

Monuments & Memorials

SOLDIERS & SAILORS MONUMENT

Recognized as one of the world's outstanding monuments, this structure has come to symbolize the City of Indianapolis. Located in the heart of downtown in Monument Circle, it was originally designed to honor Indiana's Civil War veterans. It now commemorates the valor of Hoosier veterans who served in all wars prior to WWI, including the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, the Mexican War, the Civil War, the Frontier Wars, and the Spanish-American War. One of the most popular parts of the monument is the observation deck with a 360-degree view of the city skyline from 275 feet up.

Each night at dusk, *Shining A Light* brings together light, music, and video to create a patriotic salute that must be experienced.



MEDAL OF HONOR MEMORIAL

This memorial pays tribute to 3,462 Medal of Honor recipients representing 15 different conflicts. A series of 27 curved glass walls is etched with the names of all recipients, their branch of service, and the locations of their heroic actions. Every day at dusk, the Medal of Honor Memorial plays recorded stories of medal recipients or of the conflicts in which they fought.



USS INDIANAPOLIS CA35 MEMORIAL

The USS Indianapolis was attacked in the Philippine Sea on July 30, 1945, shortly after delivering critical parts for the first atomic bomb. The ship sank in 12 minutes, sending all 1,196 crew members into the shark-infested waters. There were only 317 survivors. The memorial, made of limestone and granite, lists the crew and tells the ship's story.



9/11 MEMORIAL

Established in 2010 to honor those who perished in the 9/11 attacks, the memorial consists of two 11,000-pound beams from the Twin Towers. Behind the beams stand a pair of six-foot tall black granite walls inscribed with remembrances of the events in New York City; Washington, DC; and Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

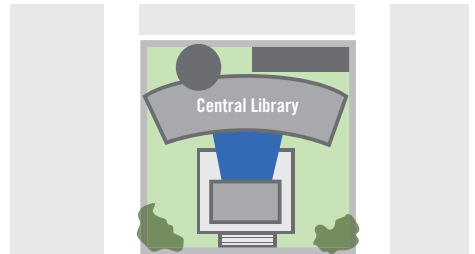
INDIANA WAR MEMORIAL HISTORIC DISTRICT

Designed after WWI to commemorate Hoosiers who served during the “Great War,” the Indiana War Memorial Plaza Historic District contains two museums, three parks, and 25 acres of monuments, statues, sculptures, and fountains.

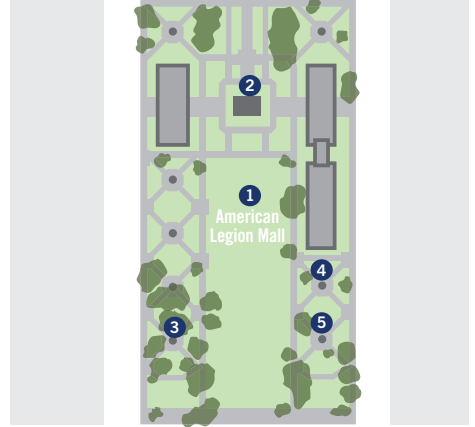


AMERICAN LEGION MALL

Stretching two city blocks, from St. Clair Street to North Street, the American Legion Mall is the home of the American Legion’s national headquarters.



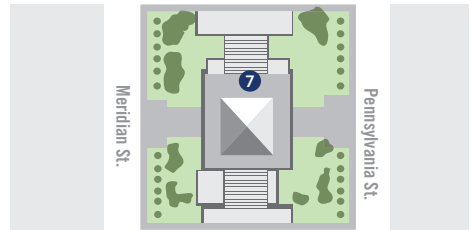
E. St. Clair St.



North St.



Michigan St.



Vermont St.



New York St.



VETERANS MEMORIAL PLAZA

Completed in 1930, it honors all Hoosier veterans and is today one of downtown’s most popular venues for outdoor events, including the annual Independence Day festival.



INDIANA WAR MEMORIAL

The Indiana War Memorial was built to honor Hoosier veterans of World War I. Today, through the Indiana War Museum, it also conveys the contributions and sacrifices of Hoosier service men and women from the Revolutionary War through recent peacekeeping operations and conflicts.



UNIVERSITY PARK

University Park is the oldest part of the plaza. The Depew Fountain is at the center of the park. You’ll also find monuments honoring Abraham Lincoln and Benjamin Harrison.

HISTORY BUFFS ALSO LOVE

CROWN HILL CEMETERY

The nation’s third-largest cemetery covers 555 acres and offers daily walking tours.

ICONIC HOMES

- Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site
- James Whitcomb Riley Home
- Morris-Butler House

HISTORIC ATTRACTIONS

- Indiana Historical Society
- Indiana State Museum
- Conner Prairie



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