

## THE HISTORIC PROSPECT HILL CEMETERY HERITAGE FOUNDATION



In 2008, the IRS recognized the importance of the historic nature of our cemetery and our need to raise funds to preserve that heritage. Consequently, the Historic Prospect Hill Cemetery Heritage Foundation was granted 501 (c)(3) status.

As a non-profit organization, we are dedicated to preserving the historic heritage of Prospect Hill Cemetery. This historic landmark, founded in 1849, is the final resting place for patriots from every war in which our country has participated. Two Medal of Honor recipients from the Civil War are buried on the premises. The historic graves of Civil War Union Corps Commander William Buell Franklin and Declaration of Independence signer Philip Livingston are also found on cemetery grounds. Additionally, Soldiers Circle is a federally owned site given to America after the Civil War. It serves as a final resting place for 162 soldiers who died of their wounds received during the Battle of Gettysburg.

### Our newest foundation project :

#### Safekeepers Shrine

Scheduled for dedication in Summer 2015; this memorial will be York County's only public memorial to the service and sacrifice of our First Responders.

For more information:

[www.prospecthill.org/safekeepersshrine](http://www.prospecthill.org/safekeepersshrine)

**Historic Prospect Hill Cemetery Heritage Foundation**  
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Should you have any questions or if you would like to discuss underwriting a specific project, please contact Jack Sommer at 717-843-8006.

## 2014 COURT OF VALOR HONOREES

LTC PHIL	L AUBEL	ARMY	GWT	BSM2
PFC GEORGE	M BAER, JR	ARMY	WWII	PH BSM
LTC JESSE	V BREIGHNER	USAF	KOR VN	BSM AFCM DFC
1LT RODNEY	M BRIGGS	ARMY	KOR	KIA PH
PFC RONALD	W BUSSE	ARMY	KOR	CMB
1LT NAOMI	E DRUCK	ARMY	WWII	BSM
MAJ MICHELLE	R DYARMAN	ARMY	GWT	PH BSM CMB
PFC GLENDON	L FAHRINGER	ARMY	WWII	KIA PH BSM
T5 NOLAN	FAHRINGER	ARMY	WWII	PH BSM
SP4 JAMES	W FRIGM III	ARMY	VN	ACM BSM
SP4 ROGER	M GUTTRIDGE	ARMY	VN	PH
SGT DONALD	E HENISE	ARMY	VN	PH ACM
SGT ARTHUR	B KOCH	USMC	KOR	PH
SGT JAMES	M LANDIS	USMC	VN	PH
CPL AARON	D NEFF	ARMY	WWI	KIA PH
PVT WILLIAM	M NEFF	ARMY	WWI	KIA PH
SP4 CLEMENT	A NEIDERER	ARMY	VN	BSM
PVT WARREN	R NESS	ARMY	WWII	KIA PH
SP4 RANDY	S SCHELL	ARMY	VN	KIA PH SS
PFC WALTER	A SEITZ	ARMY	WWII	POW
SGT MICHAEL	R SMITH	USMC	VN	PH BSM
SSG DALE	E STRAUSBAUGH	ARMYAF	WWII	DFC
LCPL DENNIS	M STRAUSBAUGH	USMC	VN	PH
CPL BARRY	K TOLBY	USMC	VN	PH

## VEHICLE EXHIBITIONS

### THANK YOU TO:

- \* Fire Companies: York Co. Fire School, Dallastown, West York, Seven Valleys and Manchester- Fire Apparatuses
- \* U.S. Army Reserve 254th Quartermaster Co. - Military Vehicles
- \* STAT MedEVAC - Helicopter
- \* Sheriff and Police Departments: City of York, York County Sheriff's Office, York Area Regional
- \* Steve Heffner - Restored Military Vehicles
- \* Ron Boltz - Restored Military Vehicles M-715 and M37



## COURT OF VALOR 2014 CEREMONY & YORK'S OBSERVANCE OF THE 13<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2014**  
**1:00 PM**

