

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES  
BUILDING 3, CAPITOL COMPLEX  
CHARLESTON, WV 25317

APPLICATION FOR GOLDSTAR FAMILY LICENSE PLATE  
Please Check Appropriate License Plate:

**PART I - TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT**

NAME OF PARENT, SPOUSE OR RELATIVE OF DECEASED MEMBER IDENTIFIED IN PART II  
(Name Must be on Title): \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of owner(s) exactly as shown on current registration for vehicle you wish to register:

Name(s)		Telephone Number	
Present Street Address		Current License Plate Number	
City	State	Zip	Title Number
Model Year	Make	Vehicle Identification Number	

**INSURANCE INFORMATION**

Effective Date of Insurance Policy: From \_\_\_\_\_ To \_\_\_\_\_  
Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_  
Agent \_\_\_\_\_ Policy Number \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby state that there is a motor vehicle liability policy in effect on the described vehicle in accordance with provisions of the West Virginia Motor Vehicle Laws and certify that the statements made are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief under penalty of false swearing, West Virginia Code §17A-9-1; Fraudulent Applications.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Applicant** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

**PART II**

APPLICANT'S RELATIONSHIP TO DECEASED SERVICEMEMBER (X ONE)							
<input type="checkbox"/>	WIDOW	<input type="checkbox"/>	STEPFATHER	<input type="checkbox"/>	SON	<input type="checkbox"/>	DAUGHTER BY ADOPTION
<input type="checkbox"/>	WIDOWER	<input type="checkbox"/>	MOTHER THROUGH ADOPTION	<input type="checkbox"/>	DAUGHTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	BROTHER
<input type="checkbox"/>	MOTHER	<input type="checkbox"/>	FATHER THROUGH ADOPTION	<input type="checkbox"/>	STEPSON	<input type="checkbox"/>	SISTER
<input type="checkbox"/>	FATHER	<input type="checkbox"/>	FOSTER MOTHER IN LOCO PARENTIS	<input type="checkbox"/>	STEPDAUGHTER	<input type="checkbox"/>	HALF BROTHER
<input type="checkbox"/>	STEPMOTHER	<input type="checkbox"/>	FOSTER FATHER IN LOCO PARENTIS	<input type="checkbox"/>	SON BY ADOPTION	<input type="checkbox"/>	HALF SISTER
SERVICEMEMBER DATA							
a. NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIA,)			b. PAY GRADE OR RANK		c. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER OR SERVICE SERIAL NUMBER		
d. DATE OF DEATH (YYYYMMDD)		e. BRANCH OF SERVICE		f. GEOGRAPHICAL AREA OF SERVICE			

**PART III - CERTIFICATION BY THE WEST VIRGINIA DIVISION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

The West Virginia Division of Veterans Affairs certifies that the above named person qualifies for the requested Gold Star special military registration plate authorized under West Virginia Code §17A-3-14.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name of Veterans Affair Officer** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of Veterans Affair Officer**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

## **SPECIAL MILITARY LICENSE PLATE INFORMATION**

To qualify for a special military license plate, an applicant must submit all documentation as required by the West Virginia Division of Veterans Affairs in Part II of the application.

1. Please complete Part 1 of the application. The vehicle on which the plate will be placed must be a Class A (passenger car or truck). The vehicle must be currently titled in West Virginia in the applicant's name.
2. The fee for a Class A (car or truck) special military license plate is the regular registration fee of \$30.00, and an additional one time fee of \$10.00. If your current plate is due to expire within two months, please enclose a copy of your personal property tax receipt. Special military license plates will expire July 1 of each year. Please attach your check payable to DMV to the application.
3. Part II of this application must be certified by the West Virginia Division of Veterans Affairs. Applicants may submit the application to your local Veteran Affairs office. Attach copies of documents which verify eligibility for the Gold Star Plate. Eligibility for the special military license plate is contingent upon providing the West Virginia Division of Veterans Affairs with any information or documentation that they deem necessary to verify eligibility. Once Veterans Affairs has certified your application, you may submit it to your regional DMV office.
4. Within ten days after receipt of the special military plate, the current plate and registration card must be returned to the Division of Motor Vehicles or transferred to another vehicle titled in the applicant's name.
5. Additional special military license plates may be obtained by completing another Form DMV-48K.
6. Your fee is based on the expiration date of your present license plate. Use the first letter or number of your license plate to calculate your fee. This amount includes the one-time \$10.00 fee. All special military license plates will expire July 1 of each year. Your renewal fee will be \$30.00 per year. Please submit the correct fee with your application before mailing. All special military license plates may be issued for two years.

<b>CURRENT PLATE</b>	<b>FEES</b>	<b>2 YEAR FEES</b>
Plate begins with 5, 6 or 7 (expires this year)	\$40.00	\$70.00
Plate begin with 8	\$43.12	\$73.12
Plate begins with 9	\$40.74	\$70.74
Plate begins with O	\$38.36	\$68.36
Plate begins with N	\$35.98	\$65.98
Plate begins with D	\$33.60	\$63.60
Plate begins with 1	\$31.22	\$61.22
Plate begins with 2	\$28.84	\$58.84
Plate begins with 3	\$26.46	\$56.46
Plate begins with 4	\$24.08	\$54.08
Plate begins with 5 (expires next year)	\$21.70	\$51.70
Plate begins with 6 (expires next year)	\$19.32	\$49.32

### ***PLEASE ALLOW THIRTY (30) DAYS FOR DELIVERY*** **CRITERIA FOR GOLD STAR BASED ON FEDERAL LAW. (10 USC§1126)**

Public Law 534 – 89<sup>th</sup> Congress, directs the design and distribution of a lapel button, to the known as the “Gold Star Lapel Button,” to identify widows, parents and next of kin of members of the Armed Forces of the United States who lost their lives:

- (1) During **World War I**, April 16, 1917 to March 3, 1921;
- (2) During **World War II**, September 8, 1939 to July 25, 1947
- (3) During any subsequent period of armed hostilities in which the United States was engaged before July 1, 1958 (United Nations action in **Korea**, June 27, 1950 to July 27, 1954);
- (4) After June 30, 1958
  - (a) while engaged in an action against an enemy of the United States;
  - (b) while engaged in military operations involving conflict with an opposing foreign force;
  - (c) while serving with friendly foreign forces engaged in an armed conflict in which the United States is not a belligerent party against an opposing armed force.\*
- (5) Other operations recognized by the United States Department of Defense.