California Garden Clubs, Inc.

Blue Star and Gold Star Families Memorial Markers

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NGC adopted the Blue Star Memorial Highways project in 1946. There are three Blue Star Memorial Markers. All are a tribute to the men and women in the armed forces who have served, are presently serving and will serve in the future. The large Blue Star Highway Memorial Markers are placed only on dedicated highways. The smaller Blue Star Memorial By-Way Marker was approved in 1994, for placement in parks, historic sites and civic areas bears the words, "A Tribute to the Armed Forces of America." A second large Blue Star Memorial Marker, minus the word "highway", was approved in 1996 for dedication at National Cemeteries or V.A. Medical Facilities. At the 2004 convention in St. Louis, the scope of this marker was enlarged to include other appropriate civic locations. More recently a Gold Star Families Memorial Marker and a Gold Star Families Byway Marker were added to pay tribute to the families of those who have died in the service of their country.

NOTE: (*) = Marker in storage, missing or destroyed

(1) = One marker at dual rest area

(2) = Two markers at dual rest areas

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Arboretum District

Blue Star Byway Markers

La Habra 1150 Whittier Blvd., La Habra Year Around GC

Bay Bridges District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Alamo I-680 N bound ramp, Stone Valley Road District
Oakland* (In storage) Eastlake GC
Pinole I-80 E bound on ramp at Pinole Valley Road Pinole GC

San Francisco I-80 E bound on ramp at 5th & Harrison Streets District

Blue Star Memorial Markers

El Cerrito 1120 Arlington Blvd in Arlington Park El Cerrito GC

Blue Star Byway Markers

El Cerrito GC El Cerrito Veterans Memorial Park, San Pablo Ave at Manila St Richmond Richmond Museum of History,1337 Canal Blvd., next El Cerrito GC

to SS Red Oak Victory Ship

Bay Ocean District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Hillsborough I-280 N bound rest area, 1.2 mi N Bunker Hill Dr District Los Altos Hills I-280 El Monte Road interchange, NW quadrant District District

Oakland Bay Br* (In storage)

San Francisco I-80 E bound at 5th St. GSC of the Peninsula

Blue Star Memorial Markers

San Bruno Golden Gate National Cemetery at Sneath Road gate GSC of the Peninsula

Buttes District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Belden (1) SR-70 E & W bound rest area, 30 miles W of Quincy Kelly Ridge GC

Blue Star Byway Markers

Oroville Veteran's Hall., 2374 Montgomery St. Lake Oroville Area GC

Yuba City Veterans Memorial Bldg, 1425 Veterans Memorial Dr District

Cascade District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

US-97 N & S-bound rest area, 19.8 miles N of Weed District Grass Lake (1)

O'Brien I-5 N bound rest area, 2 miles N of Shasta Lake bridge Clubs of Dist. 8B Cascade

Red Bluff (2) I-5 Herbert Miles N & S bound rest areas, 4.5 mi N of District

Red Bluff

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Gerber Tehama District Fairgrounds, 9511 State Hwy. 99 W Red Bluff GC

Blue Star Byway Markers

Veterans Memorial Hall, W Center Street Anderson Valley GC Anderson

Cottonwood Front Street Park, along SR-99 District

Igo Northern California Veteran's Cemetery Redding Wonderland GC Shasta Lake Veteran's Memorial Garden Shasta Lake Garden Project

Channel Islands District

District

Blue Star Byway Markers

Thousand Oaks Conejos Creek South Park, 1300 E. Janss Rd., at the

fountain

Costa Verde District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Redondo Beach SR-1, in SW corner of PCH & Carnelian Street Vietnam Veterans, CGCI

Fire Station #4 at Pacific Coast Hwy. & Calle Mayor Riviera GC Torrance Pacific Coast Hwy at Ken Malloy Park (stolen) District Los Angeles*

Blue Star Byway Markers

Long Beach	Veterans Administration Bldg., 5901 E. 7th	Long Beach GC
Los Angeles	Pacific Battleship Center, 250 S. Harbor Blvd.	San Pedro GC
San Pedro	Interior Ft McArthur Museum, 3601 S Gaffey Street	San Pedro GC
Wilmington	Banning Mansion, 500 PCH, Left of entry path	District

Desert Empire District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

SR-58 E & W bound rest areas, 4 miles W of Boron Boron (2) District

Conway Summit US-395 Vista Pt, overlooks Mono Lake, 4.5 mi N SR-Oasis GC of IWV

Coso Junction (1) US-395 N & S-bound rest area, 17 miles S of SR-190 Oasis GC of IWV

