memorial</i>	<i>Wreaths Across America Clean-Up – A Public Program</i>
January 18	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	Monthly Meeting – ANYBODY may attend
February 8	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	Monthly Meeting – ANYBODY may attend
March 8	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	Monthly Meeting – ANYBODY may attend
April 12	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	Monthly Meeting – ANYBODY may attend
May 3	9:00 a.m.	Large Parking Lot	FLAGS UP – Tweens, Teens and older
May 10	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	Monthly Meeting – ANYBODY may attend
<i>May 17</i>	<i>11:00 a.m.</i>	<i>IGNC Admin Bldg.</i>	<i>Bugles Across America – A FREE Public Program</i> <i>A somber celebration on Armed Forces Day</i>
May 25	2:00 p.m.	PA Veteran Memorial	Memorial Day Program – Our Public Program. Program & chair set-up volunteers to be on site by 9:00 a.m. Free Shuttle Bus Service starts at Noon
June 14	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	ANNUAL Meeting – ANYBODY may attend Annual Election of Officers (Pres., Vice Pres, Sec., Treas.)
July XX	9:30 a.m.	To Be Announced	AUDIT Meeting – ANYBODY may attend – No Meeting
August	N/A	N/A	No Meeting
September 13	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	Monthly Meeting – ANYBODY may attend
October 11	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	Monthly Meeting – ANYBODY may attend
November 1	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	Monthly Meeting – ANYBODY may attend
November 9	2:00 p.m.	PA Veteran Memorial	Veterans Day Program – Our Public Program. Program & chair set-up volunteers to be on site by 9:00 a.m. Free Shuttle Bus Service starts at Noon.
November 15	9:00 a.m.	PA Veteran Memorial	FLAGS DOWN – Tweens, Teens, and Adults
December 6	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	Monthly Meeting – ANYBODY may attend
<i>December 13</i>	<i>Noon</i>	<i>PA Vet Memorial</i>	<i>Wreaths Across America Program – A Public Program</i>
December 13	4:30 p.m.	Interment Shelter #2	Candlelight Service – Our Public Program. The <i>Free Shuttle Bus Service</i> provided for the Wreaths program IS NOT available for the Candlelight Service event.
For 2026	Time	Location	EVENT – Attended by:
<i>January 10</i>	<i>9:00 a.m.</i>	<i>PA Vet Memorial</i>	<i>Wreaths Across America Clean-Up – A Public Program</i>
January 17	9:30 a.m.	IGNC Admin Bldg.	Monthly Meeting – ANYBODY may attend

Monthly meetings start at 9:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month except the NOVEMBER and DECEMBER meetings will be held on the **first Saturday** to allow extra time to prepare the November 9th Veterans Day program and to avoid interfering with the December 13th Wreaths Across America Program. Also, the January meeting will be the third Saturday to avoid the Wreath Clean Up on the second Saturday. There are **NO** monthly meetings during JULY or AUGUST. The Annual Audit meeting is on a date/time/place in July To Be Announced and ANYBODY may attend.

Memorial Council Monthly Meetings are not just for the Council Officers. These meetings are open to anybody, i.e. Council Life Members, Non-Members, volunteers, veterans and non-veterans, representatives from any business, agency, organization, churches, youth groups, clubs and family groups. So, basically, the general public at large.

Individual Life Membership dues/fees are ONE DOLLAR. Organizational Membership dues/fees is \$25.00. Both dues/fees are a one-time charge, not an annual renewal. Once and done. Please, contact us for more information.

Inquiries about the Memorial Council

Please, do not call the Indiantown Gap National Cemetery Administration Staff with questions, comments, recommendations, or suggestions regarding Memorial Council business. Please use the following contact information:
Indiantown Gap National Cemetery Memorial Council, P.O. Box 58, Annville, PA 17003.

Email: igmemorialcouncil@gmail.com Visit our Website at: <https://indiantowngapncmc.org>

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Patch



Pick up at a Council meeting for \$3.00 or have it shipped to you for \$4.00 or 2 for \$7.00.

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