



## She Is A Veteran

Women Veterans Outreach Campaign

Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency (MVAA)

### About the Campaign:

*She Is A Veteran* is an initiative to recognize the many remarkable women in Michigan who have served their country in the US Armed Forces. The campaign is focused on highlighting the fact that these women are veterans, have a story to share and have a right to access benefits they have earned through their service.

### Goal:

To ensure the experiences of Michigan's women veterans are shared through photos, videos, and storytelling and to ultimately connect women veterans with the benefits they have earned. Women veterans who may have a similar military occupational specialty, branch, era served, geographical location, sexual identity, race, or ethnicity may see themselves in a story and find community, purpose, identity, and strength in identifying as a veteran.

\*Please fill out this form and tell us about you and your story.

First Name:	Last Name:
Age:	City:
Email Address:	County:
Branch of Service:	Period of Service:
Date Separated:	Rank at Separation:

### Instructions:

1. Please fill out form completely.
2. Tell us your story. (Send us a written story, video and/or pictures.) It can be about anything:
  - Why did you join?
  - What is a memorable moment you had as a service member?
  - What was your job in the military?
  - Did you experience any adversity? How did you overcome it?
  - What was it like to transition into civilian life? What obstacles did you face?
  - Do you identify as a veteran? Why or why not?

- If your race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, or gender identity plays a part in your story, please tell us how.
  - Have you reached out to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) in an attempt to access benefits or services? If so, what was your experience?
3. Sign publicity consent form if you consent to us using your photo/video/story in our exhibit, on our website, and in any other communications.
  4. Any questions? Please feel free to reach out to Erika Hoover, Women Veteran Initiative Coordinator at MVAA. [HooverE2@michigan.gov](mailto:HooverE2@michigan.gov)
  5. Send forms to Erika Hoover at above email or by mail: P.O. Box30104, Lansing, MI 48909

**Publicity Consent:**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby consent to the use, publication, broadcast, telecast, distribution and circulation of my name, photograph, image and/or likeness by the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency (MVAA) in any marketing materials associated with MVAA, including (but not limited to) print publications, video, audio, advertisements and any promotional or educational materials in any medium now known or later developed, including the Internet.

I further understand and agree that this Publicity Consent shall remain in full force and effect unless cancelled in writing and in reasonable advance of publication.

I am an adult, 18 years of age or older, and mentally competent.

I have read the above and fully understand its contents. I am voluntarily signing this “Publicity Consent” as my free and voluntary act.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Do not share my story, but please archive with the State of Michigan Library.

**Please attach your story on a separate page with this nomination form.**

**\*Note: if you send photos, we will be unable to return them, please send copies.**

**Submission due by June 30, 2019.**