

## Ritchie Now Accepting Nominations for "Veterans Hall of Fame"

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## Oswego, Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties Invited to Participate

State Senator Patty Ritchie is now accepting nominations from veterans' posts, family members and community leaders in Central and Northern New York for induction in the New York State Senate's "Veterans Hall of Fame" program.

The online Hall of Fame pays tribute to New Yorkers who have served their country in the US Armed Forces and made significant contributions to their communities.

"Central and Northern New York are home to so many veterans who essentially gave their lives for their country—and continued to give even after serving by making a difference in their communities," said Senator Ritchie.

"In the past we have been able pay tribute to so many brave men and women who served in our Armed Forces and I'm thrilled to recognize and thank even more of our veterans for making the ultimate sacrifice."

Each State Senator can induct one veteran annually, who will be honored at a special ceremony in Albany on May 21<sup>st</sup>. All nominees from Oswego, Jefferson and St. Lawrence Counties will be recognized locally

at an event to be held at Ft. Drum on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

The New York State Senate Veterans' Hall of Fame was created to honor and recognize outstanding veterans from the Empire State who have distinguished themselves both in military and civilian life. Their meritorious service to our nation deserves the special recognition that only a Hall of Fame can provide, as a fitting expression of our gratitude and admiration.

To download a nomination form, click here. To learn more about last year's nominees, click here. All nominations must be received by April 19<sup>th</sup>.