

Sons of the American Legion, Post 231 856 Ash Street Kulpmont, PA 17834 Attn: Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall Committee Post 231



Dear Fellow American,

Since our inception in 2021, the Sons of the American Legion Post 231 has achieved remarkable milestones and established a meaningful presence in our community. We have successfully hosted numerous fundraisers—lottery calendars, golf tournaments, and chicken barbecues, to name a few—and have proudly contributed to causes both local and national. Our efforts include donations to Wreaths Across America and Quilts of Valor, supporting the construction of an outdoor patio at our Post, offering monetary assistance to community organizations, and engaging in clean-ups and plantings at recreational facilities and pollination gardens.

We are now planning our most ambitious initiative yet: welcoming the Vietnam Traveling Memorial Wall to Kulpmont, PA from July 3rd, 2025 through July 7th, 2025. This 3/5-scale version of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C. stands six feet tall at the center and spans nearly 300 feet in length. Designed to honor the sacrifices made during the Vietnam War, it provides an opportunity for healing, remembrance, and connection with loved ones who may be unable to travel to the nation's capital. For more details, please visit www.travelingwall.us.

In addition, we will also host the 9/11 Memorial Wall. This significant event coincides with the Borough of Kulpmont's 150th anniversary and is expected to draw thousands of visitors.

Your support is deeply appreciated as we strive to honor veterans of all wars, including those missing in action and prisoners of war, both past and present. We welcome any form of assistance you can provide. Possibilities include:

- Helping assemble or disassemble the Memorial Wall.
- Guiding visitors as they search for the names of friends or family members.
- Volunteering as a guard to ensure the Wall remains protected 24 hours a day.
- Donating materials or supplies (e.g., construction or landscaping materials, bottled water, etc.).
- Offering financial support to help cover the approximately \$8,000 cost of bringing the Wall to our community.

If you are unable to assist as outlined above, we kindly ask that you share this information with your network and join us to help honor this important occasion.

If you have any questions or would like more information on how you can help, please contact:

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- Amy Herb at (570) 205-3214 or via email at AmLegionAuxiliary231@gmail.com

Thank you for your time, consideration, and generosity. Together, we can create a truly meaningful tribute and ensure this historic occasion leaves a lasting impression on all who attend.

"Many Hands Make Light Work"