

Greetings,

Thank you for your interest in The United States Marine Corps War Memorial Flag Detail, Inc.'s program for maintaining flags at the Iwo Jima Memorial.

After several months of organizing the program, and establishing the protocols with the National Park Service, and Henderson Hall, we are operational. The first flag to fly over the Memorial, was delivered on Dec. 7th 2007, the 66th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The Iwo Flags program, was created to ensure that a clean, crisp, flag will always be found above our War Memorial. With that in mind, please note there will be only twelve flags a year available. We would welcome your assistance by becoming a member, making a donation, or providing funds for the purchase of a flag, but considering the limited quantity, **please be advised there are time constraints because of the commitments we have already received.** It, therefore, could be some time before your flag is flown and returned to you.

Iwo Flags does not, in any manner, benefit financially from this program. We are a volunteer group of former, and retired Marines, that found a situation that needed attention, and offered a method to resolve it. We do, however, need assistance in ensuring the continuation of this important program. If you think our program is worthy of your consideration, and want to assist us in our mission, we would welcome you as a member or donor—or both.

The War Memorial Flags:

- 10 x 19 foot cotton Post Flag
- Will be flown over the Memorial for a minimum of one month
- Raised and lowered by the Marines at Henderson Hall

The flag is cleaned, folded, packaged and shipped to the donor (“Flag Holder”), or as otherwise directed by the Flag Holder. Each flag is accompanied by: a certificate from Henderson Hall, stating the flag was raised and lowered in your name; a certificate from Iwo Flags, confirming the dates flown and the flag’s serial number; a one year membership¹ in Iwo Flags with Membership Certificate, and a Flag Detail annual window sticker; and an informational flyer concerning the Memorial from the National Park Service.

Each flag will have a brass tag attached, with the donor’s name, dates flown and serial number. The serial numbers are logged, and posted on our website (www.IwoFlags.org). Loss or removal of the tag, and the flag will be stricken from our records. These flags are to be considered retired, having flown honoring the Marines for whom the Memorial is dedicated. Each flag will always have the owners name affixed

¹ Voting membership to those meeting the regular membership criteria and Honorary Membership to the other Flag Holders.

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The area in which we are presently most interested, is increasing our membership. Annual membership in the Flag Detail is \$25.00 per year, with those persons joining before December 31, 2008 to be known as Charter Members. Membership includes a Membership Certificate and annual window sticker of the Flag Detail. As a member you will be listed as such on our website. There will be a periodic newsletter posted on the website announcing Flag Holders and news regarding the Detail.

Flag cases are also available for the flags. These are handmade cherry cases. As the flags are large, the first fold on these flags measures 41" across the bottom. The cases are configured to be used as a wall hanging. The case is constructed in the traditional folded flag design, simple and clean. The rear panel is removable, constructed of furniture grade plywood, with a glass or plexi-glass front. The cherry is sealed with a clear sealant allowing the natural beauty of the wood to be admired. A triangular brass plate will be included, placed at the upper most point of the case with your name, the date the flag was flown and the flag's serial number. The cost for a case is **\$300.00**, which does not include packaging and shipping.

As an option a sword display can be constructed below the flag on the display case section allowing your NCO or Officer's sword to be mounted. The cost of the case with this option is **\$375.00**, plus shipping and packing.

Donations are accepted and earnestly sought. The work of the Flag Detail is of significant importance, and to ensure the continuation of the organization, contributions of more than a membership fee or flag purchase, will be of significant help in seeing the Flag Detail's projects successfully completed. Donors will, of course, be gratefully acknowledged on our website.

Cost per flag; \$275.00 packaging and shipping included
Please note; there is a mandatory 5% sales tax, applicable to Virginia residents only.

Please make all checks payable to: Iwo Flags

Mailing address;

The USMC War Memorial Flag Detail, Inc.
PO Box 75
Waynesboro, Virginia 22980-2727

Email contact addresses are posted at: www.IwoFlags.org

Thank you and Semper Fidelis,

Jim Donovan, Chairman
The USMC War Memorial Flag Detail, Inc.