This "living" memorial in the heart of Vancouver’s historic district has grown and developed over the years thanks to contributions made by residents in memory of loved ones and friends.

2. George C. Marshall House Built in 1866, the Ross's most elegant Queen Anne Victorian replaced the Grant House as home for the commanding officer of Vancouver Barracks. It was the residence of General George C. Marshall from 1936 to 1938. Open to the public on weekends during office hours and on selected weekends. Guided tours available. (360) 693-2103.

3. Ulysses S. Grant House This log building, now covered with siding, is the oldest remaining building at Vancouver Barracks, constructed in 1849 as the first commanding officer's home. Ulysses S. Grant, who served as quartermaster at Fort Vancouver in 1852-53, returned to visit Vancouver in 1879 after serving as Governor of Missouri. The house was named for him at that time. Today it houses the popular Grant House Restaurant. (360) 696-1727.

4. O.O. Howard House Faithfully restored to its former glory in 1999, this Victorian jewel at the west end of Officers Row was built in 1879 by Gen. O.O. Howard, who served in Vancouver from 1874-80. It serves as the Visitors Center for both the Vancouver National Historic Reserve and the Southwest Washington Visitor & Convention Bureau. (360) 992-1820, www.vancouverhistoricreserve.org

5. Vancouver Barracks American troops arrived here in March 1849 to establish Camp Vancouver as the first U.S. military post in the Oregon Territory. The complex of officers’ homes and soldiers’ barracks became the regional command of the Army’s Department of the Columbia, encompassing all of Oregon, Washington, Alaska and much of Idaho. Remained Vancouver Barracks by the Army in 1981, it remains an active military post until 2000.

7. Providence Academy Designed and built in 1873 by Mother Joseph, a Catholic nun, the Academy is in the same building as the oldest high school in Washington. It is the oldest continuous Catholic school in the Pacific Northwest. Planted in 1826 under the direction of Dr. John McLoughlin, Chief Factor of Fort Vancouver, the tree is part of a heritage of silk trees from the Columbia.

9. Esther Short Park This 5-acre site is the oldest public square in the Northwest, dedicated in 1855. Open seven days a week. Guided tours, cultural demonstrations and video available. (360) 696-8478.

10. Pioneer Mother Statue Sculpted by Avard Fairbanks, this beloved monument in Esther Short Park is dedicated to the memory of the brave women who helped settle the Oregon Territory. Every Saturday from the first of April through October a volunteer in pioneer costume interprets the life of early settlers.

11. Slocum House This historic home is one of the few remaining farms from Vancouver’s early residential neighborhoods. It was moved from its original site to the southeast corner of Esther Short Park and today is home to the Slocum House Theatre. (360) 697-6427.

12. Vancouver Farmer’s Market Every Saturday from the first week of April to the last week in October, more than 70 vendors sell fresh produce, plants, crafts, and food. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Also open Sundays in August and September, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

13. Vancouvercenter This mixed-use development is a cornerstone of Vancouver’s 20-year, $800 million redevelopment. The complex of four buildings includes residential, office and retail spaces, plazas, parking and gardens.

14. Columbia River Waterfront Fourteen-foot wide concrete trail offers access to sites of historic interest and scenic beauty along the Columbia River, linking downtown to the shoreline with its numerous restaurants, shops, parks and attractions such as Kaiser viewing Tower and Shipyards, Water Resources Education Center, Marine Park Westlands, Tucker Cove and Winter Park.

15. Vancouver Landing This outdoor amphitheater is a one-acre park on the edge of the Columbia River, a beautiful representative of our area’s glorious Native heritage.

16. Capt. Vancouver Monument Dedicated in 1992, the monument is a stylized replica of the first vessel to ply the waters of the Columbia. British Lieutenant William Broughton manned the 24-foot long boat and charted the area in honor of England and his captain, George Vancouver.

17. The Old Apple Tree The park was dedicated in 1994 to honor the Old Apple Tree, the oldest apple tree in the Pacific Northwest. Planted in 1826 under the direction of Dr. John McLoughlin, Chief Factor of Fort Vancouver, it still bears fruit today.

18. Ichiee Plaza Dedicated in 1994, the plaza and statue honor the people who have inhabited this region for thousands of years. Ichiee, the daughter of a Chinook chief, sits watch on the Columbia, a beautiful representation of our area’s glorious Native heritage.

19. Pearson Air Museum at Jack Murdock Aviation Center Pearson Air Museum celebrates the rich history of Pearson Field – the oldest continually operating U.S. airfield dating back to a dirigible landing in 1905. Major exhibits focus on great moments in aviation history, with vintage aircraft, films, computer learning center and gift shop. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday-Sunday, admission. (360) 694-7026, www.pearsonaeromuseum.org

20. Chkalov Society Transpolar Monument Dedicated in 1975, the Chkalov Monument celebrates the world’s first non-stop transpolar flight. Three Russian aviators flying from Moscow landed at Pearson Field on June 26, 1937.