

Geo-Art Research

Group #3

The Purple Heart Series GC4H13Q

Location: Clarksville, Tennessee

Theme: Purple Heart

The purple heart medal is a combat decoration given to members of the armed forces of the United States that are wounded by an instrument of war due to fighting the enemy. The Purple Heart medal was one of the first awards that could be given to a lower-ranking soldier rather than to commanders that had won a great battle.

When Launched: 8/7/2013

Owner: detect.grab.sign (Purple Heart Recipient)

Cache Types (Number): Mystery/Puzzle Multi-Cache, each cache asked you an informational question that you had to answer correctly to get the coordinates of the cache, hints were given as to where each cache was located ; 54 caches

Approximate Number of Visitors: 252 logged visits

Cache Favorite Points: 56

Feedback from the Owner (Why / Workload):

Information included on the website that the owner posted-
“As a Purple Heart recipient, I wanted to bring you to an area that salutes those that have paid a sacrifice for our country. This stretch of road in Clarksville, TN is called "The Purple Heart Parkway" and represents those members of the US Armed Forces who have paid some form of sacrifice in their service.”

*Each group member reached out to the owner of the geo-art and we were unable to get a response. *

Selective Cacher Comments / Feedback

What we asked:

“I am doing a college project on geocaching and was hoping to find out more about the Purple Heart series geo art. Answering these questions will help me to complete my project but also to learn more about geocaching! What do you remember about the Purple Heart series? How long did it take you to complete the series? What did you enjoy about your experience with this geo art? Can you tell me more about how the cache was solved? Is there anything about it that you didn't like? Thank you in advance for helping me out and teaching me a little about geocaching!”

Responses:

SC-Cruiser Sep 4, 2019 8:51 PM

“I figured out about half of the cache locations but didn't have time to find very many. This series is easier to answer and complete as all the information is in the description. I particularly was interested as my grandmothers brother was killed in weight and later received the Purple Heart. Geocaching is a great learning experience as the CO places the cache at locations that many would not have visited if they weren't searching for a cache.”

Ecorangers and Earthangel (husband~wife) from West Bend WI.

“We geocache to get out of the house, to spend time with each other, to get our exercise, to challenge ourselves both physically and mentally. To meet other geocachers, to attend geocaching events.

Here's what we remember about the geo art Purple Heart Series: 1) It was very informative how they wrote up each cache page 2) it was very educational on the information they presented on each cache page 3) you got the final coordinates for each cache by reading the information presented and answering a question, the correct answer gives you the correct coordinates 4) we love how they gave you a hint to where the cache had been hidden, 5) we love how every cache was attached to a wooden stake with surveyor tape on it. Here's what we enjoyed about this series: 1) they were all "mystery" caches as opposed to straight up traditional 2) we loved the geo-art decoration. There was good safe parking at each geocache stop, they give a good hint, they have the same hide technique, they make it meaningful and educational (purple heart). Thanks, Tami & Wade. Our motto is a "Couple that plays together~Stays together!"

Cloak.n.Dagger Sep 13, 2019 12:32 PM

“If i recall that series was in TN. It was a puzzle series and most containers were in need of repair...i was at the top of my game back then and so the series challenges were fairly straight forward. I think it took less than 4 days to complete i think. What i enjoyed most was that it was my first geo art i ever done...and it was in an area i was found of as im a veteran of the 101st. As far as solving them its been a while but there was a series of questions from a report about the purple heart, with multiple choice answers giving partial gps locations to find the cache”.

TByrd1567 September 6th 2019, 2:00 pm

“ I did not like the traffic. It was really busy. Otherwise it was a fun series.”

Additional Details (Geo-Art Image)

