

**West Virginia Distinguished Service Medal
Partial List of Recipients***

*Special thanks to the West Virginia State Archives, West Virginia National Guard, and West Virginia Adjutant General's Office for compiling this list. Note that this award is different from the Distinguished West Virginian. Some names remain unidentified because their records have not yet been located in public documents.

Name/Date Awarded (if known)

Brig. Gen. V. Wayne Lloyd
Col. Charles E. Morrison
Maj. Gen. John E. Barnette
Capt. Sayers L. Miliken
Willard E. Pauley, 1939
Capt. Felix R. Holmes, 1939
Harmon Hunt, 1939
Maj. Kenyon Ashe Joyce, 1939
John D. Lockliter, 1939
John C. Miller, Jr., 1939
Capt. Sayres L. Milliken, 1939
Francis Mont Morgan, 1939
Wayne D. Mounts, 1939
William H. McGinnis, 1939
Earl M. McKinley, 1939
Frank Siers, 1939
Maj. Gen. Mason M. Patrick, 1939
Capt. Julien E. Gaujot, 1939
Francis W. Payne, 1939
Lester Raines, 1939
Grover C. Rippetoe, 1939
Capt. William F. Sappington, 1939
Sam Saplio, 1939
Jesse W. Sargent, 1939
Col. John W. N. Schulz, 1939
Carson L. Shumate, 1939
John W. Shumate, 1939
Herman L. McNulty, 1939
Floyd Cline, 1939
Lane S. Anderson, 1939
John B. Auber, 1939
Thomas M. Barber, 1939
Col. John B. Barnes, 1939
Kenneth Birchfield, 1939
Col. Selbert D. Boak, 1939

Capt. Dalton E. Brady, 1939
James W. Bragg, 1939
George Brown, 1939
Robert C. Buchanan, 1939
Irvin Hamric, 1939
Joseph Clark, 1939
Harold De La Monte Hall, 1939
Jesse L. Cline, 1939
James B. Clinton, 1939
Frank Deskins, 1939
Walter V. Dial, 1939
Andrew Edmiston, Jr., 1939
Edward F. Evans, 1939
Gordon D. Flanagan, 1939
Wade Herbert Fox, 1939
Antoine A. Gaujot, 1939
Wade C. Wales, 1939
Merile Chafin, 1939
George L. Stewart, 1939
Lawrence E. Thompson, 1939
William D. Weaver, 1939
Jess White, 1939
Joseph P. Woodville, 1939
John W. Wright, 1939
Gen. Walter Campbell Sweeney, Sr., 1939
James Edward Moore, 1939
Gen. John Leonard Hines, 1939
Col. Andrew S. Rowan, 1939/03
Col. William Henry Waldron, 1940
John J. Cornwell, 1940/01/12
Fred Thomas, 1941/01/04
Gov. Okey L. Patteson, 1952/07/12
Charles Yeager, 1952/07/12
Frances Guy Ash, 1953/07/25
Cornelius Louis Burdette, 1954/02/04
Adm. Felix B. Stump, 1954/07/21
MG Walter Campbell Sweeney, Jr., 1955/06/18
Charles R. Fox, 1957/04/13
Gill Robb Wilson, 1958/10/04
James Howard Dutch Kindelberger, 1960/03/18
Lt. Gen. Leonard Dudley Heaton, 1960/08/13
Col. George Selden Wallace, 1960/09/13
Louis A. Johnson, 1961/04
Cyrus Vance, 1962
Maj. Gen. Rinaldo Van Brunt, 1962/06/21
Florence A. Blanchfield, 1963

Sgt. Jonah Edward Kelley, 1963/03
Col. Ruby Bradley, 1963/07/11
Chief Warrant Officer Four Hershel "Woody" Williams, 1965
Maj. Gen. Joseph A. Cunningham, 1966/04/23
Maj. Gen. William E. Blake, 1967
Col. Wendell S. Moore, 1968/07/31
Col. J. Henry Francis, Jr., 1970/10
William J. L. Wallace, 1973/03/27
Lt. Col. Lyle M. Carter, 1977/07
All deceased West Virginia veterans who were honorably discharged, 1980
Col. Paul R. Martin, 1980-81
Maj. Gen. Jack W. Blair, 1980-81
Maj. Gen. Robert L. Childers, 1981-82
Rear Adm. Frederick B. Warder, 1982/07/21
Brig. Gen. James K. McLaughlin, 1982-83
Brig. Gen. William Fleshman, 1997/08/07
Maj. Gen. Allen Tackett, 1997/08/07
U.S. Sen. Robert C. Byrd, 1997/12/15
Staff Sgt. Gene Arden Vance, Jr., 2002
Command Sgt. Maj. Terry Lee, 2011/07/13
Chief Warrant Officer Five William Atwell, 2012/01/07
2nd Lt. Frederick A. Mayer, 2014/08/03
Command Sgt. Maj. Kevin Harry, 2017/02/02
Harold Taylor, 2017/06/29
Command Sgt. Maj. James Allen, 2018/10/23
Chief Warrant Officer Five Gary Isner, 2019/06/10
Maj. Gen. James Hoyer, 2021/01
Command Sgt. Robert Chandler, 2022/04/29