



Abraham Lincoln Memorial Squad

P.O. Box 6 • Elwood, IL 60421

Dear Valued Supporter,

We are excited to invite you to this year's John Whiteside Memorial Golf Outing on Wednesday, June 24, 2026! This is the only fundraiser held each year for the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Squad, an organization comprised of more than 120 dedicated volunteers, mainly veterans. Our mission, since September 2003, has been to provide a military ceremonial burial service for honorably discharged veterans at no charge to their family. These honors consist of the traditional three-volley rifle salute, Taps sounded by a live bugler, and the folding and formal presentation of the American flag. Military funeral honors are rendered Monday through Friday throughout the year regardless of weather conditions.

The Memorial Squad relies solely on donations from businesses and individuals to provide for our complete uniforms, including winter and rain outerwear; supplies to clean and maintain our rifles; and our operating costs for the execution of our mission, as no government funds are available or provided. It is our privilege to fulfill every veteran's request for military burial honors as the final gesture of our country's gratitude and respect that we have for their service.

Please consider one of several sponsorship opportunities or make a donation. You can provide a gift basket, gift card/certificate, or an item to be raffled off at the awards dinner immediately following golf. You can sponsor the golfer gift bags, donate a promotional gift item, or sleeve of balls for inclusion in the bags (quantity 130 of each item). You can take pride in knowing that your generous contributions will significantly benefit the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Squad and the families we serve. We appreciate your continued interest in our annual fundraising event, as well as your kindness and generosity.

The Abraham Lincoln Memorial Squad is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Your donation is tax deductible. Our tax-exempt number is E99380455. Any questions can be directed to Sharon Eck at (815) 600-2955, or you can email: Eckcellentchoice55@gmail.com.

To make a donation to the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Squad, please mail to:

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John Whiteside Memorial Golf Outing
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Thank you for your continued support!

The Abraham Lincoln Memorial Squad Golf Outing Committee