THE COURT OF VALOR VETERANS COMMITTEE  
*Philip Palandro    Ronald Herman    George Eylar*  
*Tony Dunlap        Barre Shepp        Jack Sommer*



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CELEBRATED OUR 165<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY IN 2014



# COURT OF VALOR 2014 PROGRAM

- Musical Prelude**.....The Kiltie Band of York
- Moment of Remembrance** ..... 9/11 & Fallen Heroes
- Motorcycle Procession** ..... Southern Regional Police and York City Police Departments
- Musical Medley** ..... Central York M.S. Fife & Drum Corps.  
*Under the direction of Mr. Richard Worley*
- Advancing the Colors** ..... York County Sheriff's Color Guard/ Sgt. Martz, York City Police Honor Guard/Lt. Erik Kleynen, and the York County Veterans Honor Guard/John Vecero
- Pledge of Allegiance**..... Major Michelle Dyarman, Honoree
- National Anthem** ..... Ms. Tonia Grubb, *Soloist*
- Welcome** ..... Mr. Jack Sommer, *Historic PHC Heritage Foundation*
- Invocation**..... The Reverend Richard B. Starr  
*Christ Lutheran Church, Starview*

## 9/11 13th ANNIVERSARY OBSERVANCE

- Fireman's Prayer** ..... Chief Richard Halpin (Ret.)
- Police Prayer**..... Chaplin Keith Dyke, *York County Chiefs of Police*
- Balloon Release in Honor of 9/11 Victims** ..... *Red symbolizing firefighters, blue symbolizing law enforcement officers white honoring all other victims. (All balloons biodegradable)*
- Safekeepers Shrine Presentation** ..... Presented by Area First Responders
- 9/11 Address** ..... Chief Richard Halpin (Ret)
- Helicopter Static Display** ..... STAT MedEvac

## RECOGNITION OF VETERANS

- Military Speech** ..... Colonel Craig Trebilcock, USAAR  
*Judge of the York County Veterans Treatment Court*
- Missing Comrades Roll Call** ..... JT Hand, LTC, USA (Ret)  
*Supreme Sacrifice Committee Recognizing Past Fallen Soldiers*
- Veterans Memorial Tribute** ..... Representative Kevin Schreiber  
*PA 95th Legislative District*  
*Reading names of Veterans buried at PHC and GMC in prior year.*
- Wreath Placement** .... York County Sheriff's Color Guard, Sgt. Martz

## RECOGNITION OF VETERANS

- 2014 Names of Honorees** ..... Mr. Philip Palandro  
*Director York Co. Department of Veterans Affairs*
- Land That We Love** ..... Logos Academy Choir
- Battle Hymn of the Republic**..... Logos Academy Choir

- Invocation**..... The Reverend Richard B. Starr  
*Christ Lutheran Church, Starview*
- Retrieve the Colors** ... York County Sheriff's Color Guard, Sgt. Martz
- Gun Salute** ..... York Co. Veterans Honor Guard  
*Commander John Vecero*
- Taps**..... Kevin Baum and Kraig Herman,
- Amazing Grace** ..... The Kiltie Band of York,  
Drum Major Jim McMillion
- Retire the Colors** ..... York County Sheriff's Color Guard, Sgt. Martz

### THE HISTORIC PROSPECT HILL CEMETERY HERITAGE FOUNDATION WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE SUPPORT OF THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:

- All participants and volunteers who graciously gave their time & talents to make this program memorable
- The Patriot Guard Riders
- York Area Regional Police Department, York City Police Department, the York County Sheriff's Office, Chief Richard Halpin with the York County Fire School, East Prospect Fire Company, West York Fire, Seven Valleys Fire Department, Manchester Fire Department, Manchester Fire Police, STAT MedEvac, and Schaad Detective Agency, Inc.,

### HISTORY OF THE COURT OF VALOR

The Court of Valor is a veterans monument dedicated to local service men and women who have earned medals for valor or sacrifice while serving our country. Among the medals that qualify for inclusion are the Medal of Honor, Purple Heart, Bronze Star and Distinguished Flying Cross. Prisoners of War, and those who have been killed in action automatically meet the criteria for inclusion.

