

PHOENIX RISING: 2025+2026 VETERANS BANNERS PROJECT

It's time to prepare for the next wave of banners to honor our community veterans. As you may recall from the first successful banner program, there are only 60 poles available for the display of banners. Availability for this upcoming program will be on a first come, first served basis for those veterans who have not been previously honored with a banner. Since there is a great demand, we recommend prompt application. This wave of banners will be displayed for 2 seasons only, after which a new group of 60 veterans will be eligible for the next wave.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

To qualify, honorees must meet the following requirements:

1. The veteran or members of his or her immediate family were past or current residents of Hudson Falls or Kingsbury; and
2. The veteran has served or is currently serving in the Army, Navy, Air Force Marines or Coast Guard.

Applications will be accepted at any time by those who wish to sponsor a banner, provided that the consent for the recognition has been given by the Veteran or by the family of a deceased Veteran. The first 60 applications only will be accepted.

HOW TO ORDER A BANNER:

Call or email Village Clerk Cassandra Allen at 518-747-5426 or email her at hfvillage@villageofhf.com, or, Bill Nikas at 747-4169 or nikaslawfirm@gmail.com, to obtain an application form. The completed application form, proof of military service (i.e. form DD-214, discharge paper or military ID), and a check in the amount of \$195 payable to Phoenix Rising, to cover the cost of the hardware bracket, the banner, installation and removal, may be mailed or delivered to Village Hall, 220 Main St., or to Bill Nikas at 116 Oak St., HF. Please include a photo of the Veteran (digital image preferred) in uniform. The \$195 cost will cover printing the veteran's photo on both sides of the banner.

Some families with multiple veterans have inquired whether they could have the photo of two veterans on one banner. Although the photos would have to be smaller in size, it can be done. In that case, the additional cost of the printer setup would require a total fee of \$295 for both veterans on one banner, instead of \$195.

DISPLAY PROCEDURES

Banners will be displayed for a period of two years from Memorial Day through Veterans Day. After the two year period, the banners will be made available for pickup by the veterans or their families. All banner locations will be determined at random by Phoenix Rising. A banner sponsor cannot select a specific location.

Thank you for your help in commemorating our Veterans.

APPLICATION FOR MILITARY HONORS BANNER

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE THE NAME OF THE SERVICE PERSON AS IT SHOULD APPEAR ON THE BANNER AND INDICATE THE BRANCH OF SERVICE ON THE LINES PROVIDED BELOW:

FIRST NAME: _____

LAST NAME: _____

SPECIFY BRANCH OF SERVICE AND DIVISION IF KNOWN:

SPONSOR (IF NOT THE VETERAN): _____

SPONSOR'S RELATIONSHIP: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

PLEASE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS WITH THIS APPLICATION:

- (1) *Proof of Military Duty and dates of Active Duty (e.g. copy of military orders or military identification); If military duty info is unavailable, you may call the Washington County Veteran's Service Agency at 383 Broadway, Fort Edward - Tel: 518-746-2470, for assistance.*
- (2) *Proof of past or current residency in Hudson Falls or Kingsbury (e.g. copy of utility bill or driver's license);*
- (3) *High resolution photograph of the Honoree, preferably in uniform. Digital images preferred.*

FORM OF PAYMENT: *Check payable to Phoenix Rising in the amount of \$195.00.*