

50th Anniversary Vietnam War Commemorative Events - 2021 Awards Events/activities must have taken place from Jan. 1, 2021 to Dec. 31, 2021 **Please read through this carefully as some rules have been changed**

There will be only 1 National winner in each of the 7 categories.

One Outstanding State Member (OSM) will be recognized from each state.

- 1. Best Single Chapter Event:** Honoring Vietnam Veterans at an **organized chapter ceremony**. Must have presented the US Commemorative lapel pin and a DAR Vietnam Veteran Certificate to the Veterans.
- 2 Best Multi-Chapter Event:** This is a jointly sponsored event Honoring Vietnam Veterans. At least 2 chapters must work together to put on this event. Both, and multi chapters can submit a joint report.
- 3. Best Chapter Vietnam War Display:** This can be at a function, or in a community building (such as a city hall), or a display that can be transported to various functions.
- 4. Best Chapter Publication:** This is a printed document, such as a book, pamphlet, program etc. that honors Vietnam Veterans. It is **not** news coverage such as newspaper coverage. It can however be a published magazine article.
- 5. Best Single State Event:** Honoring Vietnam Veterans at an organized state event. Must have presented the US Commemorative lapel pin and a DAR Vietnam Veteran Certificate to the Veterans.
- 6. Best State Publication:** This is a printed document, such as a book, pamphlet, program etc. that honors Vietnam Veterans. It is not news coverage such as newspaper coverage. It can however be a published magazine article.

Rules for #1 - #6: The entry form must be the first page in the theme folder, and it must be completely filled out and signed where indicated.

No 3 ring binders will be allowed. **A 3-ring binder will be immediately disqualified.** A theme folder must be used for each entry.

You cannot use more than 20 typed pages (8 1/2" x 11") on one side (type size 12, Ariel or Times New Roman font) and 5 pages of pictures for a total of 25 pages. More pictures can **replace** some of the typed pages. You may add news articles, ceremony program, etc. in the pockets of the theme folder. The folder must not exceed 1/2-inch thickness!

The chapter nomination is submitted to your State Commemorative Event chair. She will determine first, second and third place winners and will send the **state first place winner** to the respective National Division Vice Chair before April 1, for judging. The National Division Vice Chairs will have their entries judged and will send the Division 1st place winners to the National Vice Chair of the 50th Anniversary Vietnam War Commemorative Event. Reports are to be sent by snail mail, not electronically (these will not be considered).

7. Largest number of Vietnam Veterans honored at a single chapter organized event.

Must have presented the US Commemorative lapel pin and a DAR Vietnam Veteran Certificate to the Veterans.

Rules for #7: Must use an entry Form and ONE sheet of paper (8 1/2" x 11"):

Give name of chapter, date of event, exact number of Vietnam Veterans honored, and a brief description of the ceremony/event.

The chapter nomination is submitted to your State Commemorative Event chair. She will determine first, second and third place winners and will send the **state first place winner** to the respective National Division Vice Chair before April 1. The National Division Vice Chair will determine 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners for her division and will send the 1st place winner to the National Vice Chair of 50th anniversary Vietnam War Commemorative Event before April 1. Reports are to be sent by snail mail, not electronically (these will not be considered.)

The National winner will be based on not only the number of Vietnam Veterans honored, but the **quality** of the ceremony/ event.

8. Outstanding State Member (OSM)

This award is presented by the National Vietnam Commemoration and is NOT a NSDAR award. The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration wants to recognize the Most Outstanding NSDAR State Member for her efforts in honoring and thanking Vietnam Veterans.

Rule for #8: The **OSM Entry Form** must be used. You may use one additional page of paper (8 1/2" x 11") describing the reason for the nomination. **This form must be signed by the State Regent.**

Only **ONE** name from each state may be submitted and she may not be a previous recipient. Chapters are encouraged to submit a name to the **State Regent**, who, with her executive committee will pick the state Outstanding Member. This form must be signed by the State Regent.

This entry does **not** go through Division chairs. It will be submitted directly to National Vice Chair 50th anniversary Vietnam War Commemorative Events. She will submit the names to the United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration Commission. Reports are to be sent by snail mail, not electronically (these will not be considered.)

Each OSM from each state will be recognized at a special ceremony during NSDAR Continental Congress. If they are unable to attend, a representative for them should be there to receive this highly prestigious award.