

Name _____ First _____ Initial _____ Last _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____ Street _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Membership ID# former member _____ Post # _____ Phone # _____ Email _____ Gender ☐ Male ☐ Female

Please check war era and branch of service below:

☐ Global War on Terror ☐ U.S. Army

☐ Gulf War ☐ U.S. Navy

☐ Panama ☐ U.S. Air Force

☐ Lebanon/Grenada ☐ U.S. Marines

☐ Vietnam ☐ U.S. Space Force

☐ Korea ☐ U.S. Coast Guard

☐ WWII ☐ Merchant Marines (WWII only)

☐ Other Conflicts

I certify that I have served federal active duty in the United States Armed Forces since December 7, 1941, and have been honorably discharged or I am still serving.

Signed by applicant _____ Date _____ Name of sponsor _____ D77010

If you are a new member, send this completed application with annual dues to The American Legion, Attn: Membership, P.O. Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206 (check www.legion.org for dues amount), or take it to a local post. To locate a post near you, click on "Find a Post" at legion.org.

DUES RECEIPT
(please print)

Date _____

Received from _____

\$ _____ for 20 _____ dues

Sponsor's name _____

Sponsor's signature _____

Sponsor's phone # _____

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 **AMERICAN LEGION** Department of ILLINOIS

WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN THE AMERICAN LEGION

Patriotism. Service. Fraternity.
It's a powerful package! It's a program of involvement in the many facets of your life. It's a program that can have a positive influence in the lives of you and your family. It's a program of promise!

 309-633-0361

 hdqs@illegion.org

 2720 E. Lincoln St.
Bloomington, IL
61704

 **AMERICAN LEGION**



**SPONSOR
A
VETERAN
PROGRAM**

WHAT IS "SPONSOR A VET?"

The "Sponsor a Veteran Program" is a way for The American Legion Department of Illinois to ensure that everyone has the chance to become a Legionnaire. Many of us were fortunate to have a friend or family member sponsor our first year of membership in this great organization. Now we can do the same for a new generation of Veterans. We never want money to stand in the way of allowing someone to be a part of our Legion Family. This program will help the Department of Illinois to reach active duty soldiers and Veterans statewide.

This program will allow our Legionnaires to take an active role in growing our membership. Take this opportunity to sponsor a relative that is on active duty or a Veteran. If you don't have a specific person to sponsor, don't worry - YOU CAN STILL HELP! Send a donation of any amount to The American Legion Sponsor a Vet Fund. This money will be used by the Department of Illinois to sponsor the membership of active duty soldiers and needy Veterans throughout the state.

WHY BECOME A SPONSOR?

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Feel proud knowing that you are contributing to a cause. The Legion does so much for individuals and families alike. We are helping service members and their families access VA services and community resources, such as employment opportunities, education benefits, and housing assistance. We also offer community. Veterans from all walks of life have a common ground; somewhere to come together and share their stories and experiences.

THE LEGION'S MISSION

To enhance the well-being of America's veterans, their families, our military, and our communities by our devotion to mutual helpfulness. The American Legion's vision statement is "The American Legion: Veterans Strengthening America." The American Legion's value principles are as follows:

A VETERAN IS A VETERAN - which means The American Legion embraces all current and former members of the military and endeavors to help them transition into their communities.

SELFLESS SERVICE - which means The American Legion celebrates all who contribute to something larger than themselves and inspires others to serve and strengthen America.

AMERICAN VALUES AND PATRIOTISM - which means The American Legion advocates for upholding and defending the United States Constitution, equal justice and opportunity for everyone and discrimination against no one, youth education, responsible citizenship and honoring military service by observing and participating in memorial events.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT - which means The American Legion meets the unique needs of local communities.

ADVANCING THE VISION - which means The American Legion educates, mentors and leads new generations of Americans.

HONOR THOSE WHO CAME BEFORE US - which means The American Legion pays perpetual respect for all past military sacrifices to ensure they are never forgotten by new generations.

The American Legion's motto is
"Veterans Strengthening America."

Mail to : The American Legion
"Sponsor a Veteran"
PO Box 2910
Bloomington, IL 61702

____ YES, I want to help support
a Veteran of the Department
of Illinois's choosing.

____ \$40.00 ____ \$25.00 ____ \$15.00

____ other (Amt. enclosed: _____)

Make checks payable to:
The American Legion "Sponsor a Veteran"

____ YES, I want to sponsor the following veteran for membership in
The American Legion. I have enclosed my donation of \$40.00.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

I certify that the above listed veteran served at least one (1) day of
active duty during the dates of American Legion eligibility.

PLEASE COMPLETE THE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION ON REVERSE SIDE