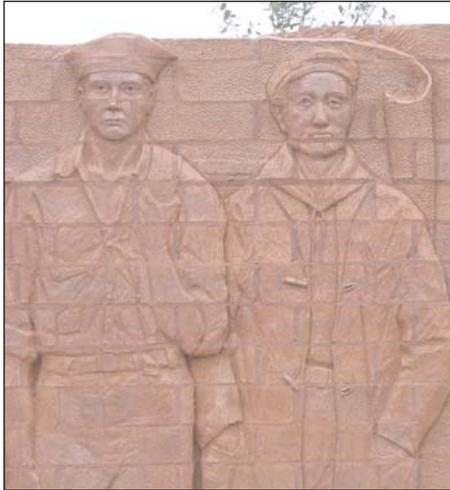


Panel III - Strength

Merchant Marine, Coast Guard, Doughboy

“The Water Crew” are guardians of our ocean shores and passages who sacrifice often in obscurity.



★ **Sailor:**
the fire hose on his shoulder
hearkens to the surprise
attack upon Pearl Harbor

★ **Merchant Marine:**
civilian participation in every
war, battle, conflict
– service in peace and war,
est. 1775
– this Merchant Marine is a
Korean veteran

★ **Coast Guard:**
vigilance along our shores
– foreign conflicts, search and
rescue
– he stands at the edge of our
flag, the borders, with
binoculars at the ready



★ **WW I Doughboy:**
so brutal a battle, poison gases
and bayonets
– the end of innocence for our
agrarian society
– the result of a terrorist act
– He stands alone



“This is a tribute to all who serve from yesterday, today and tomorrow.”

- The Sculptor

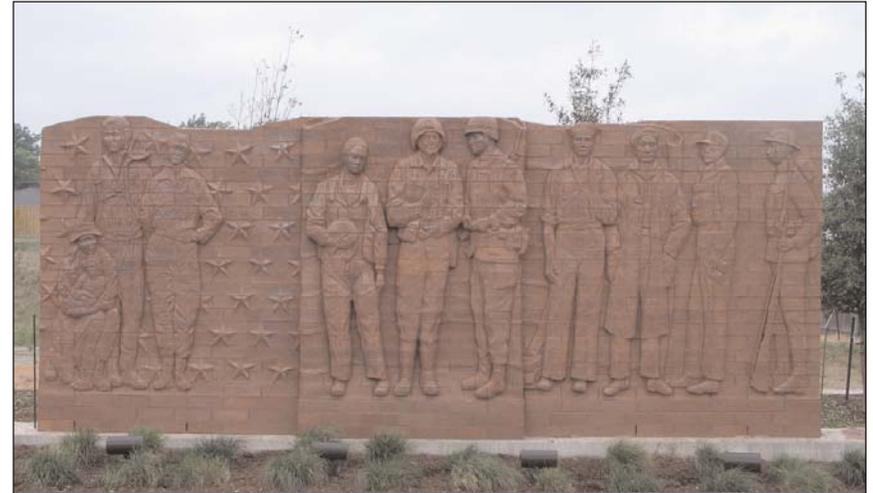
Liberty Park Veterans Monument A Tribute for North Richland Hills



Hope

Sacrifice

Strength



The Liberty Park Veterans Monument depicts 10 adult figures plus the Montagnard Child. “Old Glory” is waving in the background to symbolize our freedom. The sculptor’s research revealed the uncommon trials experienced by the individuals who choose life in service for our nation.



“We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, loved and were loved . . .”

In Flanders Field

- John McCrae

Panel I - Hope

Vietnam, World War II, Korea

Men and women with traditional roles in life accepting duties of peril.

★ Vietnam:

- Soldiers (Special Forces in Special Ops)
- aiding indigenous people in their struggle for survival and freedom
- Montagnard child “the innocent”



★ World War II:

- Tuskegee Pilot, the Black Aviator
- demanding a role
- the belief in self-determination for all races



★ Korea:

- M.A.S.H. Nurse
- representing women in national roles

Panel II - Sacrifice

Desert Storm/Desert Shield, Iraq, Afghanistan

Fighting against terrorism. The new battles with no boundaries.

Fighting for the foundation of our freedom.

★ Helicopter Pilot:

female of Hispanic heritage



★ Iraq:

Marine officer with tags of the battle dead



★ Afghanistan:

Army, representing the first assault against terrorism worldwide

