



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Martin J. Golden

Senator Golden Announces City Tribute to American Hero From Brooklyn Restored

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Brooklyn – State Senator Martin J. Golden (R-C-I, Brooklyn), a member of the State Senate Committee on Homeland Security, Military and Veteran Affairs, is announcing that through his efforts, a plaque posthumously honoring United States Army Private First Class Armond Cutinella, has been restored.

The Armond Cutinella Memorial Association organized an appeal to the City of New York in 1950 to name the triangle at the intersection of 86th Street and West 6th Street in Brooklyn. The Park was restored in 1996 and the plaque, which described the heroism of Private First Class Cutinella, went missing. Late last year, Mr. Cutinella's great grand nephew contacted Senator Golden for assistance in having the plaque replaced, and working with the Brooklyn Parks Department, the plaque now again is on display at Cutinella Square.

Senator Marty Golden stated, "I am glad to have been contacted by the family of an American hero from Brooklyn, so to help have this plaque replaced in honor of the military career of Private First Class Armond Cutinella. Armond was killed in the Battle of the Bulge in January, 1945, and our community and our City, will never forget his sacrifices in the name of our freedom."

Golden continued, "I thank the Brooklyn Parks Department for their attention and response to this request. This plaque now again undoubtedly dedicates this square to a man who was raised just a few blocks away and lived a life of true patriotism. I am confident that the life of Armond Cutinella will continue to inspire New Yorkers and remind us that freedom is not free."

Private First Class Armond Cutinella was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star for gallantry as well as the Purple Heart. Cutinella Triangle is a Greenstreets site located in the Gravesend section of Brooklyn.