



# Ask. Listen. Share. Learn.

**The Office of U. S. Senator Joe Donnelly,  
along with the staff of Smith Farms Manor,  
invite you to preserve our military history  
for future generations of Americans by participating in the  
Veterans History Project (VHP).**

The Veterans History Project was created in the year 2000 to collect, preserve and make available the personal stories of American veterans. These oral histories are kept in the permanent collections of the Library of Congress, one of the world's most respected research and cultural institutions. Scholars, students, authors, filmmakers and history buffs can access the collection to hear individual accounts of soldiers' service. These personal accounts allow us to hear directly from those who protected our freedoms, and help us better understand the realities of military service.

## Join in:

- If you're a veteran of any branch of the United States Military and served at any time, please join us to share and record your story. You will talk through your experiences with an interviewer, and your recording must last a **minimum of 30 minutes**. Bring any photos, letters or other memorabilia you would like to share. If you'd like the Library of Congress to archive them with your oral history, **please note: the Library of Congress only accepts originals for inclusion in the collection.**
- If you have a family member or friend you think would like to participate, **invite them** and offer to interview them as part of this special opportunity. Recorders and field kits will be provided at the event. All you need to do is join us!
- If you want to show your appreciation for our veterans' service, **volunteer** to interview and record a veteran's story during this event. You'll receive instructions on site, as well as all the materials you will need to complete the interview.

**Thursday, September 8th, 2016  
12:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
Smith Farms Manor  
406 Smith Drive, Auburn, IN 46706**

**RSVP REQUESTED.** Please provide your name, address, telephone number and email to Ryan Wiegand, and indicate if you want to record your story, or if you want to interview a veteran. To RSVP, please email Ryan at [Ryan\\_Wiegand@donnelly.senate.gov](mailto:Ryan_Wiegand@donnelly.senate.gov), or call him at **(317) 226-5555**. He will schedule you and confirm your attendance. Please join us!

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