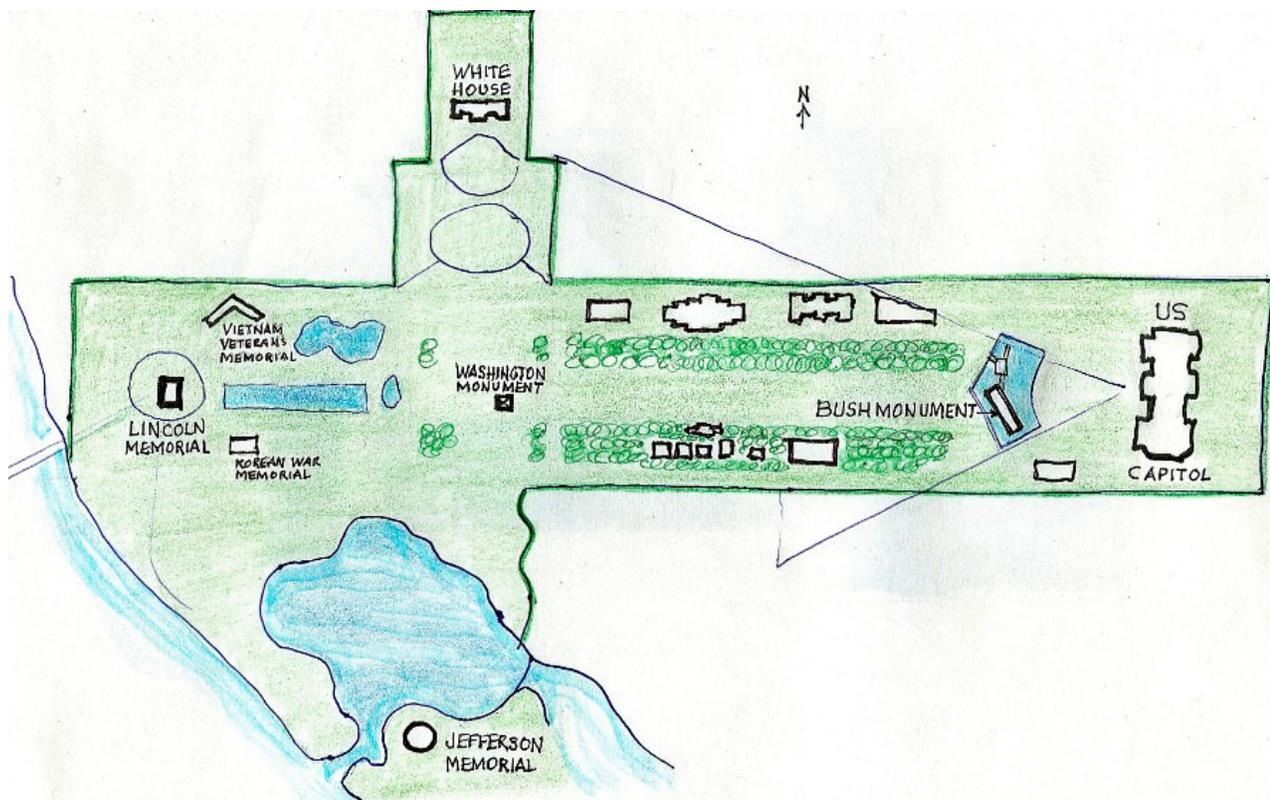


The GEORGE W. BUSH MONUMENT

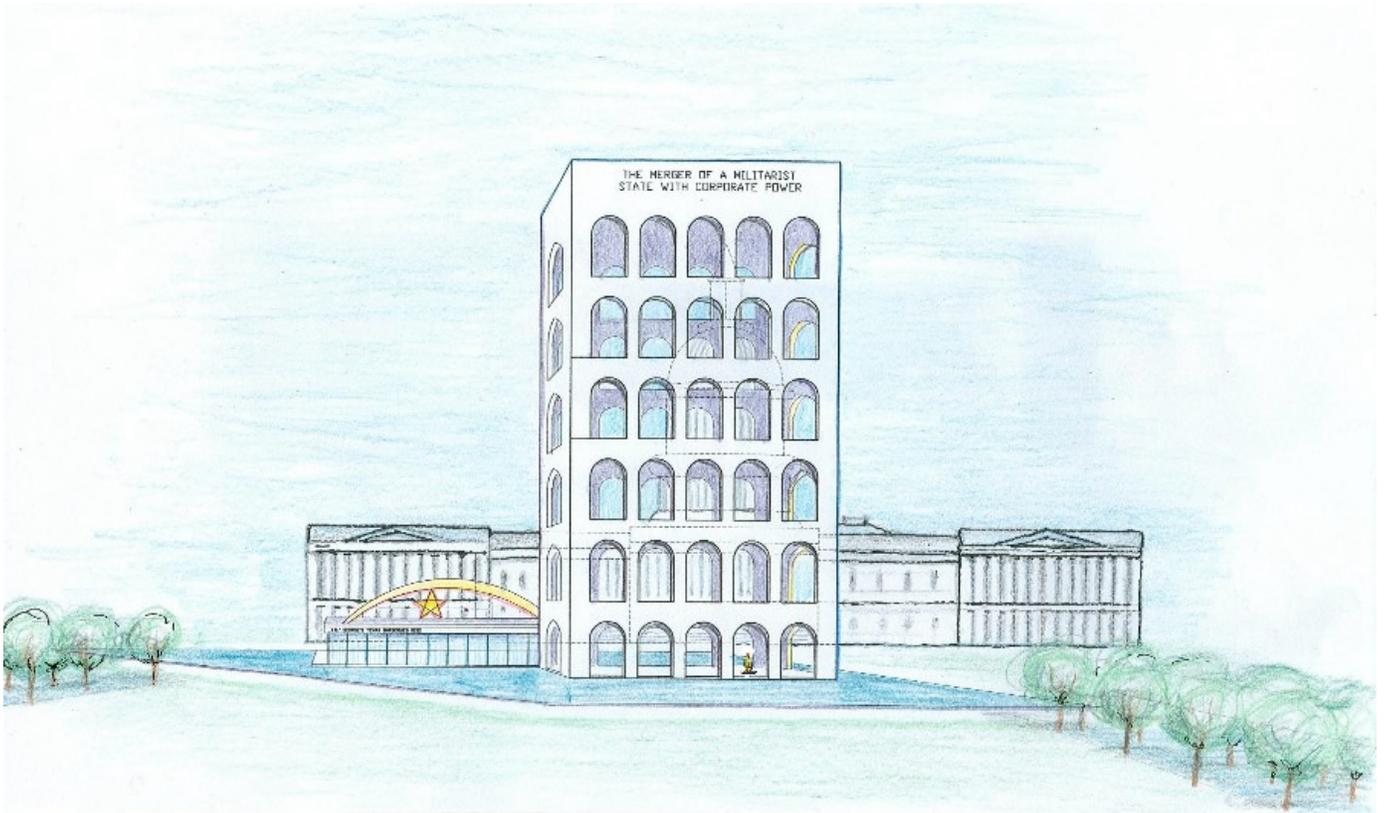
Given that George W. Bush has transformed the nation as no other President before him, it's not too soon, as we approach his final 200 days in office, to start planning the Bush Monument to honor him.

