

**SIoux FALLS PARKS TOUR**

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**U.S.S. South Dakota Battleship Memorial --**

The U.S.S. South Dakota Battleship Memorial Museum. The museum highlights the most decorated battleship of World War II. The vessel fought in every major battle in the Pacific from 1942 to 1945. The U.S.S. South Dakota Battleship Memorial is located in Sherman Park, by West 12<sup>th</sup> Street and Kiwanis Avenue. This small museum contains many items of historical interest regarding the ship's role in World War II in the Pacific. A gift shop also offers items for sale relating to the U.S.S. South Dakota. The museum was expanded in 2009 and now offers even more displays for viewing. The West Wing addition was made possible through a generous donation from a former shipmate. Admission is FREE. **Hours, Memorial Day to Labor Day:** 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day.



**Veteran's Memorial Park --**

Show your patriotism by stopping at Veterans' Memorial Park. The park is designed as a memorial honoring all veterans involved in conflicts dating back to the Spanish-American War. Visit the Medal of Honor Garden, check out the names of veterans in the quartzite memorial, take a seat in the outdoor amphitheater, or take a stroll through the park. The park features a beautiful lake running through the middle of it, with a bridge connecting both sides. The *Going Home* sculpture was added in 2010 to honor those soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country.



**Shoto-Teien Japanese Gardens / Terrace Park**

The area known as Terrace Park is located on a bluff overlooking an ancient part of the Big Sioux River's system of oxbows and overflow flood plains. This bluff is part of a series of bluffs that form the East side of the Big Sioux River valley. The Japanese Gardens are designed as a traditional Japanese strolling garden and are a great way to spend 30 minutes to an hour. The garden includes an entrance pavilion, two arbors, a bridge, waterfall, numerous benches, stone lanterns, and an island. The varied and traditional plants and trees are pruned annually by Ben Chu, an expert in Japanese gardens. The gardens are beautiful in every season and are open all year. They are located in Terrace Park on the east shoreline of Covell Lake.



**Fawick Park**

Thomas Fawick gave the citizens a replica of Michelangelo's David statue in 1971. The dedication of the park where it was erected was held in October of 1973.



Enjoy free family movies in Fawick Park every Saturday night, brought to you by Downtown Sioux Falls.