

2017 MOBILE BAY AREA VETERAN OF THE YEAR

sponsored by
The Mobile Bay Area Veterans Day Commission

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Mobile Bay Area Veteran of the Year Award is to recognize a living Mobile Bay Area veteran who has not only served his/her country but has used the leadership skills and abilities learned in service to the nation to better the community through selfless volunteer service to the Mobile Bay Area.

AWARD CRITERIA

- 1 Must be a resident of the Mobile Bay Area, which includes Mobile and Baldwin counties of Alabama.
- 2 Must be a living veteran of one of the five Armed Forces of the United States, including Reserve or National Guard, or the United States Merchant Marine.
- 3 Must have demonstrated outstanding patriotism, leadership and selfless service as a veteran and as a volunteer in community or civic service.
- 4 May be awarded for a single act or for continuous service.
- 5 May *not* be a previous recipient of the Mobile Bay Area Veteran of the Year Award.

NOMINATIONS AND AWARD

Nominations for the Mobile Bay Area Veteran of the Year are accepted by the Mobile Bay Area Veterans Day Commission from August 1 through September 25 of each year. The Mobile Bay Area Veteran of the Year Committee of the Commission reviews and selects the Veteran of the Year. The award will be presented at the Veteran's Day Luncheon, on Friday, November 10, 2017 by the Mobile Bay Area Veteran's Day Commission.

Remember that a nomination is valid for three years.

If your organization has nominated anyone in the last three years, a nomination in the current year will void any of the previous valid nominations.

NOMINATION PROCEDURES

Nominations must be **postmarked** no later than midnight **September 25**. The nomination may **not exceed three typewritten pages and must include as a minimum:**

1. A resume not to exceed 2 typewritten pages (minimum font of 11 pitch), which includes:
 - Period(s) of military service and branch of one of the five Armed Forces or USMM
 - Military awards and decorations
 - Membership in nationally recognized veterans organizations
 - Community and/or civic organization memberships
 - Community and/or civic organization awards or special recognition
 - Nominee's address and telephone number
2. A **one page** typewritten statement that describes why the nominee should be selected as the Mobile Bay Area Veteran of the Year; this should be a description of the outstanding patriotism, leadership and selfless service of the veteran as a volunteer contributor to the betterment of the Mobile Bay Area through community or civic service
3. Proof of military service - DD 214 or verification by a nationally recognized veteran's organization.
4. Nominations should be mailed to:
Mobile Bay Area Veterans Day Commission, ATTN: VOY, P.O. Box 2187, Mobile, AL 36652-2187