



2023
VETERAN OF THE YEAR
NOMINATION PACKET



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To the West Springfield Community:

The West Springfield Veterans Advisory Board (WSVAB) and the West Springfield Veterans Council are proud to announce that nominations are now being accepted for the 2023 WEST SPRINGFIELD VETERAN OF THE YEAR AWARD.

You may know of a veteran whose continuous efforts to better our community deserves recognition. A veteran whose dedication to our community is shown in their volunteer efforts.

Please consider nominating your Veteran for an opportunity to be recognized as the 2023 West Springfield Veteran of the Year.

Integral to the selection process are honorable military service and active community volunteerism.

The deadline for submission of applications is Friday, October 6, 2023.

If any additional information is needed, you may contact

The Veterans Services Officer at
veterans@[townofwestspringfield.org](mailto:veterans@townofwestspringfield.org)

Respectfully,

The West Springfield Veterans Advisory Board

The West Springfield Veterans Council

2023 VETERAN OF THE YEAR

Nominee (*Print*): _____

CANDIDATE MUST BE A RESIDENT OF WEST SPRINGFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

Nominee Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Branch of Service: Army Marines Navy Air Force Coast Guard Space Force

Rank/ Grade at time of discharge (*if known*): _____

Years of Service: _____ Service dates (mo/year) _____ through _____

Medals or honors received in the line of duty _____

Veterans' Organizations nominee is/ has been associated with:

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH THIS FORM, REQUIRED FOR THE FINAL SELECTION PROCESS:

1. A DETAILED paragraph of nominee's volunteer community service activities (Typed, MS Word, or PDF)

2. The Selection Committee must be able to verify the nominated Veterans service. If not already done, the veteran should register with the West Springfield Veterans Service Officer (Carolyn Koszarek)

Sponsor's Signature Date _____

Sponsor's printed name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone Number: _____

DEADLINE: All applications must be emailed to veterans@townofwestspringfield.org or mailed to: West Springfield's Department of Veteran's Services 26 Central Street, West Springfield, MA 01089

****Nomination packets must be received no later than Friday, October 6, 2023.****

PLEASE ENSURE ALL WRITING IS LEGIBLE.