The Court of Valor was unveiled in 2009. The monument consists of a granite archway, over 13' high and 11' wide; more than 15,000 pounds of granite were used in its construction. Under the prominent archway is suspended a 6' x 10' American flag that honors our nation and its defenders. Topping the archway is an iconic piece of steel from the World Trade Center, weighing about 3,000 pounds and measuring 9' 11" in length. The Historic Prospect Hill Cemetery Heritage Foundation was granted the steel by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. The I-beam was escorted into York County on September 11, 2009, as a way to commemorate the 8<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

This year's tribute will be paid to 24 honorees who will join the ranks of fellow soldiers whose names have been incised on the monument. After 5 years of inductions, a total of 340 names appear on the monument's granite columns. In order to qualify, service members or their families have submitted records proving their status as awardees. A volunteer panel of military experts has developed the criteria under which this honor is bestowed.

The Court of Valor updating ceremonies will be held in the future. If you believe you or someone you know qualifies for this unique tribute, please contact the Historic Prospect Hill Cemetery Heritage Foundation. You can call our office at 843-8006 or visit our website at [www.prospecthill.org](http://www.prospecthill.org).

# KEY OF ABBREVIATIONS

## BRANCH

**ARMYAF:** Army Air Corps/Force  
**MM:** Merchant Marine  
**USAF:** US Air Force  
**USCG:** US Coast Guard

**ARMY:** US Army  
**NAVY:** US Navy  
**USMC:** US Marine Corps

## RANK

**1LT:** First Lieutenant  
**COL:** Colonel  
**CPO:** Chief Petty Officer  
**CPT:** Captain  
**LCPL:** Lance Corporal  
**MAJ:** Major  
**PFC:** Private First Class  
**PO2:** Petty Officer Second Class  
**PVT:** Private  
**S2C:** Seaman Second Class  
**SGM:** Sergeant Major  
**SP4:** Specialist Fourth Class  
**SPC:** Specialist  
**T4:** Technician Fourth Class  
**TSGT:** Technical Sergeant

**CDR:** Commander  
**CPL:** Corporal  
**CW2:** Chief Warrant Officer 2  
**GMC:** Chief Gunner's Mate  
**LTC:** Lieutenant Colonel  
**MSG:** Master Sergeant  
**PO1:** Petty Officer First Class  
**PO3:** Petty Officer Third Class  
**S1C:** Seaman First Class  
**SFC:** Sergeant First Class  
**SGT:** Sergeant  
**SP5:** Specialist Fifth Class  
**SSG:** Staff Sergeant  
**T5:** Technician Fifth Class

## MEDAL

**ACM:** Army Commendation Medal (for bravery or heroism)  
**AFCM:** Air Force Commendation Medal (for bravery or heroism)  
**AM:** Air Medal (for bravery or heroism)  
**BSM:** Bronze Star Medal  
**CMB:** Combat Medical Badge  
**DFC:** Distinguished Flying Cross  
**KIA:** Killed in Action  
**KIC:** Killed in Capture  
**MH:** Medal of Honor  
**NAM:** Navy/USMC Achievement Medal (for bravery or heroism)  
**NCM:** Navy/USMC Commendation Medal (for bravery or heroism)  
**NC:** Navy Cross  
**NMCM:** Navy Marine Corp Medal  
**PH:** Purple Heart  
**POW:** Prisoner of War  
**SS:** Silver Star

## PERIOD SERVED

**CW:** Civil War (1861–1865)  
**GWT:** Global War on Terror, including Operation Iraqi Freedom and combat operations in Afghanistan (2003–Present)  
**KOR:** Korean War (1950–1953)  
**PG:** Persian Gulf (1989–1991)  
**VN:** Vietnam (1964–1973 U.S. involvement)  
**WWI:** World War I (1917–1918 U.S. involvement)  
**WWII:** World War II (1941–1945 U.S. involvement)