

Airlifters Memorial ^[1]

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Description: This monument pays tribute to airlifters past, present, and future. Composed of a large, flat granite sphere with three bronze representations of planes in flight arching upward, it symbolizes the willingness and sacrifice of service personnel who have reached out across the globe to protect freedom. The sphere is inscribed with a number of meridians and lines of latitude to reflect the globe along with the eagle wings of the Air Force and three crossed arrows. The sculpture rests atop a short granite plinth which rests on a shallow square granite base. Both the plinth and the base are inscribed.

Inscription:

On the plinth: THIS MEMORIAL DEDICATED BY MEMBERS OF / AIR FORCE SERGEANTS ASSOCIATION / CHAPTER 367 / AND / NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICERS OPEN MESS / POPE AIR FORCE BASE / NORTH CAROLINA / 12 JUNE 1981

On the base: IN HONOR OF / AIRLIFTERS PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Dedication date: 6/12/1981

Materials & Techniques: Granite, bronze

Sponsor: Air Force Sergeants Association Chapter 367 and the Noncommissioned Officers Open Mess, Pope Air Force Base

Unveiling & Dedication: The monument was dedicated on June 12, 1981.

Location: The monument sits on the east side of Reilly Road just to the north of Explorer Street.

Landscape: The monument sits next to a retired C-119 aircraft, along with three additional retired exhibition aircraft. The Enlisted Personnel Memorial and the Pope Airmen Memorial are directly across the road. The setting is park-like with mature shade trees and a dedicated walkway.

City: Fort Bragg

County: Cumberland

Subjects: Veterans of Multiple Wars

Latitude: 35.1659

Longitude: -79.00321

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