

ATTENTION ALL US MILITARY SERVICE MEMBERS, VETERANS, AND FAMILY MEMBERS IN THE SLIPPERY ROCK AREA!

We will be continuing the military appreciation banner program that was initiated by Slippery Rock Borough Mayor Longo to recognize military personnel in our area. The program will now be extended into Slippery Rock Township as well. We will make an all-weather banner with the service member's picture, name, and relevant military information for display in recognition of their service to our nation, the same as the banners currently on display on poles in the town on Slippery Rock. If you live in or are from the Slippery Rock area (does not have to be in Slippery Rock Township or Borough – we are recognizing all those in the greater Slippery Rock area) who are currently serving in the US Military or are a veteran who has served you are eligible for the program – living or deceased. Submission for a banner can be made by the service member, family, and/or friend. Please include the following information:

- Full name of service member as it should appear on the banner.
- Military service branch – Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, Space Force, Coast Guard.
- Highest rank attained.
- Years of service and/or war period – WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan, etc.
- Any special category – i.e. Killed In Action (KIA); Wounded In Action (WIA), Prisoner Of War (POW), Medal of Honor (MOH); etc.
- Picture of service member, preferably in dress uniform or other military uniform.

All of the above information should be sent via email to James Pasqualini at jamespasqualini@yahoo.com. Any questions can also be sent to this email. If you are not the service member yourself, please include your name, email, phone number, etc. so that we may contact you if there are any questions. This program is being sponsored by the Slippery Rock VFW and part of the cost of the banner will be subsidized by the organization. We will also be soliciting donations from local businesses to assist in subsidizing the cost of the program. We anticipate each banner with hardware to hang will cost approximately \$140 each. We also ask for each banner being requested that the requestor also provide a minimum tax deductible donation of \$95 per banner to the Slippery Rock VFW Post 6231. Please make your check payable to Slippery Rock VFW Post 6231 mailed to: VFW Post 6231, PO Box 253, Slippery Rock, PA 16057, MEMO: BANNERS; or PayPal to VFWPOST6231 at <https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/vfwpost6231>, "MEMO:BANNERS". We will be ordering the banners in groups of 25 each so we will hold the banner submissions until we receive 25 then place the order. If you are experiencing financial hardship and unable to provide the donation to produce the banner, please let us know and we'll try to arrange other sources to cover the cost of the banner. Our goal is to recognize all military personnel in our area who have faithfully served our great country. Please also advise if you would like a personal banner copy that you can keep and display and include an additional \$95 minimum donation for that banner as well.