The Women's Memorial is located at the Ceremonial Entrance to Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA, and is directly across the Memorial Bridge from the Lincoln Memorial at the end of Memorial Drive. The Memorial houses an Exhibit Gallery, Hall of Honor, Gift Shop, Theater, Upper Terrace, Court of Valor and, the heart of the Memorial, a computerized Register containing 250,000 women's stories.

The Exhibit Gallery is home to 16 exhibit alcoves featuring permanent and special exhibits on the history of American women in the military. These exhibits showcase artifacts, text and memorable images that illustrate women's contribution to our nation's defense throughout history. Permanent exhibits include three alcoves focusing on World War II and one on the Korean War. Special exhibits rotate throughout the year and currently include "The Making of a Memorial," 50th Anniversary of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act, Women's Memorial Dedication and the 25th Anniversary of Women in the Chaplain Corps.

The Hall of Honor provides recognition to those women who, throughout history, have served with particular sacrifice and achievement. Honored are those women who died in service, were prisoners of war or were recipients of our nation's highest awards for service and bravery. This majestic room contains the sister blocks of marble used for the Tomb of the Unknowns appropriately located with flags of the states, territories and services.

The Memorial's Gift Shop holds the world's largest selection of women's military memorabilia and related gift items and offers the nation's largest collection of books written by and about America's servicewomen. All Gift Shop proceeds go toward Memorial and Foundation operations and maintenance. It's a great place for unique gifts for those of all ages. Stock ranges from key chains to embroidered silk jackets. Please call 800-222-2294 for a merchandise or book catalog or visit our Online Gift Shop.

In addition to providing a forum for conferences, lectures, speeches and other events, the 196-seat auditorium-style Theater features the film In Defense of a Nation, which depicts the roles women have played in America's rich military history. Unless another event is occurring in the Theater, In Defense of a Nation runs every 10 minutes.

The Memorial's Upper Terrace provides visitors with an extraordinary panoramic view of monumental Washington, DC, while its glass tablets offer the opportunity to read quotations from famous Americans about women's service in defense of our nation.

At the Court of Valor, visitors hear the collective voices of servicewomen symbolically gather together as water moves from the Memorial's Fountain to its Reflecting Pool.

Located at the center of the Memorial is the interactive computerized Register, which places the names, records of service, photographs and memorable military experiences of individual women at the public's fingertips. The registration process makes it possible for all servicewomen—past, present and future—to have permanent recognition in America's history. The Register has 12 computer terminals enabling visitors to view the records of registered servicewomen.