Desert Oasis (2) I-40 Dual rest areas, 9 miles E of Newberry CGCI and Oasis GC of IWV Fenner (2) I-40 Dual rest areas, 45 miles W of Needles Roadrunner District

Manzanar Ntl Hist US-395, Interpretive Center, 11 miles N of Lone Pine Oasis GC of IWV

Site

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Ridgecrest China Lake Museum, 130 E. Las Flores Ave. Oasis GC of IWV

Blue Star Byway Markers

Barstow Centennial Park, Barstow Road at Virginia Rd **Barstow Gardeners Barstow** CA Veterans Home, 100 Veterans Pkwy, near flagpole **Desert Holly Gardeners**

Boron Twenty Mule Team Museum Boron GC Boron

California City Hacienda & CA City Boulevards, at the flagpole Desert Rose GC **Edwards AF Base** Flight Center Museum, Rosamond Boulevard Tumbleweeds GC Lancaster Lancaster City Park, 10th Street W at flagpole Hi-Desert Gardeners

Cerro Coso College, right side of entry road Ridgecrest **Desert Planters of Ridgecrest**

Desert Empire Fairgrounds Oasis GC of IWV Ridgecrest

Ridgecrest Civic Center, 100 W California Desert Planters of Ridgecrest Ridgecrest Pearson Park on N. Downs, near W. Vicki Desert Planters of Ridgecrest

Ridgecrest Maturango Museum Oasis GC of IWV

Ridgecrest **Animal Shelter** Desert Planters of Ridgecrest

Historic USO Bldg., 230 W. Ridgecrest Blvd. Ridgecrest Oasis GC of IWV

Yermo Calico Ghost Town, I-15 12 miles E of Barstow **Desert Holly Gardeners**

Gold Star Memorial Markers

Lancaster Lancaster Cemetery, 111 E. Lancaster Blvd District for Antelope Valley

Blue Star Mothers

Diablo Foothills District

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Livermore VA Med. Ctr., at flagpole, Arroyo Rd. 4 mi S of District

downtown

Martinez VA Med. Ctr., 150 Muir Road, at the flagpole District

Blue Star Byway Markers

Antioch City Park Rose Garden, 10th & A Streets Riverview GC Clayton Grove Park, Downtown Clayton Clayton Valley GC Library, 2900 Salvio Street Concord Concord Garden Club Stiefer Park Discovery Bay GC Discovery Bay

Lafayette Veterans Memorial Bldg., 3780 Mt. Diablo Blvd. Lafayette GC Martinez

601 Main Street in courtyard Markham Regional Arboretum Soc.

San Ramon San Ramon Memorial Park Livermore-Amador GC Walnut Creek Elks Club at the entry Walnut Creek GC Walnut Creek The Gardens at Heather Farm, 1540 Marchbanks Dr. Walnut Creek GC

Golden Foothills District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Donner Summit (2) I-80 E & W bound view point, 4 miles W SR-89 in Auburn GC

Truckee

Emigrant Gap I-80 W-bound at Emigrant Gap Historic Overlook District

Folsom US-50 on Riley at Lembi Park entrance Organic Gardening Club of

Sacramento County

Gold Run (2) I-80 E & W bound rest areas District

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Auburn Forgotten Soldier Garden, 995 Lincoln Way District & Auburn GC

Blue Star Byway Markers

Auburn Civic Center, 1225 Lincoln Way Auburn & Donner GCs

Auburn Military Memorial Rose Garden, Bell Road Baptist Donner GC of Auburn

Church

Auburn Auburn Veterans Hall, 100 East Street Donner GC of Auburn

Carmichael E. Koobs Nature Area, 5325 Eagle Rd. Organic GC of Sacramento Co.

Chicago Park SR-174, 5.5 mi N of Historic Colfax at Bear River Pines Colfax GC
Chicago Park On corner SR-174 & St Paul Pl., #18934, Fire station #2 Chicago Park GC

Chicago Park Empire Mine State Park Chicago Park GC
Colfax SR-174 Bear River Pines Colfax GC

ColfaxSR-174 Bear River PinesColfax GCColfaxBandstand Park, Main & Church StreetsColfax GCColfaxSR 174, .75 mi N of Historic Colfax, Cape HornColfax GC

Overlook

Donner Summit (2) I-80 E & W bound rest area, at the flagpoles District Folsom Park, near 100 Natoma Street District

