

# APPLICATION FOR VICTORY MEDAL

DUPLICATE

BY NEXT OF KIN FOR

*Mich*  
Smith. Chester Atkin

(Surname)

(Christian name in full)

(Army serial number)

Sgt. Co. G. 337 Inf.

Deceased

I apply for Victory Medal with appropriate clasps for his service in the United States Army in The World War:

Major operations participated in (Instruction 2):

CAMBRAI	SOMME OFFENSIVE
SOMME DEFENSIVE	OISE-AISNE
LYS	YPRES-LYS
AISNE	ST. MIHIEL
MONTDIDIER-NOYON	MEUSE-ARGONNE
CHAMPAGNE-MARNE	VITTORIO-VENETO
AISNE-MARNE	

Defensive sector service (Instruction 3):

Service abroad not entitling him to battle clasp, in (Instruction 4)

FRANCE; ITALY; SIBERIA; RUSSIA; ENGLAND

Signature of

Applicant

(Instr. 6)

(Next of kin)

Relationship and address

*Wade B. Smith*  
*Father*  
*815 Lake St. Petoskey*  
*Mich.* Date *9-9-20.*

TO BE FILLED OUT BY FORWARDING AND APPROVING OFFICER

RECRUITING STATION.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

SEP 10 1920

(Station of forwgd. or apprg. officer)

(Date)

(Instruction 8)

To The Adjutant General of the Army (-1 Incls.)

Signature

To the Depot Officer, G. S. Depot, Phila., Pa.

Approved for Victory Medal.

With battle clasps\*

H. BOWIE,

LT. COL. CAV. ASST. R. Q.

With clasp... for service not entitling to battle clasp:\*

Signature of Approving Officer

*P. C. Harris*  
*P. C. Harris*

The Adjutant General.

(Rank and designation)

\* If none, so state.

(Instructions 7 and 9)

TO BE PREPARED ON TYPEWRITER BY APPLICANT

3. If it is known that the deceased had service requisite for the defensive sector clasp, as described in the Victory Medal Circular, the defensive sector in which he served will be specified, with dates.

4. If the deceased was not entitled to a battle clasp for participation in major operation or service in a defensive sector, but had served overseas in any of the countries and during specified periods specified in the following instructions, the applicant will place an "X" in the space in front of the country or countries in which the deceased served. 5. If the applicant is in doubt as to the deceased's participation in major operations, service in a defensive sector, or other character of service, he should explain in detail and to the best of his or her knowledge, in the space for remarks on the back of the original, the locations, dates, and organizations with which the deceased served at the time the discharge certificate or discharge order is missing or otherwise not available, explanation should be given under "Remarks."

6. The applicant will sign in ink, using his or her first Christian name, middle initial, and surname, his or her relationship and address which will be given in the space below the signature. Both original and duplicate will be signed, both being filled out identically, except that "Remarks" on back of original will not be reproduced on back of duplicate, nor will name of deceased, etc., be entered on original address slip.

7. The name of the next of kin making the application will be entered on the line provided for the name of the person to whom the package is to be mailed, unless the applicant desires the medal sent to an address other than his or her own. The name, etc., of the deceased will be entered on the lines provided therefor on the duplicate of address slip only. 8. (a) Applications by next of kin of persons whose death occurred while in the service will not be approved at posts, camps, or stations, but will in all cases be forwarded to The Adjutant General of the Army, Washington, D. C., for approval. Such applications from next of kin will, however, be received and examined as to correct entries of names and addresses and preparation in general. Aid in preparation will be given when necessary or requested.

(b) Applications by next of kin of persons whose death occurred *after* separation from the service will be received and approved at posts, camps, or stations, if the claim is supported by the accompanying papers, or will be forwarded to The Adjutant General of the Army with the accompanying papers if the claim is not substantiated. 9. The form will be forwarded intact, no part of it being detached by the applicant, or forwarding or approving officer.