



CALIFORNIA WOMAN VETERAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

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INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

About the Award

Beginning with the September 2009 CalVet Women Veterans Conference, the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) will recognize two women veterans, one from Northern and one from Southern California, during its annual CalVet Women Veterans Conferences.

The California Woman Veteran of the Year Awards recognizes women veterans who have compiled a record of exemplary service as a military service member, as veterans, and as outstanding members of the community.

These awards are part of CalVet's ongoing effort and commitment to respond to women veterans' issues where women veterans live, work, and enjoy the freedoms of our great country, and to encourage greater participation in the annual women veterans' conferences.

Nomination for the Awards

There will be two annual awards for the California Woman Veteran of the Year. The Women Veterans Conference Planning Committee will select the recipients. The selection criteria focuses on the nominee's achievements in the military, in support of veterans, her commitment to women veterans' issues, and as a citizen in service of her hometown, the State of California, and the United States of America.

Nominations will be accepted from any California resident. We especially encourage submissions from veterans, Veterans Service Organizations (VSOs), County Veterans Service Officers (CVSOs), and other veterans groups.

Completed nomination forms must be received by the end of the month, preceding the month in which the Women Veterans Conference will be held. In 2009, the deadline for nominations is August 31, 2009. The Women Veterans Conference will take place September 11-12.

The forms must be submitted in writing and the narrative explaining why the veteran is being nominated for the award may not exceed 500 words in length. Nominations that are not selected may be retained for future award consideration at the discretion of the committee.

Nomination forms are available online at www.cdva.ca.gov or by calling (916) 653-2552 to request the forms be emailed, faxed, or mailed to you. Forms can be requested by mail at:

Women and Minority Veterans Affairs
California Department of Veterans Affairs
1227 O Street, Room 300
Sacramento, CA 95814

About the Recipients

Recipients of the California Women Veteran of the Year Award will be listed, along with a biography and photos on the Women and Minority Veterans Affairs webpage at www.cdva.ca.gov/Resources/Women.aspx.

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Mail To: **Women and Minority Veterans Affairs**
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OR

Fax To: **(916) 653-2611**

NOMINATOR'S NAME & ADDRESS			
Last Name:		First Name:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip Code:
Phone:		Email:	
VETERAN'S NAME & ADDRESS			
Last Name:		First Name:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip Code:
Phone:		Email:	
VETERAN'S INFO			
Branch of Service (check one):	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Marine Corps	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Navy <input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Air Force
	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Coast Guard	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Merchant Marines	<input type="checkbox"/> U.S. Army Air Corps
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		
Military Service	From: _____	To: _____	
LIST ALL MILITARY AWARDS AND DECORATIONS (attach additional sheet if necessary):			
LIST COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND OFFICE(S) HELD (attach additional sheet if necessary):			
LIST VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS AND OFFICE(S) HELD (attach additional sheet if necessary):			

NOMINATED VETERAN'S NAME

NARRATIVE - MAXIMUM 500 WORDS (attach additional sheet if necessary):

I hereby certify that the information contained in this nomination is complete, accurate, and true to the best of my knowledge.

NOMINATOR'S SIGNATURE

DATE SIGNED