



NOMINATION CRITERIA

The criteria for the rating system that it utilized by the selection committee are as follows:

1. The military record of the individual, to include heroic and/or extraordinary leadership action, service or sacrifice, principal awards achieved;
2. Civilian public service and/or patriotic service, to include civic work, service to veterans, projects influencing or motivating youth, helping the handicapped or disabled, community improvements, and leadership positions, etc;
3. An established New Mexico National Guard connection.

RATING CRITERIA

The military record of the individual must demonstrate heroic and/or extraordinary leadership action, service, or sacrifice; and principal awards received. These items must be documented on the DD-214 (separation/discharge document or equivalent NGB 22).

Nominee must have outstanding civilian public service and/or patriotic service to include civic work, service to veterans, projects influencing or motivating youth, helping the handicapped and disabled, community improvements, leadership positions, etc.

Nominee must have a well-established New Mexico National Guard connection. Nominee must be a native New Mexican or have lived a major portion of his/her life in New Mexico. This may also include one who played a major role in one of the military installations in the New Mexico National Guard, not one who simply passes through one of the installations during a military career.

Nominee must have be separated from serving in the NMNG for a period of five years or longer.

SELECTION PROCESS

The NMNGHH typically has about 10 nomination packets to review each year. Nominees being considered by the selections committee must receive a certain minimum qualifying score to be in the running for selection. The top scorer becomes the selectee for the next annual event.

If a nominee is not selected but receives a minimum qualifying score, then the nominee will be reconsidered in subsequent years by the Selection Committee. It is not necessary for the Nominator to re-submit a new nomination packet each year. However, the Nominator is encouraged to submit any significant new information for addition to the nominee's file.

Nominees may be living or deceased. A number of inductees from past years who were killed in action or killed during their years of military service had little or no civilian public service activities. In their cases, selection is based solely upon their heroic actions and/or extraordinary military service.

NEXT STEPS

If your nominee is selected (we refer to selectees as inductees or honorees), the nominator and honoree will be assigned an NMNGHH volunteer called an Ambassador-in-Charge (AIC). The two of you (the nominator and AIC) will work closely to co-ordinate all required details for your honoree. The induction event on is moving and memorable.

PRODUCING A GOOD NOMINATION PACKET

Please label the backs of all photos with name, rank, branch of service, and year – if known.

Please send copies of all items. If you do send originals, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope so we can return them to you. NMNGHH will not be responsible for lost original photos or documents.

A bulging application packet over-loaded with letters and loose clippings is likely to have something overlooked or lost. It is best to submit a clear and concise packet with only the most important documentation such as major military citations, civilian awards, and pertinent news articles.

PLEASE SEND THE NOMINEE PACKET TO:

New Mexico National Guard
Attn: MITCHELL O. BRUSH, CMSgt, USAF
Command Senior Enlisted Leader
47 Bataan Blvd.
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87508

For questions about the nominee packet, please contact CMSgt Mitchell Brush at:

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