To: The Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management Maine Veterans' Services 117 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-0117

## **REQUEST FOR GOLD STAR HONORABLE SERVICE MEDAL**

	VETERAN INF	ORMATION	
LAST NAME:	FIRST NAME:MI:		
SSN:SV	SVC#:		
DATE OF DEATH:	RANK:		
ARMY  MARINE CORPS    OTHER:	BRANCH OF		COAST GUARD
DATES OF SERVICE:	_то	;	TO
War Time Service ( <i>Check all that apply</i> )			
World War II  Ko    Other (Specify)			Desert Shield/Storm
I would like to attend an award ceremony to	receive the above	□ Yes or □ No, please	e mail to me.
REQUESTORS NAME:			
Relationship to veteran:			
HOME ADDRESS:			
CITY/STATE/ZIP:			
PHONE#:		EMAIL:	
Signature gives MVS permission to contact <b>E</b>		IGNATURE /DATE R o confirm service and dea	
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## State of Maine Gold Star Honorable Service Medal

**a. Eligibility:** Members of the Armed Forces of the United States who served in time of war and meet the following criteria may receive award of the Maine Gold Star Honorable Service Medal. Only one medal will be issued to the next-of-kin per qualifying individual.

## b. Criteria:

- Resident of Maine upon entry on active duty tour and

- Killed-in-Action or died of non self-inflicted causes while deployed in support of combat operations on or after December 7, 1941

## c. Recipient of Medal:

(1) <u>Primary</u> next-of-kin in order of priority.

- Spouse as long as spouse has not remarried. Spouse and veteran must have been legally married in accordance with current Maine laws.

- Eldest Child (biological or adopted)

- Mother if veteran was not married and has no legal children

- Father if Mother not living at time of award.

- Eldest sibling as long as veteran was not married, has no legal children (biological or adopted), and both parents are deceased.

(2) Secondary next-of-kin in order of priority if there are no primary next-of-kin

- Grandchild (eldest)
- Niece/nephew (eldest)
- Grandparents (maternal/paternal)
- Aunt/uncle (eldest)
- First Cousin (eldest)
- Any other adult relative in descending order of blood relationship

**d. Application:** Families of qualifying individual's s applying for the award must complete application form and forward the request along with a copy of DD Form 1300, Casualty Report attesting to the fact that an Honorable Discharge was granted and the veteran was a resident of Maine at the time of entry on active duty. In addition, your request must include a copy of proof of relationship as father, mother, husband, wife, son, daughter, brother or sister. This proof may be copies of birth, marriage, baptismal certificates which clearly show relationship, or a notarized certificate.

**Presentation:** Once eligibility has been verified, Maine Veterans' Services will contact primary next-of-kin and schedule a presentation ceremony.