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McKinney completes monument to honor local Gold Star Families

City of McKinney's Veterans Memorial Park is home to the Gold Star Families Memorial Monument

McKINNEY, Texas (Dec. 18, 2017) – The City of McKinney Armed Services Memorial Board has completed the Gold Star Families Memorial Monument at Veterans Memorial Park. The Gold Star Memorial Monument honors family members of Texas and Collin County military service members who lost their lives serving our country.

On Dec. 16, special guest Hershel “Woody” Williams, the only living Medal of Honor recipient from the Battle of Iwo Jima, conducted the ceremonial ribbon cutting with the support of local Gold Star family members. Over 250 community members were in attendance.

The Gold Star Families Memorial Monument is funded in part by the McKinney Community Development Corporation and public donors and is provided by the Hershel “Woody” Williams Medal of Honor Foundation. The foundation’s goal is to place a Gold Star Memorial in each of the 50 states.



Photos available upon request.

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About McKinney

McKinney, Texas, is unique by nature. As one of the fastest growing cities in America, McKinney has a current population of more than 168,000. The city was #1 on the list of Best Places to Live in America in 2014, published by *Money Magazine*. Established in 1848, the city is located 30 miles north of Dallas and is the county seat of Collin County. McKinney offers award-winning schools, a vibrant historic downtown, diverse housing options, a robust economy and a uniquely beautiful natural setting, with rolling hills and lush trees. Visit the city’s website at www.mckinneytexas.org.

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