



# GAHANNA VETERANS MEMORIAL

Memorial Day

May 31, 2004

1:00 p.m.

# BRICK DEDICATION PROGRAM

## **WELCOME**

*John Corby, 610 WTVN Radio*

## **PRESENTATION OF COLORS**

*256th Combat Support Hospital (Army)  
MEPS, Taylor Road Armory*

## **NATIONAL ANTHEM**

*Andrea Shokery, Erica D'Alessandro, Kristen Jones,  
Kevin Shelton, Rashida Grant, Robbie Hayes,  
Thai Sribanditmongkol, and Alex Kip,  
Gahanna Lincoln High School*

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*Gahanna Senior Citizens*

## **INVOCATION**

*Father Paul Noble, St. Matthew Catholic Church*

## **DEDICATION OF BRICKS**

*John Corby, 610 WTVN Radio*

## **VETERANS MEMORIAL PARKWAY DEDICATION**

*Becky Stinchcomb, Mayor, City of Gahanna*

## **MEMORIAL WREATH PLACEMENT**

*Frank Treadway, Veterans Memorial Committee; Bob Stallings,  
Commander, VFW Post 4719; and Malcolm Glasgow, Commander,  
American Legion Post 797*

## **MOMENT OF SILENCE**





The City of Gahanna and the entire Gahanna community are committed to honoring the men and women who have served our country through military service. We are currently accepting submissions of short stories about the personal military experiences of the veterans whose names appear on the bricks at the Gahanna Veterans Memorial. These stories can be humorous or heart-wrenching, about topics ordinary or extraordinary, and take place in times of peace or war. Some of these stories will be published in local newspapers and all will be featured in an upcoming book. If you are interested in submitting a story, submission forms can be obtained through the City of Gahanna, Parks and Recreation Department. We are also asking that you provide a non-returnable photograph of the veteran who is the subject of the story, if possible.

Feel free to e-mail any questions to [rthurman@insight.rr.com](mailto:rthurman@insight.rr.com) or call 614-855-5456.

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**American Legion Post 797 is  
hosting a cookout at the  
VFW shelter house immediately  
following the ceremony.**

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Today we gather together  
Beneath flags as they wave  
To proclaim that these flags honor  
The real American brave

They fought for their Country  
As man has throughout time  
Except that these were soldiers  
Defending your country and mine

On Memorial Day we gather  
To pay them our respect  
Let's pass this word to others  
It's what they would expect

I'm sure that they would do it  
If it were me or you  
To show we didn't die in vain  
But for the red, white and blue.

Let's pass on to our children  
So that we never forget  
What all these soldiers died for  
We'll always be in their debt



Let's pray for all their families  
Great pain they had to bear  
Some sacrificed a loved one  
They need to know we care

So as the bugler plays out Taps  
With its sweet and eerie sound  
Pray for fallen soldiers everywhere  
Resting in sacred, hallowed ground.

Take home with you a sense of pride  
You were here Memorial Day.  
Celebrating the way Americans should  
On this solemnest of days.