



INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP



BERT SIDER'S AMERICAN
LEGION POST # 643

— WAR MEMORIAL — ★ GAZEBO ★

DEDICATION CEREMONY

SEPTEMBER 26, 2026 ★ 10:00 AM



*A lasting tribute dedicated to the men & women
who valiantly served our nation.*



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Master of Ceremonies & Welcome
THOMAS JENNINGS

Chairman Supervisor, Independence Township

Washington County Chamber of Commerce

Historic Remarks & Veteran Recognition
ANDREW DONOVAN

Director, A.D. White Research Society

Bert C. Sider's American Legion Post #643

TOM McEACHERN

Post Commander

Closing & Thank You

THOMAS JENNINGS

Chairman Supervisor, Independence Township

WITH GRATITUDE

The new War Memorial Gazebo was made possible through the generosity of local businesses, organizations, officials, families, individuals, volunteers, and community supporters who came together to make this vision a reality.

THIS GAZEBO IS A SYMBOL

*of what happens when
a community comes together.*

Honoring our past, strengthening our present, and inspiring our future.

Sincerest Thanks TO ALL *Generous Sponsors*

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The Fusarelli, Takah, & Tarolli Families, in honor of SSG John A. Fusarelli, US Army	Sons Joseph & Ronald, honoring their father, Dominic S. Mambu for his U.S. Naval service during WWII
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Jerome & Colleen Stefkovich, in memory of Staff Sgt. Albert P. Stefkovich	The Bruner Family, in honor of Specialist Kenneth Bruner, U.S. Army
Stefkovich Funeral Home, in honor of Corporal Daniel Dunmore	The Cecchini, Midler & Clarkson Families, in honor of Corporal Lee Cecchini, U.S. Army WWII

REMEMBER



AND HONOR



THE STORY BEHIND THE GAZEBO

The Independence Township War Memorial Gazebo was created as a lasting tribute to the men and women who have served our nation.

The project began when Independence Township applied for, and was awarded a \$25,000 American Spirit Grant through the Washington County Tourism Promotion Agency, created to help commemorate America's 250th Birthday. With a six percent Township match, an ambitious fundraising effort led in partnership with our Bert C. Sider's American Legion Post #643, and the generosity of local businesses, organizations, families, and individuals, the vision became a reality. Through determined leadership and the belief that this vision could become a lasting part of our community, the project continued forward - ultimately bringing this beautiful gazebo to life. Built over the existing War Memorial, the gazebo provides a place for reflection, remembrance, and community gatherings for generations to come.

