

# 2022 Community Landscape Beautification Award Winner



## *"Village of Wolverine Lake Veterans Memorial"*

*The Plant Michigan Green Community Landscape Beautification Award was developed to recognize outstanding communities that exemplify excellence in improving the physical and aesthetic environment of their community and in raising awareness of positive economic growth.*

Congratulations to the Village of Wolverine Lake Veterans Memorial! This winning project came alive in January 2020, when the Veteran's Committee of Wolverine Lake asked Ron Krueger of Garden Innovations to help design the landscape for the Veterans Memorial. The ceremony to present the award was held August 19, 2022 with Amy Upton presenting the award plaques.

The judges noted the design, the maturity of the plants, the brickwork, and the effort to have the Memorial look good in all four seasons.

In addition, the judges appreciated the collaboration and partnership between the committee and all of the individuals and firms that were involved with bringing the design vision to fruition.

These companies include:

- Garden Innovations – Ron Krueger (design, maintenance, and supervision)
- M & D Lawn & Landscape – John Kouchoukos
- Mills Electric – Clarence Mills (electricity)
- Dan Hanlon (electricity)
- Munro Electric (electricity)





From left: Fred Meisner, Deb Malbin, Ron Krueger, Kelly Siko, Bonnie Beach, Lori Longbrake, and Mark Giromini

- CRB Crane Company – Craig Benedict
- A&R Lawn & Landscape
- Frazier Rentals – John Frazier
- Consumers Energy
- JJM Backhoe Services – Jeff Miller
- JW Christmas & Associates
- Flagpoles, Etc.
- Village of Wolverine Lake
- Lowe's

- The Wolverine Lake Veterans Memorial Committee
- All of the volunteers that helped plant and maintain the memorial and helped with the arbor.

In addition, two special Tributes were presented to the Veterans Memorial Committee commemorating the award, one from State Senator Jim Runestad of

Michigan's 15th District and one from State Representative Ryan Berman of Michigan's 39th District, also signed by Governor Whitmer.

**The deadline for 2023  
entries is July 1, 2023.**