

STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

287 West Street Rocky Hill, CT 06067



INSTRUCTIONS

POSTHUMOUS CONNECTICUT VETERANS WARTIME SERVICE MEDAL APPLICATION

Use this form (CTDVA VM-2) to apply for a Posthumous Connecticut Veterans Wartime Service Medal for eligible veterans who died on or after January 1, 2000.

PURPOSE: One (1) Posthumous Connecticut Veterans Wartime Service Medal per Connecticut veteran with qualifying wartime military service who died **on or after January 1, 2000** is eligible to be issued to a designated family member.

ELIGIBILITY: In order to receive the Posthumous Connecticut Veterans Medal, the family of the qualifying veteran must provide the following:

- 1. Submit documentary proof of **qualifying military wartime service** (90 days wartime service, unless the war or operation lasted less than 90 days);
- 2. Submit proof of an **honorable discharge** from military service (or discharge due to injuries received in the line of duty) for the qualifying wartime service.
- 3. Submit a copy of a death certificate indicating the qualifying veteran died on or after January 1, 2000.
- **4.** Submit proof that the veteran was a **resident of the State of Connecticut** at the time of death or was a resident at the time of his/her qualifying wartime service.

LIMITATIONS: Only one (1) medal per qualifying Connecticut veteran will be awarded to a designated family member. The family member applying for the medal will certify that they are the designated family representative who will receive the medal.

DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED:

- 1. Completed and signed application form (CTDVA VM-2)
- 2. Proof of service during a period of war (e.g. DD Form 214 or other documentation if DD Form 214 is unavailable)
- 3. Death certificate indicating a date of death on or after January 1, 2000.
- **4.** Proof of residency in the State of Connecticut of the eligible veteran at the time of death or proof of residency during time of qualifying military service (e.g., copy of death certificate or DD Form 214 indicating a Connecticut address.)

BACKGROUND & ELIGIBILITY

The *Posthumous* Connecticut Veterans Wartime Service Medal was authorized by Public Act 08-87 and signed into law on May 23, 2008. Public Act 09-90 authorizes the Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs to posthumously award a ribbon and medal to Connecticut veterans who served in time of war and who died on or after January 1, 2000. The Connecticut Veterans Wartime Service Medal was authorized by the Connecticut General Assembly and Governor M. Jodi Rell in 2005.

Immediate family members/next-of-kin of qualifying Connecticut veterans are authorized to apply for the Posthumous Connecticut Veterans Wartime Service Medal. Only one (1) medal will be issued per qualifying veteran. By submitting a signed application form (CTDVA VM-2), the family member is certifying that he/she is the duly authorized representative of the veteran's family to receive the medal. The State of Connecticut residency requirement applies to the qualifying veteran – not to the family member who is applying for the medal.

SEND APPLICATIONS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO:

CT Department of Veterans Affairs ATTN: Veterans Wartime Service Medal

> 287 West Street Rocky Hill, CT 06067 Fax: 860-616-3562

Veterans Info Line 1-866-9CT-VETS (1-866-928-8387)

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(To be completed by applying family member. Limit one application per veteran family)

1. Deceased Veteran's Service Information								
Last Name	First Name					Middle Initial		
2. Dates of Service:								
From: To:								
3. Military Rank & Grade	Branch of Service					Type of Discharge		
	│		☐ Marine Corps			Honorable		
	☐ Air Fo	rce	e Coast Guard			☐ Medical ☐ Other		
4. Period of War								
 World War II (December 7, 1941 – December 31, 1946) Korean Conflict (June 27, 1950 – January 31, 1955) Vietnam (February 28, 1961 – July 1, 1975) Persian Gulf Era (August 2, 1990 – a date to be determined by Presidential proclamation or federal law. (This included Operations Desert Storm, Desert Shield, Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan) and Iraqi Freedom) OR, Military Actions that qualify IF the veteran engaged in combat or served in a direct combat support role in: Lebanon (July 1, 1958 – November 29, 1958) Lebanon (September 29, 1982 – March 20, 1984) Grenada (October 25, 1983 – December 15, 1983) Operation Ernest Will escorting of Kuwaiti Oil Tankers in the Persian Gulf (July 24, 1987 – August 1, 1990) Panama (December 20, 1989 – January 31, 1990) 								
5. Veteran's Death/Residency Information								
Date of Death (on or after January 1,	2000): I	_ocati	on of D	on of Death:				
		City				State		
Deceased veteran was a citizen of Connecticut, check all that apply:	☐At Date of death ☐ During qualifying military service					nilitary service		
5. Designated Family Member/Applicant's Information								
Last Name	First Name					Middle Initial		
Mailing Address to Send Medal:					•			
City			State			Zip Code		
Primary Phone Number:			Secondary Phone Number:					
Relationship to Deceased Veteran:			E-Mail Address:					

APPLICANT, INFORMATION VERIFICATION AND ACCESS AUTHORIZATION

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

I attest that I am the official designee of my family who has been authorized to apply for and receive the Posthumous Connecticut Veterans Wartime Service Medal. I understand that only one (1) Wartime Service Medal will be issued to each family of the eligible veteran. I understand that this application with the required documentation and access to any additional military records will be the primary means of determining eligibility for the Connecticut Veterans Wartime Service Medal. Disclosure of the requested information is voluntary. However, failure to provide the requested information or access thereto may result in the inability to verify eligibility. Unverified eligibility will result in the denial and return of this application. All submitted documentation becomes the property of the CT Department of Veterans' Affairs and will not be returned or released to outside parties. I attest that the information provided on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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SIGNATURE OF DESIGNATED FAMILY APPLICANT -	DATE					
Eligibility (To Be Completed by the Connecticut Department of Veterans Affairs)						
APPROVED						
SIGNATURE OF DVA VERIFICATION OFFICER	DATE					
REJECTED						
Reason for Ineligibility Lack of documentation – Could not verify eligibility Did not have qualifying military service						
Veteran was not honorably discharged or discharged for injuries sustained in the line of duty Veteran died prior to January 1, 2000.						
ALL APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT DOCUMENTATION WITH THIS APPLICATION TO VERIFY MILITARY SERVICE AND DATE OF DEATH						

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