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Dear Community Members,

On behalf of the Fayette Square Veterans Memorial Committee, I am writing to inform the community of our progress on placing a marker honoring Owosso veterans of the Korean War at Fayette Square City Park.

Thanks to the generosity of a private donor, our marker is purchased and will be placed on Veteran's Day, Thursday, November 11th. In addition to memorializing all Korean veterans, the marker will be listing the names of all veterans from Owosso who were killed in the war. Records have been lacking, but our research of federal documents and news articles has resulted in the following list of twelve veterans either confirmed or believed to be from Owosso. We ask you to please look at these names and inform us immediately if you know of any additional Owosso veterans killed in action who need to be included. The list follows:

Barlow Kenneth W

McCall Leston R

Beardslee Daniel E

Odea Lawrence

Derby Robert K

Palmatier Bud T

Elliott James H

Sawyer George A

Hendrick Hazen C Jr

Smith James K

Levitski Walter J

Wakefield Joseph W

Thank you for your attention. If you know of other servicemen killed in action in the Korea War who resided in Owosso, please provide proper documentation and it will be submitted to the Owosso VFW for verification. You may contact me by calling 989-725-0595 or writing Benjamin.Frederick@ci.owosso.mi.us.

While the Korean War is often called the "forgotten war," our city will never forget those who served and died in defense of freedom. Please join us for a dedication ceremony immediately preceding the parade.

In Service,

Benjamin R. Frederick, Mayor of Owosso