

SPECIAL REQUESTS

(World War II, Purple Heart, and Hospice Care Veterans)

Veterans who are considered "WWII, recipients of the Purple Heart, or in the care of Hospice" can contact the Ohio Senators Office (see information below):

Web Address for form: <http://www.brown.senate.gov/>

Telephone: 216-522-7272

Email: Laura_Pechaitis@brown.senate.gov

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Office of Senator Sherrod Brown

1301 East 9th Street, Suite 1710

Cleveland, Ohio 44114

Phone: 216.522.7272

Fax: 216.522.2239

Toll Free Number for Ohio Residents: 888-896-6446 (press 1 for Cleveland)

Assistance and Information for Ohio Veterans

County Veterans Service Offices

<http://dvs.ohio.gov/home/>

[county_veterans_service_officers.aspx](http://dvs.ohio.gov/home/county_veterans_service_officers.aspx)

National Archives Office

<http://www.archives.gov/veterans/>

Ohio Historical Society

<http://www.ohiohistory.org/collections--archives/archives-library>

Order Status

You can check the status of your reproduction order that was placed online at: <https://eservices.archives.gov/orderonline>. Click "Order Reproductions" and put your order number in the box under "Check my order status"

IRIS Website- <https://iris.custhelp.com/>

Ohio Department of Veterans Services

77 South High Street

7th Floor

Columbus, Ohio 43215

Telephone: 614-644-0898

Fax: 614-728-9498

877-OHIOVET 877-644-6838

ohiovet@dvs.ohio.gov

Ohio National Guard Library (also genealogy)

Telephone: 614-336-7038

(If served in the Ohio National Guard, discharge information will be filed with this organization)

OBTAINING MILITARY AWARDS AND DECORATIONS



Air Force Army Coast Guard
Marine Corps Navy

Request an updated DD214 from the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) either via mail or online:

National Personnel Records Center (NPRC)
Military Personnel Records
1 Archives Drive
St. Louis, MO 63138
314-801-0800

<http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>

Frequently Ask Questions

*How do I request my DD214?

A veteran can request his/her DD-214 online, fax, or US mail by contacting the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC)

*What is the response time for records being requested from the NPRC?

Response times vary and is dependent upon the complexity of the veteran's request, availability of records and NPRC staff workload. Veterans that were discharged between 1912-1964 may take longer due to damage caused by a fire in 1973.

*What if My DD214 does not have all my awards and medals listed?

If a veteran's current **DD214** does not annotate all the awards a medals received, the veteran should complete the for m **SF180**. This form can be found by using the NPRC web link

*What if the Veteran is deceased?

For the Next-of-Kin: The process (and cost for replacement medal requests differs among the military branches and is dependent upon who is requesting the medal, specifically if the request involves an archival record.

For Other Family: If the veteran separated from the military before 1951, the public may purchase a copy of the veteran's Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) to determine the awards due. If the veteran separated after 1950, the public may request information from the Official Military Personnel File via the Freedom of Information Act.

Requesting Military Awards and Medals (Step-by-Step)

When requesting awards and medals, the veteran must be able to show proof of service by presenting a DD-214 (Report of Separation.)

MAIL Requests:

Write a letter and mail to the NPRC at the above address. The letter should include the following information:

1. Veteran's Full Name
2. Service number or Social Security number
3. Branch of Service
4. Dates of Service
5. Date and Place of Birth

**If your request is for the record of a veteran discharged prior to 1973, also include:

- Place of Discharge
- Last unit of assignment
- Place of entry into service

****NOTE: ALL requests must be signed AND dated by the veteran or next-of-kin****

ONLINE Requests:

Using the online process allows for a quicker response time and allows the veteran to follow-up on their requests online.

1. Go to <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>

2. Click on the box "Launch eVet Recs System"

3. Follow the 4 step process completing all required information.

**Under Step 2, question 7 choose "Military Awards/Decorations"

**Under Step 3 choose "Undeleted Report of Separation"

4. Print the signature form and fax it to (314)801-9049 OR mail it to:

National Personnel Records Center (NPRC)
Military Personnel Records
1 Archives Drive
St. Louis, MO 63138

Additional Resources

United State Air Force

Headquarters Air Force (*Active Duty Veterans Only*)
Personnel Center
AFPC/DPPR
550 C Street West,
Suite 12
Randolph AFB, TX 78150-4714

Air Reserve Personnel Center (*Reserve & Air Guard Veterans*)
HQ ARPC/DPTARA
18420 E. Silver Creek Ave.
Bldge 390 MS 68
Buckley AFB, CO 8001

United States Army

U.S. Army TACOM
Clothing and Heraldry (PSID)
P.O. Box 57997
Philadelphia, PA 19111-7997

United States Navy

Navy Personnel Command
Liaison Office Room 350
1 Archives Drive
St. Louis, MO 63138

Chief of Naval Operations (*problems or appeals only*)
(OPNAV 09B33)
Awards & Special Projects
Washington, DC 20350-2000

United States Marine Corps

Navy Personnel Command
Liaison Office Room 350
1 Archives Drive
St. Louis, MO 63138

Commandant of the Marine Corps (*problems or appeal only*)
Military Awards Branch (MMA)
3280 Russell Road
Quantico, VA 22134-5100

United States Coast Guard

Navy Personnel Command
Liaison Office Room 350
1 Archives Drive
St. Louis, MO 63138