



Wise County Veterans Group
PO Box 574, Decatur, TX 76234

The Honorable Glen Hughes
Wise County Judge
Decatur, Texas

Dear Judge Hughes

In 2005, we designed and built The Wise County Veterans Memorial Park in the County seat, Decatur. This park was funded in its entirety by contributions from the citizens and businesses from Wise County. The park was officially dedicated on 10 November 2005 with the Honorable US Representative Kay Granger as our guest of Honor. Since it's opening, The Park has been in continuous use, honoring our national patriotic holidays and such other events as deemed appropriate. We have received National and International acclaim for this Park, as being one of the finest west of the Potomac River.

After the success of the Park, we began planning for a Wise County Veterans Museum, as an extension of our Park. Most of our members have items they would like to donate that would contribute to the heritage of not only Wise County, but also to that of Texas and our Nation as a whole. We needed to preserve these items and stories before they were lost forever.

Recently, the City of Bridgeport has come to our assistance through the purchase of a beautiful facility ideal for our purpose in the heart of Bridgeport, which they are providing for our use as a Wise County Museum.

The purpose of the Museum will be to create an extension/expansion of the Military trail created in the Wise County Veterans Memorial Park, with emphasis on Texas involvement, and in particular, Wise County Veteran participation. The goal of the Museum is to provide the visitor with a basic introduction into the military history of our country and the Texas heritage contributing to same.

We are again seeking the support from yourself and the Wise County Commissioners, as we did in 2005 when building the Park. At that time you contributed \$1700.00 towards the donation of one of our monuments. It would be most appreciated if you could once again contribute \$1700.00 or more, towards an exhibit area within our new Museum, The Wise County Veterans Memorial Museum, The Forgotten Wars. A distinguishing marker will identify your donation.

Should you have any further questions, please call me at 940-859-4562.

Sincerely,


Bob Johnson

Park/Museum Director