

America's Military and **First Responders Museum**

Website: www.amfrm.org

Where: At Naples Airport, 500 Terminal Drive, Naples 34104

Formerly

Naples

Military

Museum

Get There: Airport-Pulling Road between Golden Gate Pkwy and Davis Blvd. West

on North Road. Turn on Terminal Drive.

Museum is in a separate room in the main airport terminal building.

When: Monday-Saturday 10am-4pm.

Sunday Noon-3pm.

Admission: Free. Donations accepted.

What: Stories of veterans through military artifacts from the Revolutionary War, War of 1812, the Civil War, World War I, World War II, and the Korean, Vietnam, and Gulf wars.

More than 10,000 historical artifacts such as printed materials, weapons, uniforms, medals, ribbons, and models.

Museum will be moving to 4110 **Golden Gate** Pkwy in new **Veterans** Service Center. **10X current** floor space!





veterans who are happy to explain exhibits and share interesting personal stories.

The Naples Airport is a fitting space for the museum since it was built by the Army Corps of Engineers during WWII to train pilots for the Pacific theater conflict.

At the peak of the war, the airport was home to more than 75 fighter and bomber aircraft as well as the pilots and aerial gunners who trained at the base.

Naples Airport History

- Built in 1942 as Naples Army Airfield by US Army Air Forces
- Provided basic flight training on Fairchild PT-19s.
- In addition to flight training,
 Naples Army Airfield was a Fairchild PT-19 sub-base to Buckingham Army Airfield (Fort Myers) for gunnery training.
- Deactivated on November 1, 1945. Turned over to Naples city government as a public airport.
- Buckingham Army Airfield was sold to a developer and is now Lehigh Acres section of Fort Myers.





























































