

## ***“Lift Every Voice and Sing”***

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and Heaven ring,  
Ring with the harmonies of liberty;  
Let our rejoicing rise, high as the listening skies,  
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet,  
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,  
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered;  
Out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last  
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

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# ***Black Veterans*** MEMORIAL

At the north end of the site a polished granite monument commemorates the service of black veterans throughout United States history.

At the south end of the site, above the retaining wall of The Terrace, a large U.S. flag flies atop a 50' pole set in a granite base.

A wide sidewalk down the center of the block links the monument to the flagpole, and will be lined with benches and ornamental lights. This plaza space will be flanked on each side with a row of oak trees, the U.S. national tree.

In the middle of the walk a 4'-wide panel will be filled out with dedicatory granite pavers, etched with the names of veterans and/or military units. These pavers are available for purchase to assist with the maintenance of the plaza as well as provide veterans, friends, families and organizations the opportunity to honor the soldiers who fought valiantly for our nation.

Call 816-513-7503 for details.

*Kansas City, Missouri's monuments and fountains are maintained and operated by KCMO Parks and Recreation.*



# **HONOR** **THOSE WHO SERVED OUR** **COUNTRY**

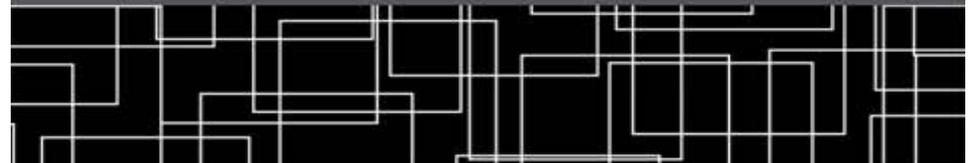


# ***Black Veterans*** MEMORIAL

## **DEDICATION CEREMONY**

**September 12, 2010**

**Kansas City, Missouri**



# Dedication Ceremony

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*\*please turn off cell phones\**

**Chuck Moore, Master of Ceremonies**

## Medley of Songs

*Absolute Brass  
399th Army Band Brass Quintet  
Sergeant Shawn Trumbo, Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge  
Fort Leonard Wood, MO*

## Presentation of Colors

*Munson Army Hospital Health Center  
Staff Sergeant Tressa Perry, Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge  
Fort Leavenworth, KS*

## National Anthem

## Invocation

*(CH) Major Raymond E. Folsom  
U.S. Army Command and General Staff College  
Fort Leavenworth, KS*

## Welcome

*Chuck Moore  
Master of Ceremonies*

## Remarks

*Mark Funkhouser, Mayor  
City of Kansas City, Missouri*

## Remarks

*John Fierro, President  
Board of Parks and Recreation Commissioners*

## Remarks

*Ollie Gates  
Founder and Chairman of the Board  
The Enshriners*

## Unveiling of the Black Veterans Memorial

## Remarks

*Col. Wayne A. Green, Garrison Commander  
Fort Leavenworth, KS*

## Keynote

*Emanuel Cleaver II, U.S. Congressman  
Fifth District, Missouri*

## Acknowledgments

*Ollie Gates, Owner  
Gates Bar-B-Q*

## Flag Raising

*Munson Army Hospital Health Center Color Guard  
Sergeant Johnnie Cheatom, Commander  
American Legion Wayne Miner Post 149  
Trooper James G. Madison, President  
Greater Kansas City-Leavenworth Area Chapter  
9th & 10th (Horse) Cavalry Association  
Command Sergeant Major Sean Craddock, Cadet  
Central High School Blue Eagles, Army JROTC*

## Song

*"Lift Every Voice and Sing"  
(lyrics on back cover)*

## Closing

*Chuck Moore  
Master of Ceremonies*

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