

## ATHENS VETERANS MEMORIAL BANNERS

Thank you to the Athens Lions Club and the Township of Athens for supporting the Athens Veteran Banner project.

The purpose of the Honour Our Veterans Banner Program is to:

- Recognize and honour our local Veterans, deceased Veterans, and active service members or Veterans who have served or are currently serving in Canadian, Allied or Commonwealth Forces, that have a tie to Athens.
- Promote Remembrance in our community.

It will include a photo, name, military affiliation, and the banner sponsor (if wanted) and it will be proudly displayed throughout our beautiful village of Athens, as well as Charleston Lake.

Banners will be displayed from October, up until the middle of November. The sponsor of the banner will pay \$125, which includes taxes and shipping, to have the banner designed. The banners technically belong to the sponsor; however, they will be stored at the Athens Municipal Building. Depending on the condition of the banner (i.e., weather affected or other reasons) the hope is for the banners to be hung for 5 years, and then returned to the sponsor.

There will be an application form available on the Township of Athens website [www.athenstownship.ca](http://www.athenstownship.ca) that will include all the required information needed. Requirements will include:

1. **Photograph:** either a 4x6 or a 5x7 in high resolution, portrait style, of the person in uniform.
2. **Era Served:** WWI, WWII, Cold War, Korean War, Afghanistan, Peacekeeping, Regular Forces and Reserve Forces.
3. **Branch of Service:** Army, Air Force, Navy
4. **Name of Sponsor:** family, friends, or community sponsor if wanted
5. **Payment:** Cash, e-transfer, or cheque payable to the Athens Lions Club

Each banner will include the words **Lest We Forget**, as well as display the Canadian flag. The banners will be designed by Ketchum Manufacturing in Brockville

Deadline for participation will be **May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026**, to allow ample time to produce the banners. New submissions will be accepted yearly, as this will be an ongoing legacy project that will pay tribute to all Canadian and Allied Veterans and active service members.

If you require any further information or clarification, please contact Phil Meek at 613-803-9179 or Barb Ward at [athensveteranbanners@gmail.com](mailto:athensveteranbanners@gmail.com)