



**African American
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Location: 10th Street and U Street, N.W.

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More than 200,000 blacks valiantly served in the Union army and navy during the Civil War and overcame the hardship of combat as well as the prejudices of their white counterparts. These soldiers and sailors embodied Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation through their determination to achieve for themselves freedom and equality. The main part of the memorial is the sculpture *Spirit of Freedom*.