

**COMMANDER  
SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

**Presents the  
Commanding Officer's  
Unit Citation  
November 2010 - November 2011**



To the

**Gettysburg Blues  
INFANTRY REGIMENT  
SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

**For service as set forth in the following citation:**

**This unit has for several years consistently exemplified the principles and objects of the Sons of Veterans Reserve by participating in the annual Gettysburg, Pennsylvania Memorial Day celebration and serving as the Honor Guard for numerous state and national celebrities attending the Memorial Day services including generals, admirals and high ranking state and national political personalities.**

**This unit participates in an average of eight significant Civil War related appearances annually in locations from New York to Virginia. They lead the Sons of Veterans Reserve Remembrance Day Civil War military parade through the streets of Gettysburg enjoyed by thousands of spectators.**

**Their strong commitment to the principles for which our Order was founded, clearly distinguishes them as a loyal representative of the Sons of Veterans Reserve and a most noteworthy recipient of this distinguished award.**

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Major General, SVR  
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To the

**10<sup>th</sup> Tennessee United States  
INFANTRY REGIMENT  
SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

**For service as set forth in the following citation:**

**This unit has for several years consistently exemplified the principles and objects of the Sons of Veterans Reserve by conducting safe and effective training sessions for ceremonial firing squads; participating in Flag Day observances; Veterans Day observances; marker dedications for a number of Civil War veterans and for maintaining recruitment booths at the Fort Negley Military Demonstration, the Franklin, Tennessee Civil War Days, and the Middle Tennessee Civil War Show.**

**They served as the Color Guard for the 146<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Battle of Franklin, Tennessee March; they also served as both the Color Guard and Honor Guard for the interment ceremony of the Franklin Unknown Soldier, and provided a 24 hour Honor Guard while the Unknown Soldier lay in state. This event gained local, state, and national media attention.**

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COMMANDER

*SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE*

Takes pleasure in presenting the

**Distinguished Service Medal**

**GOLD STAR**



To

**Corporal Courtney S. Stahr**  
**SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

For services as set forth in the following citation:

For exceptionally distinguished service and sustained outstanding performance of duty while serving as Corporal of Company A, 49<sup>th</sup> Iowa Volunteer Infantry, 4<sup>th</sup> Military District, Sons of Veterans Reserve.

You have been instrumental in organizing and attending activities of your unit which have thrust it into the public spotlight and has attracted the favorable attention of the Deputy Adjutant General of Iowa, the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs, the State Historical Society of Iowa, both of Iowa's sitting United States Senators and Governor Chester Culver who was in office when your unit participated in over fifty events during its first year in existence including posting the Colors at a professional sporting event with thousands of spectators in attendance. You have also distinguished yourself by designing and building a dynamic website for your unit which has been visited by over one and one-quarter million persons.

Your accomplishments and your efforts to promote the Sons of Veterans Reserve make you a noteworthy recipient of this prestigious award.

PRESENTED THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2011 AT GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

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# COMMANDER

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Takes pleasure in presenting the

### **Distinguished Service Medal**

#### **GOLD STAR**



To

### **Colonel Andrew M. Johnson** **SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

For services as set forth in the following citation:

For exceptionally distinguished service and sustained outstanding performance of duty while serving on the Sons of Veterans Reserve General Staff as Washington D. C. Representative.

Washington D. C., being a city of many monuments, memorials and ceremonies, provides many occasions to represent the Sons of Veterans Reserve in a highly visible manner, which you have done with a deep sense of duty and pleasure. You have represented the Sons of Veterans Reserve in ceremonies at the Civil War monument for unknown soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery held annually on the original Memorial date of May 30; you have maintained a liaison with the Lincoln Birthday National Commemorative Committee and on President Abraham Lincoln's birthday you have represented the SVR at the Lincoln Memorial by placing a wreath on behalf of the SVR Commanding General. You have maintained a close relationship with a number of hereditary societies which affords both input and exposure for the Sons of Veterans Reserve.

You have performed your duties as the SVR Washington D. C. Representative for almost a decade and your outstanding efforts to promote the Sons of Veterans Reserve certainly make you a noteworthy recipient of this prestigious award.

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**GOLD STAR**



To

**Colonel Elmer F. Atkinson**  
**SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

For services as set forth in the following citation:

For exceptionally distinguished service and sustained outstanding performance of duty while serving on the Sons of Veterans Reserve General Staff as Inspector General.

In addition to your duties as SVR Inspector General you have served with great distinction as Chairman of both the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War Military Affairs Committee and the SUVCW Remembrance Day Committee. These committees play a vital role in the planning and execution of the annual Albert Woolson Monument ceremony, the annual SVR breakfasts and the annual SVR Gettysburg Remembrance Day Military Parade which is the crown jewel of Sons of Veterans Reserve activities. You also play a crucial role in organizing and conducting the annual Civil War Ball during Remembrance Day Week-end which has generated through the year 2010 over \$64,000 for presentation to the Gettysburg National Military Park for Civil War monument preservation.

You have performed your duties as the SVR Inspector General for over a decade and your outstanding efforts to promote the Sons of Veterans Reserve certainly make you a noteworthy recipient of this prestigious award.

