



## **VETERANS INFORMATION**

Numerous veterans are buried in Russellville Oakland Cemetery. We at Russellville Oakland Cemetery take pride in recognizing all our Veterans, and appreciate the good works provided by local Volunteers. Before Memorial Day weekend and Veteran's Day, the American Legion, the VFW, and local Scouting Troops walk and place an American flag on each grave of known Veterans. It is possible that one or two are overlooked as the information concerning that Veteran may not be known by the Volunteers or the Cemetery staff. While it is not required by our cemetery, it is encouraged that each Veteran buried here has a marker indicating that they are a Veteran and their service information.

If they are a Veteran, a monument (tombstone) may be acquired from the Department of Veterans Affairs, at little to no cost. The Department of Veterans Affairs will not furnish monuments for those who have a tombstone but are not marked as a veteran prior to November 1, 1990. If they are buried after that date they will furnish a veteran monument at no cost. A monument, tombstone or marker will be furnished only if the remains are buried at a specific land site.

The Veterans Administration has several monument choices including marble, granite, or bronze. The Department of Veterans Affairs also offers brass medallions that may be put on existing monuments. They come in three different sizes, 1 1/2, 3, or 5 inches. They have different medallions for different branches of the service.

For more information and applications, follow this link to contact the Department of Veterans Affairs: <http://www.cem.va.gov/cem/hmm/index.asp>