

SALEM COUNTY MILITARY SERVICE MEDAL

INSTRUCTIONS

- Complete application and return with a copy of Veterans Honorable Separation Form 53-55 or 553 or DD-214
- Attach Copy of Veterans Death Certificate
- Mail to: Veterans Services, 92 Market Street, Salem, New Jersey 08079
- For other information call: (856) 339-8603

POSTHUMOUS AWARD

No exceptions: Death certificate must be included with application

VETERANS INFORMATION

1. Name of veteran (Last, First, Middle Initial) _____ 2. Service Number/SSN _____ 3. Rank/Grade Held Upon Honorable Discharge _____
4. Name of Next of Kin to Receive Medal: _____
5. Address: Street: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____
County: _____ Phone: () _____
6. Era of Service (Please circle all that apply) (ATTACH: Honorable Separation Form 53-55 or 553 or DD-214)
WWII Korean Conflict Vietnam Conflict Desert Storm Operation (List Name of Operation) Peacetime
7. Branch of Service: _____

Presentation Requested (circle one): YES NO

(Signature of Next of Kin)

(Date)

For Use by Approving Authority Only

Date Received: _____

Enclosures: DD Form 214 _____ WD Form 53-55 _____ Form 553 _____

Death Certificate: _____

CHARACTER OF DISCHARGE: _____

APPROVED _____ DISAPPROVED _____ INITIALS _____ DATE _____

REMARKS:

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The Salem County Military Service Medal was created to express the Counties gratitude by honoring its residents who had served on active duty with any Branch of our Regular Active Armed Forces and were separated under "Honorable Conditions". **Must have served on active duty for 180 days or more.** Exception to the 180 day rule will apply to Reservist & National Guardsman who were called up for active duty for support of operations in South West Asia or any veteran who was discharged because of a non-pre-existing medical. For Reserves DD 214 must state "**14 days or more in area of operations**" to be eligible.

Reservist with active duty for TRAINING AND OR SCHOOL ONLY are not eligible.

- **POSTHUMOUS AWARD:** Must have joined the service while a resident of Salem County or is buried in the County. Must have a Copy of Veterans Death Certificate attached to application and honorable separation papers. (Honorable Separation Form 53-55 or 553 or DD-214)

TO APPLY:

1. Fill out other side of application and answer all questions that apply.
2. After signing and dating attach copy of DD-214, Separation Form 53-55 or 553 & Death Certificate
3. If claiming Operation, name of operation must be on separation document.

Questionable cases of eligibility will be decided case by case and may require the applicant to submit additional information or evidence.

No person shall be entitled to more than one award of the Salem County Military Service Medal

If you checked YES on presentation requested, you will be notified of the date, time, and place of presentation of your medal if approved.

If you checked NO on presentation requested the Salem County Veterans Service Officer will inform you of the date to pick up your medal at his office. **NO MEDALS WILL BE MAILED, MUST BE PICKED UP BY NEXT OF KIN OR PERSON DESIGNATED BY THE NEXT OF KIN.**