VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, INC.
TEXAS STATE COUNCIL

AWARD DEFINITIONS

POINTMAN OF THE YEAR: Presented to the Individual Member who in the opinion of the chapter membership *has stepped forward to take the lead in achieving the goals and ideals of VVA and the chapter, exemplified outstanding leadership qualities, hard work, and/or dedication to chapter projects and community activities/events.*

ASSOCIATE MEMBER: Presented to the Associate Member who, in the opinion of the membership *has done the most to assist the chapter in advancing the goals and ideas of VVA and your chapter.*

FRIEND OF VVA: Presented to a person, organization, or business that is not a member of VVA who in the opinion of the chapter membership has best assisted the chapter in *improving the condition of the Vietnam Veterans.*

HEART OF PATRIOTISM AWARD: Award 1 Presented to an educator of grades K-12 or university professor, faculty or administrator of any institute of higher learning ; *who promotes and encourages patriotism among his/her students.*
Award 2 Presented to a school or university that *promotes and encourages patriotism among the student body and the community.*

LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR: Presented to an elected city, county, state, or government official *who has enhanced or contributed to the improvement of lives and conditions of Vietnam Veterans of Texas.*

VETERAN INCARCERATED OF THE YEAR: Presented to a Veteran or Veterans Group that is incarcerated behind the walls of Texas Department of Criminal Justice. *The Veteran or Group must show commitment to making a difference in the lives of other Veterans incarcerated with them or other Veterans on other units. It is up to the group sponsor to verify the nomination and submit the nomination to VVA TSC. If there is no Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter group sponsor, then the nominator must supply a DD214 along with verification of commitment.*

CHAPTER WEBSITE: Presented to the Chapter *who has an active website that is NOT professionally maintained. The website must contain pertinent information and easy to navigate.*

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May 1, 2026

MEMO TO: ALL VVA TEXAS CHAPTERS / AVVA MEMBERS

FROM: BUDDY FARINA, Chair / SANDRA WOMACK, Special Advisor
Public Affairs Committee

RE: AWARD NOMINATIONS

Attached you will find the Nomination Form that needs to be completed for the five (5) awards that will be presented in June at the Texas State Council Meeting. The definitions of the awards for *FRIEND OF VVA, ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF THE YEAR, POINTMAN OF THE YEAR, HEART OF PATRIOTISM, CHAPTER WEBSITE AND LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR* is also attached. Please return completed form to **TSC Awards Committee c/o 11310 Fairfield, Beaumont, TX 77713 or you may email them to us.**

We encourage you to submit these nominations along with photographs & newspaper articles of nominee if available. All submissions remain the property of the VVA TSC Awards Committee. All nomination forms must be received via snail mail or emailed **NO LATER THAN AUGUST 31, 2026**. NO NOMINATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UNLESS SUBMITTED THROUGH THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

The chapter representative submitting the nomination will receive confirmation via email or a phone call confirming your nomination(s) have been received. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

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VIETNAM VETERANS TEXAS STATE COUNCIL
AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

AWARD BEING NOMINATED FOR:

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NAME OF PERSON BEING NOMINATED:

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NAME OF PERSON / CHAPTER MAKING THE NOMINATION:

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MAILING ADDRESS OF NOMINATOR:

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PHONE: EVENING _____ DAY _____

EMAIL OF NOMINATOR: _____

PLEASE TELL US WHY THIS PERSON SHOULD RECEIVE THIS AWARD:

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IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO USE THE REVERSE SIDE

ALL NOMINATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY SNAIL MAIL OR EMAILED ***NO LATER THAN AUGUST 15, 2026*** TO: VVA TSC COUNCIL AWARDS COMMITTEE C/O 11310 FAIRFIELD, BEAUMONT, TX 77713 OR email to or sandrawr2@aol.com