

**THE COMMANDERS GROUP**  
**MICHIGAN VETERAN OF THE YEAR 2022-2023**

MIVOY Society Committee  
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**NOMINATION FORM**

By the approval of the supervision of the Commanders Group, and conducted by members of the Past Recipients judging of a designated members of the veterans organizations, of the Michigan Veteran of the Year Selection Committee, we ask that the following be submitted:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Submission \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Highest Rank Held: \_\_\_\_\_

Military Decorations \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Veterans Affiliations: \_\_\_\_\_

Veterans Organization(s); Offices held, (Executive or appointed) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Civilian Organization(s) (Civic, Service, Fraternal, etc) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Civilian Citations: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature – Commander/Commandant/President: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print name:

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature – Adjutant/Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Please print name:

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

All information will be typewritten if possible due to legibility, any such attempted change Photostat or application of application will void contestant's participation.  
(SEE REVERSE)

## **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS OF NOMINATIONS IS MAY 15, 2023**

Use SEPARATE SHEETS to summarize such Veteran or Civilian activities, worthy of consideration. Previous military service or such service decorations received, as at times the DD-214 does not show any, however received later. **A copy of the DD-214 is required** as there is a point system utilized for awarding on a complete package. The main point of the board is to Honor the Michigan Veteran of the Year, who has contributed most to benefit Veterans and their families, to include the community. His/her veterans organization or community as a whole, on their contributions are well deserving of the nomination. Considerable consideration is given to financial and remuneration or political intent. Elective or appointed officers – receiving no salary may receive due consideration for outstanding effort, but such offices attained are also considered honors already received by your organization. Due credit for service in years past, but greater credit goes for accomplishments in recent years (the last year).

All candidates nominated must be properly filed on forms provided by the Michigan Veteran of the Year Committee, and returned to the Committee on the deadline date.

The nominations pertaining to this, may be provided by the veterans organization, i.e. Department, or State Council, and sent down to the lower echelon, this is helpful to start at the top, as it is also a form of communication to take part in submissions. Many of the Chapters, Detachments or Post do not get the word.

### **The following is guidance of submission**

A Copy of the DD-214, this is shredded after the completion of the judging and or returned upon request.

### **No photographs are not required.**

Items of interest when submitting:

- (1) What have their accomplishments been for the organization (past year)
- (2) What have they contributed for the Department or Council (past year)
- (3) What have they contributed to the community (outside the veterans organization)
- (4) What have they accomplished as a whole

A good point in question would be: **A good write-up, is better then no write-up at all** . Write in your opinion, why this individual is most deserving to be nominated and selected as the Michigan Veteran of the Year.

Just for information, in the past few years, nominations have been given for an overall individuals accomplishments and achievements. One of the nominations provided information relative to what he or she did for external organizations, and nothing for the veterans side. Lets try and give an overall write-up, bringing into focus not only veterans assistance, btu as well as community as a whole. Don't just focus on what he or she has provided for the VA Hospitals, overall what has this individual accomplished, veterans work hard, and get no pay, they are volunteers for the most part and deserve to be recognized. Whether they are male or female, it does not matter. Keeping in mind all are veterans, and they do an outstanding job, regardless of gender.