

SALEM COUNTY MILITARY SERVICE MEDAL

The Salem County Military Service Medal was created to express the Counties gratitude by honoring its residents who had served on active duty with any Branch of our Regular Active Armed Forces and were separated under "Honorable Conditions" and must **have served on active duty for 180 days or more**. Exception to the 180 day rule will apply to Reservist & National Guardsman who were called up for active duty for support of operations in South West Asia or any veteran who was discharged because of a non-pre-existing medical. The Reserves DD 214 must state "**14 days or more in area of operations**" to be eligible.

Those Reservists with active duty for TRAINING AND OR SCHOOL ONLY are not eligible.

- **POSTHUMOUS AWARD: Must have joined the service while a resident of Salem County or is buried in the County. Must have a Copy of Veterans Death Certificate attached to application and honorable separation papers. (Honorable Separation Form 53-55 or 553 or DD-214)**

TO APPLY:

1. Fill out other side of application and answer all questions that apply.
2. After signing and dating attach copy of DD-214, Separation Form 53-55, or 553 & Death Certificate.
3. If claiming Operation, name of operation must be on separation document.

Questionable cases of eligibility will be decided case by case and may require the applicant to submit additional information or evidence.

No person shall be entitled to more than one award of the Salem County Military Service Medal.

If you checked YES on presentation requested, you will be notified of the date, time, and place of presentation of your medal if approved.

If you checked NO on presentation requested the Salem County Veterans Service Officer will inform you of the date to pick up your medal at his office. NO MEDALS WILL BE MAILED; THEY MUST BE PICKED UP BY NEXT OF KIN OR PERSON DESIGNATED BY THE NEXT OF KIN.

