

## WINDHAM, CT VETERANS' MEMORIALS



Willimantic Windham Field, the former home of the Willimantic Baseball League, was dedicated and landscaped as "**Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Park**" in June, 1929. In 1953, the memorial was constructed and dedicated to the men and women who lost their lives in "the flaming crucible of war." This symbol of loyalty to freedom currently lists the lives lost in **World War I**, **World War II**, and the **Korean Conflict** and a plaque to the **Vietnam War** 1964-1975. In the park are memorial plaques dedicated to those who served in the **Merchant Marines**

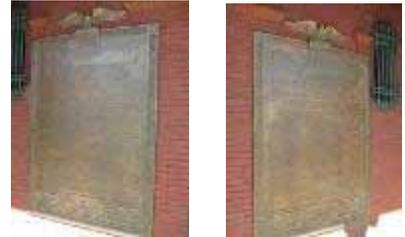
between Dec. 1941 and August 1945 (installed Nov. 2008) and Co. L. First Infantry **National Guard** in the Great World War 1917 - 1919. A Polish Veterans Memorial will be dedicated on Memorial Day 2009. Located on Main Street (Routes 32 and 66) Willimantic, CT between Tingley and Watson Streets.



Willimantic The front entrance to Windham Town Hall, Main Street (Routes 32 and 66) Willimantic

**American Revolution** – tablet erected by Anne Wood Elderkin Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution in 1901. *"To the Honor and Glory of our Patriotic Sires – Sons of Windham – who for Freedom and Independence endured hardship and battle in the war of The American Revolution that their descendents might enjoy the blessings of a government by the people."*

**WW I** -- 2 large plaques on the front of Town Hall. "In Commemoration of the Patriotism and Valor of the Officers and Men of Windham who served their country and humanity in the World War 1917-1919." The plaque lists the battlefields. *"In Memory of the Men of Windham who in the World War gave their lives that freedom may endure. They gave their merry youth away for Country and for God."* The plaque lists the names, the place, the regiment, and date of the fallen.



**Civil War** – Plaque erected by Francis S. Long Women's Relief Corps No. 28 in 1940. *"In Memory of the Veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic of the Town of Windham."* In 1895, the Francis S. Long Post members commissioned a 26 foot high granite obelisk on a seven foot square base to be erected at Town Hall, but their plan was defeated and the monument was installed in New London.



Willimantic Veterans' Memorial Greenway was dedicated in 2005 to *"the Town of Windham's Servicemen and Women, known and unknown to us, who gave their lives in defense of our nation."* There are 4 monuments listing Windham residents who lost their lives serving our country in **WW I**, **WW II**, **Korea**, and **Vietnam**. The Monuments are on the corner of Jackson and Union Streets, near Thread City Crossing (aka Frog Bridge), which intersects Routes 66 and 32.





**South Windham Memorial** plaque "erected in grateful memory of the men and women of South Windham who served our country with courage and devotion in time of war." Located adjacent to the flag in front of the Guilford Smith Library on Main Street, South Windham.



Windham Center Green has 3 monuments. Memorials on the Windham Center Green are at the intersection of Routes 14 and 203.



**Vietnam Memorial** (left) listing the names of the fallen.

**WW II Memorial**, (right) with a flagpole was "dedicated by the people of Windham Center in honor of those who sacrificed and served in WW II" and lists names of Windham residents who served.



**Disabled American Vets** Chapter 39 installed a plaque on Windham Center Green.