



## VFW Member of the Year Award Nomination Form

**Purpose:** The VFW Comrade of the Year Award embodies exceptional dedication, leadership, and service to both the organization and the community. The individual demonstrates unwavering commitment to the values of loyalty, respect, and patriotism, going above and beyond to support fellow veterans and their families. Their actions reflect selflessness, integrity, and a deep passion for fostering camaraderie and advocacy for veterans's rights. Through their tireless efforts, they inspire others to uphold the mission of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and make a lasting impact on the lives of those they serve.

**Eligibility:** This award is intended to recognize a member in good standing of the Veterans of Foreign Wars who has been a member a minimum of one full membership year, and has received a nomination for their activities during the award Year according to the Award guidelines. Posts are encouraged to submit their winners from their own contest if they have a current member of year process. **Award candidates holding any of the following elected or appointed office during the award year, are not eligible (specifically-Commander, QM, Adjutant, Service Officer or Chaplain).** In addition, Past State Commanders and Past National Council members are ineligible from nomination.

**Type of Recognition:** The award will consist of a Department Cap with title of Member of the Year & citation presented at Department Convention by the Department Commander. The award winner will additionally receive full room and Mileage for the duration of the Department Convention for the award presentation.

**Criteria:** This award recognizes exceptional performance as a member of The VFW. Examples of service that would be considered in judging the nominee include the following:



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- Nominee presents themselves in a professional and helpful manner within the Organization and within the Community.
- Nominee shows an active interest in their Department by attending meetings and shows a willingness to consider leadership roles.
- Nominee participates in activities and events within the Department to help raise awareness of the Organization in the Community.
- Nominee has shown a willingness to work together with other VFW, Auxiliary, Military Order of the Cootie, and Riders Members in a spirit of cooperation to accomplish the same goals.
- Nominee volunteers for and participates in activities and events that address the needs of target groups and individuals in the Community.
- Nominee has demonstrated actions which contribute to improving the quality of life for those we are intended to serve, whether they are children or adults, and whether they are homeless, hospitalized, handicapped, in need of a job or education.
- Nominee encourages members of the Community to support VFW programs and continually encourages others to become members.
- Nominee must have been submitted for #StillServing campaign recognition at <https://todaysvfw.org/>

**Process:** Any VFW member in good standing may be nominated as a Member of the Year candidate using the Member of the Year Nomination Form. **Award candidates holding any of the following elected or appointed office during the award year, are not eligible. (Specifically the following officers -Commander, QM, Adjutant, Service Officer or Chaplain).** In addition, Past State Commanders and Past National Council members are ineligible from nomination. Nominations are Due **April 5<sup>th</sup> to District. District to Department Chairperson April 15<sup>th</sup>.**



## Nomination Form (MOY)

Nominee's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Post: \_\_\_\_\_

Address Line One: \_\_\_\_\_

Address Line Two: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

District Number: \_\_\_\_\_

District Commander Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Name, Point of Contact, Phone Number, and Email:

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**Why do you feel this person deserves this award?**

**Attach a Word Document**

**District Commander: All Application forms must be sent to the Department Chairperson before the prescribed deadlines.**