Foresthill Jubilee Garden, Foresthill Road Donner GC of Auburn

Georgetown VFW Park, Eaton & Wentworth Springs Road Divide GC

Grass Valley Memorial Park, SR-174 & Race St. at Right End of Wall Chicago Park GC

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Grass Valley Holiday Inn Express Courtyard District

Meadow Vista Comm. Center, 1101 Meadow Vista Rd

Placerville Veteran's Memorial Bldg., 130 Placerville Dr. Placerville GC
Roseville Roseville Cemetery at entrance flagpole Roseville Better GC
Roseville Community Center, Maidu Reg. Park, Rocky Ridge Dr Roseville Better GC

Roseville Veterans Memorial Hall, 110 Park Drive, Royer Park Roseville Green Thumb GC

Greater Los Angeles District

Blue Star Memorial Markers

W. Los Angeles Los Angeles National Cemetery, 950 Sepulveda Blvd. Los Angeles GC & Brentwood

Glen GC

Meadow Vista GC

Hollywood Triangle Median Park, Franklin & Wilcox & Cahuenga Los Angeles GC

Humboldt District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Trinidad (2) US-101 N & S bound Trinidad rest areas District

Blue Star Byway Markers

Bull Creek Flats

Bull Creek Pioneer Cemetery, 5 miles W of US 101

Southern Humboldt GC

C. of C. Garden, 2112 Broadway (US-101)

Ferndale

Veterans Memorial Building, 1100 Main Street

Ferndale GC

Fortuna Veterans Memorial Building, 1426 Main Street Fortuna GC

Garberville Veterans Park, Redwood Drive at Thomas Drive Southern Humboldt GC Pepperwood N entrance, Ave. of the Giants at info sign Southern Humboldt GC

Rio Dell Triangle Park at Wildwood Ave. & W Elko St Triangle GC Trinidad

Trinidad Light House Patrick's Point GC

Luther Burbank District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

US-101 N-bound viewpoint, Marin County anchorage Golden Gate Br District

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Yountville Veterans Home of California District

Blue Star Byway Markers

Cloverdale Green Thumb GC Cloverdale City Plaza Petaluma Veterans Memorial Bldg., 1094 Petaluma Blvd. Petaluma GC Rohnert Park Avenue of the Flags, Community Center Grounds Rohnert Park GC

Santa Rosa Veterans Memorial Bldg. District District Santa Rosa 1900 Franklin Ave, Santa Rosa

Mendo-Lake District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

US-101, CDF Station, 5 miles S of Junction with SR-20 Willits Willits GC

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Lakeport 255 N Main Street, Lake County Museum grounds Clear LakeTrowel &Trellis GC

Blue Star Byway Markers

Fort Bragg Mendocino Botanical Garden, 1 mi S of Noyo River District

Bridge

North Lake GC Triangle Park Nice

Jackson Demonstration Forest District Willits

Montana de Oro District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

San Simeon SR1, opp. Hearst Castle entry at WRH State Beach District

Blue Star Byway Markers

Santa Maria Santa Maria Inn in the patio at fountain District

(Commemorates the founding of CGCI)

Orange County District

Blue Star Byway Markers

Huntington Harbor Newland House Museum, 19820 Beach Blvd. **Huntington Harbor GC**

Community Ctr., in Oso-Viejo Park on Veterans Way Mission Viejo District

San Clemente GC San Clemente San Clemente Community Center

Santa Ana Dr Howe-Waffle House, 120 Civic Center Drive

Palms to Pines District

Santa Ana GC

Blue Star Highway Markers

Whitewater I-10 W-bound rest area, 2 mi E of I-10/SR-111 Roadrunner District

junction

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Indio Coachella Valley Cemetery The Palms GC/East Valley

Memorial

Blue Star Byway Markers

Indio Memorial Rose Garden, between City Hall & library Agave GC

JL Pettis Memorial VA Medical Center, 11201 Benton Inland Empire Geranium Loma Linda

Society

Palm Springs Palm Springs Air Museum, 745 N Gene Autry Trail District Riverside Ntl Cemetery Amphitheater Wall of Memorial Plaques District

Gold Star Memorial Markers

Big Bear Lake On the lake shore. 'A' Garden Club

Palomar District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Aliso Creek I-5 S-bound rest area, 5.8 miles N of Oceanside District

San Diego* I-8 E-bound, Hotel Circle exit, W 4/10 mi on Taylor St. Pacific Beach GC

(Destroyed during a traffic accident)

