Memorial Highway & Bridge Designations
Legislative Budget Office of LSC

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Designation Statistics
Total Designations: 452
• Roads: 417
• Bridges: 35

Dedicated For —
• Armed Forces: 307
• First Responders: 52
• Government Officials: 41
• Historic Figures: 23
• Sports Figures: 9
• Community Figures: 8
• Geographic Features: 6
• Other: 6

Two memorial highway signs typically cost $850 for ODOT to fabricate and the responsible entity to install.

Designations by County

Designation Details
• Ohio Revised Code Chapters 5533 & 5534 designate memorial highways and bridges.
• Highway designations:
  » will not change the official highway route number or name.
  » may overlap with multiple designations at various points along the route.
  » are generally at least one mile long, and often are longer.
• The government entity generally responsible for the road must erect and maintain signs.
• The size of the sign varies due to the text length of the designation.
• A sign needs to be replaced every 12-15 years. Signs are made of aluminum sheets covered with reflective and plastic sheetings.