Choosing the site

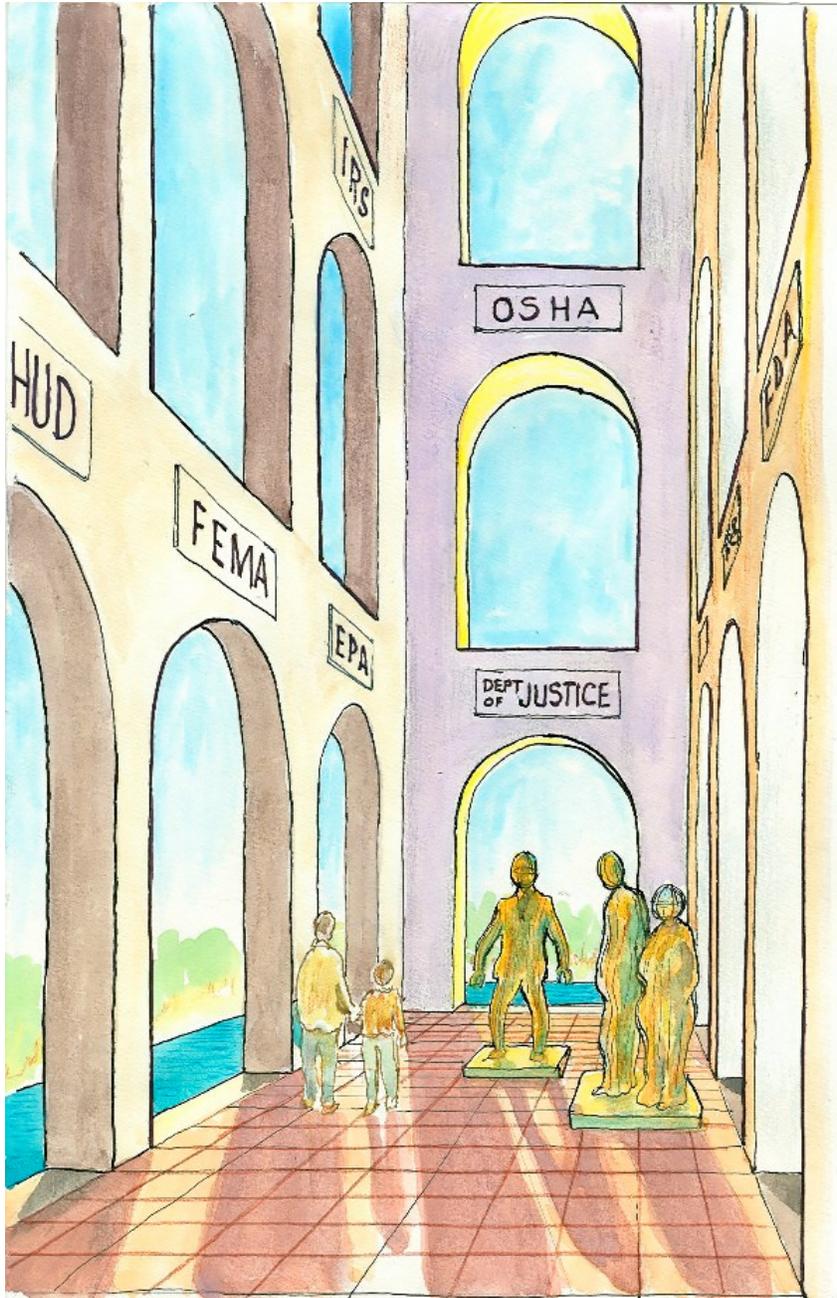
Although the site symmetrically across the Mall from the Vietnam War Memorial springs immediately to mind, it has already been taken up by the Korean War Memorial and we must keep in mind that President Bush's achievements go far beyond the invasion and occupation of Iraq. Starting with the Reaganesque premise that "Government isn't the solution, it's the problem", President Bush has pursued his unofficial spokesman Grover Norquist's stated goal of shrinking the government until it's small enough to drown in the bathtub. While the size and expenditures of the Federal Government have increased beyond all precedents, its functions have indeed been effectively drowned. Accordingly, the one truly appropriate site is the reflecting pool in the Mall at the west side of the capital building.



By sinking what appears to be a large but hollow government building in the pool, skewed noticeably to the right, the imposing view of the Capital from the Washington Monument will be relieved of much of its formality. Visitors will be able to move about in a more familiar chaotic urban landscape, no longer subjected to a view calculated to inspire reverence for those outdated relics of nineteenth century democracy, the Houses of Congress.



Inside the Monument, on the walls above and around statues of the First Family, plaques will be placed marking the public agencies and institutions that President Bush has so successfully eviscerated, while high above, the ceiling will feature colorful electronic messages with educational and patriotic themes from the corporate sponsors.



Contributors to the Bush Foundation and other selected visitors will be able to access the secure, sealed chamber, designated the Cheney Room*, located below the monument floor, where they can see lifelike wax replicas of President Bush and his cabinet meeting around a large table into which the names of major sponsors have been engraved.

* Sorry. This room cannot be shown as its details are classified

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