I-5 S-bound at San Ysidro Border Crossing San Ysidro District

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Miramar National Cemetery near visitor center District San Diego

Point Loma GC Point Loma Ft. Rosecrans National Cemetery at visitor center

Blue Star Byway Markers

Chula Vista GC Chula Vista Serenity Garden, Veterans Park

Bonita Valley GC Chula Vista Rohr Park Chula Vista **Veterans Elementary School** Chula Vista GC

Chula Vista Veteran's Home of Chula Vista, 700 E. Naples Ct. Chula Vista GC **Encinitas** Scripps Memorial Hospital San Dieguito GC Fallbrook Fallbrook Village Square Fallbrook GC Imperial Beach Marina Vista Park, 800 Imperial Beach Avenue District

VA Med Ctr, La Jolla Village Dr. W of I-5, at main entry La Jolla District

Lakeside Lindo Lake Park, 12824 Lakeshore Drive Lakeside GC

Poway Lake Poway Poway Valley GC Ramona Collier Park, 626 E Street Ramona GC

Valley Center Adams Park, 28741 Cole Grade Road on fountain Dos Valles GC

Vista GC & VFW 7041 Vista Brengle Terrace Park, 1200 Vale Terrace Drive

Plumas-Lassen District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

SR-36 Lake Almanor rest area, 4 miles E of town center Chester District

Portola 449 E Sierra Ave, adjacent to Hwy 70 VFW Post 3758, American

> Legion Post 329 and Chico **Horticultural Society**

Roadrunner District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Twenty-Nine Palms City limits E & W bound Hwy 62 City of Twenty-Nine Palms,

(2) CGCI

Yucca Valley (2) City Limits, E & W bound Hwy 62 City of Yucca Valley, CGCI

Blue Star Byway Markers

Cactus Wren GC **Apple Valley** On the grounds of Town Hall

Hesperia Lake Park, near back Hesperia GC & City of

Hesperia

District

Lucerne Valley Pioneer Park in the rose garden Desert Crossroads GC

Sacramento River Valley District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Hunter Hill I-80 W-bound rest area, 1.25 miles E of SR-37, Vallejo Geranium City GC

Sacramento I-5 in Old Town area at 2nd & L Streets

Sacramento I-5 S bound, Elkhorn rest area, near Metropolitan Apt District Sacramento* SR-160 E bound, Del Paso Blvd under-crossing strip District

(Missing)

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Dixon Sacramento Valley National Cemetery near main Vaca Valley GC

entrance

Blue Star Byway Markers

Benicia1st St at Military Way Veterans Memorial BldgShibui Arrangers GuildFairfieldFairfield Senior CenterGeranium City GCMcCellanVA McCellan ClinicNorth Highlands GCRancho Murieta7191 Murieta ParkwayRiver Valley GC

San Fernando Valley District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Burbank N San Fernando Valley Blvd & Scott, McCambridge District

Park Rose Garden

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Canoga Park VFW Post 2805, 8107 Canoga Ave. Southern California GC North Hills Sepulveda VA Med. Ctr.16111 Plummer St. Bldg. 200 Southern California GC

North Hollywood Lankershim Blvd adjacent Campo de Cahuenga District

Simi Valley Ronald Reagan Presidential Library Southern California GC Woodland Hills Woodland Hills DAV, 6543 Corbin Ave Southern California GC

Blue Star Byway Markers

Chatsworth Metro link Station on Old Depot Plaza Drive District

Toluca Lake 10205 Riverside Drive Toluca Lake GC

Santa Clara Valley District

Blue Star Byway Markers

Campbell 125 E Campbell Avenue Campbell GC
Campbell N Hamilton at Campbell Avenue N-bound District

Gilroy Gilroy Veteran's Hall, 74 W. 6th St. So. Valley Fleurs GC Hollister Veteran's Bldg., 649 San Benito St. So. Valley Fleurs GC

Sequoia Foothills District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Kingsburg (1) SR-99 N & S-bound C H Warlow rest area, 3 miles S of District

Turlock

Tulare (2) SR-99 N & S bound, Phillip S. Raine rest areas (replaced District

by CALTRANS 2012)

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Arvin Bakersfield National Cemetery, 30338 Bear Mountain Oasis GC of IWV (in Desert

Blvd. Empire District)

Fresno VA Central Valley Healthcare System District

Blue Star Byway Markers

Undedicated* (In Storage) Hanford GC
Lemoore Plaza Park, D Street Hanford GC
Tulare Tulare Veteran's Memorial Bldg., 1771 E. Tulare Ave. Valley Oak GC
Visalia Visalia Cemetery, Eagle's Niche Visalia GC

