

MEDALS by initials

ELIGIBLE

ACM	American Campaign Medal (dates: 12/7/41 - 3/2/46) (ONLY IF EARNED FOR SERVICE OUTSIDE U.S.)	YES
ACM	Afghanistan Campaign Medal (dates 12/24/01 - OPEN)	YES
ADF RES MDL	Armed Forces Reserve Medal	NO
ADSM	American Defense Service Medal (ONLY IF ACCOMPANIED BY FOREIGN SERVICE CLASP)	YES
AFCM	Air Force Commendation Medal	NO
AFEM	Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal	YES
AFESR	Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon w/gold border	YES
AFGCM	Air Force Good Conduct Medal	NO
AFLSA	Air Force Longevity Service Award	NO
AFLSR	Air Force Longevity Service Ribbon	NO
AFM	Air Force Medal	NO
AFNCOAR	USAF Non-Commissioned Officer Academy Graduate Ribbon	NO
AFOUA	Air Force Outstanding Unit Award	NO
AFR	Air Force Ribbon	NO
AFRESM	Armed Forces Reserve Service Medal	NO
AOM	Army of Occupation Medal	YES
AP	Asiatic Pacific Campaign	YES
APCM	Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal	YES
ARCOM	Army Commendation	NO
ARFMSR	Air Reserve Forces Meritorious Service Ribbon	NO
ASM	Antarctica Service Medal	NO
BAD	Berlin Airlift Device (but may have Occupation Medal)	NO
Battle "E" Ribbon	An Efficiency Ribbon for Battle Station Drills	NO
BS	Bronze Star (only when campaign is listed)	YES
CAR***	Combat Action Ribbon	YES
CIB	Combat Infantry Badge	YES
CMB	Combat Medical Badge	YES
CSM	China Service Medal	YES
DFO	Distinguished Flying Cross (only when campaign is listed)	YES
DUC	Distinguished Unit Citation	NO
EAME	European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign	YES
EAMECM	European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal	YES
EDC	Eldorado Canyon (Libya)	AFEM
ETO	European Theatre of Operation	YES
GCM	Good Conduct Medal	NO
GWOTEM	Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal (GWOTEM Dates: 10/24/01 thru 4/30/05)	YES
GWOTSM	Global War on Terrorism Service Medal (for support groups)	NO
HFP	Hostile Fire Pay	YES
HSM	Humanitarian Service Medal	NO
ICM	Iraq Campaign Medal (dates: 3/19/03 - OPEN)	YES
IDP	Imminent Danger Pay	YES
JMUA	Joint Meritorious Unit Award	NO
KCM	Kosovo Campaign Medal	YES
KDSM	Korean Defense Service Medal (service in Korea after 7/26/54 to present)	YES
KSM	Korean Service Medal	YES
MFO	Multi National Force Observer	NO
MHA	Medal for Humane Action	NO
MKM M-16	Marksman M-16 Rifle	NO
MNFO	Multi National Force Observer	NO
MSM	Meritorious Service Medal	NO

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MUC	Meritorious Unit Citation	
NAVE	Navy "E" Ribbon (efficiency award for drills)	NO
NDSM	National Defense Service Medal	NO
NEM	Navy Expeditionary Medal	NO
NUC	Navy Unit Citation	YES
OAK	Oak Cluster <u>(only when campaign is listed)</u>	NO
OCC	Occupation Medal	YES
OCMDL	Occupation Medal	YES
ODF	Operation Desert Fox	YES
ODT	Operation Desert Thunder	AFEM
OEW	Operation Earnest Will (Persian Gulf)	AFEM
OJC	Operation Just Cause (Panama)	AFEM
OJE	Operation Joint Endeavor (BOSNIA)	AFEM
OJG	Operation Joint Guard (BOSNIA, Croatia, Adriatic Sea & airspace)	AFEM
OMI	Operation Maritime Intercept	AFEM
ONW	Operation Northern Watch	AFEM
ORH	Operation Restore Hope (Somalia)	AFEM
OSW	Operation Southern Watch	AFEM
	(Iraq, Saudi, Kuwait, Persian Gulf, Bahrain, Qatar, UAE, Oman Gulf of Oman W of 62 degrees E long, Yemen, Egypt & Jordan)	
ODU	Operation Uphold Democracy (Haiti)	AFEM
OVS	Operation Vigilant Sentinel (Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait & Persian Gulf)	AFEM
PDR****	Philippine Defense Ribbon	NO
PH	Purple Heart <u>(only when campaign is listed)</u>	YES
PLR****	Philippine Liberation Ribbon	NO
PIR****	Philippine Independence Ribbon	NO
PUC	Presidential Unit Citation	NO
SAEMR	Small Arms Efficiency (Marksman) Medal/Ribbon	NO
SLOC	Secretary of the Navy Letter of Commendation	NO
SS	Silver Star <u>(only when campaign is listed)</u>	YES
SSBN	SSBN Deterrent Patrol Insignia	YES
SWASM	Southwest Asia Service Medal	YES
UNM	United Nations Medal	NO
UNSM	United Nations Service Medal	NO
US	United Shield (Somalia Government)	NO
	(If they have US they probably should have AFEM...check further 180?)	
USAR-CG	United States Army Reserve - Control Group	NO
VSM	Vietnam Service Medal	YES
WWII VM	World War II Victory Medal	NO

MILITARY DECORATIONS

(Decorations do not, in themselves, qualify an individual for VFW membership)

AFC	Air Force Cross
AFCM	Air Force Commendation Medal
AM	Air Medal
AmnM	Airman's Medal
BSM	Bronze Star Medal
CRM	Combat Readiness Medal
DFC	Distinguished Flying Cross
DSM	Distinguished Service Medal
JSCM	Joint Service Commendation Medal
LM	Legion of Merit
MH	Medal of Honor
PH	Purple Heart
SS	Silver Star