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Memorial Making Its Way to Alpharetta *Salute Patriotism With Visits to Local Landmarks*

The Dignity Memorial® Vietnam Wall™, a traveling replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., will be on display July 4, 2008 – July 6, 2008 at Green Lawn Cemetery, 950 Mansell Road, Roswell, GA 30076. Sponsored by Roswell Funeral Home and Green Lawn Cemetery, North Fulton's local Dignity Memorial provider, with the support of Roswell Rotary Foundation, this free community event is open to the public 24-hours a day.

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial is the most-visited National Park Service site in Washington, D.C. Even so, millions of Americans will never see or experience the impact of "The Wall" in their lives. To serve distant communities throughout the nation, the Dignity Memorial® network of funeral, cremation and cemetery service providers created a three-quarter-scale traveling replica of the memorial in 1990.

Known as the Dignity Memorial Vietnam Wall, this replica is dedicated to all Americans who served in Vietnam and honors all veterans of the United States military forces. Each exhibition is sponsored by a local Dignity Memorial provider, with the help and support of area veterans groups and civic organizations. Since 1990, the replica has been displayed in more than 200 cities and been visited by millions of Americans.

The faux-granite likeness of the original is 240 feet in length and eight feet in height. The names of more than 58,000 Americans who died or are missing in Vietnam have been inscribed on the replica's black mirror-like surface. To see the memorial, to touch it, and experience its magnitude offers unforgettable memories to those who visit.

Wherever the replica travels, the community is always cordially invited to come and join us in honoring our fellow Americans whose contributions can never be repaid.

While in Alpharetta visiting the Dignity Memorial Vietnam Wall, take time to stop by the American Legion Post 201 and stroll down the Walk of Memories, a tribute to veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces, community and friends. The brick walk is inscribed with the names of all Georgia residents killed in service including and following WWII. A separate section is reserved for those who served in the military and survived. Also take time to view the tank and helicopter on display.



Residents and visitors can also visit the downtown Alpharetta Welcome Center to pick up a complimentary brochure which serves as a self-guided walking tour of the 17 historical markers located throughout Alpharetta. And—if in town on the 4th, end the day in an all American way—get tickets now for a patriotic tribute by the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra at the brand-new Verizon Wireless Amphitheatre.

For information about the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, including opportunities to volunteer, please call 770-993-4811. For tickets to Verizon Wireless Amphitheatre, visit www.vzwamp.com. And, for information about all of these events and landmarks, along with complimentary assistance with planning your trip, visit www.awesomealpharetta.com or call 1-877-202-5961.

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