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***SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE***

Takes pleasure in presenting the

**Meritorious Service Medal**

**SILVER STAR**



To

**Sergeant Michael J. Rowley**  
**SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

For services as set forth in the following citation:

For exceptionally meritorious service and sustained outstanding performance of duty while serving as Color Sergeant of Company A, 49<sup>th</sup> Iowa Volunteer Infantry, 4th Military District, Sons of Veterans Reserve.

You single-handedly coordinated volunteer activities for members of your unit and the Iowa Veterans Medical Center in Des Moines, Iowa whereby unit members and their spouses now visit the residential care facility regularly to participate in “Wednesday Night Bingo and Game Night” which has resulted in recognition of your unit by the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs and recognition for you by the Governor of Iowa. You are also responsible for your unit’s Color Guard receiving recognition from the Sons of the American Revolution for participating in the re-dedication of a new gravestone for a Revolutionary War Patriot. This event received wide media coverage in Iowa, Illinois and Missouri bringing favorable public attention to the Sons of Veterans Reserve.

You have repeatedly and consistently distinguished yourself and brought enormous recognition to your unit and the Sons of Veterans Reserve thus making you a noteworthy recipient of this prestigious award.

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**SILVER STAR**



To

**1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant David M. DuBrucq**  
**SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

For services as set forth in the following citation:

For exceptionally meritorious service and sustained outstanding performance of duty while serving as Commander of the 10<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Tennessee U. S. Volunteer Infantry, 7th Military District, Sons of Veterans Reserve.

You were the organizing commander of your SVR unit in 2008 and since that time you have actively recruited new members and conducted effective training for your unit. You annually participate in Memorial Day observances at Stones River National Battle Park and you restored a cannon carriage at that park. You annually lead Flag Day and Veterans' Day observances and participate in grave marker dedications. In 2010 you participated in the Fort Negley Military Demonstration, the Franklin Civil War Days re-enactment and commanded the 146<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Battle of "Franklin march from Fort Granger to the Carter House in conjunction with the Sons of Confederate march from Winstead Hill.

Your dedication to preserving our Civil War heritage clearly qualifies you as a most noteworthy recipient of this prestigious award and a most noteworthy representative of the Sons of Veterans Reserve.

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### **Meritorious Service Medal**

**SILVER STAR**



To

### **Captain George J. Weinmann SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

For services as set forth in the following citation:

For exceptionally meritorious service and sustained outstanding performance of duty while serving as Commander of Company I, 83<sup>rd</sup> New York Volunteer Infantry (9<sup>th</sup> New York State Militia) 2nd Military District, Sons of Veterans Reserve.

Through your personal efforts you have spent hundreds of hours doing research at many locations including the National "Archives in Washington, D.C., the New York City Municipal archives and numerous libraries and historical societies resulting in the locating of hundreds of Civil War Veterans' graves and marking them with government headstones in New York City cemeteries. You were successful in obtaining a ten thousand dollar (\$10,000.00) grant from the New York Division of Veterans Affairs to cover the cost of copies of proof of service for these Civil War veterans. It is anticipated that as a result of your work over 1100 graves will have new headstones at the end of our four year Civil War sesquicentennial celebration.

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To

### **First Lieutenant Robert Dorsey SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

For services as set forth in the following citation:

For exceptionally meritorious service and sustained outstanding performance of duty while serving as Commander of the Gettysburg Blues, 2nd Military District, Sons of Veterans Reserve. Under your personal leadership you have conducted effective training of your unit for ceremonial firing squads, and your attention to detail have made for seamless meshing of your unit with other units when participating in Civil War related functions. As commander of your unit you have orchestrated an average of eight significant appearances annually of your unit in Civil War related events in several states from New York to Virginia. Your unit has participated in the highly visible Gettysburg Memorial Day celebration which regularly attracts notable political, military and entertainment personalities. Your unit regularly marches under your leadership at the head of the Sons of Veterans Reserve Remembrance Day Parade.

Your dedication clearly manifests your outstanding professionalism, superb leadership, and certainly qualifies you as a most noteworthy recipient of this prestigious award and a most noteworthy representative of the Sons of Veterans Reserve.

**Robert E. Grim**

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**Commanding**

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***SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE***

Takes pleasure in presenting this

**CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION**



To  
**Private Michael Farrell**  
**SONS OF VETERANS RESERVE**

For services as set forth in the following citation:

He is commended for his unselfish, faithful and devoted service by encouraging and assisting Boy Scout Marshall Polston achieve his Eagle Scout project by devising a renovation plan, assembling a team of vendors and donors to provide the expertise, material, and funds required, leading to a successful cemetery restoration following the relocation of the graves of the last two Civil War veterans buried in an isolated and neglected cemetery. He then organized an impressive cemetery rededication ceremony which included participation by owners of the cemetery property, Amzi D. Harmon Company Sons of Veterans Reserve, The Department of Florida Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and Allied Orders, the Boy Scouts, Pennsylvania Light Artillery Battery B, the local high school band and ROTC unit and church vocalists from two churches and a 21 gun salute. The event was reported by both the local newspaper and the local Fox television station.

Your dedication to preserving our Civil War heritage brings great credit to you and the Sons of Veterans Reserve.

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