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Grove City Unveils New Monument Honoring Fallen Military Heroes

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GROVE CITY, Ohio (WCMH)– As 92-year-old Medal of Honor recipient and World War II veteran Hershel “Woody” Williams walks through Grove City’s Welcome Center, he’s reminded of the sacrifice others made.

“And I’m free because of them,” said Williams.

Williams wants all who served to never be forgotten, and he’s honoring those men and women with monuments.

The Gold Star Monuments are a way of honoring those mothers, fathers and siblings.

“When they see something that represents them, part of them that says there are those that have not forgotten. And we must never forget,” said Williams, who wants at least one monument in every state.

Grove City resident and Army Specialist Joey Riley was killed in Afghanistan last November, and the city decided to put a plan in place to bring a monument there.

Riley's sister says the monument will bring even more support and compassion from the community.

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