The Times They Are A-Changin’ - Patriotic Songs of War

Civil War - When Johnny Comes Marching Home

When Johnny comes marching home again, Hurrah! Hurrah!
We’ll give him a hearty welcome then, Hurrah! Hurrah!
The men will cheer and the boys will shout, the ladies they will all turn out,
And we’ll all feel gay, when Johnny comes marching home.

World War I - Over There

Over There, Over There,
Send the word, send the word, Over There
That the Yanks are coming, The Yanks are coming,
The drums rum tum ming everywhere.
So prepare, Say a prayer
Send the word, Send the word to beware,
We’ll be over, We’re coming over.
And we won’t be back till it’s over over there!

World War II - Remember Pearl Harbor

Let’s remember Pearl Harbor, as we go to meet the foe.
Let’s remember Pearl Harbor, as we did the Alamo.
We will always remember how they died for Liberty.
Let’s remember Pearl Harbor, and go on to victory.

Korea - The Voice of Free America

Oh, the voice of free America, it beams throughout the world,
Tells the honest way of life to man and woman, boy and girl.
Let’s thank God for all our freedom, He’s been good to you and me.
Let’s unite the willing nations and keep the whole world free.

Vietnam - Ballad of the Green Berets

Fighting soldiers from the sky.
Fearless men who jump and die.
Men who mean just what they say.
The brave men of the Green Beret.

Persian Gulf Era - God Bless the USA

And I’m proud to be an American where at least I know I’m free,
And I won’t forget the men who died, who gave that right to me.
And I’d gladly stand up next to you and defend her still today.
’Cause there ain’t no doubt I love this land–God bless the USA.

TOWN OF HOOKSETT

DEDICATION CEREMONY

VETERANS’ PARK
AT JACOB SQUARE

Sunday, October 6, 2013
2 p.m.

Veterans’ Park Restoration/Enhancement Project
Adopted 2011 by the Hooksett Heritage Commission
with Support from the Town of Hooksett
ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL.

Our true heroes don’t act, sing, or play sports. They protect America’s freedom. Unknown

After the Odd Fellows building was lost in the flood of 1936, the Lodge donated their land on what is now Veterans’ Drive to the town for a park.

Starting in 1919 the town had purchased plaques listing the names of Hooksett residents who served during wartime. These plaques were hung on either side of the front door at the town hall. A separate stone for George E. Merrill who died in 1918 was donated by the Legion Post and put on the lawn at the town hall in 1933.

In the early 1950s the American Legion Post and others raised funds for a monument in memory of veterans of all wars; this would consolidate the plaques that had been at the town hall. Granite for the main monument came from the local Belisle quarry. The cover of the town’s 1955 Annual Report features the monument.

The stone remembering PFC Arthur C. Mortgis Jr. was added in 1972. In 1989 stones honoring veterans of Korea and Vietnam were placed.

Jacob Square was named after Private Robert T. Jacob who was killed in action in Italy on November 28, 1943, during WW II. His mother approached the town selectmen about creating a suitable commemoration; this area was chosen because the family lived in the neighborhood.

In 2011 the Heritage Commission undertook the restoration and enhancement of the park. The commission cleaned all of the monument stones, refinished the bronze plaques, and added signage, landscaping, and irrigation. The final component was the creation of a new memorial area “to honor all who served in war and peace.”

The Council formally named the area Veterans’ Park at Jacob Square in September 2012.

According to Hookset Historical Sketches there was no formal dedication when the original monument was constructed.
DEDICATION CEREMONY  
TO HONOR ALL WHO SERVED IN WAR AND PEACE

Call to Order                                                                 Dick Moushegian (USAF), Vice Commander, NH Korean War Veterans Association, Chapter #320
Present Colors **                                                             Merrill-Follansbee American Legion Post 37
"Star-Spangled Banner" **                                                    Cawley Middle School Chorus and Audience
Pledge of Allegiance **                                                       Lead by Rita Schunemann, Gold Star Mother
Invocation **                                                                 Rev. Edmund G. Crowley, Pastor, Holy Rosary Church (US Army, USAF, MAANG)
Retire Colors **                                                               
Welcome                                                                       Kathleen Northrup, Chair, Hooksett Heritage Commission
In the Words of Our Presidents                                               Sidney Baines (USMC) and Michael Horne (USAF and NHANG)
'Patriotic Day" by L. C. Harnsberger                                          Cawley Middle School Band
Guest Speaker                                                                 Major General William N. Reddel III
                                                               Adjutant General, New Hampshire
Remembering Those Who Served and Those Serving Now                            
Civil War: A Hooksett Veteran Speaks                                          Captain Warren M. Kelley, Company D, 10th NH, by Tom Dodge
World War I: A Wartime Love Story                                            Dorothy Robie (Niece of Story Subject)
World War II: Kobe House P.O.W.                                              Robert Locke (USAF) (Nephew of Author A.J. Locke)
Korea: We Remember                                                           Todd Rainier (Nephew of Korean Vet, Son of Vietnam Vet)
(M. Garvey author 1995)                                                      Lydia Eaton (Daughter of Vietnam Vet)
Vietnam: Letters Home                                                        Cawley Middle School Chorus
Gulf War Era: "God Bless the USA"                                             Manchester Central High School Kiwanis Key Club Members:
(Written by Lee Greenwood)                                                   Summer Tahoun, Kayli Neil, Ja’kiea Williams, Tyrell Whittle, and Ciaran Mahone
Currently Serving: Got Your Back                                              
(Autumn Parker author 2003)

Guest Speaker                                                                Susan Peterson, Vice President of the Blue Star Mothers of NH
"Amazing Grace"                                                              Bill Dawson (US Army Airborne)
Speaker                                                                      James A. Sullivan, Chair of the Town Council
Dedication **                                                                 Dean E. Shankle Jr., Hooksett Town Administrator (US Coast Guard)
Ribbon Cutting - Memorial to Honor All Who Served in War and Peace **        Omer Gagnon (US Navy WW II) and
                                                                             Sgt. Antonio Arruda (Presently serving, US Marine Corps Reserve)
"God Bless America" **                                                       All Assembled
Benediction                                                                  Rev. Dr. Emily Geoghegan, Interim Pastor,
                                                                             Congregational Church of Hooksett
Closing                                                                       Kathleen Northrup
"Taps" **                                                                    Jim Lukeman (USAF and Alumni Band of the NH National Guard)

** Stand please as you are able

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship after the ceremony.

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Old Fellows Hall decked out for Welcome Home Parade 1919
Memorial Day Parade 1946
Stones for service in Korea and Vietnam added in 1989
Jacob Square Memorial Day 1982
Gold Star Mothers 1972