Top O'The State District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Castella I-5 N bound Vista Point turnout, 1 miles S of Castella District
Collier (1) I-5 N & S bound rest area, 11 miles S of Oregon border Yreka GC
McCloud SR 89, 100 feet W of exit to McCloud at the flagpole McCloud GC

Valley Lode District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Turlock SR-99 N-bound, rest area 2 miles S of Turlock Blue Star Mothers

Westley I-5 S bound rest area, 1 mile S of I-5/I-580 interchange District

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Ceres Ceres Community Center, 2701 Fourth Street Ceres GC

Blue Star Byway Markers

Angels Camp SR-49/SR-4, Visitor Center, Main & Hardscrabble Sts Calaveras County GC
Linden Farmers & Merchants Bank Linden Community GC

Lodi Micke Grove Park

Lodi GC

Charaksa Mamarial Park, Harnay Lana @ Lodi GC

Lodi Cherokee Memorial Park, Harney Lane @ Lodi GC

Highway 99

MantecaManteca Library, 320 Center StreetManteca GCModestoSenior Citizens Center, 211 Bodem Street. at Scenic DrModesto GCOakdalePopular & California on Post Office groundsOakdale GCPattersonPatterson Senior Center, 1033 West Las PalmasPatterson GCRipon259 N Wilma, at City Hall flagpoleRipon GC

Sonora Cal-Fire Demonstration Garden, 18464 Stryker Ct., Tuolumne County GC

StocktonOn Tuxedo Ave, at Pacific Avenue by water fountainStockton GCStocktonEaster Seal Therapeutic Center, Bianchi & ClaremontStockton GCStocktonHaggin Museum, Victory Park, 1201 N. Pershing AveStockton GC

Tuolumne In the triangle at junction of Pine and Fir Tuolumne County GC

Gold Star Byway Markers

Sonora Cal-Fire Demonstration Garden, 18464 Stryker Ct. Tuolumne County GC

Yosemite Gateway District

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

Cathey's Valley SR-140 East side of road in Cathey's Valley Cathey's Valley

Blue Star Memorial Markers

Santa Nella San Joaquin Valley National Cemetery District

Blue Star Byway Markers

Atwater Castle Air Museum, Sante Fe Ave. Atwater GC
Le Grand Plainsburg Cemetery, 8943 Gillette Rd. Le Grand GC
Merced Joe Herb Park, Yosemite Parkway (SR140) District

Gold Star Byway Markers

Merced Veteran's Memorial Bldg., Main St. near R. St. Merced GC

California Garden Clubs, Inc.

Blue Star Memorial Highway Markers

SR-1, in SW corner of PCH & Carnelian Street Redondo Beach Vietnam Veterans, CGCI Twenty-Nine Palms City limits E & W bound Hwy 62 City of Twenty-Nine Palms,

CGCI

(2) Yucca Valley (2) City Limits, E & W bound Hwy 62 City of Yucca Valley, CGCI

Blue Star Byway Markers

Reno, NV Powing Veterans Park, 150 S. Virginia St. w/Nevada Garden Clubs, Inc.

DEDICATED BLUE STAR MEMORIAL HIGHWAYS

<u>ROUTE NO</u> .	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
75	Coronado	Naval Air Station – North Island
62	I-10 Riverside County	Adobe Road-Twenty-Nine Palms
1	I-5 at Dana Point in Orange County	Route 101 at Leggett
101	Los Angeles	Oregon State Line
680	County line - Contra Costa & Alameda	Benicia Bridge (Solano
		County Line)
79 SH 70	Marysville	Hallelujah Junction
395	I-15 near Cajon Pass	Nevada State Line
89	Route 395 near Topaz	I-5 near Mt. Shasta
40	I-15 at Barstow	Arizona State Line
280	Third Street in San Francisco	I-680 in San Jose
140	I-5 near Gustine	Yosemite National Park
97	I-5 at Weed	Oregon State Line
58	Route 101 (Santa Margarita)	I-15 (Barstow)
36	Route 101 - Alton	Susanville
254	Humboldt County Avenue of Giants	Route 101 near Pepperwood
8	San Diego (formerly 80)	Arizona State Line
80	San Francisco	Nevada State Line
5	Mexico Border (Tijuana)	Oregon State Line
Old US 99	Mexico Border at Calexico	Oregon State Line